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FORTY SECOND YEAR.

Deplorable Result of Attorney

General's Recent Intimida-

tion of Coroners.

Wm. Pollock's Body About to Be

Interred When Bullet Holes

Were Found.

quest in Default of a Mar-

tin Affidavit.

Vancouver, Jan. 6.—Owing to recent

stances surrounding his death and with-

his head. The remains had been pre-

pared for burial, the coroner saying that

he would not hold an inquest, before the

wounds in the head were discovered.

There is a bullet hole behind each ear.

In the first instance the body had been

only very superficially examined, and

as there was no one prepared to swear

that he thought there was foul play, no

inquest was to have been held. There

were no marks of powder about the bul-

let wounds and appearances now indi-cate that a foul murder has been com-

Mr. Pollock's body was found on the

were taken in charge by Constable Jones

the murderer or murderers.

Kills Eight and Maims Forty.

icinity were to all intents and purposes

moulders' wives and other relatives

mile away, and telegraph and telephone

BISHOP SULLIVAN DEAD.

One of the Ablest and Best Known

Members of the Anglican Clergy

in Canada.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—(Special) — Bishop

Bishop Sullivan was one of the most

Chicago as rector of Trinity church there, and thus had an international rep-

Algoma as bishop from 1882 to 1894,

when his active connection with that see ceased, completely broke down his health and for a couple of years he lived in

Europe acting as chaplain of an English nission church at Mentone, France. In 1896 on the elevation of Canon Dumoulin to the bishopric of Niagara, he succeeded to the rectorship of St. James' cathedral, which he held till his death.

NO CHANCE FOR TREATY

Their Friend Ned Farrer Says Liberal

Ministers Kootowing Will Gain

Nothing for Canada.

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From Our Own Corre

THE VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1899.

FRENCH SHORE RIGHTS. Seri-Official Statement That They Are

Paris, Jan. 6.-From well-informed quarters here it is regarded as probable that France and Great Britain will reach an agreement on the Newfoundland shore question, which will be satisfactory to Great Britain

pikely to Be Abandoned to Great

St. John's, Jan. 6.—General satisfac tion is expressed by the colonial press at French utterances indicating a willingness to settle the French shore question for monetary compensation. When the report of the British royal commission is published it will show that the French fishery operations on the west shore of Newfoundland are extremely trifling, while the St. Pierre archipelago owes its prosperity mentals to the compensation. Coroner Had Declined to Hold In-

### out the discovery of two bullet holes in

Venerable Senator From Manitoba Forfeits His Seat by Non-Attendance for Two Sessions.

Railway - Another Jaunt for Mr. Tarte.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, Jan. 6.-The Supreme court will sit on the 14th for the delivery of

who in writing to the authorities here Mr. Tarte is going to inspect the leading Atlantic ports of the United States.

The Ottawa Free Press, a government organ, says the extension of the Intercolonial system to Parry Sound is about the matter, conveyed the impression that Pollock had been drowned. The query is now offered "Why was an inquest not held up north and why did Constable Jones go out of his way to ex-press himself as to Pollock's death under the circumstances"? It is suggested that the constable took the course he did to divert attention from what he knew

A Manitoba senatorship will be de-clared vacant when parliament meets. Senator Sutherland, having failed to atand thus the easier get on the track tend for two consecutive sessions, has thereby, under the B. N. A. act, forfeited TERRIBLY FATAL BOILER TEST. his seat. On three previous occasions have senatorships thus been vacated—by Sir Edward Kenny in 1876, Col. Dickson in 1884, and Mr. Alexander in 1891. Explosion in English Shipbuilding Yard Senator Sutherland was appointed in 1871. He is in his 78th year, having been born in 1821 at what is now Winnibeau been born in 1821 at what is now Winnibeau been born in 1821 at what is now Winnibeau been born in 1821 at what is whole life. London, Jan. 6.—A big boiler, while being tested in Hawatt's shipbuilding yard at Barking, a town about seven miles from here, burst to-day and the superintending engineer and eight men were killed. About 40 persons were injured, some fatally peg, where he has spent his whole lifetime, occupying many important me cantile and public positions.

DOUKHOBORS' CHAMPION.

injured, some fatally.

The bodies of the dead were frightfully mutilated. The whole shipbuilding works was wrecked. A lad was found dead 30.

Canada.

yards from the scene of the disaster. A number of men and boys are missing. The windows in houses half a mile away shops in its immediate

DREYFUS ILL

London, Jan. 5 .- The Daily Telegraph mine away, and telegraph and telephone wires were blown down on all sides. Distressing scenes were witnessed among Cayenne, capital of French Guiana, saying that former Captain Dreyfus, now on Devil's Island has had a serious attack of dysentry and a physician had been summoned from Cayenne to attend

ITALY'S NAVY

Rome, Jan. 5.-Next year's naval esti-

GOMEZ IN THE WOODS.

Sullivan, rector of St. James' cathedral, died this morning of kidney trouble.

The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon. The body will lie in state during Monday morning in the body will be in state during Monday. day afternoon. The body will lie in state during Monday morning in the cathedral, which will be draped. Havana, Jan. 6.-General Brook has cultivated and eloquent of the English church clergy in Canada. He preached for years in Montreal and for a year in Chicago. Gomez and to treat with him as an equal power in the island.

LIZZIE DAVENPORT DEAD.

London, Jan. 4.-Mrs. Charles Matthews, the actress, formerly known as Miss Lizzie Davenport, died yesterday

THE ADAM'S POISONING.

New York, Jan. 5.—Up to a late hour to-night the promised arrest in the Adam's poisoning case has not materialized. OLYMPUS AGLOW.

London, Jan. 5.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Daily Telegraph which was followed by another of a milder character. At the same time a

After Lifelong Fight for Independence They Cannot Surrender to Strange Master.

Prolonged and Bloody War Promised Unless Americans Abandon Annexation.

Terrible Atrocities Marking the Closing Year of Spain's Cruel Sovereignty.

Manila, Jan. 6.-A despatch to the In-Vancouver, Jan. 6.—Owing to recent intimidation of coroners by the Attorney-General, the late Wm. Pollock, J.P., whose body was found on the beach up the coast, was about to be buried without an investigation into the circumdependencia, a native paper, from Malo- the existing intolerable state of affairs," los, the seat of the Philippine government, says the governors of all the provinces of Luzon have assembled at Malolos for the purpose of offering their lives and property in adhesion to the policy of the president and government. Conof the president and government. Continuing, the despatch says: "They say they fought only for the independence of the Philippines and are now unwilling to surrender to strangers."

Commenting upon President McKinley's proclamation to the Filipinos issued on Wednesday by Major-General Otis, possible, namely, the Americans' abandonment of their annexation policy, realizing that the people here are not desirous of adoption into their nationality, or a prolonged and bloody war. It then cites the example of the "noble patriots of Iloilo defying General Miller," and expresses hope for a pacific termination of the crisis, but with hints of trouble. The official organ, the Republic, i less aggressive, but not disposed to accept the suggestions of General Otis in

their entirely. The Spanish papers are The California regiment is still on

board the transports here awaiting or-Washington, Jan. 6.—The correspondence published officially in connection with the peace traty contains much of interest from United States Consul Williams, who was stationed at Manila prior to the war. In one despatch Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies, and Sam Parslow, be carried out. It marks who was broken up by force, many already wantonly shot to death, and many taken prisoners when a meeting of natives was broken up by force, why such efforts are true prisoners. The next day the sixty-two prisoners where marched to the certain state to the context of the Spaniards. One of the secretary of state for the colonies. Other papers may storm and scold and are not noticed, but when the Times being wantonly shot to death, and many taken prisoners. The next day the sixty-two prisoners were marched to the ceme tery and shot down in a body. Many of these, Mr. Williams edds, were not almost daily occorded to the context of the Spaniards. One of the secretary of state for the colonies. Other papers may storm and scold and are not noticed, but when the Times being wantonly shot to death, and many taken prisoners were marched to the ceme tery and shot down in a body. Many of these, Mr. Williams edds, were not almost daily occorded to the context of the Spaniards. One of the secretary of state for the colonies. Other papers may storm and scold and are not noticed, but when the Times being the two together and are construing them as parts of a deliberate policy, inspired by one mind are construing them as parts of a deliberate policy, inspired by one mind are construing them as parts of a deliberate policy, inspired by one mind. That mind, in the theory of the man-in-the-stered, is Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies. The Employers Liability Co. have been assigned the territory from Manitoba to the colonies. Other papers may storm and scold and are not noticed, but when the Times being the vice of the government. In the present instance, some Englishmen will place t ders.
Washington, Jan. 6.—The correspondence published officially in connection smaller scale, were of almost daily oc-currence. He also reports that several

progress in the islands.

VANCOUVER AND WESTMINSTER Record Cargo of Halibut-Enough of the Cold Spell-Boys Rob Bank's Mail Box.

From Our Own Correspondent. Vancouver, Jan. 6.-The steamer New England reached here from the halibut banks to-day with a record catch consisting of 180,000 pounds of fish.

mates, it is asserted, will provide for eight new battleships, two being of the to-day from Sapperton, tells of a horrible government agent here, by Mr. Hume, experience on Mount Baker. Parker the provincial secretary. No reasons fell down a crevice in the glacier 50 were given, but he was asked to hand feet. His arm and leg were broken. over his office on the 15th. He was hauled out with ropes and taken The people here are a good deal worked tion, and renewed protests may be ex-

> could be attended to. The weather in Vancouver continues was sent to Victoria, asking that Mr. very cold, and the citizens are anxious for a thaw. Owing to defective and the cold of the dismissal is to make merely fair weather, plumbing throughout the city, hundreds of water pipes a place for H. N. Coursier, a prominent

The sad news has reached the city of date at the last election. the death of ex-Motorman McEwen at Dawson from typhoid fever. F. S. Barnard, late manager of the electric road, George Brown and Mr. McEwen left for Dawson together last year. Mr. McEwen's death took place on November 21 lest

TRANSVAAL TYBANNIES. Jitlanders Heavily Fined for Protest Against Murder of Englishman

de Semi-Weekly Colonist.

felt in Cape circles in London at the news that a Uitlander who took part in the mass meeting held on Christmas day at Johannesburg, to protest against the murder of an Englishman named Ed-Formal Assumption of Protectorgar by a Boer policeman, has been fined £10, while the vice-president and the secretary of the South African League, also arrested at the same meeting, have been liberated on bail of £1.000.

Pretoria, Jan. 5.-The British agent here, Mr. Coningham Greene, declines to forward to the Queen the petition reciting the wrongs of the Uitlanders and By As ppealing for protection in such steps as VENERABLE AGE.

Montreal Priest Dies in Ninety-Sixth Year-The Mother of Esterbrooke

Montreal, Jan. 7.-The death is announced at the grey nunnery in this city the Independencia says the problem of Rev. Father P. O'Connel one of the her rights. Western Extension of Intercolonial which is presented is most grave. It addidest if not the oldest Irish priests in Canada. Had he lived until February 7 next he would have reached his 96th

Cornwall, Jan. 7 .- Mrs. Nathan Ester-

Winnipeg, Jan. 7 .- A. Harris, a vet-

DEMAND FOR DOUBLE HANGING French-Canadian Newspaper on the Case of Woman and Man Under Sen-

Indignant People Have Petitioned the Premier and Demand Parliamentary Investigation.

The Place Wanted for Pusher for Mr. Kellie at the Recent Election.

Special To The Colonist. Revelstoke, Jan. 7 .- J. D. Sibbald has

declined a proposal to send a special envoy into the woods to find General and the shattered limbs up over this outrageous dismissal. A pected.

In the meantime another enterprise few weeks ago a largely signed petition

pusher for Mr. Kellie, the Martin candi-

FRANKLYN AND WATER.

McEwen's death took place on November 21 last.

Mrs. H. Miles, of Vancouver, died yesterday. An infant daughter survives.

Peter Harrity, a man who for the past four months has been employed as bridge worker on the Canadian Pacific railway, died yesterday at New Westminster from a paralytic stroke.

At the Mainland Teachers' Institute meeting at Westminster, papers were read by Miss Newman on Kindergarten work; by J. R. H. Ker on arithmetical

Montreal, Jan. 6.—Special)—A correspondent Jeans to-day that Edward particles of the commission, and who has a followed by another of a parmyter general two products of the product of th

London, Jan. 5.—Great indignation is Tired of Dishonesty of French Diplomacy the British Take becisive Action.

> ate Over the Soudan Special Cause of Offence.

Cecil Rhodes Asking Guarantee for His Great Scheme of African Railroad.

may be found necessary to "terminate work together in European politics to increase . the tension between Great Britain and France. The past week has brought Madagascar and Egypt forward as irritants, just when the mutual irritability was subsiding. Even the most conservative observers begin to take a pessimistic view of the relations between the two powers. These include those who up to the present have considered the belligerency to be mere talk, due to super-sensitiveness upon the part of France and to unnecessary gruffness on the part of Great Britain in insisting upon what she considers to be

On one side France seems to foster the growing belief that Great Britain is determined under some pretext or other to force her into war, and is willing to make a pretext if no plausible eveuse brooke died at the age of 83 at her home or Cornwall island. One of her sons is the famous maker of Esterbrooke patience has been strained beyond endurance by what they deem to be the unvarnished dishonesty of French diplo-

> The past 24 hours brought the issue of the Madagascar bluebook and the publication in the Times of an article denouncing France in language so fiery from that conservative newspaper that Frenchmen are reading the two together

the government to swerve an inch to riage.

The finally final statement of the plebavoid war with France, thinking that if number of men and boys are missing. The windows in houses half a mile away were shaftered.

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blood to secure, it must have been set at rest by the utterances of Lord Cro-mer, in which the word "protectorate," written in large letters, appeared, though the government must have been set the government mouthpiece carefully ab stained from using that incendiary word. A more definite notice that Great Britain's tenure of Egypt is per-manent could not be asked. The Britmanent could not be asked. The Brit-ish agent told the assembled sheikhs that henceforth they would live under the joint British and Egyptian flags, knowing no sovereignty but that of the Queen and the Khedive, which of course means that the latter will be a harmless figurehead. This formal assumption of sov ereignty over the Soudan is more dis-tasteful to France than to any other na-

the utmost moment in furtherance of Great Britain's domination in Africa is about to be consummated. Mr. Cecil Rhodes, the former Premier of Cape Colony, alleged instigator of the Jameson raid, and the so-called "Napoleon of South Africa," is going to England to arrange for pushing forward the Capetown railroad, so long the dearest deem of the Imperial party. the utmost moment in furtherance dream of the Imperial party. A defi-nite proposition will be presented by Mr. Rhodes to London capitalists for an extension of the road from Buluwayo to Lake Tanganyika. Its importance for some years will be political instead of commercial, and he hopes to persuade the British government to smooth the way by guaranteeing 3½ per cent. interthe bonds to cover cost of construction.

THE FIGHTING ENGINEERS OF THE OREGON.

SIR WILFRID'S NEW DREAM. His Crude Scheme for Gagging the

Senate Altogether Impracticable.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—(Special)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier's proposal to "reform" the senate, as he terms it, is meeting with considerable opposition. Senator Drummond, one of the most influential members of the upper house, says: "I cannot see that the Premier's proposition is at all practicable. The Liberal majority in the Commons would of course swamp the senate and this scheme would practically mean its abolition."

Senator Sir William Hingston says. "Would the safeguard which the senate undoubtedly affords retain its efficiency were it dealt with in the way proposed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier? I think not. A change such as that suggested would reviviry the sumbering embers of party feeling in the senate, where they should not be seen."

Toronto, Jan. 7.—The World says: "If senate reform comes, it must be through a commission of the very best men, representative of both the federal and provincial powers. They ought to make a close, deep study of the whole question of federal institutions in other countries."

close, deep study of the whole question of federal institutions in other counries, and the results obtained so far our own country, and recommend to the Canadian parliament and Imperial parliament such changes as may be thought well to make, with the approval of the Canadian people."

Guarantee Company Given Handsome Monopoly by Government -Statute Revision.

Carleton County Treasurer and duty on the royalty, but in addition, a His Son Killed - Customs Officers for Atliu.

From Our Own Correspondent Ottawa, Jan. 7.-It is likely that at Ottawa, Jan. 7.—It is likely that at six cases of smallpox have broken out the next session the government will a short distance from Montreal, in the submit a proposition for the consolidation and revision of the Dominion statutes. Nearly 15 years have elapsed since last revision.

It is feared that the illness of Messrs.

Dingley and Foster will lead to the postponement of the Washington negotintions indefinitely.

Montreal, Jan. 7.—Club Geoffrion, the leading Liberal organization, is preparing an anti-Tarte demonstration for next week to answer certain statements made

Ontario Village Shocked-Losses

Petrolia and Winnipeg. was shocked to-day by a terrific explo was shocked to-day by a terrine explosion on the premises of A. D. Scott & Co., general merchants, of an acetylene gas machine. The building was wrecked and goods damaged. Mr. Scott was slightly burned and Miss Walls was struck on the head by flying debris.

Petrolia, Ont., Jan. 7.—A disastrous fire occurred here early this morning. The old Johnston house, two barber shops, a billiard room and a vacant store, all in the Lorentze house here below the control of the contro all in the Johnston house block, were burned to the ground. The loss

Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—At Hartney this man," and distinguishes us from our morning fire destroyed F. Woodhull & Yankee cousin, who, whether he hailed Co.'s drug store and quickly spread to J. Bradley's general store and Miss Magwood's millinery shop, all of which were totally destroyed. The post office is badly scorched, but the loss in postal matter will be slight. The total losses aggregate short \$12,000, mostly covered. aggregate about \$12,000, mostly covered

The territorial expansion now contem-

would not extend our nation, because "a plate," lashase, "chair," lem these regions are already full of alien "hammer," leplet (le petre), "praces, and are not habitable by Anglo-Calipeen, "a rifle," and Siwash, races, and are not habitable by Anglo-Saxon people. The strength of Anglo-Saxon decays, mentally, morally, physical activity of words—think produced a number of words—think, and Siwash, "Indian," are from the French carbine and swage.

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Special To The Colonist.

C.P.R. OFFENDS CUSTOMS. Montreal, Jan. 7.—The Canadian Pacific railway recently imported fifteen locomotives from Virginia works, but omitted to present an invoice detailing the royalties on the same, which are assessable for customs duties to the customs department. The department is now endeavoring to collect from the company, not only the regular amount of similar amount for the failure of thecompany to comply with the law.

SMALLPOX AT COTEAU. Montreal, Jan. 7.-The provincial board of health have been notified that vicinity of Coteau du Lac. On

at Coteau Landing and five are at Coteau du Lac proper. ANSWER FOR THE PREMIER.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE

the 41 point. In the Northwest the temperature was considerably below zero. GERRIE'S GOOD LUCK

Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—Robt. Gerrie has eccived an offer of \$50,000 for his interest in the Ophir gold mine at Lake of

MISSION TO OTTAWA. Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—Premier Greenway and Attorney-General Cameron will probably visit Toronto and Ottawa within a

LANGUAGE OF NOOTKA SOUND.

The historical date of the origin of the language is shown by the word for "Englishman," kintshautsh man, which being done into English is "King George from north or south or east or west of his vast territory is always known as a Boston man. Meanwhile another element crept in. Across the great prairies of Manitoba and the Northwest, over the peaks and through the gorges of the Rockies came the trapper of the Hudson Bay Company, the French-Can-CIVILIZATION IN THE TROPICS. adian voyageur, a man accustomed to-deal with Indians, and his individuality is strongly impressed into the jargon, which adopted his words with the article plated, would not extend our institutions, attached. Thus, under the letter L in because the proposed colonies are incapable of civilized self-government. It is nearly all the words are French; lassiet, the colonies are incapable of civilized self-government.

Gets Its Power From Constitution Which Is More Stable Than Sir Wilfrid.

Danger of Adding Another Incentive to Official Pressure in Bye-Elections.

Premier's Scheme Altogether Impracticable-Present Plan Has Worked Satisfactorily.

Special to the Colonist.

Toronto, Jan. 5.-The Globe, discuss ing editorially Sir Wilfrid Laurier's senate reform proposition, says: "We have read and considered Sir Wilfrid's arguments against the abolition of the senate, giving them all due weight, and we must say frankly that our opinion of the usefulness of the second chamber remains unchanged. Sir Wilfrid Laurier draws a distinction between the of second chamber in and the case of a second chamber for the Dominion, and we agree with him that the uselessness of a second chamber for a province has been demonstrated Ontario has not been governed in such a way that Quebec need have any fear about following its example and abolishing her upper chamber.

Montreal, Jan. 5.—The Gazette says "The suggested change in our legislat-ive machinery, slight as it may appear at first sight, would involve very ser ous consequences. The influence exercised at bye-elections by the government in power, already a dangerous element our politics, would be vastly increased carrying through of deals over the head of the senate were dependent upon adding one or two votes to the gov-ernment's majority in the Commons. ernment's majority in the Commons. Sir Wilfrid Laurier professes to be a great admirer of the British constitu-tion, but this is an innovation without

### MONTREAL ENTERPRISE

Leading Citizens Posting Themselves on Public Works at Other Commercial Centres.

Portland, Me., Jan. 5.—A party of prominent citizens of Montreal arrived here this morning to inspect the Grand Trunk wharves and elevators. Among the party are Mayor Prefontaine, Rob-ert McKay, M. P.; P. W. St. George, city suprayor: and Mosgrs D. Thom. city surveyor; and Messrs. D. Thom-son, E. H. Lemay, John Torrance, John Kennedy, A. Racine, Robert Bickerdike

SHIPS IN DISTRESS.

Big British Ship in Tow Disabled

abled on her outward voyage.

