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AN APPEAL FOR NATIONAL SUPPORT

SPEECH BY COLONIAL SECRETARY IN LONDON

Mr. Chamberlain Presented With the Freedom of City—The Aims of the British Government.

London, Feb. 13.—This metropolis bestowed its highest distinction on Joseph Chamberlain, the Colonial Secretary, today when at the Guild hall it conferred on him the freedom of the city in a gold casket. Mrs. Chamberlain accompanied the Colonial Secretary, and they were greeted on their arrival with a fanfare of trumpets.

Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain were conducted to the library, where they were received by the Lord Mayor, Sir Joseph C. Dunsdale, and the lady mayors. The hall was crowded, among those present being the Colonial Secretary's political colleagues and adherents who duly applauded the recipient of the city's freedom. The address in connection with the presentation congratulated Mr. Chamberlain on the services he had rendered to the Empire during the last 25 years, dwelling specially on the way in which he had welded the colonies together.

In replying, Mr. Chamberlain disclaimed any intention of making political capital out of the occasion, but he said he thought he might, on behalf of the government, make an appeal for national support. The government had two great national objects in view: to establish beyond question British authority in South Africa, and to maintain the unity of the Empire. Both objects were involved in the South African war. The war would always be memorable because it had called out a greater military effort than had ever before been asked from Great Britain, and because it had shown to the world and to the colonies that the British Empire was not a mere collection of almost inextinguishable resources of the Empire. He had not thought it necessary to stoop to meet the imputations of national greed, lust of territory, or personal ambition, and criminal motives suggested by the insignificant minority since the war had the approval of sister nations across the seas.

In regard to the immediate causes of the war, continued Mr. Chamberlain, it was not only impossible for a great nation to allow its subjects to be humiliated or oppressed, its engagements broken and its black races oppressed, but the very existence of the Empire was involved, and the government was pledged to continue its efforts until the danger from which they had escaped was forever averted.

After a reference to shallow observers abroad who foretold Great Britain's downfall, Mr. Chamberlain concluded with a glowing tribute to the colonies, who throughout the war demonstrated their intention to share the obligations, as well as the privileges of the Empire. It was a long step towards the consolidation which was now within measure of practical accomplishment. He did not envy the statesman who would be willing to compromise the issue for which the Empire fought. The nation was not vindictive to its enemies. If they surrendered to-day they would be welcomed as friends to-morrow. The expulsion of those who caused the war was only a measure of self preservation. Similarly immunity for treason was not humanity, but was cruelty to the loyalists and to the Boers who, now in thousands recognizing the futility of the struggle, were aiding Great Britain to end the war. In justice to those who had died, and as security for the survivors they must make the Boers recognize that they are defeated, and take from them the possibility of repeating the attempt. To do otherwise would be to invite the contentment of foreign countries, whose affection it seemed impossible for us to gain, but whose respect, at any rate, we were able to secure.

Lambton followed the reply of Mr. Chamberlain to the presentation address.

FATAL RIOTS

A Number of Those Wounded at Trieste Yesterday Have Since Died—Business Suspended.

Trieste, Austria, Feb. 15.—Crowds throng the streets this morning, but military patrols keep the strikers and public generally circulating. All the squares and public buildings are occupied by soldiers, and large contingents of the military forces are in readiness for immediate action. Business is suspended.

A number of those who were wounded when the troops on the plaza fired a volley into a mob yesterday afternoon, killing six and wounding twenty persons, have since died.

ELLA STAR DEAD

New York, Feb. 15.—Ella Starr, a well known contributor to newspapers and periodicals, is dead at Fishkill, after an illness of several months. She was for three years editor of Frank Leslie's Young Folks, and contributed to Judge and Life. She also spent some time abroad as a newspaper correspondent.

DANISH MINISTER DEAD

Copenhagen, Feb. 15.—Herr Hoernig, the minister of public works, who had been suffering from cancer, is dead.

CROSSING THE BORDER

More Than Fifty Thousand Settlers Expected From the States.

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—"I do not believe that in stating that the total number of United States settlers who will cross the line into Western Canada this year will be 50,000, you are giving anything but a conservative estimate," said Mr. C. W. Speers to a reporter of the Free Press last evening.

The Dominion colonization agent returned to the city yesterday from Crookston and Hallock, Minnesota, where he has been addressing meetings attended by agriculturists, called in the interests of emigration. The meetings at both of these places were very largely attended by many of the farmers of the states across the border, some having driven sixteen miles. The halls were packed and they listened to what was told them of the resources of Western Canada until 2 o'clock in the morning, many having to stand during all that time.

"The farmers," said Mr. Speers, "were eager not only to know about Western Canada, but wanted to know just how they should invest their money and leave the States at once. They were given straight facts to lead them, and found them convincing enough. I advised them to wait until the weather moderates before crossing the line to settle; but many are so anxious to get an early start that it won't be long before the first arrivals will reach here."

Mr. Speers states that the settlers will come from all parts of the republic, but Minnesota will be especially well represented, and that Kansas and New Mexico, Ohio, Missouri, Nebraska, and, in fact, from every agricultural state where land is becoming crowded, a new host of farmers seeking for new homes and broader fields will be seen. A feature of this class of immigration is that a large percentage will have ample means to make a splendid start in the new country.

THE GRANT WILL ASSIST IN THE WORK

A REVIVAL OF THE CHINESE SMUGGLING

Reports Have Reached Port Townsend That Large Numbers Are Being Taken From British Columbia.

Port Townsend, Feb. 14.—The smuggling of Chinese from British Columbia continues, and a number have recently landed on the numerous islands between here and the British possessions. The approach of the fishing season has caused a revival of the Chinese smuggling.

According to reports received here, they are being brought over in sloops, sailing from the British side at night, and if the sloops fail to reach their destination, before daylight they run into some cove, where they remain till dark, when they continue to their destination. The revenue cutter Grant has sailed for the purpose of assisting the two revenue launches, scout and guard, to stop the smuggling of Chinese.

LEGISLATURES OPENED

Colonization of the Principal Matter in Speech From Throne in Quebec.

Quebec, Feb. 13.—The Speech from the Throne at the opening of the Quebec Legislature today refers first to the visit and the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, the great importance of colonization and a criticism of the different methods employed, and states that a bill will be submitted for the appointment of a special commission with a view of finding the best method for promoting colonization and removing everything that might retard its progress without interfering with the lumber industry and other interests. Reference is made to the satisfactory results of the reforms as effected in education, and the advantage taken by many schools of the free distribution of school books and maps. Reference is also made to the fact that notwithstanding several unforeseen expenses, the balance in the treasury's hands on July 1st was still larger than the previous year.

NOVA SCOTIA HOUSE

Halifax, Feb. 13.—The legislature was opened this afternoon by Lieutenant-Governor James Thomas Robertson, member for Shelburne, was elected speaker. Attorney-General Longley is acting premier. The Speech from the Throne spoke of the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York. The completion of the Midland railway from Windsor to Truro, the proposed South Shore line, and matters of minor importance were also mentioned.

BIG REDUCTIONS BY GOVERNMENT

THE NEW RATES ON WHITE PASS RAILWAY

Steps Taken to Prevent the Company Increasing Charges on American End of Road.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—Some time ago Mr. Sifton brought to the attention of the minister of railways the exorbitant rates charged by the White Pass railway between Skagway and White Horse. This matter has been a subject of discussion between Mr. Blair and his department and the officers of the White Pass railway for some time past. The Canadian government fixed a tariff which was about \$18 per ton for fifth class goods between Skagway and White Horse, but the company refused to accept this. There was also a provision in this proposed arrangement that the company would not charge on the American end of the road between White Pass and Skagway to make up for any reduction that was to be made on the Canadian end of the road from White Pass to White Horse. In other words the Dominion government wanted to secure a through rate from Skagway to White Horse.

The company would not come to terms. The president of the road, S. H. Graves, was sent for to England. He was in the city for the past two days, and left last night for New York. The result of the negotiations has been that the tariff which was prepared by Mr. Tiffin, the traffic manager of the government railways, has been accepted by the company with a few slight modifications.

It contains a clause to the effect that when the Governor-in-council finds that the railway company raise the tariff on the American end of the road, then the government will have power to reduce the rates on the Canadian end or to cancel them altogether. This means has been taken to control the company because of part of their road, about 20 miles, being in American territory. On the 90 miles of the road in Canadian territory, from Bennett to White Horse, the tariff which the Canadian government has prepared, and which has been accepted by the White Pass road, is as follows:

Class 1, which at present is \$2.85 per hundred weight, has been reduced to \$1.90 per hundred weight.

Class 2 has been reduced from \$2.84 to \$1.68.

Class 3, from \$2.82 to \$1.42.

Class 4, from \$2.80 to \$1.19.

Class 5, from \$2.75 to 95 cents.

Class 6, from \$2.74 to 90 cents.

Class 7, from \$2.73 to 75 cents.

Class 8, from \$2.72 to 75 cents.

Class 9, from \$2.71 to 75 cents.

Class 10, from \$2.70 to 70 cents.

As already said, if any attempt is made to make up for these reductions by increases on the American end, then the rates will be reduced on the Canadian part or cancelled if necessary.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY

The Dominion government arrangement with Marconi is that trans-Atlantic messages will be reduced sixty per cent. in return for the government assisting to build a station at Cape Breton, and also that the system be used free in connection with life and property on the St. Lawrence.

YUKON MAILS

The post office department has negotiated a new contract with the White Pass for carrying the mails to the Yukon which will be of great advantage.

REPLY TO THE SPEECH

In the House this afternoon Mr. Campbell, West York, moved the address in reply to the speech from the throne, and Dr. Bell seconded it. R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition, replied, and in closing his speech referred to the death of Messrs. Doherty, Clarke Wallace and Bell, members of the House, and to Lord Dufferin.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier is replying to Mr. Borden, and when he is through speaking it is likely the debate will be closed and the address adopted.

THE TYEE MINE

More Vigorous Work to be Instituted on Property—Working Extension Mine.

Nanaimo, Feb. 14.—The Tyee Company, Mount Sicker, are reported to be about to commence more vigorous work on the property. It is said that Thomas Kiddie, who has been superintendent of Van Anda mines, Texada, is to take charge of the Tyee. The recent illness of Mr. Thompson, consulting engineer, is thought to be all that is delaying action being taken at once.

The lack of rain has brought down the inflow of water at Extension mines to about 2,000 gallons a minute. A leak at the top of the stoping in the tunnel allows about 600 gallons a minute to escape. Pressure in the tunnel stopping indicates about 95 feet of water in the mines. About 300 feet are required before flooding will be completed.

THE LATE LORD DUFFERIN

Belfast, Feb. 15.—The remains of the Marquis of Dufferin, who died Wednesday last, were interred to-day at Clarendon. The Duke of Argyll represented King Edward.

HUNDREDS HAVE BEEN KILLED BY EARTHQUAKE

Already Two Hundred Bodies Have Been Taken From Ruins in Town of Shamaka.

Tiflis, Russian Trans-Caucasus, Feb. 15.—Two hundred bodies of victims of the earthquake, which destroyed the town of Shamaka, had been recovered up to last evening.

It appears certain that several hundred bodies are buried in the fissures and debris caused by the shocks.

The quakes continue at intervals and the work of excavating in search of the victims therefore proceeds with difficulty. Among the dead are many women who, at the time of the principal shock, were congregated in the various bath houses.

More Bodies Recovered

St. Petersburg, Feb. 15.—The latest news received here from Shamaka confirms the appalling character of the earthquake, and adds that 300 corpses have already been taken out of the ruins. The piles of wreckage are so vast that the search is necessarily slow. Most of the victims were Mussulmans. The survivors are camped outside the ruins of the city.

