

VOTING FOR COERCION.

The Dominion government was able to keep a sufficient number of its own supporters in line to secure the second reading of the coercion bill without receiving any aid from Liberals who thought they could not follow Mr. Laurier's example...

THE PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

It is pleasant to be able to commend the provincial government for making at least some attempt at economy in the administration of the public funds.

THROWING OFF DISGUISE.

A mistake seems to have been made in respect of Sir Charles Tupper's remedial bill tactics. It was reported that he would be content for the moment with crowding the bill through its second reading...

How very absurd it is for the Dominion government to continue its ridiculous course with regard to the remedial bill. What is the object of forcing the bill through its second reading...

There is only one way in which a settlement of the disturbing question can be reached. The government must withdraw its remedial order, abandon its policy of coercion, discuss the question fully with the Manitoba government...

forced as a result of their betrayal of their constituents, to disappear altogether from the political stage.

Sir Charles has taken pains to show that coercion, not conciliation, is the real desire of the government.

WESTMINSTER LIBERALS.

Liberalism shows a healthy and satisfactory growth in this province, a good indication being afforded by the convention which met the other day at New Westminster to nominate a candidate for the Westminster district in the coming Dominion elections.

The Liberal convention and the party throughout the district are to be congratulated on the harmony that was apparent in the deliberations of the convention, the manifest determination of all to heartily support the choice of the majority.

"In Mr. Morrison, their freely chosen standard-bearer, the Liberals of Westminster have a young man, one of the leading lawyers of this city, who is not wanting in either energy or ability, and who has yet got a public record to make, so that he will not be handicapped in the fight by any criticisms or objections as to his past public career...

The Vancouver World thus adds its testimony:—"Alway Morrison has been selected to contest New Westminster district in the Liberal interest, and a better choice it would have been difficult to make. He is easily in the front rank among the legal fraternity of the province, his practice, with perhaps two exceptions, being the largest on the Mainland, and his position has been secured in a perfectly legitimate manner.

THE GAME AT OTTAWA.

It is not very long since the Manitoba government was commanded, in the famous "remedial order," to re-establish the system of separate schools virtually as it existed prior to 1890.

ment had a plain road to take and had taken it bravely. Some time afterwards it was announced that though the bill was to be passed through its second reading it would go no further for the present, while negotiations would be opened with a view to arranging a settlement of the question.

PROTECTION IN FRANCE.

Protectionists very frequently point to the agricultural depression in Britain as an argument against free trade, but they do not often venture to call France to witness to the benefits of protection.

Kamloops Sentinel: There will be general surprise felt at the course pursued by Messrs. Mara and Barnard voting in favor of the remedial bill. It was understood that they had given pledges to their constituents before leaving for Ottawa that they would vote against it.

President Kruger of the Transvaal is said to get £400 annually from the public treasury for "coffee money," which means for the entertainment of distinguished guests.

Says the Columbian: "The Conservative convention in nominating Mr. T. C. Atkinson as their standard-bearer in the forthcoming general election, have followed suit to the Liberal convention, by putting another legal luminary in the field, and have thereby emphasized the contradiction that the farmers of the district have an antipathy to lawyers as representatives.

ing parties—on which it is now assumed the election in this district will be chiefly fought—the advantage is undoubtedly with the Liberals."

DUNCAN'S MEETING.

The Local Members Give Their Views on British Pacific Proposition.

Premier's Action Endorsed, but Renewal of Negotiations Asked For.

Duncan's, March 23.—It is currently rumored here that a prominent member of the provincial government wrote to a resident of Duncan's asking him to arrange for a public meeting to discuss the British Pacific railway, and if possible to have a resolution passed endorsing the action taken by Premier Turner, and instructing the local members, Messrs. Muttar and Huff, to give the premier their support.

Reeve Wood was at once requested to call the meeting, which he accordingly did, fixing the time for Saturday evening, and the place, Agricultural Hall, Duncan's. About 200 residents of the district were present.

The result of the opening series of games with Portland will be awaited with much interest. Manager Glenavrin, of the Portland "Gladiators," has a strong team.