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 5.—The Allan Line steamer Norwegian, for New York

a treaty. Count Muravieff declared that Emperor Nicholas would not hesitate to fight for France if she were unjustly attacked by anybody, but would from Glasgow, to-day transferred to a not intervene in a mere war of revenge. tug seven of the crew of the schooner Glad Tidings, from which they were rescued while in a sinking condition far out to sea. One man, Thomas Shindler, was washed overboard from the Glad Tidings and drowned.

BONAPARTIST PLANS.

Prince Victor Napoleon Fully Resolved to Execute a Coup.

Paris, Jan. 5.—The Matin this morning publishes an interview with a prominent Bonapartist, purporting to give the gist of Prince Victor Napoleon's statement to his committee the other day at Brussels. This represents him as preparing assiduously for a coup, which he is fully resolved to execute. Prince Victor, however, is hostile to all useless manifestations. His brother, Prince Louis Napoleon, will be found beside him "on the day of action". They are "on the day of action." closely united in warm and sincere af

LEAGUE BASEBALL.

Albany, Jan. 5 .- The Eastern League Baseball Association committee met here to-day to discuss applications for franchises. No action was taken and the neeting adjourned to New York next

THE SENATE WON'T GO TAXES PAID FOR PATRIOTISM.
Hungarians Take Practical Way of TAXES PAID FOR PATRIOTISM. 111

Showing Approval of New Vienna, Jan. 4.-In consequence of the

vienna, Jan. 2.—In consequence of the substitution of government by decree in Hungary for a constitutional government which is due to the expiration of the agreement between Hungary and Austria, recruiting for the army ceases, as do also the collection of taxes and prose-cutions for non-payment thereof. This has led to a remarkable exhibition of patiotism on the part of numerous suptarily paid in advance a year's taxes.
Their action was partly due to an appeal by Maurice Jokai, the well-known Hungarian novemst, published in the laces crowded the tax offices and volun

TEN DAYS RUDDERLESS.

### ON SIBERIAN PRISON

zar's Commissioner Reports on Wretched Conditions at Sag. halien and Elsewhere.

Banishment Useless and Undesirable as Producing Complete Moral Degradation.

London, Jan. 4.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says: Privy Councillor Salomon, of the prisons precedent. The power to create additional members of the upper house, which he referred to as a constitutional from a five months' tour in the prisons administration, has just returned here

as he changes his opinion or forgets his promises."

The has drafted a completensive system of reforms in prison treatment, promises."

Were brought here by the Comox last becoming alarmed, and even if we ratify night. Mr. Pollock was sentenced to a light that the treaty with Spain and hold the Phil-

pondent of the Times, M. de Blowitz, reviewing affairs in France and in the sphere of French influence during the held. Kennedy, A. Racine, Robert Bickerdike and L. Constant. The visitors will also go to Boston, New York, Philadel-phia and Newport News on the same details as to the Franco-Russian treaty negotiations at St. Petersburg. He says: Improvements in the docks at are to be made, and the object of the visit is to obtain information any modification of the European terri-for the betterment of the improvements. any modification of the European terri-torial status quo. M. Hanotaux refused to countersign such a treaty, exclaiming, 'Why, it's a repetition of the Frankfort treaty.' Count Muravieff responded, 'You will never induce the Halifax, Jan. 5.—The large ocean
Halifax, Jan. 6.—The large ocean
Halifax, Jan. 6.—The large ocean steamer Wilhelmina is off the harbor conference with President Faure, who disabled in tow of another steamer, the Fernmore. The Queen Wilhelmina is a British steamer, and runs between New York and Rotterdam. She became disabled on her cuttural voyages and the steamer of the for him to return to France without

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Variety Actress Well Known in Victoria Shoots Herself at the Yukon Capital.

Wealthy Klondiker Whom She Loved Preferred Her Sister Hence the Tragedy.

Montreal Porter Secures Verdict for Exclusion From Academy of Music.

Montreal, Jan. 5.—(Special)—Fred W. Johnson, a negro hotel porter, sued J. B. Sparrow, of the Academy of Music, for \$500 damages because admission to the theatre was refused him. To-day Judge Archibald decided against the theatre on the ground that there is nothing in jurisprudence upholding a public place in refusing admission to negroes.

Montreal Porter Secures Verdict for Exclusion From Academy of Myrtle Brocee, a variety actress widely known on the Coast and a native of Lindsay, Ont. The tragedy was strongly tinged with romance. Myrtle Brocee and her sister Florence both wished to marry a wealthy Klonsic for the House of Commons would choose as their leader in succession of Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, the Right Hon. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, former secretary of her sister's success and realized her hopeless plight, she blew her brains out with a revolver. Myrtle and Florence Brocee were at the Trilby theatre in Victoria for some time had come London,—Jan. 5.—Sir Charles Dilke, radical, in the course of a speech to his constituents in Forest of Dean, expressed the opinion that the Liberal members of the House of Commons would choose as their leader in succession of Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, the Right Hon. Sir United West I Diarmi vernor Harcourt, the Right Hon. Sir Onstituents in Forest of Dean, expressed the opinion that the Liberal members of the House of Commons would choose as their leader in succession of Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, the Right Hon. Sir Onstituents in Forest of Dean, expressed the opinion that the Liberal members of the House of Commons would choose as their leader in succession of Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, the Right Hon. Sir Onstituents in Forest of Dean, expressed the opinion that the Liberal members of the House of Commons would choose as their leader in succession of Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, the Right Hon. Sir Onstituents in Forest of Dean, expressed the opinion that the Liberal members of the House of Commons would ha Brocee were at the Trilby theatre in Victoria for some time before leaving

> VANCOUVER AND VICINITY. Mayor Garden Gets Second Term-A Great Irrigation Scheme-Mr.

Pollock Dead.

From Our Own Correspondent. Vancouver, Jan. 5-Mayor Garden was e-elected by acclamation to-day. The aldermanic nominations were: Ward 1-Townley, H. B. Gilmore, Robt. Grant. Ward 2-Ald. Neelands, R. B. Skinner, By Associated Press.

The suit of Killaby v. the C.P.R. is in progress. The case is one in which plain-tiff alleges that his child's health was

greatly ameliorating existing conditions, providing payment for penal work and facilities for settling in Siberia on the expiration of sentences. He believes his suggested reforms will be speedily adopted by the Czar.

RUSSIA'S AID TO FRANCE.

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RUSSIA IN CHINA.

If Her Operations Are to Cause War It Would Be Better Now Than

London, Jan. 5.- The Shanghai corres pondent of the Daily Mail says: "According to Chinese reports a secret treaty exists between Great Britain and the United States to prevent any further alienation of Chinese territory." The Daily Chronicle this morning quotes the opinion of an American now in China who has recently toured in Si-beria, Mongolia and Manchuria. He is represented as saying: "The United States has nothing to fear from Russia, and nothing to gain by helping England. As soon as Russia's railway schemes are completed they will Russianize and develop a country whose mineral wealth is unlimited. England's only hope is to Besides the rinderpest, South Africa's organize the Chinese into a large army to oppose Russia. This may mean war, that they stop a railway train. hence when Russia will have consoli

dated her power."

Berlin, Jan. 4.—The Lokal Anzeiger Pekin has been ordered to support French interests in China "as energetically as though they were Russian."

A DIPLOMATIC COMPOSITE.

American Ambassador to London Rep resents All Elements in His Country.

London, Jan. 5 .- The Daily Chronicle

Compensation for Them

London, Jan. 5 .- The Paris correspondent of the Daily News says: "I believe the suggestions that France would accept compensation for French shore rights in Newfoundland are really prompted by the French government. There is a manifest wish to be done with the vexations and perils of this question. The shore has become useless as a nursery for mariners, and the fishery. a nursery for mariners, and the fishery is falling off. I am confident that money compensation would be accepted."

Speaks of the Philippines Transaction.

The Millionaire Armor Maker Endorses a Proposed "Pilgrimage of Peace.'

People Will Soon Condemn Imperialist Policy.

Ward 2—Ald. Neclands, R. B. Skinner, Ald. McQueen. Ward 3.—Ald. McGuigan, H. C. Dougherty, Ald. McPhadden, O. J. Hobson. Ward 5—Ald. Foreman, Ald. Brown, W. O. Burdis. Ward 5—Murdock McLean, W. H. Wood, Ald. McMorris, Ald. Bruce and Ald. D. J. McDonald Mc

in a ministration, has just returned here in the prisons as figured in the case of the House of Lords, exist to a limited extent with expert to the senate. This power has not been exercised in either case, be respect to the senate. This power has not been exercised in either case, be rement in Siberia and on the island or the popular will when the popular will when the popular will when the popular will when the popular will ask ending feature is Salomon's conclusional to the senate of the extraction of the extinct of the extensive form of the extensive form of the extensive form of the extinct of the we can assure Sir Wilfrid of that. The senate holds its rights and prerogatives from the constitution, and Sir Wilfrid will not change the constitution as easily

He has drafted a comprehensive sysed houses again.

William Pollock is dead. His remains lalist policy. The farming interests are

It Will Not Be Exerted for Purpose of Revenge on European Neighbors.

London, Jan. 5.—The Paris correstondent of the Times, M. de Blowitz, pondent of the Times, M. de Blowitz, Senator Redfield Proctor, of Vermont, -should appeal to us with especial

BANKRUPT INDEED.

New. York, Jan. 5 .- Thos. M. Bush f Flatbush, a well-known build day filed in the office of the clerk of the United States District court in Brooklyn petition in voluntary his petition in voluntary bankruptcy, giving his total liabilities at \$1,166.536 nominal assets and personal pro

With a Million Debt and No

MAINE SENATOR OPPOSES.

perty amounting to \$50.

Canadian Treaty Demands Would Injure the Interests of His State.

Augusta, Me., Jan. 5 .- Hon. Eugene Hale was yesterday elected to himself as United States senator by the epublican legislature. In the course of speech thanking the members legislature, Senator Hale spoke of the Canadian-American high commission and of the force of common blood and on ancestry with England, and continuing said: "It is evidently true that when Eng-

land is engaged in negotiations that effect her material interests, blood counts for very little. It is the business of an English commissioner to get benefits and the Canadian commission that has been sitting for months has at last come to the point where the demand of the Canadian and the English side is the practical destruction of the tariff which Governor Dingley in his bill put upon Maine products and especially upon lumber. The Maine delegation as one man has been backing the Governor up, upholding his hands, making him strong, and making it seem to the Canadian commissioners land is engaged in negotiations that ef-

## MYRTLE BROCEE DEAD GOVERNMENT WOULD Gladly Take Money DOMINION DESPATCHES Mrs.

Cariboo Consolidated Announces Regular Dividend of One Per Cent. Per Month.

Rain Flooding the River at Montreal A Desperate Tinsmith's Suicide.

Special to the Colonist.

LOAN COMPANIES COMBINE.
Toronto, Jan. 5.—The big loan company amalgamation effected yesterday was the subject of much conversation in financial circles to-day. The stock of the Canada Permanent, Freehold Loan, and Western Canada was slightly firmer as a result and London & Ontario appeared a

Dutton, Jan. 5.—Candidates were nominated to-day for the bye-election in West Elgin. McNish, Liberal, and Mc-West Elgin, McNish, Liberal, and McDiarmid, Conservative, were re-nomin-

TACKS KEEP UP. Montreal, Jan. 5.—The cut nail and tack interests which have been discussing rates at a meeting here have decided present prices.
FOR PRESIDENT.

Montreal, Jan. 5.—Chas. Smith has been nominated as president of the Board of Trade.

caused the water in the river to rise to almost unprecedented height considering the time of year. There was a rise of five feet since noon and the top of the revetment will is only two feet above high water. The wharves are submershiph water. The wharves are submershiph water. almost unprecedented height considering He Believes That the American revetment will is only two feet above high water. The wharves are submerged, but as yet no great amount of dam age has been done.
TINSMITH'S SUICIDE.

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—John Dowe, a tin-mith, committed suicide at Calgary to-Protectorate—Sultan Out of

Found to Be Dead.

Manila, Jan. 5 .- Although the insurggent government at Malalos has been meaningless phrases, outlining no defi-

nite policy. Vienna, Jan. 5.-The Neus Weiner Tageblatt this morning prints a statement received by Prof. Blumentritt from a friend of Aguinaldo, who says the lat ter holds as prisoners 1,000 Spanish troops, including two generals, 40 staff officers and 400 superior officers. He has also 1,900 civilians, including sev-New York Builder Winds Himself Up eral provincial governors and numerous

Strayed From Attorney-General's De-

partment at Winnipeg to Dawson and Back. Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—(Special)—There is a mystery in the attorney-general's department. A couple of days ago the chief clerk received a letter from the Victoria branch of the dead letter office. Inside was an envelope bearing the column of the attorney-general's department and written in lead pencil was the address, Mr. John J. Coute, Rossland, B. C., Canada."

It is not the custom in public departments to address letters in lead pencil. The letter inclosed was written in Dawnson City, on September 23 by Roger L. Kinsey. He gives a graphic description of his trip to Dawson and refers to several private matters, but gives no clue. The letter inclosed was written in Dawnson of his trip to Dawson and refers to several private matters, but gives no clue. The letter of inducing a suspension of hostilities. Then the horse was got into a stall, still objecting, while the dog got his breath for a second round. It proved fiercer than the first, and Mr. Smithers emerged with one of the legs of his trousers in ruins, and a determination in his heart to get a club and break the back of that cur no includentally he went into the house and informed Mr. Clay emphatically that he thought less of a man who would keep such a dog about his premises than a man who would it is, anyway—the sabout ruined a pair of pants for me."

"Was, it in the second stable?" Issued.

MOTORMAN KEELY'S FRIEND.

London, Jan. 5.—The death of Mrs. Boomfield-Moore has given rise to some sensational reports. The doctors give heart disease as the cause, and her friends say that Mrs. Bloomfield died of a broken heart, due to grief over the death of Mr. Keely. Mr. Harry Dam, the well-known scientist and writer and her literary executor, says:

"I knew that if Mr. Keely died she would not live long. Her whole life was centred in his work, to the exclusion of all other interests and hopes.

sion of all other interests and hopes. She had the most profound and touching faith that neither Mr. Keely nor herself could die until the invention had suc-

Of late years she had been worned by money matters. Her income decreased, and she became very bitter against the trustees of the estate from which it was trustees of the estate from which it was the "Filipino national government and the "Filipino" and she was a second to the relations to the "Filipino" national government and the "Filipino" na derived, accusing them of trying to defraud her. She recently asked Mr. Dam to go to the United States and to write from Mr. Keely's lips the story of his life work, and she offered to pay Mr. Maxim's expenses if he would go to America, consult Mr. Keely, and become the custodian of the latter's secret. She leaves immense files of writings concerning the motor, includi letters to herself from Mr. Keely,

### RAIN AT MONTREAL. Montreal, Jan. 5.—The heavy rains of last evening combined with strong winds SOLE RULER OF SOUDAN

Be Supreme.

Protectorate-Sultan Out of the Reckoning.

By Associated Press beginning at San Francisco and ending at St. Petersburg, received to-day numerous letters from America, all sympathizing with the cause of peace.

PRIZE FIGHTER KILLED.

Calro, Jan. 5.—Viscount Cromer, British diplomatic agent in Egypt, and General Lord Kitchener, the Sirdar, have held a reception of Soudanese Sikhs and notables at the Sirdar's house at Om-Cairo, Jan. 5.-Viscount Cromer, Brit

London, Jan. 6.-The Times, comment ing editorially this morning on Lord Cromer's declaration to the Soudanese sheikhs at Omdurman, says: "They constitute the plainest assertion of Miss Kate Ford and Miss Barbara Had-

The Daily Chronicle says: "The speech means a protectorate, and will be so inmeans a protectorate, and will be so interpreted on the Continent.' The Standard says: "Offence will perhaps be taken at the conspicuous "Offence will omission of the Sultan's name: but i would be sheer perversity to complicate matters by a formal recognition of an influence which has forever ceased to have any validity in fact or moral

A BAD ALASKAN DOG. How a District Resident Encountered

New Specimen of Canine, With Disaster to Clothing.

vigorously assaulted by just about the crossest kind of a dog he had run up against in many moons

against in many moons.

It was time for prompt action, and sundry kicks and uncomplimentary adjectives were used on the four-footed assailant with the effect of inducing a suspension of hostilities.

London, Jan. 5.—The Daily Chronicle refers editorially in words of warmest welcome to the expected coming of Mr. Joseph H. Choate as United States ambassador to Great Britain, describing him as "thoroughly representative of all elements in America."

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SHAMROCK'S COMMANDERS.

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MAN KEELY'S FRIEND.

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Atrocities on Prisoners Reported -Spanish Property Given Over to Looters.

Special to the Colonist.

TEN DAYS RUDDERLESS.

Othawa, Jan. 5.—Sir John Bourimot Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Sir John Jan. 4.—The Rosalle, Hebush Jan. 5.—Sir John Jan. 5.—Sir John Jan. 5.

Madrid, Jan. 5 .- The following official despatch has been received from Manila: "The insurgents refuse to liberate the prisoners on the demand of the Americans, claiming that this might be con sidered as "an act of submiss United States." With regard With regard to liber oners.'

Madrid, Jan. 5.-The newspapers here continue to charge the Americans in the Philippine islands with all kinds of monstrosities. As a sample the papers to-day accuse the Americans of delivering up a Spanish naval lieutenant who is alleged to have surrendered to the United States forces, to the insurgents, who are said to have subjected him to all 104 monks were imprisoned at Cagay and that many of them died of huns and sufferings; that Spanish property has

be January 31 and for depositing factums February 4. The executive of the board of gover-British sovereignty in the Soudan yet dart to the order. The two ladies leave made."

order, presented badges at to-day's meet

PAYMASTER GENERAL. The Duke of Marlborough has been appointed paymaster general in succession to the Earl of Hopetoun, who has been

made lord chamberlain.

BRITISH AND SPANISH POLITICS. officials.

B. C. FRUIT INDUSTRY.

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Mr. Joseph Smithers, of Sooke, is a very latest and exciting adventure with that big black dog will question the matter of show brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills change; indeed when he himself thinks of how brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills changed when he himself thinks of how brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills changed when he himself thinks of how brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills changed when he himself thinks of how brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills changed when he himself thinks of how brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills changed when he himself thinks of how brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills changed was inhumanly oppressive to the inferior races; and, after her own descendants in the colonies became allens in habit to the how brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills changed was inhumanly oppressive to the inferior races; and, after her own descendants in the colonies became allens in habit to the home country, she to them also became the colonies became allens in habit to the home country, she to them almost starts the cold chills changed was inhumanly oppressive to the inferior races; and, after her own descendants in the colonies became allens in habit to the home country, she to them almost tarts the cold chills changed was inhumanly oppressive to the inferior races; and, after her own descendants in the colonies became allens in habit to the home country, she to them almost tarts the cold chills changed was inhumanly oppressive to the inferior races; and, after her own descendants in the colonies became allens in habit to the himself thinks of how brave he was on that occasion it almost starts the cold chills changed was inhumanly oppressive to the inferior races; and, after her own descendants in the colonies became allens in h We have the two great examples. Great

used this cheap umbrella I bought of you the black dye soaked out and dripped all over me.

Dealer—Mein frent, that was our new patent self-detective umbrella. If anyene should steal that you'd know him by his clothes.—Tit-Bits.

She-Do you remember that thirty years ago you proposed to me and that I refused He-Oh, yes. That's one of the most treasured recollections of my youth.-

Mrs. Smarte says her husband is the worst man that ever was to go shopping. He's almost sure to get swindled every time. "Why," she says, "it was only t'other day that he bought a flute, and 'twas full of holes."—Boston Transcript.

A Fresh Shuffle Atlin's New mission

An Interesting B From the Y ing Fi

Skagway, Dec, 27 .-D. Graham, the new for the Atlin district, to the enforcement country, have thrown the camp of the pro awaiting the cold wea the new diggings, and ly realize the ultimate and real estate holder of Mr. Graham are as

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missioner, so desired-survey, the lots will auction to the highes one having improvem are to be recompense ceeds of the sale. This act, it is said, ship on present owner the most desirable lo more than \$200 to \$500 of buildings will be co buy in the lot or lose t priority rights as to be recognized, as the rights in British Colu needless to say that seriously disturb those are property owners in The commissioner pro-government buildings

sires to make the seat and should this be Atlin at all sure about, he feet square on the la purpose. This will be improvements he may f NO SALOONS IN Regarding the liqu Graham confirmed the received, that no saloon

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parts of Canada. Mr. Johnson estimates that there are from 1,000 to 3,000 people starting on the trail from Dawson to Skagway, but says that in nearly all cases they constitute those that went into the country unprepared to battle with the climate and unexperienced and totally unfit to perform the malt. After Varied Experienced and totally unfit to perform the malt. to battle with the climate and unexperi-enced and totally unfit to perform the necessary work to accumulate money, and who, discouraged and disheartened, are availing themselves of the first op-Atlin's New Gold Com. missioner.

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LOSS OF CANADIAN MAIL.

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In speaking of the mines, Mr. Johnson said that the general impression in Daw-son was that the output from the Yukon this season would double that of last, An Interesting Budget of News and that with the new discoveries and nusual activity in mining the outlook Skagway, Dec. 27.-The advent of J.

D. Graham, the new gold commissioner for the Atlin district, and his views as to the enforcement of the law in that its 3,000 country, have thrown consternation into centre of attraction and is a thriving, the camp of the prospectors and those awaiting the cold weather, to move into the new diggings, and many can scarcely realize the ultimate result to mining and real estate holders, if the utterances of Mr. Graham are any criterion of the laws he intends to establish and enforce.