CARRIED OUT DEAD BODIES

Firemen in Chicago Took Them From Dissecting Room, Believing They Were in Hospital.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—The firemen who groped their way through fire and smoke and dragged six dead bodies into the street from Bennett hospital, at Ada and Fulton streets, late last night, carried on their heroic labors in the belief that they were rescuing persons who had been asphyxiated, and not until the flames had been subdued did they learn that they had been in the dissecting room of the Bennett medical college, and that the rescued bodies were from the dissecting table of the Bennett medical school. Several of the cadavers were clothed, having been brought to the school in that condition. One cadaver was incinerated. The dissecting room and laboratory of the college were destroyed, involving a loss of \$5,000.

A score of patients in the hospital were badly frightened, but none were injured. The firemen had supposed that the building was used exclusively as a hospital.

WIDOW'S FIGHT FOR LIFE

Found by Her Son With Eighteen Knife Thrusts in Her Body.

New York, Feb. 14.—Mrs. Kate Vogel, a widow, was murdered in her apartments on Christopher street early to-day. She was found dead by her young son at 10 o'clock. There were eighteen thrusts in her body, and a disordered, blood-marked room, told of a desperate struggle before the woman gave up. The police detained the son, but have little reason to suspect him. Robbery was evidently not the motive, for a large diamond ring was left untouched on the body.

CHARGE AGAINST CORONER

Is Alleged to Have Robbed Body of a Man in the Morgue.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 14.—Coroner W. H. Bolter was today held by the grand jury on the charge of robbing the body of a man in the morgue. He gave bail in the sum of two thousand dollars. A request for a warrant for the arrest of a former morgue keeper, Wm. McShane, as a witness against Bolter, was held in abeyance pending the action of the grand jury. The evidence against Bolter was conflicting, and the judge said that it was a matter for the jury to decide.

PROMOTERS OF THE BEST SUGAR INDUSTRY IN ONTARIO WILL ASK THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT TO TEMPORARILY RAISE THE TARIFF ON SUGAR.

Monaco, Feb. 14.—Santos Dumont's dirigible balloon collapsed at sea this afternoon. He was rescued unhurt.

FATAL WAGER BY MONTREAL GOURMAND

TRIED TO EAT SEVENTY EGGS IN ONE HOUR

Coal Famine Threatened in Toronto—Proceedings to Contest Montreal Mayorality May Be Dropped.

Montreal, Feb. 14.—M. Leysens, the notorious gourmand, has eaten himself to death. He frequently ate for wagers, his achievements including 12 yards of sausage at one sitting, 300 mussels and two pounds of bread at another. The fatal wager that he could not eat 70 hard boiled eggs in an hour. When the time expired Leysens had devoured only 68, and consequently he lost the bet. Shortly afterwards he became violently ill and soon expired.

The Mayorality

Proceedings to contest the election of Mr. Cochrane as mayor of Montreal will, it is understood, be discontinued. Suit for action was returnable to-day, and it is expected that no further steps will be taken.

Principal Resigns

Rev. Principal Maggs, of the Wesleyan Theological College, has handed his resignation to the board of governors. He came here from England a year ago, and has been most successful. Those concerned refuse to discuss the reasons for his resignation.

Another Arrest

In the preliminary investigation into the alleged frauds in connection with the recent federal election in St. James division, several persons swore that they voted for Bergeron in the poll in which they voted. However, the record shows only four votes given for the defeated candidate. Another arrest was made in connection with the case, the prisoner being charged with conspiracy in employing telegraphers.

New Bank

Toronto, Feb. 14.—Notice has been given that application will be made to the present session of parliament for an act to incorporate the Metropolitan Bank of Canada.

Coal Famine Threatened

The city is in danger of a soft coal famine, and it is feared that the factories will have to shut down for 10 days or a fortnight.

Farmers Coming

Winnipeg, Feb. 14.—Word was received to-day that a party of 5,000 farmers from the state of Minnesota are coming to Western Canada this year.

En Route to Ottawa

Premier Haultain and Hon. Messrs. Sifton and Mulvey, of Northwest Territories government, are again in the city on their way to discuss territorial affairs at Ottawa.

The Referendum

The liquor dealers of the city, by resolution, have approved of the government's course in passing the referendum on the Liquor Act.

A Brick Demand

Hamilton, Feb. 14.—Sixty thousand cases of canned tomatoes have been shipped to New York this season from this district, and the demand continues. New Yorkers pay \$1.35 a dozen cans for them.

Obituary

Halifax, Feb. 14.—Martin F. Eager, formerly a well-known druggist, and for the past few years in the commission business in Dartmouth, died this morning, aged 65 years. He was well-known throughout the Dominion.

Chatham, Ont., Feb. 14.—Chief of Police Wm. Young died to-day of a complication of ailments. He was 64 years of age. He was appointed chief of police in 1888.

Corwall, Ont., Feb. 14.—Dr. A. Dixon Wagner died yesterday morning at the Corwall general hospital, aged 58 years. Deceased was one of the best known practitioners in eastern Ontario.

THE MOUNTED RIFLES

First Section Which Sailed on the Manhattan Has Reached Capetown.

Ottawa, Feb. 14.—A telegram from Capetown announces the arrival there yesterday of the Manhattan, with the first section of the Canadian Mounted Rifles.

PLAGUE RAGING

Report That One Thousand Deaths Are Occurring Daily.

London, Feb. 14.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Lahore, capital of the Punjab, says that under the new regime of non-interference, the plague is ravaging Punjab, and a thousand deaths are occurring daily.

BALLOON COLLAPSED

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NEW FERRY STEAMER

Contract Has Been Let in England and Boat Will be Delivered Next Winter.

Vancouver, Feb. 15.—Capt. Tromp announced this morning that the contract had been let in England for the construction of a new ferry steamer to ply between this city and Victoria. The vessel will be built in Swan & Hunter's yards, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and will be ready and delivered to the C. P. N. next winter. The contract calls for 20 knots on the trial trip.

Nothing Has Been Done Regarding a New Empress or Skagway Steamer, although negotiations are going on for the purchase of the latter on the Atlantic coast.

Chief Engineer Richardson, of C. P. N., will go to England immediately to superintend the construction of the engine and frame of the vessel.

TWELVE MEN REQUIRED

To Carry the Casket Containing Remains of Late Dennis Leahy.

New York, Feb. 15.—It required the utmost strength of twelve men to carry to the grave the casket containing the remains of Dennis Leahy, whose funeral has just been held. The dead man weighed 700 pounds. His enormous weight had been acquired within the past ten years. When he turned the 500 pound mark, two years ago, a physician pronounced his increased size due to fatty degeneration of the heart, and told Leahy his death was only a question of time.

ANTI-ORIENTAL LEGISLATION AGAIN

GOVERNMENT ASKED TO AMEND CLAUSES

The Bills Are Similar to Those Disallowed Last Year on Instructions From London.

Ottawa, Feb. 15.—The Dominion government has requested the British Columbia government to amend the statutes of last session containing anti-oriental clauses. Among these acts is the Victoria Terminal Railway Act, which prohibits the employment of Japanese or Chinese on work of construction or operations. The time for disallowance does not expire for some months yet.

These bills are on the same lines as those of last year, which were disallowed by instructions from the Imperial authorities.

FOR WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Fitzsimmons and Jeffries Sign Articles to Fight in May.

New York, Feb. 15.—Robert Fitzsimmons and James Jeffries signed articles here to-day to meet in a 20-round contest on some date between May 10th and 20th for the championship of the world. The contest is to take place before the club offering the largest purse, the winner to receive sixty per cent, and the loser forty per cent, of the purse.

PEERAGE CASE

London, Feb. 15.—The Lord Chief Justice, Baron Alverstone, refused to-day to reopen the case of Polette vs. Polette, in which Viscount Hinton sought to oust his step-brother, the youthful Earl of Polette, from the family estates. The Lord Chief Justice thus confirmed the previous judgment in the case, whereby it was declared that Viscount Hinton, under a family settlement 1853, was debarred from claiming the property in dispute.

COUNT TOLSTOI

His Condition Has Somewhat Improved To-Day—Inflammation Subsiding.

Yalta, Crimea, Feb. 15.—Count Tolstoi is somewhat improved to-day. His pulse is 90 and his temperature is satisfactory. The change for the worse in his condition, which occurred yesterday evening, was caused by a spread of the pulmonary inflammation to the right lung. The inflammation is beginning to subside.

C. YERKES'S CONDITION

Has Been Confined to His Room But Could Transact Business.

London, Feb. 15.—Charles Yerkes, who has been reported to be seriously ill, has been confined to his room as the result of a chill, but he has transacted business daily and is improving. Mr. Yerkes expects to be out on February 17th.

ESTIMATES FOR THE BRITISH ARMY

OVER SIXTY MILLION POUNDS ARE REQUIRED

Decrease Compared With Sum Expended During Past Year—Boer Embassy to Visit States.

London, Feb. 15.—The army estimates, issued to-day, show a grand total for the year 1902-03 of £69,310,000, which is intended to provide for 420,000 men, of whom 210,700 men are for the ordinary army service and 209,300 for war service. The estimates, of which £40,000,000 is required for war, show a decrease under this head of £23,230,000 compared with 1901-02.

In a memorandum the war secretary Mr. Brodrick explains that the estimates are sufficient to maintain a field force in South Africa of the present strength for eight or nine months of the new financial year.

Visit to States

Brussels, Feb. 15.—It is said that the desire to keep the departure of Dr. Mueller, the former consul of the Orange Free State in Holland, for the United States a secret, was so keen that the Boer emissary booked his passage under an assumed name.

According to information from responsible Boer quarters it is learned that Mr. Kruger's letter to President Roosevelt, of which Mr. Mueller is the bearer, does not appeal for intervention but expresses regret that he is unable at present to personally congratulate President Roosevelt on his accession to office, and concludes with a gratified allusion to the numerous invitations to visit the great Republic which have arrived and are still arriving.

Besides reorganizing the Boer propaganda in the United States Dr. Mueller will direct his efforts principally to obtaining government prohibition of the export of bridges regarded by the Boers, as a board of war, thus indirectly eliciting an opinion on the war from the United States government.

Mysterious Trip

The Hague, Feb. 15.—The members of the Boer delegation have left The Hague and have not announced their destination. It is rumored that they have started for the United States.

LAST DAY OF WALK

Teams Still in Field Are Almost on Verge of Collapse.

New York, Feb. 15.—Almost on the verge of collapse the 16 teams now in the six-day walking match entered upon the sixth and last day of the contest.

The score of the leaders at 8 o'clock this morning was: Hegelman and Cavanaugh, 719.1; Shelton and Guerrero, 694.9; Fahey and Metkus, 687.2; Golden and Tracey, 697.8; Gilek and Howarth, 648.4; Norveman and Cartwright, 622.1; Feeny and Feeny, 613.7; Frazier and Sullivan, 607.9; Davis and Carroll, 535.4; Dean and Campbell, 536.5.

Foreed to Give Up

New York, Feb. 15.—At 9 o'clock to-day Hegelman and Cavanaugh, the men went to the dressing room and said that they would leave the garden at once. Hegelman was almost delirious with pain, caused by his feet swelling, and Cavanaugh, after being on the oval for three hours, said he would let the race go if his partner did not come on. This the latter said he could not do.

Returns to Track

New York, Feb. 15.—At 11:40 Cavanaugh returned to the track and said he would continue to the finish unless he could. The team lost eight miles in the two hours.

IN HANDS OF RIOTERS

Police and Strikers Have Been in Collision Several Times—Soldiers on Duty.

Trieste, Austria Hungary, Feb. 14.—This city is practically in the hands of riotous strikers. All the factories are closed and the few stores that opened for business were compelled to close, owing to the mobs which paraded the streets. Traffic on the street railways was suspended. The headquarters of the Austrian-Lloyd steamship company, whose firemen were the first to strike, were protected by a strong force of police, who continually charged the crowds in order to drive back the surging demonstrators. The military have occupied the public squares and other points of vantage. The mobs frequently stoned the police and some shots were fired.

