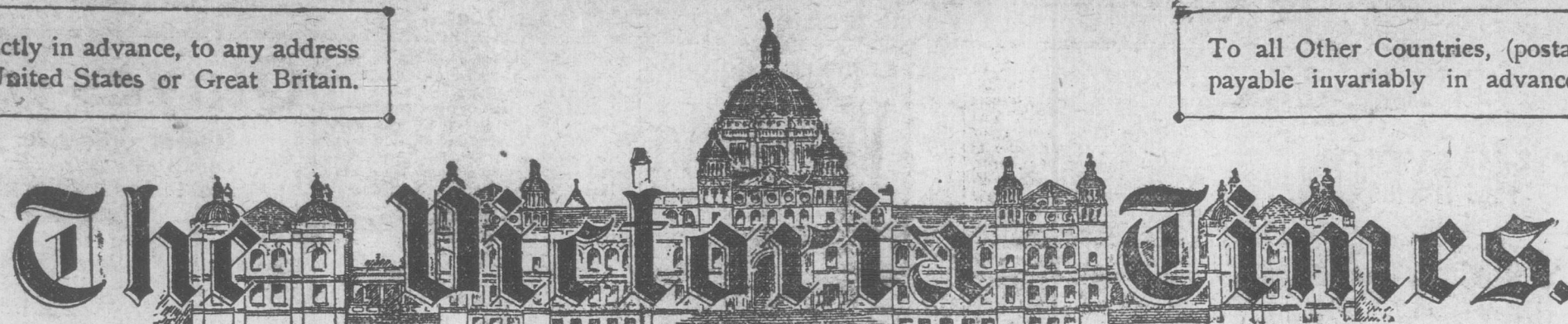


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## LIBERAL NOMINEES PRESENT CLAIMS

### The Solid Four For Victoria Review the Political Record of the Present Provincial Government.

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The meeting in the Liberal interests held last evening in Odd Fellows' hall, Spring Ridge, gave the candidates for the city their first opportunity to present their claims before the electorate. A. J. Pines was elected chairman, and in his opening address explained that it was a rather bad night to hold a meeting as the electors had been out for the two evenings preceding, taking part in the municipal election. He called attention to the fact that latter on in the campaign the opportunity would be afforded to hear the four Liberal candidates.

Gordon Grant, the first speaker, felt it an honor to have conferred upon him the distinction of breaking ground in the political history of British Columbia, leading up to the selection of Richard McBride as the premier. The premier had not been returned to power. Three acts constituted to give Mr. McBride power. One of these was the passing of a special act to qualify Arch. McDonald, of Lillooet. The second was the stealing of the Fernie ballot boxes, and the third was that Mr. McBride threw Conservative traditions to the wind and allied himself with the Socialists.

Going into the record of the McBride government, Mr. Grant pointed out the various bills, different to any ever issued before, and which were found by the courts to be useless, had been issued by them. This was to the benefit of the lands and works department, and the attorney-general's department. It had locked up the country of the Flathead valley, and it was never developed.

Referring to the granting of 800,000 acres to the Columbia and Western railway, the premier in giving away lands for which the company was not entitled, showed that Mr. McBride did not appreciate the duties of his office. (Applause.)

Upon the School Act, the speaker claimed it was the duty of the government to afford the children the opportunity to have an education. The money spent on education was the best money where economy was to be exercised it should not be on the schools. Premier McBride had seen it to interfere with the poor schools where the attendance was small. There should be equality in the schools.

There had been no justification for the increase in taxation in the province initiated by the present government. The C. P. R. lands in Southeast Kootenay were liable to taxation, yet the financial genius over James Bay did not propose to do this. Mr. McInnes had sought to relieve the poor farmers to escape taxation by exempting up to \$1,000. The government would not have this amendment. They could excuse the C. P. R., however. It was clear that if the C. P. R. did not cooperate the government, it had a good deal to do in influencing the government.