SULPHUR CREEK A "FIZZLE." The gentleman arrived on the Danube Each day brings to Skagway from two then she has been much of the time on Thursday last, and had hardly secured to ten returning Klondikers. Among those who arrived yesterday are: B. L. the Southern coast between Callao and efore he was besieged by miners and prospective merchants as to his interpretation of the British Columbia

mining and real estate laws as applied to Atlin. Though Mr. Graham is affable being very quiet and that living is much cheaper there than formerly. Eldorado things looked decidedly serious. This ODD FELLOWS' INSTALLATION. being very quiet and that living is much cheaper there than formerly. Eldorado and Hunker creeks are turning out best of all, and Dominion creek is good, but Sulphur is a "fizzle." When these gentlemen left wages were from \$5 to \$15 per day. The greatest trouble inside in connection with the mines was the expense of all, and Dominion creek is good, but tween Great Britain and France. The Phaeton at that time was at Coquimbo. She received orders to prepare for war, and taking on coal and stores at once made ready for fight. Orders came next connection with the mines was the expense of the proceed to Callao, which she connected the strength of things looked decidedly serious. This was when war appeared inevitable between Great Britain and France. The Phaeton at that time was at Coquimbo. She received orders to prepare for war, and taking on coal and stores at once made ready for fight. Orders came next for her to proceed to Callao, which she and courteous in the extreme, it was to he seen at once that the policy of red tape and "officialism," as carried on in Dawson, was to be the rule in Atlin. Under the guise of upholding and administering the law to the letter, many ardships will be unavoidably worked on cessive royalty imposed, resulting in for her to proceed to Callao, which she keeping many of the claims from being did; but by the time of her arrival there divent were not dreamed of.
Regarding real estate holdings, the worked to their fullest capacity. There are plenty of provisions in and around It was however a remainder the war cloud had passed. commissioner stated that such is a mis-nomer, as no one is at present entitled to Dawson, and no repetition of last year's famine is feared. In speaking of the noted Klendikers, the gentlemen said: than a miner, and that in the future such holdings would be very limited. WILL HAVE ATLIN REPLATTED W. F. Rant and partner, of Victoria, B. C., had at great expense cleared, sur-

veyed and platted the present site of Atlin City, their work went for naught, and the commissioner said he would disand the commissioner said he would dis-regard the survey entirely, would re-tion that building and improvements are urvey the town himself, and that many being pushed as rapidly as the weather igs, some of which cost as much will buildings, some of which cost as much as \$3,000, now being built, would have and the plans laid and lumber secured as \$3,000, now being built, would have to be torn down or moved if he, the commissioner, so desired. After the new survey, the lots will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, and any one having improvements on the same are to be recompensed out of the program of th

are to be recompensed out of the proship on present owners of buildings, as the most desirable lots will not bring more than \$200 to \$500 and the state of the

more than \$200 to \$500, and the owners of buildings will be compelled either to buy in the lot or lose their property. No. For one the timber is on the ground and the surveys and soundings have been priority rights as to holding of lots will be recognized, as the squatter has no rights in British Columbia law. It is needless to say that these regulations seriously disturb those who believe they made The two sawmills are unablet to cope with the demand for lumber. Rough

lumber is \$150 per 1,000. For the past month the thermometer has not been lower than 18 degrees above, and for the past two weeks 28 are property owners in the new country commissioner proposes to erect fine government buildings wherever he dedegrees above has been the average. Horse creek, Canyon creek, Bush creek, O'Donnell river and tributaries, sires to make the seat of administration, and should this be Atlin, which he is not and two quartz ledges within the city limits are among the latest excitements. at all sure about, he will set aside 300 feet square on the lake front for the

will be regardless of any WORK ON THE RAILROAD. NO SALOONS IN DISTRICT.

Regarding the liquor question, Mr. Graham confirmed the report already received, that no saloons will be tolerated in the district, and that the few hotel licenses, with bar privileges, would be issued only to those applicants who had been residents in the district one year, of which there are none, and who can furnish bonds in the sum of \$10,000 by two reliable men who have also resided there that length of time. As no one but Miller, the discoverer of Pine creek, has lived in the country the length of time specified, the commissioner's ruling makes the college of the specified, the commissioner's ruling makes the college of the specified, the commissioner's ruling makes the college of the selection of the signal and the greater number of the different of men are employed in the different camps along the line. Camp 12 is in Canadian Cayley says, was experienced on the return of the shores of Summit lake.

At Camp 8 over 400 men are at work, and in all over 1,200 are pushing the line.

The sum of \$10,000 by the clean, crisp frosty altreads to Acapulco, the Chost—one is not prepared found.

Going afterwards to Acapulco, the Phaeton was ordered back to Esquimalt. Her log now shows 20,000 miles as having been travelled since leaving Esquimalt and 4,300 tons of coal consumed in a total absence of 123 days. When cross-ling the reliable man the floor of Tehuantipec on the return voyage a very severe gale was on the summit, about a mile from the Camp 10 is at the foot of White pass summit, and Camp 11 is on the summit lake.

At Camp 8 over 400 men are at work, and in all over 1,200 are pushing the line.

The payers of them have ever been found.

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During the rush to Atlin last suppose. The probability of the side of a live engine. If this is accomplished, Log Cabin, twenty miles far.

St. 700.000, a Reserve of \$3,550,0000 During the rush to Atlin last summer, During the rush to Atlin last summer, ther on, will be reached by February and the prospectors, thinking the district to the handling of freight direct to Bennett

be in the Northwest Territory, located and Atlin will be assured, the entire length of Pine creek in 250-TRAIL IN BAD CONDITION. Messrs. Henderson and Earson, of Seattle, who came in from Bennett yester-day, report the trail in a horrible conas only this much is allowed by the laws in that province Commissioner Graham says that the surplus 150 feet to feach 250-foot claim so staked will be offered for sale at public auction, and as this makes invalid the claims of from ed a sprained ankle in falling into a crowled at a public of the claims of from ed a sprained ankle in falling into a crowled the reserved there are the reserved. offered for sale at public auction, and as this makes invalid the claims of from 75 to 100 miners who have staked in good faith along this creek, the indignation of many who are spending the winton of many who are spending the winton in Skagway is expressed in no mild spending the spending

ter in Skagway is expressed in no mild manner. It is also the intention of the new commissioner to levy a royalty of 1 per cent. on every dollar's worth of gold states of the trail and the trip is one of great danger.

They report the safe arrival at Bennett of Count Carbonneau and his eight men and dogs, who left Skagway for Dawson aken out of the country, not only in the a week ago. The count is unable to get uture, but in the past as well.

CONTROL OF TIMBER SALES.

farther and is compelled to remain there, as are many others, until the cold weath-No timber holdings will stand, and er comes.

No timber holdings will stand, and only timber used in the work necessary on the claims and for fuel will be allowed. It is understood that large tracts of timber land have been taken up by syndicates, one of which is shipping into the country a large sawmill. These acts, says Mr. Graham, are illegal, as the government will control the sale of the town the lake is entirely free from acts, says Mr. Graham, are illegal, as the government will control the sale of all timber, and the owners of the saw-mills will be made to desist or pay the government price for stumpage.

The law governing the holding of

mills will be made to desist or pay constraint the holding of the law government price for stumpage.

The law governing the holding of claims will be strictly adhered to, and it is evident that the new commissioner is evident to the new commis proceed on their journey toward the in-terior, until the thermometer fails and The conclusion arrived at after a talk the ice is safe.

BIG STAMPEDE with Mr. Graham is that many radical

lost his life.

A blast, one shot of which failed to explode, was set off in the vicinity of Camp 9, and Pifero, not knowing this, rammed a steel rod into the help this, J. T. Johnson, of Seattle, who left Dawson on November 10, arrived in Skagway last Wednesday after a hard displayment the stage of the lischarged the charge, throwing the body and perilous trip. Mr. Johnson is largely interested in the mines in the Yukon, and is the owner of No. 95 on Bonanza. of the unfortunate man over a precipice

300 feet below, killing him instantly. REPORTED PERISHED. and is the owner of No. 95 on Bonanza. In coming out he was the first to reach Tagish post and report to Major Wood the loss of the Canadian mail by the carrier, Corporal Richardson, breaking through the ice. Among the many losses was that of \$600 belonging to Major Steele, of Dawson, besides souvenirs in the shape of nuggets and gold dust valued at several hundred dollars on its way to the many friends and relatives of mounted police, in the different Try them.

Commence of the second of the

### EVENTRUL CRUISE. GAZETTE NOTICES. Coroner for Cariboo and Medical Health

malt After Varied Experignees in the South.

Witnessing Bull Fights and Hunting Alligators Some of the Crew's Pastimes.

was never better.

He reports a great amount of work on the American side of the line further down the river, and that Eagle City with its 3,000 or more inhabitants is the centre of attraction and is a thriving bustling camp. There are many good considering the conditions were the climatic conditions were street as a special general meeting of the Golden Gate Mining Company, of Granite Creek, Limited, which is to be the ship has just returned from the tropics, where the climatic conditions were

those who arrived yesterday are: B. L. Lanktree, R. B. Hansen and Ed. Dozier, the Salvador, where Captain Kirby was the latter from Seattle.

These who arrived yesterday are: B. L. Salvador, where Captain Kirby was the guest of the president. Several times her long the president of the presiden the latter from Seattle.

These gentlemen report Dawson as decks were cleared for action and once guest of the president. Several times her Noel

> It was, however, a remarkable voyage seldom seen in the closing days of

Another war scare was on at Coquim when theship was there and the Chilian fleet was seen to make preparations for action. The cause of the trouble was boundary line contention common with the South American republics but, at the particular time of the Phaeton's visit, at fever pitch between Chili and model of the noted Robert E. Lee, of the Argentine republic. The latter have mossissispip river fame. be waged between the two. Had it been the regular meetings. the question of sea power it would have been soon disposed of by the Chilian fleet—a fleet that now includes some good ships—but it is possible the fighting on land would be long continued.

The Phaeton, leaving this scene, went to Acapulco and from there was ordered to Central America—where a petty revolution was in progress—to protect the in terests of British subjects. The disturbance, however, did not last long. While at Terumfo, a port in Central America, the Phaeton made search for ten natives who had been carried to sea in a lighter. The men had nothing them but a cask of whiskey, and that The White Pass railroad still main-tains its winter headquarters at White

THE BANKS OF HALIFAX.

\$4,700,000, a Reserve of \$3,550,0000 and Branches Numbering 116.

together the banks of Halifax have a combined capital of \$4,700,000, with reserve fund amounting to \$3,550,000. The capital of the different banks is as fol-

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Totals ......\$4,700,000 \$3,550,000

The conclusion arrived at after a falk with Mr. Graham is that many radical and in nowise popular changes are to be made in the management of affairs in his district, and that many acts of his predecessor, Mr. Rant, are to be revoked, working more or less of a hardship on the miner and business man who intends locating in the new country in the spring and coming winter.

Prior to receiving his present appointment, Mr. Graham was the manager of a large mining syndicate in Victoria, B. C., and before that gold commissioner in Revelstoke.

He leaves here to-morrow for Atlin, where he will be joined later by his party of surveyors and assistants.

LOSS OF CANADIAN MAIL.

GAZETTE NOTICES. Officer at Revelstoke Have

The official Gazette this week contains notices of general meetings of two mining companies for the object of disposing of their property. One is that of the Le Roi Mining & Smelting Co., which meets at the office of Messrs. Daly & Hamilton, Rossland, on February 7, for the purpose of disposing of the whole or any portion of the assets of the The Japanese mail steamer Yamaguchi

creeks near Eagle City and quite a number of mining towns have sprung up nearby, from which the city draws its trade, and it is predicted that within a year Eagle City will rival Dawson in population, and the surrounding country in sighters. It was on June 5 that the ship left court of revision and appeal for the here on her Southern cruise and since Revelstoke division of West Kootenay. The Fort Steele Development Syndi cate has registered as an extra-provin-

named as attorney.

installed the following officers for the ensuing term: N. G., James Newbigging; V. G., James Bell; Sec., Thomas are plenty of provisions in and around Dawson, and no repetition of last year's famine is feared. In speaking of the noted Klendikers, the gentlemen said:

WILL HAVE ATLIN REPLATTED.

Notwithstanding the fact that Mr. N.

V. F. Rant and partner, of Victoria, S. C., had at great expense cleared, surely and platted the present site of the finding level, and 'Swiftwater Bill' is now called 'Slowwater William.'"

BUILDING IN ATLIN.

A letter just received from Atlin City, and the commissioner said he would disdiscipled and the commissioner said he would disdiscipled and around Dawson, and no repetition of last year's plant of provisions in and around Dawson, and no repetition of last year's all through, for the genial company aboard and events crowded upon each other in rapid succession. Going from Callao to Panama, the English speaking of the noted Klendikers, the gentlemen said:

"They haven't as much money as they used to have. They spent it too fast to have it last. 'Nigger Jim' is just about keeping level, and 'Swiftwater Bill' is now called 'Slowwater William.'"

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the officers and branches of the order were proposed and drunk. The enter tainment closed at midnight with singing of "God Save the Queen." The interest displayed by the members of Dominion lodge since the mergement of Acme lodge some few months ago, has proved beyond a doubt the wisdom of

VICTORIA SLEIGHING.

How the People Are Getting Fun Out of the Cold Spell Just Now.

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the Oh, what fun it is to ride in a one-hoss open sleigh. Victorians are being treated to a taste

weather that makes the Eastern Canuck think of his boyhood days away back in the older provinces, where snow is the re-cognized material for street paving at this time of the year. Out here in British Columbia, howevertown when the snow came, but they sold off in a day, and the livery men have fairmoney out of the sleighs they

happened to secure.

There are a few really nice sleighs in town, bright and glistening in polish and varnish, and there are other kinds, too, with no polish. For example, two soap boxes on a Klondike handsleigh, with a bewilder-The Halifax banks are the pride of that city. There are five banks having their head offices in Halifax, and there are two branches of outside banks. Alan infrequent vehicle.

Then one can see a splendid pair of horses attached to a nondescript kind of sleigh, a carriage box with the wheels removed and replaced by a pair of ready made rough runners, sawn out of two inch planks; and seated inside enjoying the drive immensely may be seen the ladies of some of the wealthy people of Victoria. Butchers, bakers, grocers and milkmen have all got their vehicles on runners of some kind, most of them decided make-shifts; but it is wonderful to see how quick-

Japanese Contractors to Supply

Ties for the Trans-Siberian
Railway.

The Tokyo Mainichi, the Colonel selected from him ample wad a \$100 note and airily handed it to the urbane "accountant," bidding him bring the change and feeelpt in the morning. And the man bowed and departed. Now here he was returned. The

Land Tax Bill to Meet Recurring Deficit Agitating the Mikado's Subjects.

Maru, lately2 from the Orient, brought court, according to the Hiogo News of Dea large amount of very interesting and important news matter which failed to arrive by the regular telegraphic cember 12. The editor of the Jiji channels. Much of it is of great concern to the people of the West, in view of the increasing prominence of trans-Pacific affairs It appears that a few months ago a K. M. T. & T. Co., which was assessed in trade and political circles. Among the items which will be of especial interest In trade and political circles. Among the items which will be of especial interest to the people of this community is one to

ernment of a complete line of road from one end of the island to the other. Ru-mor attaches to the efforts of a Chinese official, as appears from the newspapers to create a corner on rice by shipping the local product out of the market in which he desired to operate. A statement just published in the Japanese press gives the official census of the island for 1897 as 43.228.863, with the male population slightly in the ascendancy. A surprising incident is told of the gallantry of Prince

ed for the purpose of overcoming the annual deficit. Special loans have been re-quired to meet the deficit this year. Marquis Ito is one of the advocates of the proposed measure, while Count Okuma strenuously opposes it. The various politinercial organizations are lining cal and comp hemselves on different sides.

The bill proposes a re-assessment of and values (except in the prefectures of In press circles. Niigata, Miyagi and Yamaguchi), and the TSAI TAC assessment will thereby be increased by

referred to the experiences of previous ministers in their attempts to deal with from the following clipping from the Shangnow some vessels of war and things such action by the continued increase in looked for a time as though battle would membership and large attendance at questions were giving the present govern-

> Liberal-Constitutional party it was used to ask the government to make the tax on land 3.3 per cent., instead of 4. This would leave a deficiency of 6,000,000 yen, which, it was suggested, could be raised by increasing the taxes on tobacco and resi-

> apropos of the land tax "I think I should turn your atention to the situation of the indemnity funds, ac inves. Actions similar to that of Tsa quainted as many of you undoubtedly are tai are frequent in the Celestial Kingdom. with it, for some of you till lately held important posts in the treasury. The gross mount received from China on account of the war indemnity, as compensation for the retrocession of the Liaotung peninsula, and as interest on the indemnity instalments, aggregates 364,480,000 yen in round figures. Of that amount 177,00,000 yen approximately is set apart for certain fixed purposes, leaving a valance of 186 000,000 yen approximately. But so many have been the calls made upon it that only a little remains behind on this account

> The Marquis enumerated the various appropriations made from the foregoing sum, concluding that only a little over 25,000,000 concluding that only a little over 25,000,000 yen remains in cash on this account, against 62,000,000 yen approximately which Japan is to pay abroad during the next fiscal year, thereby producing a deficit of over 26,700,000 yen.
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> "That was why I stated," his excellency with the statement of the stokers was required to get it up again.

important point that demands the attention | zine for January. of the legislature." GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

Government purchase of the railroads in Japan is being urged, apparently with some show of success. A meeting of the Liberal-Constitutional members of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the latter of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of the diet has been held to consider a series of proposed in the restrict of t

up to the Colonel, informed him that he was the accountant of the hotel, and that the bill in question amounted to just 96 yen. With the indifference characteristic of the haute noblesse, says a late number the haute noblesse, says a late numbe the Tokyo Mainichi, the Colonel select

departed. Nor has he yet returned. The scene that took place in the morning when the Colonel was politely asked for his account can be imagined. But the trate soldier has departed and the affair is in the hands of the Russian legation. PUBLIC OPINION VS. MURDER. A rather interesting prosecution is en-gaging the attention of the Tokyo local

improved status—the public prosecutor declared that the intention of the article for the company. In regard to their was to aid and abet the woman. Five barristers were engaged for the defence, The absurdity of a paper of the Jiji's standing being gullty of the offense charger was commented upon, and it was commented upon, and it was return to this place. Mr. Rattenbury return to this place.

Japan appears to be somewhat agitated over a new land tax bill recently introduced for the purpose of overcomments. which the presecution had been taken did not cover such a case as the present, but that the idea of "helping and sympathizing" implied negular halp. The present halp are taken did stikeen Navigation Co., who were assessed at \$25,000. They admitted personal property to the relative personal pers that the idea of "helping and sympathiz-ing" implied pecuniary help. The further point was made that since in Japanese law there were no provisions relating to law there were no provisions relating to law there were no provisions relating to "contempt of court," as in English law, surance was payable in London, and counsel could not see that any wrong in the eyes of the law had been done by the limits. Mr. Mills held that the money limits.

TSAI TAOTAI'S "CORNER." The dismissal some weeks ago of Tsal McLean, deputy attorney-general, appeared for the crown in all three caser. The court sits again on Tuesday even assessment will thereby be increased by 150,000,000 yen. It is proposed to increase the tax from 2½ to 4 per cent. from January 1.

The dismissal some weeks ago of 1sat peared for the crotic tionaries, because of alleged irregularities. The court sits agoing at 8 o'clock. to an action more distinctly Oriental than QUARTERMASTER OVERBOAR! a mere embezzlement, as will be evident

"The Universal Gazette says on the ar ment great anxiety.

At a conference of the committe of th
Liberal-Constitutional party it was decided

thority of a telegram from its Pekin correspondent that the dismissal from office of Tsai Taotai was decided on because of in the lower province. This, it says, and not his action with regard to the Marquis Ito, in an extended interview in joss house affair, is the true reason of his disgrace."

-e Japan Times, speaks seriously of the apanese financial situation, and adds

The rice famine here alluded to is the time threatened in one of the Chinese pro held It is the Oriental method of creating

STARTLING DISCLOSURES AS TO THE

BATTLE OF SANTIAGO. Admirals and captains are brave enough, and keen tacticians, no doubt, but the best storms. She landed 18 passengers and part of the Spanish fleet would have slipped through somebody's fingers that Sun day morning at Santiago if America's fighting engineers had not, by the hardest of work, overcome the obstacles imposed upon them by orders from the bridge. If the fighting had been against men more nearly kin—say English or German—under continuous and the sound last evening carried the following among her passengers:

Morgan and wife, Miss Madigan, Mrs. F. Murray, Miss Eames, F. A. Spencer, Murray, Miss Eames, F. A. Spencer, Marray, Miss Eames, F. A. Spencer, Miss Eames, Miss Eames, Miss Eames, Miss Eames, Miss Eames, Miss Ea

ortinued, "that if the opportunities of rescuing the finances from the present critical situation fail to be grasped this year, no statesman would be able to elaborate an effective remedial measure next year. Alive as I am to the emergency, I am impelled to sincerely advise you to avail your selves of the opportunity supplied by the present session, and to adopt a sound financial programme. I should also remind you at this juncture of the paralyzed state in which Japanese industry finds itself at present, and that this is also an important point that demands the attention

WICKED BANDER-LOG.

Important Decision on Proposed. Application of Assessment Act to Steamers.

Quartermaster Bichman of Steamship Queen Washed Overboard and Lost.

Decisions have been given by Mr. S. Perry Mills, judge of the court of revihas been prosecuted for violating the press sion and appeal, on the points raised as law by extending help to and sympathizing with a criminal defendant undergoing trial.

sessment act or not. In the case of the sessment act or not. In the case of the to the people of this community is one to the effect that the Japanese lumber dealers appear to have secured a contract to furnish the sleepers to the tran-Siberian railway for a period of five years.