HUNDREDS HOMELESS

Chicago, Feb. 14.—A special to the Daily News from Norfolk, Va., says: "The town of South Mills, N. C., near the Diamond Swamp, was practically destroyed by fire to-day. At last reports the flames were heading towards the Swamp. Four hundred families are reported homeless. A rough estimate places the loss at \$120,000."

ENDORSE
MORRISON'S CHOICE

TER WILL BE
WORN IN AT ONCE

Laurier to-Day Heard
British Columbia Repre-
satives on Matter.

17.—The Premier invited
members to meet
this forenoon to hear
the question of cabinet
for British Columbia
was talked over at some
length by the Premier,
Mr. Wilford's proposition,
to take Senator Temple-
man without a permit
present, but to place him
in a department shortly,
Senator Templeman will
once.

Mr. P. was introduced by
Laurier and Hon. S. A.
mid great cheering.
Court Vacancy.
The court is in the running for
the Supreme Court
in Columbia. They are
of spoken of as chief
Morrison and Gordon
talked of for justice
the present judges be-
the chief justiceship.

EVER NEWS.

Johnson, of this city, had
serious yesterday. While
bath the lamp exploded,
could free herself from
and to tear it apart. She
and scalded, but it
dangerously injured.
Vancover will present
legislation requiring bar-
years as apprentices
examination qualifying
the tonsorial art.
Auction by-election yester-
defeated W. Skene
disqualified owing to
thus the new election.
Shimizu has received
annunciation from his de-
ling him to arrange to
at his earliest conveni-
Shimizu will sail for the
24th of next month. It
the department will
of Mr. Shimizu's high
the government service

the Vancouver Navy
was held on Tuesday
the Vancouver branch
as considered. The ad-
favoring to get a train-
at this port for boys
red. In Germany much
paid to the training
navy and mercantile
German Training Ship
two training ships,
Grand Duchess Eliz-
last year. It has
of about 1,000 tons, she
about two hundred
and in the summer
in the North sea
after in southern waters.
aining generally lasts a
of which the boys easily
on board the German
ordinary seamen. The
includes not only the
actical seamanship, but
subjects, as well as
geography, arithmetic
language.

THE
T. BROWNE
AUCTIONEERS,
Instructions from Mr.
C. C. to sell by
Auction
Saturday, Feb.
22nd.
At 11 o'clock, or on ar-
rival of steamer, the
whole of his
ure, Farm Stock,
Etc.
appointments of Parlor,
men and Bed Rooms,
ants, Chestnut Maple,
or drive, a good all
right farming pur-
dy's and goat's). Har-
n's Bicycles, etc., etc.
ing, furnishing or con-
Crofton will do well to
social trials and the
convenience of busi-
must be paid within
of sale.
ERT CUTHBERT, Auctioneer.

FROM COURT
ORDINARY



Paris, Saturday.

The approaching coronation is responsible
for many elaborate designs originated by
well known modistes. They are all regal
and beautiful, yet none is more so than
the Redfern model shown to-day in the il-
lustration. This is a court presentation
robe in the Louis XV. style.
A costume of this period when dress had
about reached the high-water mark of
richness and elegance, must necessarily be
fashioned from our richest brocades and or-
namented with quantities of beautiful
gems.
History is closely followed in presenting
this robe, though there are, of course, cer-
tain modifications which give to it a some-
what up-to-date appearance, yet do not
lessen the effectiveness of the style or rob
it of the charming characteristics of that
gay and glittering period.
The full petticoat is suggestive of the
buffant ones worn by Marie Antoinette,
Mme. de Pompadour, Mme. du Barry and
other famous beauties of the time, while
the close-fitting, deep-pointed bodice, per-
mits of the usual display of precious
gems. Rich ivory brocade forms the foundation
of the robe, and this is exquisitely brocaded
with a fancy striped design in gold. The
bottom of the skirt is ornamented with fe-
stoons of deep silver lace, which is caught
to the skirt at the points of the fan-shaped
drapery with gold and silver tassels, looped
and held to the skirt with florid-like de-
signs wrought in gold and jewels.
The front of the corsage presents a style
quite after the fashion of the time. The

long-pointed effect is richly embroidered
with precious stones and outlined at each
side with a tapering edging of narrow sil-
ver lace to match that on the skirt. Ap-
plied flat around the décolleté is a band of
English point lace, while the ruffled and
puffed sleeves show a trimming of the same.
The voluminous and sweeping court man-
tle is of rich black velvet, studded with
jewels and lined with ermine. A broad
band of the same royal fur borders the en-
tire garment, and narrower edgings finish
the two small capes.
With this magnificent robe is worn a
jewelled necklace having a row of fine
pearls, and on the softly waved hair
rests a flashing coronet. Without many
details, the design of the gown is certainly
beautiful enough to figure at any coronation
ceremony.

The fashionable woman of to-day appears
to have formed the jewel habit. Not in
many seasons have we seen her display
such a quantity at the same time as she
has been doing lately. They flash from her
hair, gleam on her throat and arms,
sparkle in the front of her corsage and
glitter on her fingers, and hereafter we
may expect to see her gowns sending forth
bright rays of light, for she gets the
idea that bodices, mantles and skirts may
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Paris are quite the newest ornament for
hats, and from the lavish manner in which
they are put on—in wide bands resembling
cigarettes, in strings and loops—we are led
to believe that, to be quite in style, one's
hat must be very much gem-laden. Besides
this trimming, there are fancy round and
oblong shaped ornaments showing the same
jewels.

While on the subject of hats, it may be
well to mention that tulle and chiffon will
be extremely popular this coming season.
The full petticoat is suggestive of the
buffant ones worn by Marie Antoinette,
Mme. de Pompadour, Mme. du Barry and
other famous beauties of the time, while
the close-fitting, deep-pointed bodice, per-
mits of the usual display of precious
gems. Rich ivory brocade forms the foundation
of the robe, and this is exquisitely brocaded
with a fancy striped design in gold. The
bottom of the skirt is ornamented with fe-
stoons of deep silver lace, which is caught
to the skirt at the points of the fan-shaped
drapery with gold and silver tassels, looped
and held to the skirt with florid-like de-
signs wrought in gold and jewels.
The front of the corsage presents a style
quite after the fashion of the time. The

RECEPTION GOWN A CREATION.
Reception dresses permit of such a long,
graceful sweep of skirt that women enter-
tain a particular liking for the gown of
this kind.

Lustrous black panne forms the skirt of
this gown, and it is made with a tight-
fitting yoke coming well over the curve of the
hips. On this is set the skirt, laid in gath-
ers, and it is allowed to fall straight to the
floor in front, while the back spreads in the
usual train. Only on the very foot of the
skirt is there any ornamentation whatever.
This is a bewitching, but our confu-
sion has led to an increase of the
chicly lace thrown into relief by grounds
of pink mousseline de soie. About the very
edge of the skirt is a full fringe of the same
soft and delicately shaded fabric.

Of an entirely different material is the
corsage, with basque effect and sleeves al-
most elbow length. Printed lousine, show-
ing dark and light shades, makes a pretty
contrast to the plain black of the skirt.
About the hips, not quite meeting in front,
and at the back than at the sides. At the
separation these pieces gently slope away
from the waist, to give the figure a slender
appearance.

A simulated yoke is produced by the use
of narrow bands of black velvet ribbon,

COSTUME
STREET WEAR.

while a broad collarlette of ermine Venetian
guipure falls over the shoulder and, com-
ing toward the front, meets a vest of pale
pink embroidered mousseline. The sleeves
are quite plain, and they are cut off square
just below the bend of the arm, where a
band of black panne makes a smart finish.
There is a rather broad waistband of panne,
fixed by two brass buttons.

The reception dress is one that appeals
strongly to the truly feminine woman. It is
not too formal a gown, yet possesses a cer-
tain amount of the ceremonious air about it
that makes it one of her favorites. Usually
the fashionable woman permits a little of
her personality to appear in the style she
selects for this kind of gown, and her fancy
for soft, airy fabrics or plain rich stuffs
may be indulged to a satisfying degree.
Black has grown to be quite a favorite for
reception gowns, particularly in velvets,
either the plain or the softer panne, while
the idea of having the corsage of an entirely
different fabric is becoming more and more
popular. A pretty model for a reception
gown is the Louis XVI. coat, with its deli-
cate lace, jewelled buckles and dainty bro-
cade, which give it a deliciously feminine
air.

VELVET VISITING DRESS.
Velvet again, but this time of a different
variety, is used for the visiting dress shown
in the third illustration. This gown, worn
by Mme. Sorel, was made of Aquin. It is
of royal blue velvet, that rich, clear shade

which looks more elegant in velvet than in
any other material.
The design is perfectly plain and close-
fitting, with a skirt quite long, but so beau-
tifully cut and hung that the rich velvet
requires no ornamentation to emphasize the
lines. While the effect is almost that of a
princess, the gown really shows a short
bolero in front and a short habit in the
back. The half length sleeves are slashed
up the back, opening over two deep frills
of application lace. Tiny rosette-like orna-
ments are laced at the top of the opening
and at either side.

The large mousseline hat has a grace-
fully curving brim of black felt, while the
crown is ornamented with a drapery and
cockade of royal blue panne. On the turned
up side is a large ostrich feather, which
sweeps back, falling over the softly twisted
lock of hair.

In regard to collars, how are we to tell
just which is the modish one, the high, the
half high or the low? We see one stunning-
looking woman, gowned in quite the latest
mode wearing her hair in a knot fast-
ened at the crown of her hair, while almost
in the same moment our eyes fall upon a
second smartly dressed bit of femininity who
has her tresses coiled rather low on the
neck. This is bewildering, but our confu-
sion is only increased upon meeting a third
exponent of the fashionable world who
elects to wear the half low knot, a sort of
compromise between the two.

Perhaps, after all, this is likely to prove



THE BACK VIEW
OF RECEPTION GOWN

more generally becoming for one extreme or
the other in most cases, if found to be a bit
trying. However, we have been informed
by good authorities that the low collar is
quite the thing, and, while many have
adopted it altogether, others are a bit reluc-
tant to make so decided a change.

Flowers seem to be again quite popular
for the corsage, making a pretty variation
after so many heavy looking jewelled orna-
ments. Flowers are so fresh and youthful
looking and at the same time so exquisitely
dainty that, with gowns of a certain style,
nothing else seems quite so appropriate.
Especially when trailing vines and tiny
clusters of flowers are used to ornament the
gown, the flower corsage is by far the
smartest. Twists of ribbon and silver
have disappeared entirely, while chaplets
and hair wreaths are the modish decoration.

Here is a handsome, elaborate or dainty
toilet which depends much for its beauty
on the artistic arrangement of mauve
cleats. The bodice is cut out over so little
and the sleeves are the prettiest of lengths,
the elbow, dotted not over mauve-chiffon,
with a taffeta foundation, forms the body
of the dress. An extremely short bolero,
coming just to the bust, is fashioned of
rich lace, finished with a scallop effect in
tiny festoons of mauve flowers. The same
design is carried across the top of the
sleeves. From under this bolero falls a
draped flounce wider at the top, and frills
of the Irish point finish off the sleeves. One
catches just a glimpse of a mauve chiffon
blouse, girdled with a pointed waistband
of mauve panne, festooned across the front
with two jewelled ornaments.

The skirt shows the essence of grace, com-
bined with beauty. The upper part is of
net, while there is a deep flounce at the bot-
tom of mauve panne. A border of large
mauve cleatis stars outlines the very bot-
tom, and a festoon design of the smaller
flowers gracefully curves upward to a point
in front and sweeps gently back over the
train. Above this heading to the panne
flounce is an applique of the same fabric,
finished at the top by a second festoon of
small purple flowers. A chaplet of the tiny
flowers rests on the hair, while directly in
front rises a large purple starry cleatis.
A white mousseline gown, trimmed with
white glematis, was lovely enough to excite
the admiration of a seasoned belle, besides
filling the head of a pretty debutante with
envious thoughts.