MEETING OF THE EMPERORS.

Kaiser William Proceeds to Greet Emperor Francis Joseph.

Berlin, March 23.—The Emperor and Empress of Germany started this morning for Genoa where they likely they will meet the King of Italy and embark on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern for a Mediterranean cruise.

THE FILLIBUSTERS.

Garda Did Not Appear—Case Set Down for Monday.

THE VICTORIA NINE

Men Who Will Represent Victoria on the Diamond This Year.

An Effort to be Made to Induce the Victoria Cricketers to Visit California.

READY FOR THE SEASON.

Although Victoria was the last circuit city to be admitted into the new Professional Baseball Clubs, no time has been lost in getting together a team that can be counted upon as a strong combination in the league race.

Captain Klopff is reported in the Seattle Times as giving expression to the following opinion: "I think I have gathered a team that will at least let the other teams know we are in the game."

The local games of the new Pacific League will be played at Caledonia Park. Captain Klopff will pay Victoria a short visit at the latter part of this week for the purpose of selecting the diamond and also to conclude other preliminary arrangements.

The fact that Victoria is to have a professional baseball club this summer will make good Victoria's claim to the title of being one of the most cosmopolitan sporting centres on the continent.



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Victoria's nine should show up strongly at the bat, as the men have been selected not only on account of their fine fielding averages, but their batting records have also been carefully taken into consideration.

GOLF.

The Victoria Golf Club's spring meeting was brought to a close on Saturday evening, when the prizes were distributed by Mrs. Hewitt Bostock.

Ladies' Open—Mrs. Combe, first, 80; Miss A. Pooley, second, 141. Ladies' Open Handicap—Miss Emma Loewen, first, 99 rec. 22, net score 77; Miss Dunsun, second, 106 rec. 23, net score 83.

Handicap, B. Classes—Dr. Bell, first (107 rec. 8) 99; A. W. Jones, second (110 rec. 10) 100; E. E. Elliot, third (111 rec. 10) 101; B. H. T. Drake, (112 rec. 10), Chester Thorne, Tacoma, rec. 20.

LACROSSE.

WESTMINSTER CLUB. The annual meeting of the Westminster lacrosse club was held on Thursday night, in the City Hall, the president, Mr. J. J. Canny, in the chair.

MITCHELL AND CORBETT. New York, March 23.—The latest proposition in the flatie world was announced today in the following cablegram from G. W. Atkinson, of Sporting Life, London, to Richard K. P. Fitzsimmons, of the Victoria Athletic Club.

INVITATION TO CALIFORNIA. An effort is to be made to induce the Victoria team to visit California during the coming season.

MISCELLANEOUS. The semi-final match for the intermediate football championship was won on Saturday by the Junior Wanderers, who defeated the Northfield Violets by 3 to 2.

VICTORIA MARKETS.

Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Corrected.

Table listing various market prices including flour, wheat, barley, and other agricultural products.

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GOVERNMENT IS PLEDGED.

To Remedial Legislation and Will Stick to It, Says the Finance Minister.

They Will Push It Even to the Exclusion of the Estimates.

Minor Doings in Various Parts of the Dominion Briefly Chronicled.

Ottawa, March 21.—The government are pledged to remedial legislation and will not go back a single inch, declared Mr. Foster in the commons yesterday in speaking to the motion that government business should take precedence on Monday.

All the afternoon and evening sittings were taken up wrangling over the life of parliament, the remedial bill and Sir Donald Smith's negotiations with the Greenway government regarding the school question.

Mr. McCarthy has issued a manifesto, as president of the Equal Rights league, asking for aid and subscriptions from the public for the general election.

St. Thomas, March 21.—A boiler in H. B. Pelmerston's mill near Elmwood, exploded today, killing a young man named Lewis Cole and injuring others.

Belleville, March 21.—Maggie DeShane, aged 16, with her little brother cutting small trees, when one falling struck her on the head, inflicting a scalp wound which caused death in a few hours.