'Word is also received of the condition of the Japanese treasury, and of the efforts which are being made to retrieve the deficit by a new land tax. Government ownership of railways appears by these advices to be taking some definite shape, propositions being reported as pending looking to the early purchase by the government of a complete line of road from the deficit of the transfer of the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the wherein was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the whord was then the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the wherein wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the wherein the woman was still sub judice, the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the wherein the within the meaning of the assessment act. The Amur, by a fiction of law, must be considered as property in London, Eng., where she is registered, and therefore is exempt. The Louise, being registered in the United as the Jiji referred to it in an article lauded the woman was fall human and the woman was fall human. The article lauded the same property in London, Eng., where she is a personal chattel within the Ji standing being guilty of the offense charger was commented upon, and it was urged that the obvious intention of the article was to cover far wider grounds, with a view to the amendment of the criminal law, which, it was urged, to too graves.

were in the N. W. T., and would never return to this place. Mr. Rattenbury appeared in person for the company. Mr. Mills gave a decision similar to that in the Nahleen case, and the assessment was fixed at \$21,000. The company's stores in Cassiar had their assessment Moreover, counsel argued that the par-ficular article of the press law under had been wrecked and the \$35,000 in-surance was payable in London, and paper's comments on the case. The judg-was not in the province, and, therefore, was not subject to the tax. The assess ment was fixed at \$5,000. Mr. G. H. Barnard appeared for the company. Mr.

A San Francisco despatch of Tuesday to-day from Seattle and way ports, after a very rough trip. High winds pre-vailed during the voyage, and on leaving the Sound the weather was unusually . When 100 miles southeast of Flattery, Charles Bichman, a severe. quartermaster, whose home is in San Francisco, was washed overboard. Every effort was made to save the young man, but it was not possible to locate him. After remaining near the scene of the accident for some time, the vessel proceeded south.

MARINE NOTES. Steamer Horsa, it is reported, has been sold by Messrs. Martin & Langley to a company on the Atlantic coast for

\$20,000. THE 'FRISCO LINERS. After a rough voyage from the Bay City the steamer Umatilla arirved at 6 61 tons of freight ber the Sound. The Wal The Walla Walla in leav-

R. Telfor, E. J. T. Woodward and P. T. Iarrington.

PECULIAR AND PERTINENT. The mustache first became common in the British army at the beginning of the present century.

The Japanese dentists perform all their operations in tooth drawing with the thumb and forefinger of one hand.

A scientist, looking for microbes, saysthere are absolutely none on the Swiss mountains at an altitude of 2,000 feet.

The largest price ever asked and paid for a single pearl was \$500,000, which was the value of the great Tavernier pearl.

The labor commissioner of Missouri reports that 70 per cent. of the women applying for work at the public employment bureau in St. Louis have deserted their husbands or been deserted by them.

Probably no actor now on the stage it richer than William H. Crane. He is said to be worth \$250,00 and it is all safely invested.

FELLING THE GREAT TREES OF CAL-

### The Colonist.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1899.

THE LILLOOET TRICK.

amble to the act, and it is fair to add some one point out where it is. It is that the act was passed with the true that Mr. Prentice is a government consent of Mr. Stoddart, the candidate supporter. Will the government declare who opposed Mr. Prentice, and was in- that they would have introduced such a troduced by the government, although measure, if he had been a member of Mr. Prentice had been elected in oppo- the opposition? We said yesterday that sition. The act referred to, which is we were not without a hope that the honchapter 33 of the acts of 1895, sets out or of the government supporters would that the date for the trial of the elec- lead them to reject this bill or at least tion petition had been fixed at such a to compel the government to withdraw it. date that it was improbable that the We shall decline to surrender that hope matter could be determined in time for until the bill has passed the house. We an election to be held before the session decline to believe that every man, who was ended, and that the whole question is disposed to support the government was upon the qualification of certain on general grounds, has given his honor electors. Under these circumstances the as a man into the custody of Messrs. house was asked to confirm Mr. Pren- Semlin and Martin. We do not care just tice in his seat for the session, with the now to mention names, but several occur understanding that the seat should be to us of members, who have been accusvacated and a new election held as soon tomed to deal honorably with all men, after the session as possible. There was and who would refuse to take a disadno claim in this case that Mr. Prentice vantage of an opponent, men who would was not qualified to sit. The only doubt scorn to play any game dishonestly. Will was whether his majority of one was got these men give their votes for a measure by the vote of duly qualified electors. which is as much a gambler's trick as

The present case is very different. It turns upon the qualification of Mr. Prentice personally. Now if a man is Joseph Martin? We ask these honorable in Montreal with his wife, who has lateno difference what the nature of his disqualification is, the disability is the to be substituted for their own. All that Calgary and are, it is said, all ill with same. He may be disqualified because is asked of them is that they will refuse scarlet fever. It seems a refinement of he is an alien, or because he is a govto take this case out of the hands of the misfortune that he should have been court until Thursday next. We will all stricken with death at this time. convicted felon or because he is not a know then, for we will have a judicial voter. In either event he is not entitled decision on the point, whether or not to take his seat, and it is an outrage for Mr. Prentice was entitled to be a can and at the threshold of his political the government to use its temporary madidate at the election. The province can career, his death appeals to the feelings jority to override the law by the enact get along without Mr. Prentice's services of those who only know the facts. To ment of a special statute to declare that a man who is not qualified shall be deemed to be qualified. This is the real of the laws and to the meaning of the proposed measure. The with all men equally will not be sacricase is to come before the court some ficed in order that Mr. Prentice may sit whether or not Mr. Prentice was entitla candidate. The court may hold that he was not qualified and not his honor high enough to prevent the man on the government side who values wholly null and void, and that Mr. Stod- consummation of the proposed outrage. dart should have been returned as elected by acclamation. It is possible that, not dare lose the vote of one of their supif the court is allowed to exercise its porters upon a question of this nature. ordinary functions, before next week is Therefore we say to each individual supended the Speaker may receive a certificate declaring that Mr. Stoddart ought shirk responsibility in this matter. He to have been returned as the member for cannot plead that it is useless for him eligible as a candidate. East Lillooet, in which case the return to act as his honor dictates. Any one on file would be amended and Mr. Stod- of them can save the honor of the legisdart would be entitled to take the seat. lature and the good name of our prov-This is what may occur. It is the oc- ince and at the same time save his own; currence of this that the government for we assert that every man, who votes dreads, and dreading it, proposes to take for the passage of this outrageous act the court by the throat and throttle it will besmirch his name in the sight of all until Mr. Prentice has had an oppordecent people. Is there no man on the tunity to bolster up its tenure of office right of the Speaker who has the courage during the present session. to say to the Premier that this thing shall not be done? Is there none who

It may be well to refresh the mind of will say to his leader: "I have promised the public with the facts of this case. you my political support, but I must re-The case was set for hearing on the day main the guardian of my own honor?" previous to the opening of the legislature. The collector of votes for the constituency was duly subpoenaed to attend. He desired to obey the subpoena, but considered it to be his duty to obtain leave to do so from the gov-questions of municipal reform, which voters was recalled to the important ernment. He consequently tele- have been discussed during the last few graphed for permission to obey the months. The action of the police comsubpoena—a perfectly needless act, for missioners sidetracked them for a time, the vacant seat for North East Kootthe process of the court is superior to the but it would be a mistake to allow anmandate of the chief of a public depart- other day to elapse without urging upon session by any man whom it may name. ment. This telegram was sent to the At- the voters the importance of seeing that, If it is right to say that a man, who may torney-General, who represents the ad- in the selection of aldermen, they choose have been disqualified as a candidate, ministration of justice in the legislature men who will carry out the reforms and government. Did he reply to it? which we all concede to be necessary. He did not. The irresistible inference is It does not appear likely that any candithat he even then had planned this in- date will take the field in opposition to There is no distinction in principle. famous trick, and therefore permitted the the platform adopted by the Committee subpoena of the court to be disobeyed of Fifty, and ratified by the public meetby the collector. This is an abuse of ing. To do so would be to invite cer-

san purposes to do away with one pro- which was the object of the movement General. There is nothing more solemn wision of the law, it may do away with which culminated in the adoption of the in a legislature than a process issued another, and Mr. Higgins should have platform above referred to. It is to be from the court. It is the order of the

be well to permit Mr. Prentice to occu- without question be called the basest affairs was a guarantee that he would as to give the seat to Mr. Stoddart. In should be instructed in the principles of would have been dreamed of in British

> and vote on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next. Surely there is at least one

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

It is time that the attention of the

tion petition against Mr. Prentice: One man can do it. The government will the hearing;

The government believes that in the event of Mr. Prentice being declared in eligible as a candidate, the seat for East Lillooet will be given to Mr. Stoddart, who will vote with the opposition; The government knows that its tenure

Ex post facto legislation is always to e condemned. In a British country men have been accustomed to regard the rights conferred upon them by law as sacred. Therefore it is the invariable custom, in any legislation affecting those rights, to provide that it shall not be

If the house shall declare that Mr. Prentice is entitled to occupy the seat for Lillooet during the present session, it can with equal justice declare that

by the collector. This is an abuse of power, which degrades the office of attorney general, as it happily has never before been degraded in this country.

If a measure of this kind becomes law, a premium will be put upon dishonesty and corruption in elections. The rights of men will then become subject to the brute majority of a party. Men will no longer care for the laws to secure the regular and proper holding of elections. There is positively no limit to which such a precedent may not be extended. Let us take the case of the Esquimat leer time past, and to get them out of some time past, and to get them out of count. If the house proposes for parti-

not gone to the expense of filing an electregretted that more men prominently sovereign majesty of the law. It is not gone to the expense of hing an electron that more men prominently sovereign majesty of the law. It is supreme over everything except an act the house met and then had the government introduce a bill declaring that he was elected instead of Mr. Bullen. What supreme over everything except an act of the legislature. Yet we are teld that if a subpoena is issued to a government official to attend the trial of a cause, he orial college at Khartoum is not to be sense is there is providing for a trial of manic aspirants are as representative of may not attend unless he has received devoted to teaching the Christian re-

should we suppose that the house will declare any person to be the honorable member for East Lillooet until it is as sured that he was qualified to become a sured that the soudances to the court should try conclusions in this matcher at once and let the public know if it or Joseph Martin is supreme in regard to the each of the olony. The effort to be made is not to personal salvation, but to raise a whole people out of the detroped that the crue translation of the sured that the su tend now, and possibly may not at any to obedience to the order of the court. time during the contest, single out men a seat at the aldermanic board unless gently with large affairs, and whose

> he will stand by the work of reform. DEATH OF MR. NEILSON.

It is with great regret that we chroncle this morning the death of Mr. W. G. enay. Mr. Neilson never had an oppor-

The circumstances surrounding his Columbia or any other man than Mr. death were peculiarly sad. He had been men if they are willing to let Mr. Mar- ly been under treatment there for some

A man in the very prime of life, with business advantages at his command

THE LILLOOET OUTRAGE.

These things are evident: The government is endeavoring to pre vent the court from dealing with the elec-The government has prevented the col lector of votes from attending to give evi- This preliminary matter may give the dence at the hearing of the petition, and seat in East Lillooet to Mr. Stoddart and

Prentce will be declared to have been in- precedented as it is indecent.

of office depends upon its throttling the

This act can only be accomplished by the violation of every instinct of honor and decency.

retroactive.

shall be entitled to his seat, it is equally right to say that a man who has not been elected shall be entitled to a seat. Perhaps the most extraordinary statement made during the debate on the

sense is there is providing for a trial of the petition against Mr. Deane? Why the diverse interests of the city as is depermission of the Attorney-General. Truly did the News-Advertiser say that the judge shall not bill declaring that the judge shall not introduce a section into the present bill declaring that the judge shall not bill declaring the Christian re
Truly did the News-Advertiser say that the principles of the British constitution by the permission of the Attorney-General.

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The voters must, however, deal with the principles of the British constitution by the permission of the bill declaring that the judge shall not the principles of the British constitution the papers protesting against count any of the rejected ballots which things as they find them, and when it the use of her brother's name in connection that it is communicated by contact with infected people. However

and express any opinion as to their per- Mr. Prentice's disqualification was only and express any opinion as to their personal fitness. We make no promise on technical. He knews perfectly well tianity taught to the Soudanese are misthis score, for we propose to await the that there can be no such thing as a led by a name. What they contemplate nominations. We desire to say, and to technical disqualification. If Mr. Prenis that the conceptions of the relations say it in the most emphatic manner pos- tice is disqualified at all, he is as much sible, that no man should be chosen to disqualified as if he were an alien conhe has shown in his private affairs or gospel and a contractor with the gov- World, shall be forced upon a southern simply asked to correct an irregularity. to regard European ideas of religion as record gives ground for the hope that-The proposition is that it shall declare fatal to the souls of those who accept legal something which was absolutely them. If an effort were made by the null and void. If Mr. Prentice is in government to induce the Soudanese to point of fact eligible for the seat, the accept Christianity, the result would be court will so hold on Thursday next, that they would believe the intention provided the Attorney-General permits was first to deprive them of their terri-Neilson, M. P. P. for North East Koot- the witness to attend so that the cause can be heard. If he shall be held to be them from Paradise. This would mean tunity to display his fitness for legislateleligible there is an end of the whole that the Soudan would remain a scene ive responsibilities, but all who had the matter, and there will be no occasion to of turmoil, its civilization would become pleasure of his acquaintance will join legislate in regard to him in any way impossible and Gordon's memorial would The house in that case thought that, to play with loaded dice or marked with us in saying that he had in him whatever. If he shall be held to have be a curse instead of a blessing. the making of a very useful public man. been disqualified, then the court may diunrepresented during the session it would on record as participants in what can The success which marked his private rect that the return shall be amended so able that the people of Equatorial Africa

> alleged object of the bill. oone in both cases the trial of any know that we should seriously object; but in both cases there is something preliminary, which may dispose of the whole matter in half an hour after the court takes up the case on the testimony. thereby compelled an adjournment of the seat in North Yale to Mr. G. B. Martin. For the government to step in The government believes that Mr. and prevent justice being done is as un-

> > that Mr. Neilson, M.P.P., is dead and interfere with missionary work even in Mr. Eberts suggested the customary ad- the slightest degree. It will not affect journment. Premier Semlin ejaculated it in any way except to render it safer no knowledge that he was dead. Last that the work done in this interesting year Mr. Semlin would have found at field will fall to the lot of people of disleast some gentlemanly way of receiving cretion, people who will not measure the such sad intelligence.

> > Erastus Wiman thinks that Canada Christianity, which is a very inadequate can bring the United States to terms test indeed. The work should be directcommercially, if she only bides her time. ed primarily to the amelioration of the It may be of some local interest to observe that when the writer of this para-

### Do You Have tical Christianity which will appeal to the Soudanese and their neighbors more Backache?

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wise has been of such a character as indicates fitness for the large duties of dicates fitness fitness for the large duties of dicates fitness for the large duties of dicates fitness fitness for the large duties of dicates fitness for the large duties of dicates fitness fitness for the large duties of dicates fitness dicates fitness for the large duties of the land, as far as relates the aldermanic office. We do not in-The Attorney-General declared that last as long as the world stands. Those an additional one to the effect that the people who want the doctrines of Chrisbetween man and his Creator, which some eighteen centuries ago were acceptvicted felon who was a minister of the ed by the northern races in the Old ernment, which we believe covers all the race, whose traditions for almost an other disqualifications. The house is not equal length of time have taught them

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attempt to secure control of a house that have dealt with public questions in a as to give the seat to Mr. Stodard that event East Lillooet would be represented during the session, which is the unquestionably it is. The fundamental principle of Christianity is love, and by The most striking hardship in Mr. this we do not mean mawkish sentiment-Deane's case is that the hearing of the alism, for this is not what the Founder petition was postponed against the pe- of Christianity meant. We mean retitioner's desire. The judge might have spect to each other's rights, the relief of adjourned it until after the session, if those less fortunate than ourselves, and he had so desired, and Mr. Deane could all those other qualities which go to have sat without incurring any penalty. make up the ideal citizen. A good citi-Legislation in his case might be excused, zen is the best product of Christianity, if it were not that the only issue is a for he will respect the laws and will do recount of the votes. This recount may unto others as he would desire others to show that Mr. Martin ought to occupy do unto him. In time the Soudanese the seat, and it is an infamous thing to may accept Christianity as their religion charges of undue practices at the elecmemorial college is not opposed to the field is open for the work of Christian missionaries, who will undoubtedly find among some of the tribes a virgin field, for Mohammedanism has more a theoretical than an actual hold upon the great majority of the inhabitants of Equatorial Africa. There must be millions, who are pagans of a very low type. The Christian church will find that the inculcation of the rudimentary principles of our religion into the minds of these will tax their energy to the utmost extent. Never was a greater field of Evil communications corrupt good work opened for the church than in manners. When Col. Baker called the Africa. "Kitchener's School," as Kipattention of the government to the fact ling calls the Khartoum college, will not something about the government having than it ever has been. It is to be hoped

success of their efforts by the number of individuals who say they accept condition of the masses rather than to the conversion of the few to the acceptance of a creed, which even their teachers do not fully understand. It is practical Christianity which will appeal to than anything else. When these people see that their teachers mean them nothing but good, they will be more ready to accept the few simple truths which, after all, lie at the bottom of Christianity. If, however, Central Afriea is to be the scene of a war of creeds, of Order and You Need Dr. and if the test of its evangelization is Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. to be the number of converts, who attend the services of a denomination, pro-

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THE GRIPPE.

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| A consider the construction of the bill to the effect that a choose to represent us in business mathematical terms generally. The simple fact that a man desires to be elected should cut not leave North. East Kootenay unrepresent us in business mathematical terms generally. The simple fact that a man desires to be elected should cut not figure in determining the choice of a specially good during the prevalence. a candidate at the election at which he was elected or not." This is an absolute tautruth. The alleged member for East Lillooet knows perfectly well whether he was qualified to be a candidate or not. The house will hardly stultify itself by making such a declaration. Nor should we suppose that the house will should we suppose that the house will declare any person to be the honorable of the sake of the salary is likely to be on the was person to be the honorable of the sake of the salary is likely to be on the was elected or not." This is an absolute that has it is undesirable to leave North East Kootenay unrepresent and the rectore of a the religious convictions of Kitchener, the the religious convictions of Kitchener, the religious convictions of Kitchener, the convictions

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LEGISLATIVE

The consideration of the throne and of the the Attorney-General members for North looet in their seats unt session constituted the the second day of the sitting both in the after evening.
The Speaker took the and prayers were rea deacon Scriven.

FOR A PRIVA Mr. Helmcken presertion of the session, names of Messrs. Hen asking for the passage n their behalf

RETURNS OF E The Clerk read the c proceedings for the un F. Bullen as member election of Mr. D. judgments dismiss petitions, certificates of Messrs. Neill, Ro Martin, Hume and S general certificate of other members chosen eral election. These, Premier, were ordere orders of the ho

DEATH OF MR Col. Baker rose to i Neilson, member-elect ings of East Kootenay the morning.

Hon. Mr. Semlin rep
heard so, but as yet particulars.

ADDRESS IN MR. RALPH SMIT move the address in r or's speech from the dulgence for the few might make outside of with the address. Beforeveral items of the doc refer to the changed the house last met, ar producing those chang greatly appreciated the been done him in assi moving of the reply. of the many arguments of the contentions of th the gentlemen compos government party were terests of Vancouver Is was so he denied, depr ner of sectional discorr pecially the introduction that the Mainland stood Island, by which the or tainly been able to w Island seats in the ass could possibly have Personally he knew o tify the introduction of but, hatched and fost ent opposition, it had percentage of tives in their ranks. I subject matter of His the member claimed tha dence that the present prepared to put in practice reforms for which the while in opposition, their opposition had principle, and neither bstructive. With res ductory paragraphs of British Columbians wo satisfaction in the gen the country. The coal he had particular kn greater than in any pre with the opening of the r by the Crow's Nest road able to anticipate that put would be infinitely of the year just closed. desiring to detract from the efforts of the past contributed to this incre must occur as to whet multiplication of ind creased productiveness afforded an index of income of the country. It was gold, the silver or the le a country to increase the augmented popula starved. He believed tries of this province at were prosperous, while that there were no coal Coast in a better positi British Columbia. As government's intention changes advocated while he pointed to the clause dealing with the propos tax imposed upon wage in metalliferous mines. this impost had been urg by the gentlemen compo government, as illustrat Finance Minister's re session on the subject most in the terms of t His Honor's speech. this impost had not moved was that the were in so desperate street compelled to use every could raise. They said the country would be in out this tax. He felt, I would be found that every was erroneous, and the read should be from the would benefit from the obnoxious tax-an inhu required the poor men t e state before he mig to earn his bread by he mines. The amendme Mines Regulation act for excluding Japanese as from underground work thing else that the pres party had long declared Any and every member fully aware that in 1897 been enacted by the late cluding both the Chinese ese from working in me of the province; yet culty was experienced common law of the s meagre portion only of applied to the operator This inconsistency on late government was serious, when it was to eration how much more of Chinese and Japanes

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heard so, but as yet had received no ADDRESS IN REPLY.

several items of the document, he would the house last met, and to the factors producing those changed conditions. He greatly appreciated the honor that had been done him in assigning to him the country. The free miner having rebeen done him in assigning to him the moving of the reply. He took it as one moving of the reply. He took it as one ment it was not with him as an individof the many arguments against the truth of the contentions of the opposition that the gentlemen composing the present government party were hostile to the interest and the gentlement of the contentions of the opposition that the gentlemen composing the present government party were hostile to the interest and the government that a rail-way company had to deal if alleged trespass were complained of, this obligovernment party were hostile to the interests of Vancouver Island. That this was so he denied, deprecating all manner of sectional discord, and more especially the introduction of the old crythat the Mainland stood as against the that the Mainland stood as against the second of the control of the old crythat the correspondence of the house would show these crivarances to have been incessantly place. Island, by which the opposition had cer- grievances to have been incessantly plactainly been able to win more of the Island seats in the assembly than they could possibly have done otherwise. could possibly have done otherwise. Personally he knew of nothing to justify the introduction of this sectional cry hatched and fostered by the present opposition, it had conduced to the large percentage of Island representa-tives in their ranks. Proceeding to the subject matter of His Honor's speech, the member claimed that it afforded evidence that the present government were prepared to put in practice at once the reforms for which they had contended while in opposition, thus proving that their opposition had been on sterling principle, and neither antagonistic nor obstructive. With regard to the introobstructive. With regard to the introductory paragraphs of the speech, all British Columbians would naturally feel satisfaction in the general prosperity of the country. The coal output, of which he had particular knowledge, had been thanks for the congratulations he had he had particular and previous year, and greater than in any previous year, and with the opening of the new fields tapped by the Crow's Nest road, it was reasonable to anticipate that next year's output would be infinitely greater than that of the year just closed. But while not of the year just closed. But while not of the year just closed. But while not desiring to detract from whatever part which he might make passing reference. During the course of the late elections to the member of the new government, himself are propounced Liberal and follower of the late are propounced Liberal and follower of the propounce are propounced Liberal and follower of the propounce are propounced Liberal and follower of the propounce are propounced. he had particular knowledge, had been thanks for the congratulations he had greater than in any previous year, and with the opening of the new fields tapped the reply on his vigorous and interesting the reply on his vigorous and interesting exclusion of aliens proposed in the advanced to the reply on his vigorous and interesting the reply of the reply on his vigorous and interesting the reply of the reply must occur as to whether or not the multiplication of industries and inof the country. It was possible for the gold, the silver or the lumber output of a country to increase enormously, while the augmented population practically starved. He helieved that the industry to increase the property of the was glad, too, to see that the industry to increase the property of the present government. It may be interested the recent disastrous fire at N minster, all members of the horizon. With reference to the recent disastrous fire at N minster, all members of the horizon. With reference to the recent disastrous fire at N minster, all members of the horizon. With reference to the recent disastrous fire at N minster, all members of the horizon. With reference to the recent disastrous fire at N minster, all members of the horizon. With reference to the recent disastrous fire at N minster, all members of the horizon. With reference to the recent disastrous fire at N minster, all members of the horizon. 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this Honor's specific this impost had not long ago been not the impost had not long ago been not the imposition of the first speaker on the opposite side of the house was that the late government where in so desperate straits that they felt compelled to use every penny, they could raise. They said the revenue of the country would be insufficient with the country would be also well as the country would be a sufficient with the country would be a sufficient with the country would be a sufficient with the country would be was erroneous, and that the country benefit from the removal of this the state before he might be permitted to earn his bread by honest toil in the The amendment of the Coal mines. The amendment of the purpose of Mines Regulation act for the purpose of excluding Japanese as well as Chinese om underground workings was something else that the present government party had long declared to be desirable. and every member of the house was fully aware that in 1897 legislation had eration how much more the employment

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erious results to worthy citizens of the province who looked upon the change of government as providing the remedy for the abuses complained of in their petitions and hitherto treated with neglect.