Of course, the only ornament to wear in
the hair with such a gown is a wreath of
the same white flowers, and nothing could
possibly have been prettier or more effec-
tive than this chaplet, resting on a head of
pale golden hair.

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LIVER OIL taken in cases of general de-
bility and loss of appetite, is sure to give
the best results. It restores health and re-
news vitality. Davis & Lawrence Co.,
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STORY OF A TAILOR-MADE
GOWN.

This is the story of a tailor-made gown
and the ingenuity of the girl who designed
it. She wasn't a rich girl, hence she doesn't
get a tailor gown every season of the year.
Indeed, this is the first "really and truly"
tailor-made suit she has ever owned. At
first it seemed a terrible extravagance for
this girl to invest her hard-earned savings
in such an outfit. It seemed she couldn't
possibly do it. What! Spend almost \$100
on a single gown? Why, she doesn't make
more than \$500 a month!

And then she began to reason, thus—
"Here I am, 25 years old, and never in all
my life have I once been out and out well
dressed. Dressing with me has always
been something of a compromise. I won't
say anything cheap—for I abhor shoddy
things—consequently, these seasons when
I have had a fashionable hat I have had to
do without the gown or gloves or shoes or
some one or other of the hundred little ac-
cessories without any one of which the
world-be-dressed woman is a failure!"

It took this girl weeks and weeks to solve
the problem which is now being so beau-
tifully worked out at a Fifth Avenue tailoring
establishment. The problem was how to be
well dressed—elegantly dressed—for six
months on \$200.

Any woman of taste or refinement in
dress may tell you that such a thing is
among the impossibilities of modern fash-
ion. But it isn't, as you will see by this
girl's experience.

Like all sensible women, she begins to
look well to her wardrobe shortly after the
holidays. She knows full well that there is
no time like January and February for
planning the gowns and waists and lingerie
of the spring and summer. She knows that
she can afford to patronize the best tailors,
then, because it is their slack season, and
any of them is glad to do work at 25 per
cent. less than usual rates, or even a greater
reduction.

This girl accordingly made out a schedule
of her probable wants for the season. Here
it is:
One stylish tailor walking gown.
One visiting and church gown.
One white broadcloth waist.
One white satin waist.
Three wash shirtwaists.
Three cambric undershirts.
Two hats and gloves.
Six pairs of gloves.
Two pairs of boots.
One pair of Oxford ties.

The greatest part of the problem was the
gowns. "Two gowns!" Two fashionable
gowns at one and the same time! It seemed
almost impossible for a magazine artist,
earning only \$100 a month. She had saved
up only \$200 for the whole summer outfit.
How was she to get even two gowns out of
that amount? Why, she couldn't think of
looking at a tailor gown for less than \$85
or \$90.

She was in despair. Then a happy thought
struck her, and before that happy thought
had a chance to slip away she hid her off
to the most fashionable tailor on the
avenue.
"What is your price for gowns?" she
asked.
"That depends, madame," replied the
tailor; "that depends on the style of the
gown."
"Well, something elegant and dressy,"
she said.
"Elegant and dressy?" mused the tailor.
"Well, as this is our slack season, I can
give you something elegant and dressy for
as low as \$85—a long, stylish, sweeping



RECEPTION DRESS
VELOUT OF PRINTED
LACED OVER A
COCKADE OF BLACK PANNE

skirt and a handsome jacket.
"With the best of materials in it?"
queried the girl.
"The very best of everything," declared
the tailor.
"And, say—I should want an extra skirt
made to match the jacket," suggested the
girl. "How much would you charge for
that?"
The tailor pulled out his notebook and
pencil.
"Well, considering it is a dull time of the
year, I can give you an extra skirt for
\$35."

"All right," said the girl quickly, "you
may take my measure and show me your
goods."
She selected a fine, closely woven zibeline
cheviot, with a rather rough surface. The
cloth was not a very heavy weight, because
it is to do service all through the spring
and summer.

This was the first time the girl had ever
allowed the tailor to supply the materials.
She had always insisted upon patronizing
only those tailors who permitted her to fur-
nish her own goods. She did so because
she labored under the delusion that she was
getting a better bargain, forgetting that the
fashionable tailors carry a stock of cloth
not only exclusive, but equally as cheap as
can be found in any dry goods establish-
ment.

A rich, dark, warm golden brown was the
color selected. The girl had never had a
brown dress before, for many reasons, the
chief being that she had always imagined it
unbecoming. In this she was not different
from many other red-haired women.
"You should never wear brown," her
friends always told her. "Don't wear
brown. It makes you look all one color."
She raised the objection with the tailor,
but it was instantly waived.

"Brown!" that worthy exclaimed—
(Continued on page 7.)

BABY'S OWN TABLETS

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girl or any other per-
son to give your children medicines that
you know nothing about. No one but the
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nervousness and sleeplessness these tablets
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from all objections which are generally
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They can be found at druggists or be
sent direct by us, if desired, prepaid upon
the receipt of the price, 25 cents per box.

The Dr. Williams Medicine Co.,
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RATES ON WHITE PASS ROAD.

It is with a good deal of satisfaction that the Times is able to announce today that an agreement in regard to freight rates has been reached between the White Pass & Yukon Railway Company and the government.

VOICES OF THE INTERIOR.

Mr. G. O. Buchanan, editor of the Kootenai, and one of the representatives of the interior, was interviewed on his return from the Vancouver convention by a representative of the Nelson Miner.

CIRCUMSTANCES ALTER CASES.

The mission of Mr. D. D. Mann, one of the most interesting figures in Canadian transportation circles, to Victoria, has not created such a stir as an event of such importance would have done if the railway man were treating with a government which was judged capable of carrying out any agreement that may be arrived at.

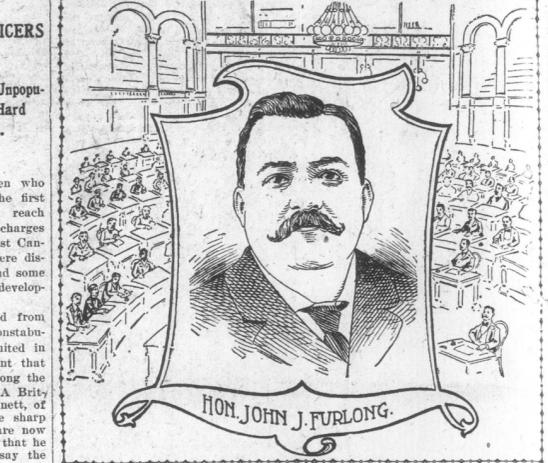
OSHAWA MIRACLE INVESTIGATED.

A Sworn Statement of Facts Almost Beyond Belief. The Toronto Mail and Empire Sends a Reporter to Oshawa—His Inquiries Result in Complete Verification of Original Story.

TROUBLE AMONG THE CONSTABULARY.

MEN DISSATISFIED WITH SOME OFFICERS. Captain From B. C. Said to Be Unpopular Among His Command—Hard Campaigning on the Veldt.

MEMBER ILLINOIS ASSEMBLY AFFLICTED WITH CATARRH OF THE THROAT AND LUNGS. CURED BY PERUNA.



HON. JOHN J. FURLONG, Member of the Thirty-fifth General Assembly of the State of Illinois, writes of Peruna as follows: "Peruna cured me of catarrh of the throat and lungs permanently and in a very short time."

COURT OF ASSIZES CONTINUED.

THE CROWN'S EVIDENCE IN NIC... Is All In—Evidence Heard at This Session. When the sitting of the court was resumed yesterday the evidence was given by Frank Nicholles, charged with the murder of Tom Netes.

AN AMERICAN INVASION.

Some timid souls profess to be alarmed at the invasion of Canada by American emigrants. Inquiries are made as to what the upshot is likely to be.

POLITICAL POSSIBILITIES.

There was some excitement in the political atmosphere yesterday. Col. Prior was closeted for a considerable time in the political most holy place at the Parliament buildings.

MURDER TRIAL.

Winnipeg, Feb. 13.—Charles Bullock's trial at Edmonton has opened. He is accused of luring Leon Stanton, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, from Wyoming to Battle Creek, Alberta, last April, and then killing him for \$200.

WARSHIPS ENGAGED.

Panama, Colombia, Feb. 12.—The Colombian government fleet left Panama yesterday morning, the insurgent warship Padilla off Agua Dulce at 6 p.m. and fought her for one hour.

A KENTUCKY PIGIT.

Nine Men Reported to Have Been Killed—Saloon Burned and Several Lived. Louisville, Ky., Feb. 12.—A special to the Times from Middlesboro, Ky., says: "According to the latest reports from the scene of yesterday's fight at Lee Turner's saloon, nine men were killed."

PROVING A SUCCESS.

Something About the Improved Farm Settlements of New Zealand. The improved farm settlements of New Zealand are communities built on a foundation of land, labor and co-operation.

COOK'S OIL ROOT COMPOUND.

It is successfully used monthly by over 100,000 ladies. Safe, effective, ladies' remedy. Take no other, as all mixtures, pills and cathartics are dangerous.

THE DETROIT SAVINGS BANK DID NOT OPEN ITS DOORS FOR BUSINESS YESTERDAY MORNING.

At nine o'clock the following notice was posted on the door—"This bank is in the hands of Geo. L. Maltz, banking commissioner."

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Local News.

CLEANING OF CITY AND PROVIDING WATER IN A CONDENSED FORM.

(From Friday's Daily.) The parlor cars of the E. & N. railway have been withdrawn temporarily from service, having been taken to the shops at Wellington for their regular overhaul, before the summer business commences.

The honorary treasurer of the Protestant Orphanage acknowledges the receipt of \$3, the proceeds of the basketball match between the employees of Turner, Beeton & Co. and the Hudson Bay Company.

Members of the Central W. C. T. U. were hospitably entertained by Mrs. C. Spencer at her residence, Birdcafe Walk, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. D. Jenkins presided and Mrs. Dennis Hargreave gave an interesting and instructive lecture on "Physical Culture."

Manager Keeler, who runs the stage line from Westholme to Mount Sicker, is installing a daily service to Crofton and Osborne Bay. The daily service will commence next week, but in the meantime Mr. Keeler will run a daily service on Saturdays and Sundays, connecting with the double train service of the E. & N. on those days.

At the residence of the bride's parents on Wednesday evening, the marriage took place of Mr. W. C. Wilson and Miss Sarah Georgia Barker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Barker, of Bridge street, Rock Bay. The groom was supported by Mr. H. A. Johnson and the bride by Miss H. E. Simpson, Rev. D. MacRae officiating.

A message was received this afternoon from W. Daykin, lighthouse keeper at Carmanah Point, which states that his two sons have just returned from a trip along the coast, covering a distance of three miles in both directions from that point in search of fresh wreckage. Nothing, however, was found except several cases of salmon, on which there were absolutely no marks of identification.

At a well attended meeting of electrical workers held in Labor hall last evening, it was decided to organize a union and a committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws. G. Kelly was elected president pro tem, and E. C. Knight, secretary-treasurer. The meeting will be kept open one week, so that all desirous of doing so may join at charter rates. In the meantime Messrs. Kelly and Knight will represent the new organization at the trades and labor council.

There is now en route from different points in the United States and Eastern Canada some 20,000 tons of machinery for the new smelter to be erected at Osborne Bay. Part of the machinery is coming from Milwaukee, while another large consignment is coming from New York. The whole indicates the enormous plant which will be installed, and at the same time shows that the smelter will be no small affair, and that the management men that it shall be in operation at the earliest possible date.

Cables from England to the New York papers state that Lord Strathcona presided Tuesday night at a meeting of the Colonial Institute, when Hon. J. H. Turner read a paper on British Columbia. Both the high commissioner and the agent-general spoke of the loyalty of the Canadian people, and Lord Strathcona was loudly cheered for saying that not a single individual in the whole Dominion could be got to profess himself a pro-Boer. He anticipated that swift communication with Canada will shortly bring the Pacific Coast within eight days of England. Adolphus Freemantle and Gilbert Parker, M. P., referred to the strategic advantages of British Columbia to the Empire.