Newcastle, Ont., March 21.—Early this morning fire broke out and almost destroyed the Chandler block, causing a loss of \$25,000. Ten businesses were burned out.

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RAILWAYS BLOCKED UP

Easterers Struggling With Snow-drifts 15 Feet High and Hard Packed.

White Westerners Enjoy Balm Summer-Trains Nearly 3 Days Behind Time.

Man Named Smith With a Penchant for Wives-Doings in the Dominion.

Toronto, March 23.—The hard work all Friday and Saturday by large gangs of men scattered along the lines of railway, aided by the heavy thaw yesterday, has done a good deal to re-open railway communication.

The rabbit question is always in the foreground. The people of Western Australia are taking an interest in the reported incursions of rabbits across their continental boundary.

South Australians will have great cause to remember February, 1896. Without doubt it was one of the most disagreeable ever experienced.

St. Thomas, Ont., March 23.—William Albert Smith has been found guilty by Judge Hughes of two charges of bigamy. He has three wives living.

BRITISH-EGYPTIAN ADVANCE. The First Position Taken Without Opposition—Debt Commissioners.

Cairo, March 23.—News from the front received to-day confirms the report that the British-Egyptian advance guard, under Major Collinson, occupied the Akasheh on Friday last without opposition.

MINE EXPLOSION. Fourteen Miners Killed by an Explosion in Pennsylvania.

Dubois, Pa., March 23.—A terrific explosion of gas occurred at the Beverly-Whit shaft at the eastern limits of this city to-day. Fourteen miners were killed.

CHARGED WITH ARSON. W. G. Cartweh Arrested for Setting Fire to His Cabin.

This morning at 5:40 o'clock Joseph Phillips noticed a fire in a small frame building on View street. Box 26 was turned in and the firemen arrived on the scene promptly.

It seems, says the North Otago Times, that the severity of the winter in New Zealand, and especially of the great storm of last year, has been more severely felt on the lower lying runs of the back country.

TAKEN FOR TASCOTT.

A Newspaper Man Says the Victoria Police Took Him for the Great Murderer.

Further Rumors of Premier Bowell's Early Retirement—Liberal Triumph.

The Government Must Use More Brute Force to Get the Bill Committed.

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Ottawa, March 23.—Another struggle on the remedial bill will likely be witnessed in the commons this week.

The government will announce to-day that it is not their intention to ask the house to remain in session after April 25th.

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THRO' A HURRICANE. Canadian-Australian Line Steamer Warrimoo Arrives After a Rough Passage.

Four Lives Lost by the Wreck of the Glamorag Off the Oregon Coast. The Canadian-Australian liner Warrimoo, Captain Charles E. Bird, arrived at the outer wharf at 10:30 last night from Sydney, Suva and Honolulu.

CUBAN RESOLUTIONS. United States Senators Now Wish to Modify Them.

Washington, March 23.—Mr. Sherman has given notice in the senate that he will move to re-commit the Cuban resolutions to the conference committee.

MUCH LESS PRESUMPTUOUS. Ballington Booth Modifies the Title of His New Army.

New York, March 23.—The name of Ballington Booth's new army has been changed from that of God's American Volunteers to that of the Volunteers.

London, March 23.—Lady Burton, widow of Sir Richard Burton, the English explorer, is dead.

A FATEFUL MEASURE.

Peck, Wolff, Morris, Duff, Ford, Sekin, Fernandez, O'Connell.

An Astoria dispatch gives particulars of the wreck of the British ship Glamorag, of Glasgow, which went ashore at Ocean Park, about seven miles from Ilwaco, on the Washington coast.

The steamer Mischief, Capt. Foot, returned by the inside passage from the West Coast Saturday afternoon and will probably leave again for San Juan some day this week to bring the Indian schooner Eisher Maid to Victoria for repairs.

THE PREACHER WHIPPED. How They Punish an Offending Clergyman in Texas.

Sharon, Texas, March 23.—Rev. J. D. Thornton, a preacher living near here, was warned to preach no more in this section. He refused to obey the order, and on Saturday night was taken out by a mob who whipped him severely with switches and other articles.