These settlers could now rest assured

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As they called for names, Col. Business in the petitions and hitherto treated with neglect. that all their grievances would receive not only his first appearance as a member, but his first view of the new parliawhich he might make passing reference. During the course of the late elections it had frequently been said that if the then government were rejected, where would men be found capable of taking their places? "I am glad to see," observed the member for Chililwack, "that the hrapins of the province is not monored. As evidence of the ntion to inaugurate in the proposed repeal of the

COL. BAKER congratulated the movwould benefit from the removal of this obnoxious tax—an inhuman one, as it required the poor men to pay tribute to duties—arduous because the speech itself facts of the past with reference to this showed little foundation for the eloquestion—how the abolition of the tax quence displayed. The mover of the reply had certainly gone far outside the from miners themselves, and had never address, and had made mistakes, uning of through the mining committee of the tentionally, through ignorance of the house, composed as it was of members records of the house, which mistakes he would have pleasure in correcting. In the first place he had changed the government had been giving a flagrant illustraernment with having accused the opposition of sectionalism; he (Col. Baker) had no knowledge of this, except perhad no knowledge of this, except perhad no knowledge of this except perhad no knowledge of the except perhad no knowledge of this except perhad no kn cluding both the Chinese and the Japanese from working in metalliferous mines of the province; yet the greatest difficulty was experienced in getting the of the province; yet the greatest difficulty was experienced in getting the common law of the state enforced, and displayed in this direction. Then, the power they were determined to take back meagre portion only of this law, when it applied to the operators of coal mines. This inconsistency on the part of the late government was both flagrant and serious, when it was taken into consid-serious, when it was taken into consid-serious consideration c This inconsistency on the part of the late government was both flagrant and serious, when it was taken into considtion for the miners and settlers on the ing election cry, but it was nothing Island, showing plainly that the late more, and it involved a wholesale sacriof Chinese and Japanese in coal mines of Chinese and Japanese in coal mines increased the danger to the intelligent opposition (and present government) was fice of vested rights. As to the exclusion of the Asiation of the

Martin, Hume and Semlin; and the general certificate of the election of other members chosen at the late general election. These, on motion of the Premier, were ordered to be placed on the orders of the house.

He himself had been a member of a beyond. There was also a third head obeyed. There was also a third head of the government in the Finance Ministeral election. These, on motion of the coveries which looked like good propositions. It was about this time that a notion of the orders of the house. Col. Baker rose to inquire of the Premier if the news were true that Mr. Neilson, member-elect for one of the ridings of East Kootenay, had died during the morning.

Hon. Mr. Semlin replied that he had heard so, but so, which he properties disadvantageous to the prospectors—the moment the notice appeared many enterprising miners and heard so, but so, which he proposed that its end would come even before the close of the session on which the house day and argument that the conditions had entered. Not only was there discovered that its end would come even before the close of the session on which the house day and the properties of the interpret. press that supported this new government was equally divided against itself. The Province, which certainly had been classed as one of the organs of the government of the day had when the The Province, which certainly had been classed as one of the organs of the government of the day, had, when the "guide, philosopher and friend" of the Premier (Mr. Sword) ,had offered himself in Cowichan, said plainly that it was averse to seeing the private secretary of the leader of the government leave his position in the civil service to contest a constituency, and that in the contest a constituency, and that in the contest a constituency, and that in the contest a constituency and that in the contest accounts are contest as constituency.

> As to the acts of the new government during their short life, they consisted chiefly in the dismissal of tried and valuable civil servants, in order that friends of the party might be given their places, the worst features of the corrupt spoils no constituency should be deprived of system of the United States being thus introduced, with a disregard for fairness ation—pending the law's delays. He d before the late government without result, although they could have been demonstrated to be grievances producing paralleled only in the most scandalously governed countries of the world. Useful and efficient public servants had been

dismissed in order that the spoils might

As they called for names, Col. Baker hat all their grievances would receive continued, he might mention Mr. Gos-what they had never gained under the nell and Miss Wolley, but there were what they had never gained under the old regime—serious and fair consideration. He had pleasure in moving the address in reply to the speech.

Mr. MUNRO, in seconding the motion, referred to the fact that this was not only his first appearance as a meminate of the speech why had incompleted by any means, and he knew of others who were listed for dismissal. As to the general prosperity of the proventions are the speech why had incompleted to in the speech why had incompleted to in the speech why had ince referred to in the speech, why had the government neglected to give credit where it was due, and say that much of

the brains of the province is not monopol- join in regret and in sympathy and as-He was glad, too, to see that be interesting to know, however, the ex-

imposed upon wage carters employed to see that an ear had at last been Royal City would be watched for with impost had been urged continuously given to the requests of the people for a tax" was entirely a misnomer, coined to catch the popular fancy, and it would be valuable to know at once whether the government proposed to abolish the personal property tax in its entirety, for the tax on mortgages, no matter was adjusted, would always remain to be

Col. Baker's remarks, moved the adjournment of the debate until the next sitting of the house.

CONTESTED ELECTIONS BILL. ATTORNEY-GENERAL MARTIN. n moving the second reading of the bill especting the non-trial of election petions during the continuance of the leave his position in the civil service to contest a constituency, and that in the event of defeat he certainly could not expect to be returned to the office of which he had been the incumbent. He had been defeated, he was glad to know, and he had been promptly restored to the office. Personally he was glad that the Premier had again the company of his "guide, philosopher and friend," but what would the Province say to it, and might it not be possible that the government might find this a Sword of Damocles suspended over their heads? As to the acts of the new government providing that no election petition should be tried during the progress of a session. The necessity for such an act was uemonstrated by the experience of the other provinces, and it certainly was right that no constituency should be deprived of word that had been offered by the other side of the house was calculated to lead to the facts and denied emphatically that the government had any motive in presenting this measure other than to see that every consti-tuency possible should have continuous representation during the session. Re erring to the peculiar circumstances in

connection with the case of the member for East Lillooet, he appealed to "the good sense of members of both sides," and held that the neglect in the determination of the subject of the election petition in question had been solely due to the procrastination and neglect of the petitioner. If he had desired to bring the matter to a focus, it might have been done long ago, but the object sought appearance rather to he to device. sought appeared rather to be to depriv these two constituencies of their representation during the session. The bill, the second reading of which he moved, had also for its object the protection of the newly elected members for Alberni nical disqualification. The man was and Cowichan against interference by petition during the course of the present

MR. McPHILLIPS had not thought hat on the first opportunity afforded aim of speaking in the house it would be his duty to rise in protest against a bill framed as was this one. One would have thought that out of his large political experience, the Attorney-Gen-eral would have been able to present some precedent, supporting his assumed right to offer to the house a measure framed as was this extraordinary piece of legislation. It was so remarkable duction that he would feel it his duty move in amendment to the motion for he second reading, the following resolu-

"That legislation in the direction taying the course of the administration of justice is vicious in principle and is subversive of law and order and good government, and is calculated to bring the administration of justice into dis-repute and make the courts of law mere nandatories of the political power that it has ever nay be in the ascendancy; en opposed to proper precedent to afect pending litigation by legislation; and herefore be it resolved that interference the trial of an election petition, and the staying of the trial thereof, is wrong in principle, and unwarrantally trespasses upon the functions of the ourt, and is a matter that ought not to fied. dealt with by any bill."

Mr. Macpherson, Hon. Mr. Martin such a substantive resolution was not in order. Mr. McPhillips in reply referred to p. 446 of May, 10th edition, and Mr. Speaker decided that the amendment was allowable.

Mr. McPhililps then proceeded to argue rigorously against the setting aside of the processes of law for the purpose of colitical expediency. If the Attorney-General had brought in a bill to the efect that Mr. Prentice or Mr. Deane of ooth of them should be indemnified against possible penalties in the event of determination of the petitions be against them, it would have been a different matter, while there would still be strong objections to be urged on prin-But this bill went much furtherproviding that Mr. Prentice might not only sit and exercise the functions of a ember until the determination of his ease, but until the close of the session his case being kept sub judice until then. The cause of the delay in the set-tlement of the application had, as was well known, been the absence of a ma-terial witness, who had been regularly subpoenaed. He was a servant of the white employees. If there were good with present government, white employees. If there were good to carry sectionalism into the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when other reasons a thousand fold more cogent for the exclusion of the Asiatics from the exclusion of the Asiatics from the exclusion of the Asiatics of the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made the proposals in this connection made by the member for Nanaimo when the proposals in this connection made the proposals in this connection made the proposals in this connection made overnment, and he did not attend, at the proposals in the proposals in this connection made the proposals in the proposals in this connection made the proposals in the prop gent for the exclusion of the Asiatics from the coal mines. 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had been experienced in the determina-tion of these petitions, what assurance could the house have that they would be een passed four years ago, touching this same Lillooet constituency, when indeed. the interests of the same gentleman were at stake. And this bill the house had unanimously passed Upon the present occasion it was only a technical objecnot the principle involved.

MR. EBERTS regarded the bill now

in the hands of the house as one of the the truth. He traced the history of the East Lillooet election appeal from its commencement, showing that the petitioner Stoddart had proceeded with the utmost promptness, and that step by step the issue of the trial had been step the fought by the respondent, to whom the delay in the settlement of the matter was to be attributed. As every one knew, no actions could be tried during the vacation months of August and

either legally qualified or he was disqualified—there was no middle course The Attorney-General knew that Mr. Prentice was not legally qualified to take his seat; Mr. Prentice knew it, for had he not, since the proceedings were nitiated, taken steps to have his put on the voters' list? His entire course had been to interpose delays to lefeat the diligence shown by the peti-tioner in bringing the trial of the issue And what was the nature of t delay? The material witness, he last delay? Mr. F. Soues, the collector of votes, had been summoned from Clinton, but had written, explaining how his instructions as a government servant were not to leave the office without explicit instruc-tions from his superior, the Attorney-General. He had communicated with that gentleman, asking if he should obey the order of the court, and stating that in view of his instructions he would ot do so unless he received a reply, which he asked for. None was sent by the Attorney-General. If the Attorney-General had consented to the witness beying the subpoens of the court the trial of the issue would have been com-pleted. Having thus prevented the trial of the issue, the government now came before the house with a bill that was a disgraceful political trick, for it proposed to seat Mr. Prentice in the ho when he and his friends and the govern-

Hon. Mr. Semlin-His name was or the voters' lisoruyft cmf cmfwypmfwyp and Mr. Higgins at once took points of order, quoting numerous authorities, in May as supporting their position that the collector of votes to that effect, and also that his name does not appear on the voters' list. Proceeding, the exAttorney-General condemned as a mere
piece of political trickery this bill to
seat Mr. Prentice while relieving him of
the severe penalties attaching to
the action, he knowing his ineligibility. It was juggling with the
constitution act to take away from the the voters' list. Proceeding, the exconstitution act to take away from ourts the protection of the people.

British colony would show a precedent for thus breaking in upon the constitution, and it would be just as fair and as logical were the government to bring in a bill to declare him (Mr. Eberts) no longer a member, and appoint some one from without the bar of the house to take his place. Indeed it would be quite were they to thus turn out of heir seats all the members of the opposition, and put in them whomsoever they pleased. He opposed the second reading and considered the bill an outrage on the

rights of a free people.

MR. POOLEY reviewed the simple facts of the case as recited by Mr. Ebnterested, agreed in by both sides of the house, and not violating any of the pro visions of law. Mr. Prentice on the present occasion was disqualified, but having got his name on the voters' list

found ready to support your amendment to the general law." He concluded by entering his emphatic protest against legislation of this nature.

HON. MR. SEMLIN denied that precedent could not be found for the measure, or that it could be construed as reflecting upon the courts or the administration of justice. But even if this bill could be taken as a vote of censure uptration of justice. But even if this bill could be taken as a vote of censure upon the courts it were better so than that any constituency should be deprived of continuous representation in the assembly. Looking upon the long delay that had been experienced in the determination of the people. He would not discuss the status of the election petitions referred a similar piece of legislation. In the Ontario act the member was entitled to take his seat but in the present instance one of the gentlemen interested was not qualified to sit. Hear, hear). He was bright to interfere in matters that take his seat but in the present instance one of the gentlemen interested was not qualified to sit. Hear, hear). He was bright to interfere in matters that take his seat but in the present instance one of the gentlemen interested was not qualified to sit. Hear, hear). had been experienced in the determination of these petitions, what assurance could the house have that they would be disposed of before the close of the present session—adjournments of the courts were continually being made, and all that this bill proposed was to adjourn the trial of the matter until two weeks after the prorogation of the house, which would be in less than six weeks. As to precedent, an almost parallel bill had been passed four years ago touching this courts that mattering he had been passed four the house discussed by the house last year by the surface that matters before the curts could not be discussed by the house, and he proceeded to quote from May as an authority, why matters under adjudication should not be dealt with by the house. The election trial in Mr. Prentice's case had already come up and would be heard on Thursday next, the reason of the postponement being to sequence of the house of a trial fixed by the courts, be considered other than an interference? It was an insult to the intelligence of the house to argue other. reason of the postponement being to secure the attendance of Mr. Soues as a interference? It was an insult to the intelligence of the house to argue otherwise, and therefore this case could not wise for if this was not an interference be considered otherwise than sub judice. with the courts then no legislation was In other words the effect of the bill was to remove from the hands of the courts interference. He would not join hands the right to say when the trial should be held. It was, he maitained, a retrograde movement to take back in this tice taking his seat—the letter of the law might possibly have been violated, but over to the courts of law, and it cer- clared lost on the following divisio tainly was not right when the parties were ready to go to trial to prevent the

case being fought out before the proper tribunal. One could not too strongly condemn this tampering with the constitution, and to pass this bill would be to commit an error that all members of the house would live to regret. He quoted from Theberge v. Laundry, an appeal to the privy council in a Quebec Kidd, Kinchant, Helgesen, Munro, election case, in support of his argument that the legislature should not take away from the courts the power given them by the legislature to deal with election petitions. It was held in this that in spite of anything that could be election petitions. It was near in this appeal that where it was the intention of the legislature under an act, assented to by the crown to create a tribunal for the purpose of trying election petitions in a manner which should make its decision for all formall for the purposes it should be consequences in the purpose of trying election petitions in a manner which should make its decision for all formall formal for the purposes it should be the consequences in the purposes it should be the consequences in the purpose of the purposes it should be the consequences in the purpose of the september, while as soon thereafter as the matter came into court, Mr. Prentice, through his counsel, raised the technical objection that error had been made in the manner of service—

made

or taking out, with its own consent, of the legislative assembly, and vesting in that court, that very peculiar jurisdiction which, up to that time, had existed in the legislative assembly of deciding election petitions, and determining the status of those claiming to be members of the legislative assembly. A jurisdiction of that kind is extremely special, and one of the obvious incidents or consequences of such a jurisdiction. incidents or consequences of such a jurisdiction must be that the jurisdiction, b whomsoever it is to be exercised, should be exercised in a way that should as soon as possible become conclusive, and enable the constitution of the legislative assembly to be distinctly and speedily known. Accordingly we find, on looking at the act of parliament, that after providing by the 89th section as to the matter which the syth section as to the matter which the Superior court is authorized to determine the 91st section declares that a certified copy of the judgment shall be transmitted without delay to the Speaker, and another to the prothonotary in the district in which without delay to the Speaker, and another to the prothonotary in the district in which the petition was presented, and then the 118th section provides: "The Speaker shall, at the earliest practical moment after having received the judgment and reports, adopt all the proceedings necessary for confirming or altering the return of the returning officer, or for the issuing of a new writ for a new election within thirty days, or for otherwise carrying the final judgment into execution, as circumstances may require. He may, for the issuing of such writ of election, address his warrant under hand and seal to the clerk of the Crown in Chancery." Then the 119th section is: "The Speaker shall without delay communicate to the legislative assembly the judgments and the reports received, and his own proceedings thereon." And the 120th section is: "When a special report has been received, the legislative assembly may make such order in respect of such special report as it may deem proper." The whole scheme, therefore, of the act of parliament is that, once the action of the Superior court takes place, and the decision of the Superior court arrived at. ment all knew he was not legally quali-

the Superior court takes place, and the decision of the Superior court arrived at stopping there, it would be very difficult to do otherwise than conclude, from the character of these enactments, that the object which the legislature had in view was to have a decision of the Superior court, which, once arrived at, should be for all purposes conclusive.

But there is a further consideration which arises upon this act. If the judgment of the Superior court should not be conclusive, of course the argument is that the power which is to be brought to bear to review the judgment is the power of the Crown in Council.

the judgment is the power of the Crown in Council.

Now, the object matter, as has been said, of the legislation is extremely beculiar. It concerns the rights and privileges of the electors and of the legislative assembly to which they eect members. Those rights and privileges have always in every colony, following the example of the Mother Country, been jealously maintained and guarded by the legislative assembly. Above all they have been looked upon as rights and privileges which pertain to the legislative assembly. in complete independence of the Crown, so far as they properly exist. And it would be a result somewhat surprising and hardly in consonance with the general scheme of the legislation if, with regard to rights and privileges of this kind, it were to be found that in the last resort the determination of them no longer belonged to the legislative assembly, no longer belonged to the Superior court which the legislative assembly had put in its place, but belonged to the Crown in Council, with the advice of the advisers of the Crown at home, to be determined with reference either to the

The amendment was then put and de-For-Messrs. Pooley, Booth, Duns-Smith (A.W.).

Against-Messrs. Jos. Martin, Sem-Green, Neill-19.

MR. BRYDEN (North Nanaimo) then demnity to allow the corruptly chosen member to sit for one session or even Mr. Prentice's return is that he is technically disqualified—that is all.

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Mr. Eberts responded that there was no such thing known to the law as technically demnity to allow the corruptly chosen member to sit for one session or even more—in fact carry on the thing indefinition of the decision of stituting or providing for the decision of situting or providing for the decision of such that there was no such thing known to the law as technically definition. mere ordinary civil rights; they are acts constituting an entirely new, and up to that time unknown, jurisdiction in a particular court of the colony for the purpose of taking out, with its own consent, of the legislative assembly and westing in that tion cases settled as he was to have these gentlemen on the floor of the there was no reason why it could not have been done. But the government were determined to pass the bill so it was no use to talk as the government members were evidently well under control. (Laughter). He thought that the mier and could not be allowed to lead his side he would resign. In closing he congratulated the opposition members for having made the best speeches ever heard on the opposition side of the house in comparison with the rambling remarks of those made by what was supposed to be the government. (Laughter).

MR. A. W. SMITH (West Lillooet) rose to say that though the government, seemed determined to put the bill through, that when the bill was in comthe Attorney-General would so amend it as to allow the gentlemen to keep their seats only until the trials were heard. The Attorney-General-That is just what it means.