(From Saturday's Daily.) A meeting of the directors of the Royal Jubilee hospital will be held next Wednesday evening.

On and after Monday next the legislature library will be closed to the general public. During the sitting of the House lack of accommodation makes this order necessary.

The contract for building five stores at Crofton has been awarded by the Lenora Copper Company, on behalf of Eastern clients, to Moore & Whittington, of this city. The contract has been awarded for the wharf at Osborne Bay.

Frank Burrell, of Pemberton & Co., has received a flattering recognition of his ability as an amateur photographer, a branch of art of which he is an enthusiastic devotee. He recently sent seven exhibits to the New York amateur photographic exhibition, and out of these he received three first prizes.

The work on the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home at Esquimalt is being rapidly pushed to completion, the plasterers now being at work on it. It will be ready for occupancy early in the spring. The management acknowledges with gratitude the gift of \$30 from Mrs. J. D. Pemberton towards defraying the cost of this worthy institution.

The death occurred at the family residence, Cadboro Bay road, after a long illness, of Adele Beaumont, wife of William Beaumont. Deceased was 63 years of age. She was a pioneer of 1862, and highly respected. Beside her husband she leaves a number of children, including Mrs. A. L. Sampson, Victoria; Mrs. H. T. Porter, Ladysmith, and four sons, three of whom reside at Maple Bay, and one, Edward, at Victoria.

The second anniversary of the relief of Ladysmith will be fittingly celebrated in Victoria. Arrangements are being perfected by the Navy League for a public meeting to be held at 8 o'clock in the evening of February 28th. Hon. B. W. Evans will read a paper which will be a record of the famous siege.

The Influence of Sea Power on History.

A general discussion will follow. A musical programme has also been arranged for the evening.

The restoration of the West Coast telegraph service is a matter which will be generally appreciated by all, and especially by those wishing to keep themselves posted on the shipping passing up the Straits. The wire is now working with all points along the coast as far as it extends, the Canadian section of it having been the last to be put in order. That portion of the line stretching to Cape Beale has been in operation for upwards of a month.

The news was received yesterday of the death at Skagway of Frederick George, son of Capt. W. E. George, the Alaskan pilot. He was found drowned on Wednesday, February 5th, and it is presumed that he fell overboard from the steamer Alki, in which he was employed. An inquest was held and a verdict of accidental death was returned. The remains were interred at Skagway. The news was received by his brother, William George, in a telegram. The deceased was 26 years of age and well-known in this city, having been educated in the public schools here.

Old William Keeler has again taken up his abode at the police station. He returned this morning, having been ejected from the cabin secured for him by the city by an irate landlady, Jerry Davis. The quarters provided for Keeler, whose presence was undesirable at the police station, were on lower Chatham street, and the jailers were beginning to congratulate themselves on the happy solution of the Keeler disposal puzzle. The one medicament, however, became as disagreeable in his new quarters as everywhere else, until Jerry Davis decided to bounce him. This occurred to-day, the landlady reporting to the police that Keeler's habits were so disreputable that he could not allow him to put up in his cabin. He was followed by Keeler himself, who denied Jerry's charges in toto, and said that he would stay there under any circumstances. He has again become the white elephant at the police station, and there appears to be no way of getting rid of him.

(From Monday's Daily.) Frank Nicholas, who was sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the provincial penitentiary at New Westminster, will be taken there to-night. In the meantime he has been incarcerated at the provincial jail.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Adele Beaumont will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 p. m. from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Co., and at 2.30 at St. John's church.

When H. M. S. Egeria goes out again in search of the missing Condor it is said that she will cruise around Queen Charlotte and other northern islands. The vessel is now at Esquimalt, and it is understood, will leave some time this week.

The funeral of the late Rev. James Christie, M. A., took place from the residence of S. P. Innes, Jubilee avenue, at 2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon and later from the First Presbyterian church. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Campbell, assisted by Rev. D. MacRae. The pall-bearers were: Dr. Geo. H. Duncan, C. H. Baxter, O. S. Gore and H. Fuller.

A liquor dealer named Percival, of Montreal, has been in the city several days and has been soliciting orders from retailers contrary to the provisions of the provincial liquor license act. He came back to the city, and to-day was engaged in straightening the matter out with the department of the attorney-general. It is understood that the Dominion could be got to profess himself a pro-Boer. He anticipated that swift communication with Canada will shortly bring the Pacific Coast within eight days of England.

The heavy rains of Saturday night and of yesterday caused a wash-out on the E. & N. railway, near Koksilah station. The mails and passengers on the Nanaimo bound train were transferred over the wash-out, on a hauler, and carried forward by another train on the other side. The break in the line was repaired in time to permit of the passenger train from the Coal City this morning.

A consignment of modernly equipped rubber-tired buggies, phonographs, cards and other novelties consigned to the Victoria Transfer Company, Ltd., arrived from the East, via the C. P. R. on Saturday. The company, in consequence, has decided to place on sale a number of their equipments which they have had in stock in order to make room for the new vehicles. These have been placed in the brick building opposite the stables, and will be sold at greatly reduced rates.

After an illness extending over several months, Reginald Stanley Engelhardt, second son of Mrs. E. M. and the late P. J. E. Engelhardt, passed away yesterday morning at the family residence, No. 19 Burdette avenue. He was 29 years, and a native of this city. He was formerly connected with the Victoria branch of Wells, Fargo & Co., but subsequently left here for California, where he remained for some time. The prospects afforded in the great north then attracted his attention, and he engaged in the customs brokerage business there for a period in company with his brother. Ill-health overtook him and he returned to Victoria, but was unable to combat the malady which afflicted him, growing gradually worse until yesterday afternoon, when death came. The funeral has been arranged for to-morrow afternoon.

THE IMMENSE PINES OF CANADA furnish the basis for that peerless cough and cold remedy, "Perry Davis' Pain-Expeller," by proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Expeller.

Shirts of chain armor, which cost about \$100, are now worn by more than one distinguished person in Europe.

ARE YOU HAZARDED DAY AND NIGHT? Mind and body racked and tortured by the torturing drowsy and robbed of that "Divine restorer," sleep, anesthetic and hypnotic, "Perry Davis' Pain-Expeller," is the only remedy for this terrible ailment. It is the only country in Europe that does not in the least concern itself with the emigration of its surplus population. It is the only country in Europe that does not in the least concern itself with the emigration of its surplus population. It is the only country in Europe that does not in the least concern itself with the emigration of its surplus population.

THE STRANDED BERTHA.

Most of Cargo Has Been Removed From the Steamer.

Vancouver, Feb. 17.—The halibut fishing steamer Capilano arrived on Sunday morning from the north, and passed the Bertha on Friday in Fitzhugh Sound. The captain of the Bertha was aboard with one or two members of the crew, while the others were camped on the beach. The steamer had been lighted, and most of her cargo was already on rafts and piled on the beach. It was impossible to tell the extent of the damage done to her, but her captain believed that there will be no trouble about floating her after her cargo is out, and a patch has been put over her bow. The Capilano had a fine trip until she was down the straits of Queen Charlotte Sound, and then she met very rough weather.

A thief broke the plate glass window in the front of H. G. Moore's store early on Sunday morning and stole a large amount of small jewelry and a tray of old coins, valued in all at \$312. A large stone was used to smash the glass, and the entire contents of the window were taken.

The man from Victoria and Nanaimo, supposed to be the murderer Kaufman, of San Francisco, was arrested here today, having returned up the line. He turns out to be an ordinary tramp, with a crippled hand, and was peddling lead pencils for a living.

R. Thompson, a fisherman on the steamer Capilano, was taken to the hospital to-day. While on the trip the hoisting gear caught him by the hand, and he was hurled to the ground, with a book through one thumb.

FOR THOSE WHO FELL ON PAARDEBERG FIELD

Tablet to Their Memory to be Unveiled by the Governor on Tuesday Evening.

The officers of the Fifth Regiment, C.A., have completed the arrangements for the unveiling of the tablet to the memory of those who fell at Paardeberg, mentioned some time ago in the Times, which is to be installed in memory of the members of the regiment who fell in that engagement.

The ceremony will take place at the drill hall on Tuesday evening, the anniversary of the fight, and the ceremony of unveiling the marble slab will be performed by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor.

The Fifth Regiment will parade sharp at 7.45, the members being admitted by the rear east door and will be formed up in the hall prior to the admission of the general public at 8.15. The parade will form up in a hollow square facing the tablet which has been inserted in the wall on the east side, to the right of the main entrance.

The members are gradually coming to the city, and on Thursday a full attendance is expected. Smith Curtis was last heard from in Montreal, but he is almost sure to be on hand when the House meets. An aggressive Liberal, and a strong opponent of Joseph Martin, his colleague, superintendent of the day, with interest. He is not likely to be bound by the decision of the gathering in Vancouver, which appointed Mr. Martin Liberal leader, and he will be supported by Messrs. D. C. Knox, and Mr. Hawthornthwaite, of Nanaimo. Whether these three will affiliate with Messrs. Heintzen, McPhillips, McBride, Gardiner, Turner and other members who have announced their opposition to the government, the session alone can determine.

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GETTING IN SHAPE FOR THE OPENING

MEMBERS AND STAFF OF THE LEGISLATURE

Gathering in the City—Regarding the Non-Committal Regarding the Political Situation.

That the session of the legislature will be opened shortly was evidenced by the haste and bustle that pervaded every department of the parliament buildings this morning. Clerks and messengers had their busy air usually seen during recess, and several ministers were being button-holed by outside members when they could not reach their private offices and escape the applications for appropriations for the various districts represented by enterprising M. P. P's. Messrs. Wells, Eberts and Prentice got away from the interviewers this morning and spent a couple of hours in the chief commissioner's office, doubtless discussing details of the work that is to come before the legislature, and perhaps devising plans that might protect the government against the onslaught of the various opposition forces that will be found in the House.

D. O'Hara, the sergeant-at-arms, is here, fresh from his home at Bonaparte, B. C., and he was one of the interesting figures to be seen at the buildings this morning. He was busy training the pages who have already been appointed in their duties, and generally getting things in ship shape for the opening on Thursday. Mr. Gossnell's staff was busy mailing the formal invitations for the opening. If acceptances are nearly as numerous as the invitations issued, a great crust can be expected when Sir Henri reads the speech from the throne.

The ceremony will not be of the same sombre character as that of last year. The restraint of court mourning, owing to the death of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, has been removed, and a more brilliant spectacle is likely to be witnessed. Several ministers made in connection with the opening of the Ontario legislature a few days ago, and these will be introduced here. There is a new form of royal crown, and the position of the mace representing this emblem of authority will be changed accordingly. Then the legislature prayer will be changed to include the Prince of Wales, and the Duke and Duchess of York.

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CONSUMPTION

The time to cure consumption is not after the lungs are hopelessly involved and the doctors have given you up. Take it in its early stages and you are saved. Consumption is a wasting disease of the lungs, and at the earliest symptoms of lung trouble steps should be taken to arrest the waste and thus stop the disease. Consumption preys upon weakness. Strength is the best measure of safety.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills

For Pale People are the best tonic and strength builder known to science. The record of this medicine speaks for itself and proves conclusively that taken when the symptoms of consumption develop they build up, strengthen and invigorate the patient to a point where disease disappears.