BISHOP LEMMENS' RETURN. The Rt. Rev. Jno. N. Lemmens, D. D., Bishop of Vancouver, who has been spending the past two months in Mexico, returned to the City of Puebla, arriving from San Francisco last evening.

DAVEY.—At 10 p. m., on the 31st instant, Alice Mary Josephine, the beloved wife of the Hon. Theodore Davey, in the 35th year of her age.

METCHOSIN'S MESSAGE

To Mr. Turner Regarding the Construction of the British Pacific Railway.

Farmers Condemn the Government's Plan Refusal of Mr. Rithet's Offer.

Mr. Pooley Gives an Explanation of His Position—Mr. Helmcken's Views.

Hon. Mr. Higgins Tells His Thoughts and Gets the People's Endorsement.

Last night's meeting at Metchosis was a thoroughly representative one, nearly every farmer from Parson's bridge to Rocky Point being present.

The consensus of opinion was decidedly against the government's flat refusal of the proposition submitted by Mr. Rithet and his associates.

Mr. William Fisher, J. P., was voted to the chair and after a few introductory remarks called upon the President of the Council to address the meeting.

Hon. Mr. Pooley expressed the pleasure he felt in meeting so many of his Metchosis friends, and explained how much his time was taken up in town, which prevented him from visiting his constituents often.

Mr. Pooley referred to the big meeting held in Victoria last week, which was addressed by all the members of the city, and which was a fair representation of the whole province.

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Therefore the government could not find it in the interest of the province to undertake such a large scheme as this at present in a money way, and that another of the reasons why the government did not recede in paying \$240,000 a year for this railway, they were also told that this railway, which was to open up the northern part of British Columbia, would be travelling through a very fine country, which would be rapidly settled up, and the government would soon be in a position to have sufficient revenue to meet all obligations.

Mr. Pooley also gave the dates of commencement and finishing of the other railways in the province, and yet, he said, the population of the province at the time of taking the last census was only 65,000 white people. Therefore, looking at it in this way, he saw no reason to expect that in three years or so after this line had been built up into Cariboo the population would be so increased that we should be in a position to pay the money.

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Mr. Argyle said that in these two schemes the people sold themselves, and that very cheaply. He said that the railway was to be built to the sea borders of British Columbia. The seaboard was found in a mudhole on an inlet (the first place he struck in British Columbia) and when a lot of poor devils had been sunk in that mudhole, he thought the sea borders were found a little lower down, made Vancouver, and what is Vancouver today?

Mr. George Brown asked if this scheme was not acceptable could not a better one be arrived at? Mr. Pooley was very much interested in this question, he could not tell exactly what it was, but he expected that Mr. Rithet will bring forward another offer, he (Mr. Pooley) thought that the details of the scheme would be such as would satisfy most of us.

Hon. Mr. Higgins was well received. He felt a certain delicacy in discussing public questions, for he represented a party man, and though a supporter of the present administration, his position as speaker of the legislative assembly in a measure restrained him from dealing with public matters from a party standpoint. He said that he was desirous to maintain a strict spirit of impartiality and felt he had earned a reasonable reputation for doing so.

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LIFE ON A FARM.

ONE OF HARDSHIP AND CONSTANT EXPOSURE.

Frequently the Most Ragged Constitutions are Broken Down—A Prominent Farmer Tells of the Wonderful Restorative Power of Famous Medicine.

From the Assiniboian, Saltcoats, N. W. T. Everyone around Yorkton knows Mr. Dan Garry, and what a pushing active farmer he was until a gripe took hold of him, and when that enemy left him how listless and unfit for hard toil he became.

Two Men, Painting a Church Spire, Meet a Fearful Fate. Kansas City, Mo., March 23—A special dispatch to the Times from Guthrie, O. T., says: News of a remarkable occurrence has been received here from Beaver county. James Ford and Harry Somers, painters, were employed to oil and paint the spire of the Baptist church at Grand.

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