Mr. Smith-No, the trial is fixed to come off next Thursday, but the bill is to postpone the hearing. He explained that he meant to leave the courts to deal with the trials on the dates already fixed and to allow the nembers interested to sit only until the conclusion of the trials if the should go against them. He was very sorry that the Attorney-General had not seen fit to accord permission to Mr. So

to come down as a witness last week for Mr. Soues would by the regulations of the department lose his position if had come down to Victoria without the permissoin of the head of his departme Mr. Smith read the regulation issued by the Attorney-General's department must absent himself during office hours without the permission of the head of the department, or any such violation would warrant his dismissal. If Mr. Soues had obeyed the order of the court without the permission of the Attorney-General he would have been liable to lose his position. Mr. Smith had no wish to see Mr. Prentice kept out of his seat, but this bill was a piece of special legisla-tion and such legislation was never received well by the people. I therefore vote against the bill.

MR. HELGESEN (Cariboo) said that it had been reported that the opposition were dying hard, and like dying men, they seemed now to be grasping at a straw. The lawyers on the opposition side were trying to attribute political trickery to the government, but as a matter of fact the bill only abolished a bad usage, and the sooner that was done the better. He would have done the same thing as the Attorney-General in regard to Mr. Soues, for the Attorney-General was quite right in not calling an official away from his place on a trivial affair like this.

COL. BAKER denounced the duct of the government, as he had al-ready done earlier in the day, as des-potic. Not another member on the gov-· Continued on page Eight.

THURSDAY, Jan. 5, 1899.

Experiences of Early Gold Seekers · in These Quickly Famous Fields.

From the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.
Gold in the Atlin country was only dis-Gold in the Atlin country was one quarter too.

covered last August; that is, its presence tion.

"The Atlin country will continue a good "The Atlin country will continue a good agreement to the country will continue a good to the country will be continued as the country w was then for the first time made known to the world, but since then about 7,000 men have visited the region. Bennett, after whom Lake Bennett was named by Lieut. Fred. Schwatka, mined on creeks along Lake Atlin in the early '70's, but for diggings, the only placer mining then followed, was not productive of good results, and Bennett went to Cariboo crossing. Fritz Miller found gold on Pine creek over a year ago, and with his partner mined until prospectors came across his last summer, when he hurried out to file his discovery claim.

"The Atlin country will continue a good mining camp long after the present generation is forgotten," said he.

Wright creek, flowing into Surprise lake, was discovered quite early in the season, and Bonanza creek rises in the mountain to the right of Surprise lake, it is believed that this is a portion of the same old glacier that wrought such great changes in the district. The mountains of Alaska and Northern British Columbia are still full of glaciers, but this little, half dead glacier feeding Bonanza creek may have a history that would prove the delight of the geologist. But glaciers don't talk, and so its story will not be told.

The region about Lake Atlin is beauti-

visions of wealth to be secured from the White Pass and Yukon route extends its benches and creek bottoms. The extent system through that country, it will be of the Atlin country is not yet known, profitable region for the cattleman.

It is confidently expected that the railand when the snow leaves the ground in the early spring new strikes will undoubtedly be reported from every side. The extent and value of these new strikes and of the country now staked can then be determined. In Alaska there is a unanimous the coast of Alaska is rugged and harsh impression that the whole country is rich in its unfeeling grandeur, the Atlin lake and that gold is plentiful; next season's region is warm, sympathetic and inviting by contrast. The winters, of course, are of this theory.

Pine creek holds paramount interest at the present time because it was on this creek that the initial strike was reported.

In the vicinity of Pine creek twenty and the present time because it was the winters in the Middle states, while the springs, summers and falls leave the springs, summers and falls leave the springs. square, the country is composed of quartz and slate gold-bearing rock and the impression is that the mother lode is this whole area, and that no portion of it will be found to be more valuable than any other portion, although some section may be easier to mine than others. This theory was first advanced by Dr. H. B. Run in Washington, and since then his ideas have been generally adopted as gospel. Fol-lowing this general theory one's fancy carries him back to the antediluvian period when there was no Pine creek, no valley where Pine creek flows when the two big ridges forming the walls of Pine creek were joined, presenting one great ridge 5,000 feet high and sixteen miles long. This ridge was composed of quartz and slate, with gold intermixed; this mountain was the mother lode. A glacier formed on the upper end of the ridge at the spot now occupied by a beautiful body of water re-cently named Surprise lake. The glacier followed the ridge along its summits and gradually forced and cut its way towards night of the fire and the provincial police Lake Atlin, slowly but surely forming a Lake Alin, storm path that in time split the great mountain in twain. A few thousand years—perhaps a few hundred thousand years—witnessed great changes. Instead of one great mountain there were two smaller was done yesterday and Magistrate Hall fixed the bail at \$1,000 for Tetu with surrotice of \$500 each. The amount of

FOUND TWO RIDGES. When Fritz Miller and his party reached that country with their picks and shovels, grubstake and gold pans, they found these two ridges with a creek flowing be-tween them. There was no sign of glacier; it had long since been erased. Numerous small creeks led from each of the two inner sides of the ridge. corming a TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL. watershed that fed Pine creek. At the source of Pine creek, a beautiful, placid mountain lake, which later prospectors called Surprise lake, because they were surprised that such an inspiring body of water should be

found in such a picturesque spot.

Miller and his party prospected at a or shooting peasants, ducks, geese, caribou or mountain goats—game abounding in great number. They proceeded to enjoy their solitude until August last, when, almost without warning, they found the valley of Pine creek swarming with thousands of eager, earnest, determined gold-

seekers. Dr. Runnalls was among the first to get menced. He walked up Pine creek to Surprise lake, prospecting the small creeks flowing at right angles and entering Pine. He crossed the divide, and with hundreds of others, explored Spruce creek. Spruce creek flows along the base of the outer side of the right hand ridge, parallel with Pine, and mingled its waters with Pine just before its confluence with Lake Atlin. If Pine creek contained gold, it was argued that Spruce creek would be rich also, and in a few days that watercourse was all staked. McKee creek, running parallel with Pine and Spruce, but ten miles from Pine, was later discovered, and that was soon staked from mouth to source. All being creeks on both sides of the two ridges were explored and claims staked out.

THE MOTHER LODE. While on this expedition, Dr. Runnall formed the opinion that the whole country for twenty miles square—the area occupled by the geological mountain—was the mother lode. With this impression strong in his mind, he returned to Discovery on Pine, where Miller and his partner continued at work harder than ever. Miller would tell no one how much he was making or what gold he was securing. A little fur ther up the creek another miner was open ing a new claim, and was reaching rock. Dr. Runnalls went there and say the man washing to bedrock. The bed-rock was composed of quartz and slate, and was quite hard. The man drove his pick in several times and brought up piece of the virgin rock in his pan. The docto examined them. In one piece free gold could plainly be detected. It was bright and sharp and bore no evidence of hav

ing been washed by water or worn by gla-cial action. It was plain to the doctor that that piece of quartz, with gold imbedded, had not been disturbed from the time nature deposited it there until the moment the force miner's pick dislodged it. proved that the whole mountain contained gold. So convinced was the doctor that his theory was correct that he immediately them on this Christmas-tide. There was filed a quartz claim at that point. This claim embraces twenty acres and includes Discovery claim and a portion of the townsite established there. For a day or two considerable concern. considerable concern was eccasioned as a result of the doctor's action. It was soon ascrtained, however, that his quartz claim in no manner interfered with the placer holdings. Every man holding placer claims owns all the gold to bedrock, but from any, presided over the meeting in an bedrock to China the ground belongs to able and acceptable manner.

Rempt, 25 miles from Yarmouth, while shooting.

BANQUET TO HIGH JOINTERS.

Montreal, Jan. 4.—A complimentary banquet will be tendered the international commissioners by the Reform the placer than the ground belongs to able and acceptable manner.

The ory That Here Centres the Mother Lode of Whole Atlin District.

the holder of the quartz claim. The great heart of the mountain is gone. Where, then is this dirt and gold that has been worn and washed away by the glacier and its streams of later periods? The miners answer this question by saying that it is at the bottom of Lake Atlin. There is a strong impression that a feasible dredging gold-saving machine can make money dredging the bottom of Lake Atlin.

AN OLD MINER'S STATEMENT. Of course this is all theoretical. That there is gold on Pine creek and its tribu-taries, on Spruce creek, McKee creek, and a few other streams, is well known, for gold has been taken out. One old who washed out \$600 in gold on Pine creek declares that it will take years to wash out the Atlin placers, and that when the quartz properties will be in active opera-

covery claim.

Of all the men who have been in the Atlin region since August, probably not more than ten or a dozen have studied the geological features of the country; the great majority have simply followed blindly the visions of wealth to be secured from the grasses are abundant. Some day when the cold, but the 300 men now living there in

ACCUSED OF ARSON.

Elzeard Tetu Arrested On a Charge of Burinng His House.

Elzeard Tetu was arrested yesterday orning on a charge of arson by Sergt. Langley and Provincial Constable Murray. This arrest is made in connection with the fire which destroyed Tetu's dwelling house on the Fairgrove estate, Cedar Hill road, on November 26 last. The building was a two-story frame, owned by Tetu, and the place was being fixed up for a new tenant the day before the fire. The circumstances surrounding the destruction of the place were suspi-cious, as Mr. McKeown who happened to be driving along the road noticed the fire and on investigating detected a strong smell of coal oil. Tetu claimed that he was ill in his bed in town the have since been quietly looking up the

sureties of \$500 each. The amount of insurance was \$400 on the house and \$200 on personal property and was placed with the Sun Fire Insurance Co. The claim put in by Tetu included the \$400 for the house and \$37.25 for persona property. Mr. S. Perry Mills is defending.

Congratulate Mr. Forster on His Elevation to the Speakership of the House.

A rather prolonged meeting of the Vican inspiring body of water should be found in such a picturesque spot.

Miller and his party prospected at a bend of Pine creek, eighteen miles from Lake Atlin, and finding gold in paying quantities, they proceeded to mine, replenishing their supply of food by fishing or shooting peasants, ducks, geese, cari
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ceived and approved.

A rather prolonged meeting of the victoria Trades and Labor Council was held last evening, there being consider able business brought forward. The credentials of Messrs. J. C. Meiss and George McKeown, the new delegates position, privately owned; and beyond this latter mine ducer in Canada. Beyond into the basin lies the Antoine, a very high-grade proposition, privately owned; and beyond this latter mine ducer in Canada. Beyond into the basin lies the Antoine, a very high-grade proposition, privately owned; and beyond this latter mine ducer in Canada. Beyond into the basin lies the Antoine, a very high-grade proposition, privately owned; and beyond this latter mine ducer in Canada. Beyond into the basin lies the Antoine, a very high-grade proposition, privately owned; and beyond this latter mine ducer in Canada. Beyond into the basin lies the Antoine, a very high-grade proposition, privately owned; and beyond this latter mine ducer in Canada. Beyond into the basin lies the Antoine, a very high-grade proposition, privately owned; and beyond this latter mine and the deep workings of this latter mine ducer in Canada. Beyond into the basin lies the Antoine, a very high-grade proposition, privately owned; and beyond this latter mine and the deep workings of this latter mine and the deep workings of this latter mine and the deep workings of the deep workings of the deep workings of the deep workings of this latter mine and the deep workings of the deep workings

been very favorably received. As a result of their work branches of the horseshoers' and carriage makers' unions would be organized this week. Dr. Hathaway also reported having met with success in his labor newspaper scheme, both in the way of advertising and the allotment of shares. He expected to is sue the first number in about a week. One hundred copies of the labor paper issued in London, Ont., were received by

the council and an acknowledgment will Mr. R. E. Gosnell wrote asking permission to address the council as sec-retary of the University Association. The request was granted and Mr. Gosnell will address the council at their next meeting, the address commencing at

Delegate McKay, a member of the Committee of Fifty, was requested to work to have the aldermanic qualification removed entirely.

The following resolution was then put

and carried unanimously!

"That the Victoria Trades and Labor Council compliment Mr. Thomas Forster, M.P.P., on his elevation to the speakership in the local legislature on account of his being prominently identified with labor organizations." tified with labor organizations.

SOOKE PRESBYTERIANS. First Christmas Entertainment in Their New Year.

A very successful entertainment and Christmas tree was held on Friday, De-cember 30, in Knox Presbyterian church, comper 30, in Knox Presbyterian Church, Sooke. The church was most profusely and beautifully decorated with ever-greens, mottoes and flags. The candle-lit tree was laden with a bountiful store of presents, and old Santa Claus ap-peared in his ancient costume, and in his usual genial and hearty manner distributed gifts to little and big, none seem ing to escape his attention. The youthful recipients were greatly delighted with their gifts, and carried home with

Constantly Increasing Demand for Shares of Properties of

Boundary Creek District and Slocan Will Witness Next Excitement.

like appreciation of the fact that the best mines have fallen into the hands of strong ompanies, who are working them for the legitimate returns which they can repay on the capital invested therein, and outside speculators are beginning to look with suspicion upon properties which have failed to sustain their early promises, or which blossom into prominence from strikes that existed in the imagination of enterprising brokers. For the stocks of properties with th by strong and well managed companies like the Le Roi, War Eagle, Iron Mask and Centre Star there is a constantly increasing demand, at an increased price. They are being purchased as an investment. For others there is an exceptional demand occasionally produced by the manipulations of those who are anxious to unload, but such demand is investigable cheek. such demand is invariably short lived, and for the latter class of securities the out look is decidedly gloomy. In Spokane the in Republic stocks has reached that point where the slightest reaction means an enormous crash, and outside speculator e very chary of stepping into the breach maintain the high-water mark which has characterized the prices of what are virtually only prospects in a camp made famous by one mine, the Republic. Even in the Republic stock itself a very significant fact came to notice this week. stock was selling at \$2.75 prior to the big strike make in their lower workings. Yet but four days ago a block of it changed liands at \$3. Either the strike when expected was heavily discounted, or holders some of them are very willing to realize at what would seem but a very slight in-crease in value, taking into consideration the enormous prospects which this mine would seem to offer.

The coming mining excitements will from the natural riches of the ground be in properties situated in the Boundary Creek district and the Slocan. The former is developing many enormously rich properties which are already being bought outright or bonded by big English and American com-panies, but owing to its later development it will probably fail to attract the atten tion of investors during 1899 like its elder sister, the Slocan. The latter is without doubt the richest silver-lead mining district in the whole world, and after a quiet interval extending over the last eighteen nonths, during which steady development has been carried on, with the result that many properties there are paying their owners enormous dividends, the attention of investors is at once being concentrated upon this wonderful silver belt. Unfortunately the stocks of many of the best properties are practically unobtainable, but many new ones, and others that are only now beginning to unfold their wealth, are becoming known, that selection of what will prove an exceptionally good inrestment is easy. The Payne, Idaho, Ruth, Slocan Star, Bosun, Whitewater, Queen Bess, Ivanhoe, Sunshine and Antoine are held by those who will not part with their holdings, and possibly a few Last Chance shares might be got at \$10 a share, but it is very doubtful if even this price would tempt the lucky ones. On the same lead as the Last Chance are the Treasure Vault, Ajax and Ajax Fraction, all held privately y men well satisfied to keep what they have. Lower down the hill the American ground takes in 1,200 feet of the same ead, and if the present owners of this mine can come to an agreement amongst themselves whereby they will put the treasury stock upon the market, so as to secure funds for further development, three months will find it on the list of shippers, and high up on the list. Higher up the hill the Last Chance lead traverses the Noble Five ground for 1,600 feet, and if from the Cigarmakers' union, were received and approved.

A request was received from the organizing committee, stating that they had been at work among the unorganized workmen of the city and that they had watching. One of the best investments in the district is the stock of the Palmetto, near the Queen Bess group, and a great demand for it has arisen; in fact, investors can hardly make a mistake in buying the stock of any property in the Slocan, is being properly and systematically worked, for the season of 1899 will find fifty dividend payers situate within a radius

seven miles of the town of Sandon. DREYFUS' SLIM CHANCE. Further Reduced by Attendance

General Chanoine on the Court. Paris, Jan. 4.-The anti-Dreyfus partisans claim a great victory has been scored by their side in the presence of General Chanoine, the former minister of war, in the court of cassation during the examination of the secret dossier. This, they say, virtually makes the army a part of the court and is a further check

Paris, Jan. 4.-Major Count Ferdinand Esterhazy, now known to be the author of the Dreyfus bordereau, has been summoned to appear before the court of cas-sation on January 12. It is understood that a formal undertaking has been given that he will be free from arrest coming and going. It is expected the Dreydepositions will be received on Sa urday from Cayenne and the court will then decide whether his presence is ne-cessary in Paris. It is believed that the whole examination will be conducted by elegraph at an enormous expense in or der to avoid manifestations here.

Paris, Jan. 4.—The recently formed eague known as La Patrie Francaise, whose avowed object was to "knit intelectual France into a union for counter-ecting the Dreyfus agitation," seems acting the Dreyfus orn, owing to the incompatibility of M. Brunelier Coppe and Maurice Barros, and the dissensions among the authors, professors and scientists who have

signed the membership list. SHOOTING FATALITY.

Halirax, Jan. 4 .- Victor Baker, the 19-year-old son of Hon. C. L. Baker, president of the Yarmouth Steamship Company, was accidentally killed at Kempt, 25 miles from Yarmouth, while

Washington.

Proved Value.

There were but five absentees when There were but five absentees when the members elect of British Columbia's eighth parliament assembled to-day for the despatch of business, in response to the formal call of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. Of the five, one was the former Premier, Mr. J. H. Tur-was the former Premier was the former Premier, Mr. J. H. Turner, and two were supporters of the policy enunciated by the government led owing to a combination of adverse cir-The coming year will probably see a vast change in the centres around which the colleague for Victoria city, and Mr. bis colleague for Victoria city and Mr. bis colleague for Victoria city and Mr. bis colleague for Victoria city and Mr. bis c mining excitements of the West have circled in 1897 and 1898. In Rossland the boom has sobered down into a business-

vacant chairs on the treasury side were those assigned to Mr. Prentice of Lillooet, and Mr. Munro of Chilliwack, so that—accepting Mr. Henderson quest, as a supporter now of Premier cultural community. With abundant crops and an ever-expanding home market, there is little doubt that in the future agricultural pursuits will contribute of 19 to 14 present on the floor of the chamber, or 20 to 17 with all available wealth of the province. forces considered and leaving Mr. Speaker out of the question. It must not be forgetten in the great calamity visited the city of New Westminster in the disastrous conflagration in September last. But the The ceremonies of the opening were

parliament. Indeed the formal txercises of yesterday gathered interest chiefly from the changed position of the parties, tax on personal property expectancy with regard to the policy to expectancy with regard to the policy to outlined in His Honor's speech, and the prospect of keen fights and close function itself-it was rather colorless, the gray sky and whirling snow without ting the attendance of spectators; and the gathering on the floor and in the galleries lacking the brilliancy of former years while containing numerous repre sentatives of the bench, the bar. ons, and gentlemen of politics, active and retired.

CHOOSING THE SPEAKER.

Mr. Thomas Forster of Delta Elected t Preside Over the Parliamentary Deliberations.

It was fully a quarter past the hour three o'clock, when His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, attended by his private secretary, Mr. T. R. E. McInnes, and accompanied by a brilliant staff numbering fifteen naval and military officers, passed the saluting guard of honor and bearing the mace proceeded to the throne.

There being seated, according to usage and custom His Honor was pleased to announce that the objects of the session would not be communicated to the tions act, and the act regulating the members of the assembly until they had first elected a speaker to preside over of bringing legislation regarding these their deliberation . His Ho staff then retired to permit of the necessary selection being made.

The nomination was in the hands of the member for Revelstoke riding of West Kootenay, Mr. J. M. Kellie, who proposed for the office the member for the Delta, Mr. Thomas Forster. He had. he said, during eight years past had the nonor and pleasure of being associated with the honorable member for Delta in parliamentary duties, and from this experience and his personal knowledge could testify to that honorable gentleman's fitness for the honorable and important office

Col. James Baker (East Kootenay), in the absence of the leader of the oppo-sition, gracefully seconded the nominasition, gracefully seconded the nomina-tion. All had known the honorable member for the Delta, he said, during nany years, and he certainly had been proven able and consistent in the perormance of his duties. In the speaker's hair Mr. Forster would no doubt be eminently capable, while he would, he felt sure, display the same courtesy to all that he had on the floor of the house. He possessed, too, the necessary firmness of character for the office, and would unquestionably do his best to tone lown any bitterness of debate that might

occasionally arise. The remarks of both mover and so nder were received with applause, and the nomination then being put by Clerk Fell, it was carried unaning Mr. Speaker Forster was then escorted to the chair by Messrs. Kellie and Baker

tion and fairness displayed by his prodecessors in the chair. SPEECH FROM THE THRONE. Aliens to Be Excluded From the Placers -Repeal of the Mortgage Tax

Proposed.

The choice of the speaker having been announced, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor re-entered, and ascending

"Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:
'In meeting you at the opening of the rst session of the eighth parliament of ritish Columbia, it is gratifying to m to be able to congratulate you on the prosperity which has been enjoyed dur-ing the past year, and on the brigh-prospects for the one on which we are now entering.

"In nearly all the leading industries of the province, growth and improved conditions are to be observed. The out put of the coal mines largely exceeded that of the previous year, and is likely to continue to increase. The develop-ment of the quartz mines, especially of those in Kootenay, has been most satisfactory, while a like activity to that which has occurred there, it seems prob-able, may soon be witnessed in the Boundary Creek district, when, by the completion of the railway now in process of construction, the immense bodies of one known to exist there can be profitable down to exist there can be profitable down to exist the can be profitable down to exist ably developed. On the west coasts of the Mainland and Island there is also

every probability of considerable mining development shortly taking place. "There is also likely to be a large increase within the present year in placer and hydraulic mining operations. Al-ready some large enterprises of this character have been put in successful

opulation into that region, my government has already taken steps for the proper administration of the district. In order to conserve the natural wealth in these gold gravels for the benefit of Canadian miners and Canadian traders, a bill will be laid before you prohibiting the acquisition of placer claims by

ture agricultural pursuits will contribute more largely than heretofore to the

not be forgotten in thus regarding the composition of the house, however, that there are election petitions yet to be decided which may change the aspect of the parties-but of this more hereafter. caused the city to rise from its ashes. You will be asked to pass legislation to The ceremonies of the opening were put the civic finances on such a stable this year invested with much less pomp basis as will maintain the high reputaand circumstance than those at the initi-tion of the Royal City. ation of the last session of the former . "With a view to removing existing

inequalities in the present system taxation, measures will be submitted you for the remission of that part of the mortgage tax, and for the repeal of the law requiring men working in mines for wages to hold a free miner's certificate. "Realizing the advantages to be de-

rived from an absolute security in the titles to land, and from an easy and inexpensive system of transfers estate titles, my government will lay before you a bill to introduce into this province what is known as the Torrens ystem of registration, under such arrangements as will make its adoption both convenient and advantageous to the owners of property.