Among those upon whom consumption had fastened its fangs, and who have proved the disease curable, is Mr. Ildege St. George, of St. Jerome, Que. Mr. St. George says: "About a year ago I became greatly run down. I lost color, suffered constantly from headaches and pains in the sides; my appetite left me, and I became very weak. Then I was attacked by a cough, and was told I was in consumption. The doctor said I had to go to the Mountains in the hope that the change of air would benefit me. I remained there for some time, but did not improve, and returned home feeling that I had not much longer to live. I then decided to use Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After using several boxes my appetite began to return, and this seemed to mark the change which brought about my recovery, for with the improved appetite came gradual but surely increasing strength. I continued the use of the pills, and finally felt the weakness that had threatened to end my life disappear, until finally I was again enjoying good health, and now, as those who know me can see, I show no trace of the illness I passed through. I believe Dr. Williams' Pink Pills saved my life, and I hope my statement will induce similar sufferers to try them."

These pills are also a certain cure for the after effects of a gripe, which frequently develops into consumption. They also cure neuralgia, stomach troubles, kidney and liver ailments, rheumatism, sciatica, and the ailments which make the lives of so many women a source of constant misery.

Do not take anything but the genuine, which always has the full name "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People" on every box. Sold by all druggists or sent post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Arrangements for Meetings in This Province This Month and in March.

The following arrangements have been made by the deputy minister of agriculture, superintendent of institutes: The Hon. C. L. Smith, of Oregon, a noted institute speaker, will arrive here on the 18th and will address supplementary meetings of Farmers' Institutes at the following points, viz: Victoria district, Wednesday, February 19th; Cowichan, Friday, February 21st; Nanaimo, Saturday, February 22nd; Metochish, Monday, February 24th; Esquimalt, Friday, February 28th; Lulu Island, Saturday, March 1st; Surrey Centre, Monday, March 3rd; Central Park, Tuesday, March 4th; Chilliwack, Wednesday, March 5th.

Mr. Smith has also consented to make an address to the Central Farmers' Institute. An open meeting of that body will probably be arranged for Tuesday, the 25th inst. He will also make an address at the annual meeting of the Dairyman's and Live Stock Association at the meeting of that body on the 20th inst. Details to be arranged by the committee appointed at the directors' meetings.

F. Walden, who is a noted orchardist and farmer of Washington, has been asked to deliver addresses at supplementary meetings at the following points. Final arrangements are not yet perfected, however, as Mr. Walden has not yet signified his acceptance of the invitation: Comox, Islands, Langley, Maple Ridge, Agassiz, Mission and Matsqui.

Thos. Cunningham will also give a practical demonstration of spraying at Langley. The regular spring meetings will begin about the end of March, and will be addressed by Messrs. Drummond, T. G. Baynor, D. C. Anderson, of Ontario; Hon. C. L. Smith, of Oregon, and probably two local men.

The following is the list of subjects on any of which C. L. Smith is prepared to speak, viz: Diversified Farming vs. Single Crop System; The Advantages of Dairying; Building Up a Dairy Herd; Feeds and Feeding; Foreign Crops; Stabling and Care of Cows; What's Your? How? Home Making; Farm Poultry, and Silos and Ensilage.

IMITATIONS ABOUND.—The D. & L. Menthon Patent. The D. & L. Menthon Patent.

A SWINDLING ENTERPRISE.

Three Members of Kootenay Association Charged With Obtaining Money Under False Pretences.

At last week's meeting of the council of the Victoria Board of Trade, a communication was read from the Kootenay Association of Fernie, B. C. The communication was an elaborately gotten up letter heads and it told of the good work this association intended to do in bringing the proper kind of labor to the province and in developing some of its natural resources. The communication was received and filed.

The Free Press of Fernie is the authority for the statement that the members of the Kootenay Association are swindlers, and that they are now discussing their various enterprises behind prison bars. G. R. Payne, the Fernie manager of the association, had advertisements inserted in Eastern papers telling of positions vacant at salaries ranging from \$100 a month upwards. The association sent replies to the thousands of applicants who answered the advertisements that the association charged \$1 and ten per cent. of the first month's salary. Many sent \$1 with the hope of getting a lucrative job in British Columbia. The post office department became alarmed at the arrival of mail coming to the Kootenay Association, and after due inquiry turned the matter over to Chief Barnes. He arrested three members of the association, who are now in durance vile awaiting a preliminary examination for obtaining money under false pretences.

PARTICULARS OF WEDDING.

Nuptials of H. Hamilton Abbott and Miss Willington at Portland.

Particulars of the wedding of H. Hamilton Abbott to Miss Willington at Portland, are given in a dispatch from that city under the name of Mr. Abbott. The dispatch is as follows: "The wedding of H. Hamilton Abbott, son of Mr. Harry Abbott, of Vancouver, and general agent of the C. P. R. at Victoria, was married in Portland yesterday to Miss Willington, daughter of Mr. G. E. Willington, a prominent Portland banker. The ceremony took place at noon yesterday at the First Presbyterian church. Rev. Dr. E. P. Hill, pastor of the church, was the officiating clergyman.

The bride was given away by her father, Miss Mary Willington, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. The bride wore a beautiful white satin gown, with a long train. Her hair was styled in the latest fashion. The church was beautifully decorated throughout with palms, pink chrysanthemums and anemones.

The bride and groom were accompanied by the bride's father and mother, and the groom's father and mother. The wedding party consisted of the bride, groom, bridesmaids, and best man.

C. P. R. STEAMERS FOR

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The superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Richardson, has received headquarters to proceed to Montreal, where he will direct the plans in regard to the new Empress line, the steamer Skagway run, replace the Charmer Victoria ferry service. The new steamers have been placed in the harbor.

When seen on Friday Vancouver News, Mr. Richardson stated in a position to give the dimensions of the new steamer than that they were than the old steamer. It is expected that these new steamers will be fitted with appliances, and will float on the Pacific.

These vessels are being built on plans approved by the Admiralty, and in case of emergency will be called upon as transport. Mr. Richardson left on the 14th inst. for the East, and will be back in a few days. It is expected that the new steamers will be placed in the harbor immediately.

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NEW FERRY WILL HAVE BIG ACCOMMODATION

Empress Line to Be Augmented—Condor's Suitability for Pacific Discussed in Imperial Commons.

The superintendent marine engineer of the Canadian Pacific steamships, H. T. Richardson, has received orders from headquarters to proceed from Vancouver to Montreal, where he will consult with the directors of the company, it is said, in regard to the plans of the three new Empress liners, the steamer for the Vancouver-Skagway run, and the steamer to replace the Charmer on the Vancouver-Victoria ferry service.

When seen on Friday morning by a Vancouver News-Advertiser reporter, Mr. Richardson stated that he was not in a position to give any of the details or dimensions of the new steamers, further than that they will be much larger than the old steamers now plying between this port and the Orient. The new steamers will be capable of steaming twenty knots by a knot, and the draught will exceed that by a knot. They will be fitted with all the modern appliances, and will surpass anything afloat on the Pacific in their appointments. These vessels will be constructed on plans approved by the British admiralty, and in case of necessity can be called upon as transports or cruisers.

Mr. Richardson leaves by Tuesday's train for the East, and, after consulting with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, will proceed to the Old Country, where the contracts will be let and work upon the steamers immediately proceeded with. Mr. Richardson will supervise the construction of these steamers, which will necessitate his being absent from his post for a lengthy period. Mr. McGowan, chief engineer of the Empress of China, will be acting superintendent marine engineer during Mr. Richardson's absence; Mr. Christie, second engineer of the Empress, being promoted to the post of chief engineer of the Empress of China.

While no definite information could be obtained, it is understood that the contract for building the boat which is to ply between this port and Lynn Canal will be let to an American firm on the Atlantic coast. This is mainly necessary owing to the American coasting laws, which prohibit foreign bottoms from carrying freight or passengers between two American ports. Such class of business at certain seasons of the year is quite a factor in the earnings of a steamer. This steamer will be single-screw, capable of steaming eighteen knots. She will have berthing accommodation for upwards of two hundred first class passengers and 150 second class. The vessel will be constructed of steel, with double bottom, and fully bulkheaded, which will make her practically unsinkable. It is understood that Mr. Thomas Mitchell, chief engineer of the present Charmer, who is at present in California, having been called there by the death of his son, has received instructions to proceed to New York and superintend the construction of the new steamer.

The new ferry steamer to take the place of the steamer Charmer will be a twenty-knotter, with berthing accommodation for 250 first class passengers. It is understood that Mr. Beville, chief engineer of the Hating, will proceed to the Old Country early next month to superintend the construction of this steamer.

H. M. S. CONDOR.

A great many questions have been asked in the Imperial House of Commons regarding H. M. S. Condor since fears have been entertained for the safety of that vessel, but the answers given show that the admiral is not further informed than that outlined in previous dispatches, says a London correspondent.

In referring to the rumors as to the vessel's stability, the Daily Express queries into the matter. That paper contained the following article on the subject: "It is a melancholy satisfaction to know that the Condor's name is not to be found on that list of vessels of war which are pronounced on the highest naval authority to be 'useless in war and costly in peace.'"

When she was commissioned at Chatham in 1890, there was some discussion as to her suitability for the Pacific station, and this discussion arose not only from the fact of her high bulwarks, but from the fact that she has a platform for machine guns on each of her masts about twenty feet above the level of the deck. These gun platforms would be a source of instability in the event of the sloop laboring heavily with a great weight of water retained on the deck by reason of her high bulwarks.

It is easy to be wise after the event, but it is evident that the fullest inquiry should take place as to the stability of the Condor class. Without a single representative of the modern navy in the House of Commons, it may be difficult to elicit the facts from Captain Pretyman—an artillery officer—and Mr. Armstrong, the financial secretary to the admiralty.

Still, the country has the right to know whether the highest naval authorities are satisfied that the Condor was a suitable and safe vessel for employment on the Pacific station.

UMBRIANA RETURNS.

With nine stanchions smashed, her rigging more or less damaged and her port side so injured as to permit of her being flooded into her hold at an alarming rate, the staunch sealing schooner Umbriana, Capt. J. Hann, returned to port and anchored off the outer wharf

at 6 o'clock last evening. She was towed in from Neah Bay by the American tug Boyden in an almost helpless condition.

On Tuesday last, when eighty miles south of the Columbia river, she was struck by one big sea, which did all the damage, and came very near completely wrecking the vessel.

Capt. Hann says after shipping an Indian crew he sailed from Hesquit on the 2nd inst. The weather was exceedingly stormy and continued boisterous and changeable throughout the entire time he was at sea. The schooner was worked south on route to the sealing grounds of the Farallones. On the morning of the 11th the gale increased in violence. The wind blew with hurricane force from the southeast and a tremendous sea was running. The schooner was riding out the weather beautifully until all at once a mountain of water, rolling with great force, broke on to the deck of the little craft, staggering her under its ponderous weight and almost completely burying her in the ocean swell. This wrought the damage aboard. Eight of the fourteen canoes, which had been lashed securely on the deck, were simultaneously demolished, nothing being left but splintered wood. Others were broken more or less. The railing of the schooner, which had been supported by the stanchions, was left with the latter strewn along the deck for a distance of sixteen or eighteen feet. Some of the planking on the same side of the vessel was carried away and the whole craft left in such a shape that to lean on the weather side any more meant the flooding of the schooner's hold with water.

Immediately after the accident Capt. Hann, by skilful management, succeeded in bringing the schooner about and by means of closely reefed sail made his way back to Neah Bay. In the mean-

while water came into the schooner's hold and required the utmost endeavors of the crew to keep it down. The Indians were set to work at the pumps, and with the combined labors of all the schooner was kept afloat until Neah Bay was reached in safety. Had the weather been fine after the damage was done, the Umbriana's misadventure would not have been so serious. But with a heavy sea, rolling and a high wind prevailing, it required the men constantly working at the pumps until after port was made. As things were the situation can be imagined, when it is stated that the water in the hold at one time was a foot deep. Fortunately the hull of the schooner remained tight below the water line and no apprehension was felt from this standpoint. Then, too, the Indians turned to at the pumps with a willingness that was appreciable indeed at that time, and each of the thirty-seven men aboard worked with the knowledge and understanding of veterans at sea.