"In order to open up the public domain for settlement, while securing to the province the full benefit which it should derive from such a valuable asset, you will be asked to sanction cerain changes in the Land act. "For the better protection of the

miners in coal mines, a bill will be laid be laid before you prohibiting the emloyment underground of Japanese stationary boilers will also be intro-

"You will also be asked to consider a passed the saluting guard of honor and measure designed to afford to prospect-preceded by Sergeant-at-Arms O'Hara ors on lands within the boundaries of the grants to railway companies the same freedom to prospect for the precious metals as is accorded to them crown lands

Bills will be introduced amending the Supreme Court act, the Provincial Elecions act, and the act regulating the ssuance of liquor licenses, with the aim

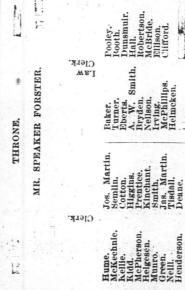
conditions in the province. 'My government has given much con sideration to the present financial posi-tion of the province, and to the means by which important public works burdens on the taxpayers, and you will be asked to pass legislation to provide for the deficit in the revenue for the last two years, and for obligations incurred under the authority of acts already or the statute books. Also to authorize certain changes in the methods of deal ing with the provincial debt and in the management of the finances, whereby it is anticipated that both the credit of the province will be enhanced and im-portant economies be effected.

"The estimates of revenue and expenditure for the ensuing fiscal year will shortly be laid before you, and will show that they have been framed with a wing to economy, whilst providing liberthat they have been framed with a view to economy, whilst providing liberally for the necessary public services.

"I now leave you to your deliberations, believing that, under the direction of a providing that the specialties, and some of the providing that they have been framed with a view to economy, whilst providing liberal the market will pause until 1899 prospects seem clearer."

New York, Jan. 5.—Notable gains were recorded in the specialties, and some of the providing liberal than they have been framed with a view to economy, whilst providing liberal the market will pause until 1899 prospects seem clearer."

r sition and the left is the right in the house, the plan given below will be found of value in locating the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as the members—more particularly as the members—more particularly as there are many new faces among the members—more particularly as the members—more particula Now that the government is the oppo and briefly returned thanks for the hon-or paid him. It was with feelings of gratitude and appreciation that he ac-cepted the office, and would endeavor to lischarge its duties with the considera- makers:



THE OFFICIAL DINNER. Honor the Lieutenant-Governor Entertains on the First Day. of the Session.

The following is a list of the go The following is a list of the gentlemen who dined at Government House last night with His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor: Hon. Mr. Semlin; Hon. Joseph Martin; Hon. Mr. Carter-Cotton; Hon. Mr. Hume; Hon. Dr. Mc-Kechnie; the Bishop of Columbia; Chief Justice McColl; Hon. Edgar Dewdney; Hon. Senator Reid; Hon. Senator Templemen; Thomas Earle M. P.: Howitten ready some large enterprises of this character have been put in successful operation in Cariboo, and, on a smaller scale, in the Omineca district; while the recent discoveries at Atlin lake, in the northern part of the province, have disclosed deposits of auriferous gravel, rich in quality and spread over a large area. In anticipation of an influx of C.; Lieut.-Col. Grant, R. E.; Major

Williams, A. D. C.; Mayor Redfern; Hon. Robert Beaven; Capt. McConnan; Hon. Mr. Forster, M. P. P.; F. J. Deane, M. P. P.; James Dunsmuir, M. P. P.; Richard Hall, M. P. P.; H. Dallas Helmcken, M. P. P.; W. R. Robertson, M. P. P.; Ralph Smith, M. P. P.; and Lieut. Foulkes.

GOSSIP OF THE GALLERIES Where the Members Have Their Home at the Capital—Press Accom-modation Wanted.

One of the first things that a visitor one of the first things that a visitor from an outlying constituency wants to know on visiting the Capital during a parliamentary session is where the member from his particular district is to be found when not at his desk and engaged in the business of law-making. To assist the visitor in this connection the sist the visitor in this following list is given, showing the addresses of the members in the city, the majority already being permanently quartered for the session: 

Turner.. cockland ave Esquimalt road . New England ....(Yet to be ascertained. W. D. Clifford... Hotel Driard

aptain Irving......

W. Higgins ...... Cadboro Bay road The utter inadequacy-or rather total absence—of press accommodation in the said: 'Be crafty, promise all things so new parliament buildings was again beit ye get the earth and have dominion abundantly demonstrated yesterday, the representatives of the press being assigned to the galleries, from which they could see but little of what transpired, and hear still less. It is stated that plans have been prepared for a proper press gallery on either side of the throne, hung midway between the gal-lery and the floor of the house, and in the meanwhile the reporters will be pro-yided with make rejorters are it is the vided with makeshift quarters at either side, on the floor of the chamber. A suitable gallery, with a retiring room of ample size, should be furnished without ese mines.

"A bill providing for the inspection of delay, if the sessional proceedings are to be properly recorded for the benefit of the people of the province.

> The button-hole bouquet was everywhere in evidence yesterday - the thoughtful remembrance of one who never forgets that members like to look

Mr. Seymour is to represent the News-Advertiser and Mr. A. M. Burns the Vancouver Province during the session

low opening. The first working day of the session opens at 2 this afternoon.

STOCKS, METALS AND PRODUCE. London Markets Dull Awaiting Developments-Notable Gains in New

York Quotations. New York, Jan. 5 .- The Commercial Advertiser's financial cable from London is a very little matter, not worthy says: "The markets were idle and dull to-day. Paris realizing at the settlement. to-day, Paris realizing at the settlement. It is preparing for the Tonquin loan. There port. Every card so offered bears on its is also talk of dearer money. Americans face a lie, and nothing less, and such mis opened heavy on profit taking here. New representations are seldom York bought little, and the close was de- by others. Both of these hotels might have

"I now leave you to your deliberations, believing that, under the direction of a Divine Providence, the result of your labors will be conducive to the interests of the province and the welfare and happiness of its people."

WHERE THE MEMBERS SIT.

A Diagram of the Arrangement of Seats For Convenient Reference.

New York, Jan. 5.—Notable gains were recorded in the specialties, and some of the rallway stocks to-day. The announcement of gold engagements for £7,000,000 set the exchange market forging upward, which continued to the close. The conditions of the exchange and money market do not seem to warrant the expectation that the import of gold will be a sustaining movement, the theory being that the over large balance of trade would not be drawn upon largely, while money can be loaned at more profitable rates abroad.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Bay State Gas ooklyn Rapid Transit.... Brooklyn Rapid Transit
Can. Pae.
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Chicago, B. & Q.
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Chicago & N. W.
C. R. I. & Pae.
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C. M. & St. P.
Cons. Gas. N. V. C. M. & St. P.
Cons. Gas, N. Y
Del. & Hudson.
Del., Lac. & Western.
Denver & Rio G. pfd.
General Electric
Hocking Valley.
Jersey Central.
Laclede Gas com.
Lake Erie & Western.
Louisville & Nashville.
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North American Co.
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Nor. Pac. pfd.
N. Y. C. & H.
N. Y. L. & W. 1st pfd.
N. Y. Ont. & W. Standard Rope & Twine.... Southern Railway com..... Southern Railway com... Tenn. Coal & Iron.... Texas & Pacific
U. S. Leather
U. S. Leather
U. S. Rubber com
Union Pacific receipts
Wabash 

Western Union.... W. & L. E..... Met. St. Ry..... Com. Cable in Montreal... 1841/ C.P.R. in London.... 881/4 \*Ex dividend.

New York, Jan. 5.—Wheat closed: Jan., 767%c.; March, 78%c.; May, 74%c. Chicago, Jan. 5.—Wheat closed: May, 70%c.; July, 68%c. Corn.—Jan., 35c.; May, 36%c. to 37c.; July, 37%c. Oats-May, 27%c.; July, 25%c. Poverty has one advantage over wealth.
When a poor man is sick there is no desire on the part of his physician to prolong his illness.—Chicago News. LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

MORE LIBERAL HARMONY.

Sir:—It was with considerable satisfaction that I read Mr. Gregg's letter in your issue of yesterday, which, however, has merely given expresison to an opinion long since formed by many Liberals of my acquaintance, viz., that the words "Liberalism" and "Liberal" were fast acquiring an abiding storeh in: fast acquiring an abiding stench in the nostrils of this community—owing to the pranks of that so-called leader, Senator Templeman, and his coadjutors, Bostock and Martin.

The whole political career of that gen-The whole political career of that gentleman is blackened with selfishness and vindictiveness towards all other Liberals who have ever presumed to differ with him or to hang back from supporting his schemes in any particular. At general election he calculated has way into a seat mainly by the purso of his colleague; but the purse not having yawned wide enough to his way of thinking, its owner has ever since met with a bitter personal antagonism that knows no sleeping.

A young lamb-like Englishman fat

with ducats is then coddled by the great man and his organ, probably with the expectation that some of the ducats would roll his way. Whether it so turned out accounts differ, but there can be no doubt of the gruesome fact of the admission of the lamb into the Cor and the mutton into the Senate. There the new pair determined to secure all the patronage available and have hitherto indeed managed to keep claw pretty well to the exclusion of all others, with the result that the appointment have been the derision of the whole provinve and irritating to the great bulk of the party itself.

Mr. Templeman, in his pomposity. thinks no doubt that he is the father all things Liberal in the province, and of him possibly some musty chronicler of the future in describing the genesis party hereabouts may record: And Pomposity said let the earth brit forth Martins each after their kind, and it was so. And he blessed them and over the legislature and over the court everything he had done and good." In truth, Mr. Editor, the letter of Mr. Gregg is the first sound of a cy clone of disgust that will sweep Temple manism, Bostockism and Martinism from the face of the earth. All fair minded Liberals are getting fatigued with apologizing to strangers to the faith worst enemies the party could have Compared with Templemanism Toryism is perfection itself.

ESQUIMALT

DISHONESTY.

Sir: "Honesty is the best policy" is a pet quotation with many a business man To some it may mean much; to many may mean nothing. The sentiment has been changed somewhat, and we hear the doctrine expressed, "It pays to be hor ergo I am honest." While both of the re true, yet the best ethical principles are to be found in the motto. "Honest for honesty's sake," or "honest because it is right to be honest."

There are a few things which have lately come to my notice to which I wish to call the attention of the public by way of protest and warning. First-Two hotels at least in our city have published very attractive cards, showing cuts of the build-ings which in both cases are misrepresentations, both being printed as buildings four stories high, when in reality they are Some people may say that latter as in the former.

Second—Some time ago a little souvenir book of views of Victoria atracted my attention. On turning over the pages, judge of my astonishment when I beheld, among the cuts of the principal churches, a view of Christ Church cathedral not at all like the structure so well known to Victorians I do not know who is responsible for the publishing the proposed new church building as representing the present structure but there it is, and someone is responsible It seems incredible that that false cut should be inserted unknowingly.

Third-The attention of someone needs to be called to the fact that a very large amount of shale is palmed off on the pub lic as coal. From experience in several places in our Dominion the conclusion is forced upon me that it would be indeed difficult to find in any other place as much stone per ton as is sold by so ers in Victoria for good coal. I do not assert that the coal is so bad, or that the assert that the coal is so bad, or that the dealers are to blame. The above has, however, been my experience this winter, and the dealers are the ones from whom and the dealers are the ones from whom 1141/8 is the person who loses. If all the coal (?) consumed in Victoria this winter contained consumed in Victoria this winter contained as much stone as some I have been using, the amount of loss in money to the con-sumers would be a large sum. Someone at the mines is most surely guilty of carelessness, intentional or otherwise NOTREVAL.

A BOGUS "INTERVIEW."

Sir: An article appeared in the Daily Times of December 31, purporting to be an interview with me regarding the coal properties of the West Vancouver Coal Co. I beg you to correct this statement, for I gave no interview to the Times, and my name was used without my, authority. The statement, while founded partially on facts, is so garbled and errongous that the facts, is so garbled and erroneous that the 444, facts are almost lost sight of. The pros-pects of Quatsino Sound are bright, but at present are only prospects, as worked in all cases, but is in its infancy. Such an article as appeared in the Times is very misleading, and I deemed it a duty to my self to make this correction. Very Victoria, Jan. 1, 1899.

CANADIAN FELDSPAR.

Montreal, Jan. 4.— A large china manufacturer after testing samples of Can-adian feldspar forwarded by the directors of the geological survey, has found it so satisfactory that he has ordered a trial shipment of several tons in order to submit it to a fair test. Chances for building up a trade in this article hinge on the cost of transportation from Can-ada, as the Scandinavian article is be-

Edible snalls flourish in Wurtemberg. One town, Gutenberg, received the other day an order from Paris for 1,000,000 of them. The price paid was \$2 per thous-

ing put on the market at a very cheap

The Accused Jeweller He Bought Diamor Fred Stodda

Chief Witness for the Under Searching Examination

The hearing of the char H. Pennock of stealing valued at \$90 from S. A continued before Magistr terday. Fred Stoddart, the for the prosecution, who dence in chief on Wednes jected to a vigorous cros and then Mr. Pennock which is to the effect that the diamond from Fred St more witnesses for the called this morning.

The proceedings were Fred Stoddart, the comp on the stand. He was by Mr. Belyea, who got h number of incidents in his arrival here six years first asked whether while of Messrs, Mason & Co., he brought from San Fra jewellery. This he denied that he had brought goods for the firm and that he had duty on them. He afterw on Messrs. Mason & Co., owed him for salary and Mr. Belyea—As a matte

Witness-That is about Continuing, the witness had been in the police of stealing but that he had n ed on the occasion that from his father's safe an closet at the New York about eighteen months not remember whether he the bartender half the went to the closet and While he was acquainte tectives he could not had had anything to do

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The proceedings were opened with Fred Stoddart, the complainant's son, on the stand. He was cross-examined by Mr. Belyea, who got him to tell of a number of incidents in his life since his arrival here six years ago. He was first asked whether while in the employ of Messrs. Mason & Co., of Vancouver, he brought from San Francisco a lot of that he had brought goods from Seattle for the firm and that he had not paid any duty on them. He afterwards informed on Messrs. Mason & Co., because they owed him for salary and services represent the salary and salary and salary and services represent the salary and salary an owed him for salary and services ren- no importance to me; to recover the dia-

Witness—That is about the amount of it.

Continuing, the witness said that he had been in the police court once for stealing but that he had not been arrested on the occasion that he stole \$2,100 robbery or that I saw Pennock making a key which when to the closet and per the diamond from Fred. he was acquainted with the city while he pportunity offered he would steal ev-rything his father had. Mr. Pennock did not make the key, which bore a re-semblance to the one fitting his father's store, for him. The last time he was in his father's store previous to the time ne diamond ring was stolen was on December 10.

Mr. Belyea-Where did you find the ing when you took it? Witness-I did not take it. The last ime I saw it it was in Mr. Pennock's

When he went to work for Mr. Pennock, the witness continued, his father upplied him with tools. He did not have keys to his father's store at that -For three months he did have keys of the store every night and

On December 12 witness said he got 50 cents or \$1 from Mr. Pennock and about \$10 between December 1 and 25. He did not know how much he owed Pennock but thought it was less than \$30. On December 27 he got 50 cents from him and had borrowed money con-tinuously from him for the past three years. It was on December 19 that he first found out that Pennock had the diaond ring and between that and December 27 he got small sums of money from him. They were coming out of Dr. Hall's office when he asked Pennock for \$50.

Mr. Belyea-What did you mean to do

Mr. Belyea—But you wanted it? Witness—No I did not. Mr. Belyea You wanted the 50 cents?

Witness—Yes.
Mr. Belyea—You would sooner have in small sums; it would go further? Witness—I don't know that it would. you accused him of stealing it?

Mr. Belyea—There was no need of dis-ussing who took the ring. You knew

December 29 and gave Pennock the document produced. On the third occasion when I went into Pennock's store, the accused told me to get out; that he would not have anything more to do with it and that I could do what I pleased. I had previously threatened to tell my father. I refused to sign the document at 4 o'clock but did so five minutes later because my father told me to do it over in the store and he consented it over in the store and he consented it over in the store and he consented it over in the store and he consented.

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Mr. Belyea—As a matter of fact, you made a demand on Mason & Co. for money?

That is about the amount of Mr. Peters—I have a like the since November. When I went back to my father on December 24 and told him that Mr. Pennock wanted me to sign a like the sign a l

Witness-He had been put to great expense through my drinking habits and staying away from work. I did not refer

This concluded the case for the prose cution and Mr. Belyea asked that the ting. witness Fred Stoddart be bound over The and give sureties to appear at the trial. If he was telling the truth he was a very necessary witness for the prosecu-

tion and if not he should be here any-

an hour for lunch.

After recess Mr. Belyea asked that the case be dismissed. There was no evidence that the accused had stolen the ring, and the only evidence as to it being office when he asked Pennock for \$50. In his possession was that given by although when he told Pennock that he was a question whether, in view of the testimony he was prepared to leave the country he had given, he was worthy of belief at

Mr. Peters contended that Fred. Stod ith the \$50?
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Mr. Belvea—There was no need of dis-

later because my father told me to do so. I was greatly relieved when I got it back as I had been accused of stealing it. I once had dealings with a pawnbroker. I never pawned a bicycle and watch which my father redeemed. I said we could talk but a few minutes later said: 'I have left the papers in Dr. Hall's office.' I went with him without any reluctance. As soon as we reached the office, he said: 'Have you got the diamond yet?'

MR. PENNOCK'S STORY or two years ago, order drinks for the crowd; throw a ring with a red stone in it on the counter in payment, the bartender saying it was good for two rounds, and you replied: "I have done up the old man and will rob him of everything he has"?

That The Accused Jeweller Swears That
He Bought Diamonds From
Fred Stoddart.

Witness—I cannot remember. You will find out that that story comes from there being twins in the family. We look very much alike. When you men thou the shop. Fred. said that his father knew that he had taken the diamond, that he had caught Pennock in a goods but did not know to whom they belonged. I first saw the ring in question at Pennocks on December 14. I did not see it at my father's on December 10 or 12. The setting was of Tift any pattern and I could tell the stone ber 10 or 12. The setting was of Tift any pattern and I could tell the stone ber 10 or 12. The setting was of Tift by its cut, size and color. The style stream to the shop. Fred. Said that his father knew that he had taken the diamond, that he had caught Pennock in a trap and could ruin him. That there her 10 or 12. The setting was of Tift by its cut, size and color. The style stream and I could tell the stone ber 10 or 12. The setting was of Tift by its cut, size and color. The style stream and the stone were uncommon. I have seen similar ones in large establishments but not in Victoria. I did not sake the statement to Pennock in Dr. Hall's office, and that they could prove that he (Pennock) had the diamond. Fred. returned at drawn up the document produced to clear himself and at the same time continued before my design the document. Fred. Fred. Fred. refused to sign the document, and tell his father what he pleased; he would not get the stone until he signed the document. Fred. Fred. Fred. said to Pennock about wanting money to leave the country was untrue, and was not done for the purpose of recovering the diamond. I did it to see how far his friendship went for me.

The proceedings were opened with Fred Stoddart, the complainant's son, the first statement in the stone out of the store until he stone the store were uncommon. I have seen similar ones in large establishments but not in Victoria. I did not say to him "The was a proceeding to the store were uncommon. I hav SURFACE OF THE STATE OF THE STA question are quite common; it was im possible to distinguish perfect diamonds of the same size and class. In Dr. Hall's office he did not think Fred. had asked him if he had removed the diamond from the ring. He could not say whether Fred. had said he had "robbed" or "wronged" the old man too much. square himself with his father. Witness had a lot of diamonds sent from the East on approval, and he took them to Stoddart and offered him some on

if he could sell some to Stoddart it would look better with the Eastern firm. When Stoddart had told him of his loss

often took them to the postoffice. It was on one of these trips to the postoffice that he called in at Mr. Pennock's store and saw the accused making a key and comparing it to the one to his father's safes.

Mr. Belyea—What did those figures that you put on the wall in Mr. Pennock's store mean?

Witness—I did not put any figures on Mr. Pennock's store mean?

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HENDERSON

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the goods had been purchased had been that diamond yet?" He told Fred. it was out on approval, to put him off, as he had suspicions and wanted to see how it would come out. He told him that the meeting of the house be deferded to allow a man to get a search warrant for goods, and after he has got them, go fishing for information as to whether they are the right goods.

The goods were returned to Mr. Pennock, and the hearing was adjourned for an hour for lunch.

The diamond yet?" He told Fred. it was months. Mr. Turner had asked him was out on approval, to put him off, as the had suspicions and wanted to see how it would come out. He told him that the meeting of the house be deferded to agree to; and he now thought that the time of the other members present was more to be considered than that of one absentee, and must again decline. Col. Baker had himself been in England at the time parliament was convened and Mr. Turner might therefore have got home as early as his colleague.

Pennock-Oh well! Mr. Belyea said he had three more vitnesses to call, so the case was adourned until 10 this morning.

assembly, the practical work of the sesing of the votes and proceedings, pun-ishment of bribery and other corrupt practices etc.