Yesterday morning the tug Rabhorn was hailed off Neah Bay and asked for a tow into port, but her skipper, evidently believing that he had a cinch on the distressed sloop, wanted \$500 for the undertaking. Of course Capt. Hann did not agree to this extortionate sum and was able to close a deal with the captain of the Boyden to do the work for one-fifth of the amount.

Capt. Hann says the weather is still stormy and wild off the straits. Before entering the straits he says he believes that there were fully a dozen vessels all laying to on account of the stormy weather. The Umbriana was brought to the harbor today, and will immediately undergo repairs. As soon as these have been completed she will go to sea again. She is one of the few sealers now in the sealing campaign.

PROCEED TO BERTHA.

A salvage party will, it is expected, leave for the scene of the wrecked Bertha, ashore in Fitzhugh Sound, on the steamer Cottage City, which sails from here at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning. Capt. James Carroll, the Puget Sound manager of the Alaska Commercial Company, has been in the city arranging for the floating of the steamer,

which he thinks can be accomplished without difficulty.

The passengers of the wrecked steamer Bertha have held a meeting in Seattle to hear what the Alaska Commercial Company was going to do in regard to loss of goods and toward getting the passengers to their destination. Many of the passengers had outfits on the Bertha, and in case the vessel cannot be saved, these will be lost. The passengers want the company to settle for the goods.

The passengers are said to be extremely reticent in regard to the wreck, and some interesting developments may be looked for.

POLINA ARRIVES.

The overdue sugar steamer Polina has at last arrived. A dispatch from Seattle yesterday afternoon announced that the steamer Kistuck, which arrived there, reported sighting the steamer off the Straits about sixty miles off shore, steaming along slowly with her machinery partially disabled. She reached Vancouver some time last night, but the story of her long experience at sea was not known locally this morning, as the vessel did not stop here, not even for quarantine inspection. She took the outside course up to the Terminal city. The fact that she went by the quarantine station is today the subject of correspondence between Ottawa and the authorities. The Polina is 44 days from Montreal. She brings a full cargo of sugar consigned to the Vancouver Sugar Refinery. Reinsurance on the ship had been quoted until the report of the steamer Olympia was published telling of passing a large Dutch steamer at sea making her way to port towards the Straits under very slow speed. The Polina, if such she was, and it seems now that she was the steamer which the Olympia

described as being two large planks painted white and apparently the bulwarks of some vessel.

ASKS FOR BETTER SERVICE.

At the meeting of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce a few days ago Secretary Melkle read a letter from George L. Schetty, secretary of the Nanaimo, B. C., board of trade, asking the co-operation of the local body in securing a regular steamship service from Seattle to that point. The matter was referred to the committee on foreign commerce,

STORY OF A TAILOR MADE GOWN.

(Continued from page 3.) long skirt—in fact, like all the fashionable new skirts—this one was cut to fit the trim figure very snugly. This skirt is also cut in two pieces, with seams down front and back. Three forward turning plaits on each side adjust the fulness across the front and sides, and an equal number of backward turning plaits perform a similar office for the fulness across the hips, the two plaits

THE PHAETON DUE BACK NEXT MONTH.

WILL FOLLOW SAME ROUTE RETURNING

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Yesterday morning the tug Rabhorn was hailed off Neah Bay and asked for a tow into port, but her skipper, evidently believing that he had a cinch on the distressed sloop, wanted \$500 for the undertaking. Of course Capt. Hann did not agree to this extortionate sum and was able to close a deal with the captain of the Boyden to do the work for one-fifth of the amount.

Capt. Hann says the weather is still stormy and wild off the straits. Before entering the straits he says he believes that there were fully a dozen vessels all laying to on account of the stormy weather. The Umbriana was brought to the harbor today, and will immediately undergo repairs. As soon as these have been completed she will go to sea again. She is one of the few sealers now in the sealing campaign.

PROCEED TO BERTHA. A salvage party will, it is expected, leave for the scene of the wrecked Bertha, ashore in Fitzhugh Sound, on the steamer Cottage City, which sails from here at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning. Capt. James Carroll, the Puget Sound manager of the Alaska Commercial Company, has been in the city arranging for the floating of the steamer,

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The passengers of the wrecked steamer Bertha have held a meeting in Seattle to hear what the Alaska Commercial Company was going to do in regard to loss of goods and toward getting the passengers to their destination. Many of the passengers had outfits on the Bertha, and in case the vessel cannot be saved, these will be lost. The passengers want the company to settle for the goods.

The passengers are said to be extremely reticent in regard to the wreck, and some interesting developments may be looked for.

POLINA ARRIVES. The overdue sugar steamer Polina has at last arrived. A dispatch from Seattle yesterday afternoon announced that the steamer Kistuck, which arrived there, reported sighting the steamer off the Straits about sixty miles off shore, steaming along slowly with her machinery partially disabled. She reached Vancouver some time last night, but the story of her long experience at sea was not known locally this morning, as the vessel did not stop here, not even for quarantine inspection. She took the outside course up to the Terminal city. The fact that she went by the quarantine station is today the subject of correspondence between Ottawa and the authorities. The Polina is 44 days from Montreal. She brings a full cargo of sugar consigned to the Vancouver Sugar Refinery. Reinsurance on the ship had been quoted until the report of the steamer Olympia was published telling of passing a large Dutch steamer at sea making her way to port towards the Straits under very slow speed. The Polina, if such she was, and it seems now that she was the steamer which the Olympia

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NEW ADDITION TO FLEET.

The Frank Waterhouse Company has added a third vessel, the steamship Lyra, now on the Atlantic, to its Nona fleet. She is of 4,417 tons, and is speedy. Her general dimensions are: Length, 321 1/2 feet; breadth, 47 feet; depth, 25 feet; net tonnage, 3,516.

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PROGRESSOR'S ROUGH TRIP.

On her last trip South the Collier Progresso had a very rough experience. From Cape Flattery to Cape Mendocino she bucked a strong southeast gale which kept her deck continually under water. For thirty hours she lay hove to. Two ships riding out the gale were sighted off the Columbia river. On Sunday, when north of Cape Mendocino, the Progresso passed some wreckage. It is

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THE OPENING OF THE LEGISLATURE

SET FOR THURSDAY AFTERNOON NEXT WEEK

Mr. Mann Here—Will the Government Seek to Seat Mr. Pooley as Speaker?

At 3 o'clock next Thursday the third session of the eighth parliament of British Columbia will open in the buildings across the bay. Already invitations are being issued, and those who desire the formal piece of cardboard which expresses the desire to be present at the function, should apply to R. E. Gosnell, the Premier's secretary. As usual there will be seats reserved for those entitled to them because of their official position, but otherwise there will be no distinction, and seats will be available as they are claimed.

The opposition will meet the day before the opening of the session when their course of action will be outlined and a leader, if only for the session, will be selected. If the government attempt to seat Mr. Pooley in the manner mentioned they will doubtless have something to say about it.

Today the government was in consultation with D. D. Mann, of Mackenzie & Mann, not rising until 1 o'clock. The visit of Mr. Mann is expected to have a marked effect on the government's course, as his visit is admittedly for the purpose of arranging the railway matters with them. In this connection the role of J. K. Greenshield, K. C., of Montreal, is exciting some speculation. Mr. Greenshield came here ostensibly as agent for Mackenzie & Mann, but recent developments have led to the conclusion that he is acting in the present railway negotiations as special commissioner for the British Columbia government. Mr. Greenshield was the active instrument in the sale of the Drummond County railway to the Dominion government. Chester Glass, of Spokane, who is also Mr. Greenshield's partner in the enterprise as a railway promoter, was also here last week. Mr. Glass was Heinze's agent here at the time of the famous banquet to the legislature, and his visit at this time caused considerable speculation.

THEIR ANNUAL MEETING

The Department Relief Association Transacted Yearly Business Last Evening.

The annual general meeting of the Relief Association of the Victoria Fire Department was held at headquarters last night, when the usual yearly business consisting of the receipt and consideration of reports and the election of officers was transacted. The election resulted as follows: President, C. H. Watson; vice-president, H. H. McDowell; secretary, Frank Leroy; treasurer, W. Smith; board of trustees, together with Capt. Duncan, Jas. Wachtel and P. K. Bradley.

A CLOSE FIGHT

Henry Macaulay Had a Narrow Majority—Governor Ross Leaves for Ottawa.

Further telegraphic advices from Dawson indicate that Henry Macaulay, formerly of this city, had a hard fight for the post of chief magistrate of the northern metropolis. He had a majority of six votes out of the 75 votes cast for the office, over Mr. Macdonald, of the recorder's office, who opposed him. The names of the six alienated electors are not yet obtainable, but they are mostly supposed to be like the mayor, Liberals.

Advices from Dawson also state that Governor Ross left there on February 14th for the outside, and may therefore be looked for on some of the home-bound Skagway liners. He intends going through to Ottawa on official business, and will return to Dawson over the ice toward the end of March.

A Paris newspaper learns from M. Goussier, inventor of the submarine boat which bears his name, that there is some question of constructing a submarine vessel, traversing its route from a cable extending across the Straits of Dover, would be able to take passengers from France to England in less than half an hour.

NORTHERN NEWS BUDGET.

Advices from the North Brought by the Steamer City of Seattle.

Steamer City of Seattle called at Vancouver on her way from the North on Wednesday. She had 43 passengers from Skagway. She brought news of Mail Carrier Horace Tuffin being frozen to death on one of the northern trails. His body was found six miles from the summit of Montosa Pass.

Another fatality is also reported from the mouth of Chistochina. A man named John E. Riley, with a partner called Griffin, started out from this place travelling over the ice together. The latter returned alone, and it is believed that when Riley endeavored to make the trip he fell through the ice and was drowned, as nothing of his whereabouts was afterwards found.

A new discovery of gold has been made at Thistle creek, where dirt has been found running 15 to 20 cents to the pan. A nugget valued at \$50 was also found, and the prospects are said to be particularly promising. A stampede is said to have started from Dawson for the scene of the new discoveries.

The King's Finances coal mines, owned by Miller & Ames, and being opened this winter by Capt. C. D. Miller, will have 1,000 to 1,500 tons of coal ready for shipment when navigation opens. "These men are working steadily in the mines," says Capt. Miller, "and we expect to increase the force in a short time. A tunnel is being driven into the property, and but two men can work on a shift. The seam is four feet of clean coal, dipping about 20 degrees from the river. I believe that when we are back 250 feet we shall be below level of the Yukon, and we can dump coal right into the boats. Once the tunnel is finished, stops will be opened to right and left, and more men put to work. The entrance to the mine is on the bank of the river, and we can dump coal right onto the decks of steamers. The product is of good quality; some brought to Dawson last fall gave entire satisfaction as a heating fuel. Our output next summer will amount to several thousand tons."

The N. A. T. & C. Co. has been awarded a contract to make 35,000 ties for the railroad to be built by E. C. Hawkins and others from Dawson to Grand Forks, a distance of 12 miles. The cutting of the ties is expected to begin within a few days. Advice to start are wanted from Mr. Hawkins, now on the outside. Manager Delaney, of the N. A. T. & C. Co., corroborates the report of the contract being let. One hundred and twenty-five horses for use on the stage line have just been acquired by Geo. Pugham, superintendent of the White Pass winter stage service.

On the 27th of January a record trip was made from White Horse to Dawson, the distance between these two towns being covered in three days and 10 hours. At every station relays were ready harnessed, and led over the stage came in sight, to be slipped into harness.

CHEMISTS NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.) The Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Co. mills, which have been closed during the past month undergoing annual repairs, are now open. The American barkentine James Johnson, heading for Kyte, N. S. B. is the only vessel in at present, but several other men driving piles at the head of Horse Shoe bay, extending their railroad over to their mill.

The many friends of Joseph Pearson, who was injured some little time ago, are to have his arm amputated, will be pleased to learn that he has no delirium, and expects to be out of the hospital before very long.

At the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Chemists general hospital, held in the hall on the 14th inst., Messrs. Jones and Elliott were elected directors, to fill vacancies on the board. The reports for the past year were very encouraging, and the directors deserve a great deal of credit for the manner in which they have managed the affairs of the institution.

The natives of some tropical countries chew the fibres of green cocoanuts as a relief for fever. They contain much lactic acid, and are reputed to have just been as quinine.

Farmer's Backache.

There is scarcely a farmer in this country but knows what backache is. The hard work and heavy lifts, the constant grind of toil from early morning till late at night, frequently bring the stabbing pain in the back or the dull grinding ache that knows no let up. Then too there are often urinary troubles, swelling of the feet and ankles, puffiness under the eyes, rheumatic pains in the joints and muscles.

Dr. Fitcher ought to be held in high esteem by every farmer in the land on account of his Backache Kidney Tablets, which are doing such a grand and noble work in banishing backache, kidney and urinary troubles, which are such universal complaints on the farm.

HEAVY WORK. Mr. C. E. Lane, King Street East, Ingersoll, Ont.: "I have been subject to attacks of backache and kidney trouble for some years, owing to heavy work on the farm in my early days. Every attack of cold aggravated it. I have tried other remedies in the past but with little effect, and decided to try a bottle of Dr. Fitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets. I got a bottle from A. E. Gayler, druggist, using at first three and then two as a dose, as they are a good medicine. With the use of two tablets do the pain and other trouble disappeared, and since then there has been a good return, consequently I am sure they are a good medicine."

Dr. Fitcher's Backache Kidney Tablets are in a Box, at all druggists or by mail, The Dr. J. C. Fitcher Co., Toronto, Ont.

RAILWAYS AND MINES

Discussed by D. D. Mann—Makes No Definite Announcement.

D. D. Mann, of Mackenzie & Mann, was seen by a Times representative this morning and asked regarding the interview with the members of the provincial executive yesterday. Mr. Mann stated that nothing definite had been done, but in any event should anything be accomplished, the announcement would first be made to the legislature through the government. He added further that his stay in Victoria has been a short one, as he is expected to return East on Monday next.

Mr. Mann was asked regarding the intentions of V. V. & E. Railway & Navigation Company. "We have met with considerable opposition in the construction of this road," he said, "and we have a number of railway projects on our hands in districts where the people are anxious to encourage construction, it is quite possible that we will not give so much attention to the construction of the V. V. & E. in the future, unless this annoying opposition is discontinued. We are just beginning the construction of 300 miles of railway in Nova Scotia, along the Atlantic seaboard, from Yarmouth to the Gulf. The necessary legislation has been forwarded in the speech from the throne, and as Nova Scotians generally are anxious to see this road constructed, we expect to begin early operations at an early date. New Ontario is being developed much more rapidly than British Columbia, chiefly because of the large amount of railway construction in that district. The natural resources are not greater nor rich than those of this province, but railways are the important factor in opening up and developing any new district."

Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann are heavily interested in the Dominion Copper Company, owning the Steamship, the Kooklyn and other mining claims in the Boundary district. Work on the copper properties was discontinued a short time ago, and Mr. Mann was asked regarding the future intentions of the company. "We have not lost faith in these properties," he said, "notwithstanding the reduced price of copper, but we are too busy building railways to give mining enterprises that close attention they require under the present market conditions. Copper is low and wages are high, and the development of low grade mines requires careful attention. When we have more time we will again take up the development of these properties," he concluded.

TO SURVEY ROUTE.

Surveyors Will Shortly Be in Province for Canada Northern—Interview With D. D. Mann.

D. D. Mann, of the firm of Mackenzie & Mann, the noted railroad magnate, arrived in this city last night for the purpose of conferring with the government regarding the proposed Canadian Northern route which will have its terminus in this province. Seen at the Grand Hotel this afternoon by a Times representative, Mr. Mann stated that until he had decided upon a route through British Columbia they were unable to fix upon a terminal point.

Asked regarding the report that it satisfactory terms could be arranged with the provincial government the route a Northern route would be deflected so as to connect with the Island road, Mr. Mann stated that he had no objection to any such arrangement, but could make no announcement in this connection until a survey had been made. Surveyors would be in the province shortly, and the result of the survey would determine the location of the terminal point.

In connection with their line through Manitoba, Mr. Mann mentioned that the Victoria Lumber & Manufacturing Co. had a very successful year. The country tributary to the road had yielded ten and a half million bushels of wheat for export in 1901. Manitoba, he said, was very prosperous.

THE GAZETTE.

A Number of Appointments Chronicated in the Current Issue.

The current issue of the Provincial Gazette announces that William Smith and Alex. Johnson, of Abbotsford, have dissolved partnership, that the Royal Victoria Gold Mining Company will hold its meeting at Greenwood on the 7th, and that J. G. Bunyan, & S. G. Campbell, antique dealers, of Nelson, have assigned.

The following new school districts have been created: Barnet, in New Westminster district; Kimberley and Morrissey, in East Kootenay; and West Kootenay. The Burnaby district is redefined.

The Nicola Valley Iron & Coal Company, Limited, has been incorporated with a capital of \$1,000,000. The novelty mines have also been incorporated with a capital of \$1,500,000.

The Waterloo Consolidated Mining & Milling Company of Spokane, has been registered as an extra provincial company, with a capitalization of \$125,000, local office at McKinney and attorney, Patrick H. Graham.

The following appointments are gazetted: John Flewin, of Port Simpson, government agent, as stipendiary magistrate in and for the county of Vancouver; John Alexander, Catherswood of Hatzie, a notary public in and for the province; Robert B. Thompson, a notary public in and for the province; Frederick W. Warren, of Timmins, a notary public for the purpose of the Marriage Act, and Philo Walter O'Brien, of Vancouver, barrister-at-law, a notary public in and for the province.

FOR THIS STATION.

Office and Non-Coms Leave Halifax for Duty at Victoria.

The following officer, warrant officer and non-commissioned officers have left Halifax, N. S., for duty at this station: Captain J. C. L. Black, Army Service Corps; and Warrant Officer (Quartermaster) G. Barker, and Quartermaster-Sergeant (military mechanics) J. Clarke, Royal Engineers; and Warrant Officer (Quartermaster) W. J. Clarke, Army Pay Corps. All the above are in addition to the station, with the exception of Quartermaster-Sergeant Clarke, who is relieving Staff-Sergeant Jenkins on duty, returning to England. Capt. Black will, in addition to his Army Service Corps duties, perform the duty of station paymaster.

THE EAGLES' BALL A GREAT SUCCESS

BRILLIANT COSTUMES, LARGE ATTENDANCE

Scene Was a Very Picturesque One—Splendid Music and Excellent Programme of Dances.

The Victoria Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles still in its youth, but certainly its members have acquired the art of entertaining, a fact that was never more strikingly exemplified than at their third annual ball last night. The success of the function, comprehending a large attendance, artistic environment and a supper such as would send the most pronounced epicure into raptures, is an everlasting tribute to the efficiency of the committee to whom it was due.

The decorations which commanded the admiration of all those who were present, the Native Sons' ball last week, and fully described and reproduced in these columns, were in their places last night, supplemented by some artistic devices newly installed by the Eagles. Instead of the name of the Native Sons in incandescent lights at the entrance of the hall, there were signs of the order giving last night's ball, surrounded by a picture of the King in a glowing frame.

When Phil's orchestra opened the night's programme with the waltz, there were more than one hundred and sixty couples on the floor. As the night drew on the number was increased, until there were over four hundred dancers, besides the orchestra, which consisted of five modern times, comic and tragic, afforded a most enjoyable and interesting entertainment.

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CHIEFS' CONVENTION.

The Veteran Firemen's Association May Attend in this City.

For the first time since the organization of the Pacific Coast Association of Fire Chiefs the next annual convention will be held in this city this coming fall. Arrangements for the event are already being made, and all efforts are being made to have the Veteran Firemen here from San Francisco at the same time. Correspondence with this object in view is now being carried on between ex-Chief Deasy, of the Victoria fire department, and the president of the association, Chief Myers, of Spokane, and the secretary, Harry W. Brinkhurst, of Seattle, to arrange a date of the annual convention.

In a letter to ex-Chief Deasy from T. S. Burns, of San Francisco, but formerly of this city, the writer states that the Veteran Firemen's Association of that city contemplates a trip to Victoria, and in reply Mr. Deasy promises to do all in his power to encourage the project by bringing it to the attention of the Victoria fire department, and the president of the association, Chief Myers, of Spokane, and the secretary, Harry W. Brinkhurst, of Seattle, to arrange a date of the annual convention.

San Francisco, Feb. 11th, 1902.

My Dear Friend—Mr. Stephen Bonner, president of the San Francisco Veteran Firemen's Association, has written me his opinion that the association would like to visit Victoria, if arrangements could be made, and participate in the celebration on Dominion Day, July 1st. They will take with them 100 men and their own hand, it is the band question that is sticking to them, and if in some way or other their expenses could not be met, they always go in uniform and bring along the article which they need years ago in putting out fires. I told them I would write you, as well as my father, and see if some kind of a proposition could not be made in regard to their band. They, the old vets, ask for nothing as they always pay their own expenses. I thought the old firemen of Victoria might be helped out of the expense of their travelling band. They will be a good advertisement for good old Victoria. They could stay in Victoria for a couple of days and go up the Sound to Seattle. Was for the 14th day, where a great reunion of all the vets of Sound cities would meet. This, I believe, they do should they go North.

I hear from the old vets every once in a while, and all say Victoria is holding her own. I will await an answer. Wishing you well. I remain, respectfully yours, THOMAS S. BURNS.

The resumption of the International Sugar conference, which was to have occurred at Brussels to-day, has been postponed until February 17th. Special dispatches from Vienna say the governments of Austria and Germany are exchanging notes concerning the abolition of sugar bounties.

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2. From a point on the Company's line at or near Skeena River, by way of the Pine River Pass.

3. From a point on the line east of Edmonton, in Alberta or Saskatchewan, to the Red Deer River.

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MINERAL ACT. (Form F.) CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS.

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DAMAGE WROUGHT BY BLIZZARD

Manitoba Liquor Act Be Introduced To-morrow Result of Action

Montreal, Feb. 17.—St. Joseph's church, at the corner of the main streets, was destroyed by a blizzard. The loss is \$1,000,000, and the insurance \$25,000, and \$10,000, and the late Father O'Donnell, were buried in the church, but the firemen checked the flames before that part of the edifice supposed to have started as jet near the sacristy.

It is announced from St. Dr. Seaward Webb, president of the Montreal railway arrangements for the Great Northern railway, from Quebec, connecting with Atlantic system at Montreal. This will save a considerable amount of grain shipments from through to Quebec.

Montreal's Mayor Ex-Mayor Frontenac, today from a two-month London and Paris, says that the Quebec railway, which was to be built, will be a heavy sentence.

Recorder Weir dealt out lesson to election telegraphic when he sentenced J. J. Lamont, a Montreal politician, to a fine of \$500 or six months in jail, for attempting to telegraph for municipal elections.

Manager Rosin Sydney, N. S., Feb. 17.—Given him by the staff and directors here to-night, A. Rosin, president of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company, explained that his intention was to demand more from the company while in his position. The staff of the company was well organized and the time opportune to make a change in the management of the company was a profitable outcome of the blizzard.

A Blizzard Halifax, N. S., Feb. 17.—Developed in a blizzard to some and electric wires are down. Great waves are breaking, and damage to ships is large.

First Under New Toronto, Feb. 17.—Eisen, and \$427 for having his packages of apples with him. This is the first conviction since the introduction of the department was pursuing vigorously.

May Increase Rates The executive grand lodge, met here to-day, previous annual convention will be held here to-day. The convention has increased rates. If members over 40 will have increased 25 per cent, other ages proportionately.

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