The Atorney-General then introduced pending the decision of said election petition: And whereas election petitions may still be filed against two honorable members of the said house: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative assembly of the province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:

Ishment of a mint in British Columbia; By Mr. Helmcken—To ask: What reply (if any) has been received from the resolution of this house passed on the 3rd day of May, 1898, relative to the removal of the Indians from the Songhees reservation? What is the present position of the question?

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first asked whether while in the employ of Messrs. Mason & Co., of Vancouver, he brought from San Francisco a lot of jewellery. This he denied, but admitted that he had brought goods from Seattle Witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been been seattle Witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle Witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle Witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness. The had been seattle witness—Yes, after getting instruction and the had been seattle witness. The had been seattle witness and the seattle w

The witness said he did not think the question was asked.

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Through delays to the steamer which could not have been anticipated, he had been prevented from arriving for the opening, but would arrive on Friday evening. In view of these circumstances, and of the fact that he had until lately been the finance minister of the province.

follows:

"1. No election petition shall be tried during the present sitting of the legislative assembly of this province, and all government from the Dominion g

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Companies Act, 1897."

Canada:

Province of British Columbia.
No. 121.

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The head office of the Company is situate at at 196 Saint Vincent street, Glasgow, Scotland.

The amount of the capital of the Company is £125,000, divided into 125,000 shares of £1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate in the City of Victoria, and Henry Croft, inancial agent, whose address is Victoria afforesaid, is the continue, and Henry Croft, inancial agent, whose address is Victoria afforesaid, is the cattorney for the Company.

The objects for which the Company has been established are:

(a.) To enter into and carry into effect, with such (if any) modifications or alterations as may be agreed upon, an agreement, dated 23rd and 26th August, 1898, and made between Fredreck John Smith, stock broker in Glasgow, for himself and as attorney for the parties therein mentioned, of the first part, and John Dickson Steel, of 196 St. Vincent street, Glasgow, chartered accountant, as trustee for any or star of the control of the world; and either as principals, agents, trustees, contractors or therwise, and either also principals, agents, trustees, or otherwise, and either as principals, agents, trustees, or otherwise, and either also principals, agents, trustees, or otherwise, and either as principals, agents, trustees, or otherwise.

of, any such company, and to lend money thereto:

(a.) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property, and liabilities of any person or company carrying on any business which this company is authorized to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of the Company:

(t.) To sell, exchange, let or rent royalty, share of profits, or otherwise grant licenses, essements, and other rights of, and over, and in any other manner deal with or dispose of the undertaking and all or any of the property for the time being of the Company:

dispose of the property for the time being of the company:

(s.) To amalgamate with any person, firm or company whose objects are or include objects similar to those of this Company, whether by sale or purchase (for shares or otherwise) of the undertaking, subject to the liabilities of this or any such other company as aforesaid, with or without winding up, or by sale or purchase (for shares or otherwise) of all the shares or stock of this or any such other company as aforesaid, or by partnership, or any arrangement of the nature of partnership, or in any other manner:

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9th. To open and break up the soil and pavements of roads, streets, highways and bridges for the purposes aforesaid.

10th. And to do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attain-

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Mr. Belyea—Out of the \$2.100? But you did not get much of that, did you? The closet was a bad hiding place?

Witness—My father got that money back in half an hour.

Mr. Belyea—You did not return it?

Mr. Belyea—Another of your philanthropic movements. Did you go to the American hotel about eighteen months

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\$25 more.
Mr. Peters asked the witness how, if the diamond was out of the setting when he bought it, he could have any to the \$2,100; that was a long while doubt about the alleged question asked by Fred. in Dr. Ernest Hall's office, as to whether the stone was still in the set-The witness said he did not think the

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gling case. You were connected with a smuggling case to the tune of \$15,000.

Special Act Introduced to Prevent Trial of Pending Election Petitions

His Honor having taken leave of the sion commenced at 3:45, the house being duly opened with prayer by the Lord Magistrate Hall.—The onus falls on Bishop of Columbia. Formal resolutions standing committee, revision and print-

Mr. Belyea—There was no need of discussing who took the ring. You knew that well enough?

Witness—Yes there was. I did not want to be blamed for taking it.

Mr. Belyea—You had been blamed for stealing enough?

The witness did not answer the last question, but continuing said that he told his father on December 25 that Pennock had the ring. He was positive Pennock had it, but his father would not believe it. Mr. Belyea—After that you got money from Pennock and finally asked him for \$50?

Witness—Yes.

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Mr. Belyea—After that you got money for Pennock and finally asked him for \$13. He cancelled the debt, gave Fred. \$12 in cash, and expected to give him \$25 more, although the price was not fixed at the time pected to give him \$25 more, although the price was not fixed at the time for the honorable members of the house of assembly of this province should be thus prevented to give him \$25 more, although the price was not fixed at the time for the house of assembly of this province should be thus prevented the form attending to their legislative duties: And whereas it is impossible the price was not fixed at the time for the house of assembly of this province should be thus prevented duties: And whereas it is impossible the price was not fixed at the time for the house of assembly of this province should be thus prevented duties: And whereas it is impossible the price was not fixed at the time for the house of assembly of this province should be thus prevented duties: And whereas it is impossible to give him \$25 more, although the price was not fixed at the time.

Fred. said he gainst public policy that said honor able members of the house of assembly of this province should be thus prevented at the time. Mr. Belyea—You intended to skip?
Witness—No I did not intend to skip.
I was very anxious to get the diamond back. I did not inform the police because I was afraid Pennock would dispose of it. I got the diamond back on December 29 and gave Pennock the document produced. On the third occasion when I went into Pennock's store, the was not fixed at the time. Fred. said he got the diamond from a distance of the diamond from a distance of the diamond from a distance of the diamond from a man in a saloon. This was before Mr. Stoddart had told him of the loss of the diamond ring. When he did tell him he did not connect the two. What Fred. said about seeing the ring in witness, store was all untrue.

Regarding the episode in Dr. Hall's disposed of, whether he was qualified to be a candidate at the election at which he was elected or not, and it is against public policy that in such a case the said constituency of East Lileotet should be deprived of representation pending the decision of said election per listing. And whereas election petitions by Mr. Helmcken—To ask: What reply (if any) has been received from the Dominion government, touching the case the said constituency of East Lileotet should be deprived of representation pending the decision of said election petition is disposed of, whether he was qualified to be a candidate at the election at which he was elected or not, and it is against public policy that in such a case the said constituency of East Lileotet should be deprived of representation pending the decision of said election pending the decision of said election pending the decision pending th

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B. C. oct30

Then Mr. Peters wanted to recall Mr.
R. W. Stoddart, who he said would swear that the accused had promised him that he would not buy anything from the bank about noon a few days before the robbery and that he saw a man

except what he alleges he heard through in the hands of the detectives was an the door in Dr. Hall's office. The comisolated fact, quite useless. A gentle-plainant says he heard something; man who had heard the description re-Luther Calvert gave a different version of it, and Fred. Stoddart said it was not the black eyes. He had met such a

have been trapped there, as many inno cent men have been trapped by clever half-witted schemers such as Fred. Stod

to put Fred. Stoddart off when he asked

It was natural for the accused

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recover by due process of law, unless he believed his son was guilty. But the father's sole object was to recover the diamond, and to accomplish this he was even willing that his son should sign a document acknowledging that he was a thief. They found other jewellery—which they could have found in any jewellery store in the city—when they

went to Pennock's store with a search warrant. They could have got the diamond in the same way, and there would have been no necessity for Fred. Stoddart to sign a document acknowledging that he was a thief, and his father confirming it. The only question was as to whether Pennock knew that the diamond was stolen. Mr. Belyea contended that the diamond was stolen. Mr. Belyea contended that the diamond was stolen.

that the diamond was stolen. Mr. Bel-yea contended that the inference to be drawn was that he did not. Mr. R. W. The largest private library in the United States is said to belong to Col. Reuben T. Durrett, of Louisville, Ky., which contains over 50.000 volumes, collected during 60 years. Books on the history of the west predominate, and among them Col. Rooset velt worked while preparing his "Winning of the West." Stoddart lost a diamond ring; Fred. Stoddart sold a diamond to the accused. Mr. Pennock's suspicions were first aroused at Dr. Hall's office. He might

Miss Florence Caldwell, a daughter of United States Judge Caldwell, of Cleve-land, was graduated as a civil engineer last June from the Colorado State School of Mines, at Golden, and now she is about to marry another civil engineer whom she met

about the diamond, as he wanted to pro-tect himself. The evidence went to show that Fred. Stoddart had taken the show that Fred. Stoddart had taken the ring and sold the diamond to Pennock, and then had tried to blackmail both Pennock and his father. Failing in this, he gets up a scheme to prosecute Pennock and get on the right side of his father. The evidence was not such as a jury would or could find a conviction on. The circumstances showed that Fred. Stoddart was carrying out the bent of his mind. A man who would steal a large sum of money from his father would not mind stealing a diamond ring. As to the alleged duplicate

NECESSARY.

mond ring. As to the alleged duplicate key, if Pennock did make such a key he made it for Fred. Stoddart, and Fred. We cannot too strongly nor too often urge the combination figures were on the wall in Pennock's office, Fred. Stoddart put them there.

Mr. Peters contended that it was not age, sure to cause the planter disappoint-Mr. Peters contended that it was not for the magistrate to try the case; he was only called upon to determine whether there was sufficient evidence to send the case to a higher court. It was a fact that the ring had been stolen and that the diamond had been found in the possession of Pennock. Irrespective of the evidence of Fred. Stoddart, there was that of the father, who said that Pennock had told him that he knew the missing diamond ring well. At the same time he had the stone in his possession. Pennock further said that he was satisfied that Fred. Stoddart had taken the ring. What made him satismalled free to anyone who writes for it.

calling this witness was to endeavor to show that Fred. Stoddart had not told the truth while on the stand regarding certain occurrences, and that, therefore, his evidence could not be relied upon.

Mr. Peters contended that such evidence was not relevant, as it would not disprove the evidence given by Fred. Stoddart in regard to the diamond ring in question, but his evidence on other occurrences.

Magistrate Hall held the same views as Mr. Peters, and Mr. Belyea then announced that he would not call any more witnesses.

Then Mr. Peters wanted to recall Mr.

The object of come a theme of conversation through the authorities in handing the action of the authorities in handing the case back to the city police after the Pinkertons had had it in charge for almost three months. The mystery which surrounds the whole affair is as impenentiable as it was in the beginning. The authorities of the bank have still hope of capturing the action of the second reading was carried on the following division.

For—Messrs. Joseph Martin, Semlin, Cotton, Higgins, Macpherson, R. Smith, J. M. Martin, Tisdall, Deane, Henderson, Hume, McKechnie, Kellie, Kidd, Kinchant, Helgesen, Munro, Green, Neill—19.

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A QUEBECKER'S CONFIDENCE IN DR. CHASE'S CATARRH CURE

him that he would not buy anything from Fred.

Mr. Belyea contended that that evidence would not be relevant, and even if it was it would only go to show that the accused had made a promise and then broken it.

Magistrate Hall did not think it would have any bearing on the case, and Mr. Peters withdrew his request, and the closing arguments commenced.

Mr. Belyea first dealt with the evidence of the complainant, which he contended contained nothing of importance except what he alleges he heard through

GERMAN NAVAL CRITIC.

This killed the whole crew, and, it is said, would not have occurred if the turret had had no roof. In no case has an armor belt been pierced.

The greatest destruction was wrought by the six-pounders. The admiral thinks that we may be a little over hasty in doing away with the one-pounders on their failure to achieve results in the battle of Santiago, since they were constructed primarily against torpedo boats and for use at short distances.

The German admiral's report declares that the American material has demonstrated not only its efficiency, but also its durability, as only four guns were in need of repairs at the end of the war, in all of which projectiles had burst in the bore. This fact, taken in connection with other frequent failures of fuses, says the admiral, showed that the construction of the fuse in America is still far from perfect.

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the fuse in America is still far from perfect.

A strong point is made of the great danger of wooden decks with pitch in the seams, while the danger in the case of he spanish ships was further increased by the fact that the planks did not even rest on an iron deck. On the other hand the Americans had taken every precaution to remove combustibles both in the construction of the ships and afterwards before going into action. It is declared that after the Spanish experience in the loss of all their fire extinguisher plants by American projectilles, the old-fashioned fire bucket and tubs filled with water are shown to be still integration.

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SUEZ CANAL AND PESSIMISTS.

It was shown that from an engineering point of view the Suez canal was impossible, while from a commercial point of view it was proved, up to the hilt, that, even if the canal could be made, it would, so far as traffic went, be a failure as melancholy to the philantrophist as it would be disastrous to the investor. The great authorities who spoke with so much assurance are all dead, and it is well for their comfort that they are. In 1869 traffic between the West and the

East via the Cape of Good Hope was about 3,500,000 tons. In 1897 the traffic through the Suez canal was 7,898,981 tons, while that round the Cape of Good Hope was at least 3,750,000 tons.

In other words, one direct result of the cape of the cape of the Suez canal has been ruction of the Suez canal has been that in twenty-eight years the commerce of the world has been increased 8,000,000

It is hardly necessary to add that the

MINERAL ACT, 1896. Certificate of Improvements.

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.—Iron Duke, Count of Monte Cristo and Condor mineral claims, situate In the West Coast, Vancouver Island, Mining Division of Clayoquot District. Where Iocated: On Monte Cristo mountain, Tran-Quil Creek basin, Tofino Inlet.

Take notice that I. A. S. Going, acting as agent for James M. Ashton, Free Miner's Certificate No. 32,547a, intend, sixty days as agent for James M. Ashton, Free Miner's Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim. And further take notice that action, under section of such Certificate of Improvements.

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Cut him, another knocking him insensible with some blunt instrument. He was insensible for about two hours and believed he would have been killed had not some Japs protected him. He admitted receiving \$27.50 from Pook Lung but denied demanding \$200.

One of the Japs, who stood over Russell to protect him, testified that Russell was playing chuck-a-luck, and made a remark that the dealer, Ah Sing, was cheating, at the same time picking up his money from the table. Ah Sing are for other court business to-day."

His Honor left the bench for a moment, returning almost immediately, bowing once again most ceremoniously and then some Japs protected him. He admitted receiving \$27.50 from Pook Lung but denied demanding \$200.

One of the Japs, who stood over Russell to protect him, testified that Russell was playing chuck-a-luck, and made a remark that the dealer, Ah Sing, was cheating, at the same time picking up his money from the table. Ah Sing gathered the "bank's" money up in his apron and all to Ah Chin, ran out and after the row was over came back with an officer. Russell of the woold have been killed had not on the case in the railway party stepped forward.

"Owing to this court room being occupied for other court business to-day." His Honor declared, "your case will stand adjourned until Tuesday next. The court stands adjourned."

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Total ......\$637,309 20 still open.

Christmas day.

Just before the Seattle left Skagway, Major Bliss arrived from Fort Selkirk, and he will probably be down on the next steamer. There has been a mining excitement at the Fort, good finds hav-ing been made at the headwaters of the

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The report was received and filed.

Before adjourning Commissioner Hall incidentally mentioned the case that was for the call that never came.

On Friday a compensation. incidentally mentioned the case that was before him yesterday in which it was shown that an officer had been called to a Chinese gambling house and had taken from there a white man, who had been from there a white man, who had been the case that was been called to passed their way, and like a good Samaritan, suggested a chance to get warm at any rate.

"Why don't you fellows go into the samaritan country where it's warm?"

Knife With Which Russell Was Cut Had Evidently Been Poisoned.

The hearing of the charge of attempted murder laid by W. R. Russell against Ah Chin was commenced in the city police court yesterday morning. Dr. John
A Duncan was the first witness and told
of the wounds that he found on Russell's
arm. There were several of them, inarm. There were several of them, in-flicted by a sharp instrument which had room?" It is hardly necessary to add that the return to the investor who risked his money in what seemed to so many to be a hare-brained project has been, to say the least of it, of a fairly satisfactory character.—W. H. Hunter, in The Engineering Magazine for January.

The complainant testified that he had been playing chuck-a-luck in the rear of Pook Lung's store three nights in succession and had won on each occasion. As he was coming out on the night "Yes, Your Honor—a case is to be taken up presently" succession and had won on each occasion. As he was coming out on the night of December 9, his way was blocked by about fifteen Chinamen, one of whom cut him, another knocking him insensible with some blunt instrument. He was introduced by the companion of the c

Conclusion of the Hearing of the Charge of Stealing Agelinest

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The Year's Shipments As Reported Through the Consulate at Victoria.

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The Year's Shipments As Reported of Atlin; J. W. Randolph, of Juneau; and J. H. Dixon and partner, of Atlin.

From Skagway the only news of improvements to the puck successfully through several miniature Chilcoot masses and Smith, with a clever combination, carried the puck successfully through several miniature Chilcoot masses and Smith, with a clever combination, carried the puck successfully masses and Smith, put it through maken the purchase of the puck successfully through maken the puck successfully through maken the purchase of the puck successfully through maken the purchase of the purc 

Cody, collector of customs at Eagle City, had been run out of the city, and that a Mr. Jolly had been lynched at Eagle City, is denied by Mr. Thomas Mc-Mahan, a late arrival.

A good many stories of new finds in all sections of the country are reported. Included in these are three creeks—Union, Horse and Quartz—emptying into Surprise lake, Atlin district. The winter has been very mild in that district, and Atlin lake and parts of Taku river are Atlin lake and parts of Taku river are considerable number of spectators.

A Swan lake, where it is proposed to play off the tie, the players dragged themselves into a corner of the lake and made sundry and various explanations as to how it happened. For Langley's team, Bullock, Routh, Campbell, Langley and Greenfield were the stars, while Thompson, Smith, Gamble and Daniels were much in evidence on the opposition side. Mr. Reynolds satisfactorily performed the referee's arduous duties.

Despite the grans of dissent from the ice, a considerable number of spectators Atlin lake and parts of Taku river are still open. The latest arrival from there was Mr. J. C. Duffie, who left on the was Mr. J. C. Duffie, who left on the was Mr. J. C. Duffie, who left on the was Mr. J. C. Duffie, who left on the was many than the was many that was many than the was many than the was many than the was many that was many than the was many than the was The teams were as follows:

Langley's team-Goal, Sam Schultz point, Capt. Langley: cover point. W Greenfield; forwards, L. Campbell, Cliff Routh, S. Moffatt, L. N. B. Bullock spare man, D. G. McConnan

from there a white man, who had been wounded and a number of Japs, but had not molested the other inmates of the house. He thought every inmate of the house should have been arrested.

Mayor Redfern and Dr. Helmcken were of the same opinion but it was decided to delay investigation until the conclusion of the case.

THAT GAMBLING ROW.

"Why don't you fellows go into the Small Debts court where it's warm?" he said. "There's a case to be heard there pretty soon, and it may interest you. Any way, it will not be so cold." The suggestion was accepted with gratitude, and headed by genial George Noble and the so-called "green brakeman" of the case, who had been in service with the company for some fifteen years, the crowd solemnly filed into the almost deserted room and arranged almost deserted room and arranged themselves comfortable, as only railway

people can, in a minute.

They had not decorated the chairs and benches long ere Magistrate Anderson entered, stepped quickly to the bench, bowed politely to all and sundry, and

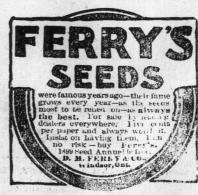
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this color. Hon. G. A. Cox, of To Soper, of Ottawa, and G. of Toronto, have purchased and United States rights of Tire Company, and are a morrow's Gazette for a I ter. The capital of the pany is \$500,000, most of ready subscribed. The works at Toronto and Belle

Minor changes in cavalry drill are announced in to general orders. An important order is the status of honorary A. Governor-General. It says to make this office approxi of honorary A. D. C. to the officers of the rank of colant-colonel will be eligible ment, but in very exception may be appointed from the The nature of the decoration penses will be paid. The government will for an appropriation to geological museum build badly needed. adly needed.
The post office department

LIBRARY FOR WASH Andrew Carnegie Makes ernment to Provide

post office in Atlin shortly.

able Building. Washington, Jan. 12.— Carnegie to-day offered to ment \$00,000 to erect a bu public fibrary for Washingt congress would furnish a s vide for suitable maintena vide for suitable mainten than \$10,000 per annum. taken at once to secure the

BLOWING GREAT

Heaviest Gale in Many Ye off British Coas London, Jan. 12.—Repo parts of the United Kingdo or less damage to life and p gale is one of the heavies

many years.
At Reading the spire of St. Lawrence has been blo A train has been derailed rush and Kilkee, Ireland At Bromagrive, 12 miles Birmingham, a temporary pital has been destroyed. A quantity of piles from bor works have been was Calais, on the opposite side

Heavy snow storms are Scotland, and there has storms in many parts of Kingdom. GERMAN GAMBLING

Dismissed From Ar His Debts. Berlin, Jan. 12.-Count Egloffstein, who was recen leave the army on account has been arrested on the ch

A Count Arrested for Fo

ing bills. According to the Tagebla Egloffstein was director of gambling den, Der Frohli Jovial club, frequented by the Guards cavalry, high officials, bankers and mem for some years. There was connection with the club cember last, on account of eral officers were dismissionarmy. Count you Egloffst an estate at Arklitten. He ly an officer of Uhlans. the Tageblatt, General von chief of the Emperor's m informed His Majesty dai progress made by the police vestigation. The Empero appears, said: 'I demand the truth be established."

TURKS HAVE A REI Insurgent Operations and diers a Troublesome Co

London, Jan. 12 .- A spe from Constantinople says battle at Shafel a further vance was ordered. Abo commanding the Turkish directed to capture Saabe quarters of an important i er 150 miles northwest of commanding positions in are occupied by rebels, and ish troops are deserting the are likely to be prolonged The trouble in Yemen standing, and the rebe

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