During the present campaign he explained to recall the attention of J. D. M. Eberts his statement made at a previous campaign that the Columbia and Western would be built. When the railway company failed to do that he would like to know if Mr. Eberts why he supported the grant of 800,000 acres to that road.

Mr. Hall speaks. Richard Hall, in asking for the suffrages of the people, again complimented Spring Ridge upon the vote it had given the Liberals at the last election. He hoped that the candidates would continue to hold the confidence of the people of the district. If the Liberals were returned to power the people could rest assured that the party would listen to the needs presented before them. The leader of the opposition was a man of sterling integrity who would fill his position ably. There were strong men running also in the party. Smith Curtis, a man who stood by the people. Mr. McInnes, Mr. McLennan and Mr. Henderson, but there was a president for that in the resignation from the party of Sir John Thompson. He did not know of a single act of the Conservative government which had benefited the country. The finances of the province when Mr. McBride took power were not such that a financier would say they were deplorable. While there might not have been any ready money, there was a security back of the debts owed. The riches of the mines, forests, etc., were back of these. The banks got the members of the government in a panic, and seeing they had a good thing, they charged 5 per cent interest on the amount borrowed. The government then went to work and increased taxation. They were creating a surplus, but this was a false



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## CREATING BODIES OF KINGSTON VICTIMS

### Ships Arrive With Medicine and Food for Survivors—Several Vessels Have Run Ashore.

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 19.—The United States ships Indiana and Missouri arrived to-day from Guantamano bringing large quantities of medicines and food.

The torpedo boat destroyer Whipple arrived during the night with a boatload of medicine, which was sent ashore in charge of Surgeon McDonald. The cruiser Tankton is expected to arrive here soon.

Many of the Americans who were in Kingston at the time of the disaster have been taken aboard the warships. They intended to take passage to the United States aboard the Hamburg-American steamer Prinz Eitel Friedrich, but that vessel ran ashore near the wreck of the steamer Prinzessin Louise last night. The Prinz Eitel Friedrich was smashed by the earthquake and the vessel had no light to steer by. The steamer Prinz Waldemar is also hard ashore. The wrecked Premier has gone to the aid of the stranded vessels.

Several light shocks of earthquakes were felt last night.

Four hundred and twenty dead were buried up to last night. The remaining bodies are being cremated. The death list is now believed to be about 700.

Suffering Among Poor. New York, Jan. 19.—A dispatch from Holland Bay says there is great suffering among the poor of Jamaica. A delegation of fifty sufferers appealed to the government for the systematic distribution of relief. The spokesman said many were dying of neglect. It is charged that some of the money had been supplied with food and medicines.

Port Royal has again sunk and geysers are springing up in the streets. The American consuls were wrecked. The acting consul tried yesterday to get a cable dispatch to the state department asking for help. One has to travel all night in a small boat and on horseback to reach Holland Bay, from which cable messages are sent.

The work of clearing the streets of Kingston of debris is being pushed. Dynamite is being used to blow down some of the ruins. The water supply has been interrupted but food is very scarce and therefore prices are exorbitant.

A remarkable incident of the earthquake has just come to light. An English clerk in a store was buried under falling walls following the earthquake on Monday, and over this for many

hours great fires swept. On Wednesday the clerk was dug out alive. His injuries were not severe.

Five hundred persons are still under treatment in the hospitals.

Convicts Overboard. New York, Jan. 19.—A Kingston dispatch says that the battleship Missouri, lying in the port, overboarded the unruly convicts by firing two rounds of blank cartridges and landing an armed party. The help was thankfully received by the government.

The correspondent reports that the inmates of the insane asylum are at large, but he says that in the present state of mind nearly all of Kingston is crazed. Many persons were rendered insane by the shock, the most notable being Gerald Lowder, well known in London.

Living in Open Air. New York, Jan. 19.—News from Kingston is still filtering in and is 24 hours late, but the worst is apparently known.

They town itself is a wreck, few of the houses standing remaining habitable, and the populace is living in the open. Food and medical supplies continue scarce, but relief ships are hurrying to the stricken city from many quarters. There will be an alleviation from all suffering in this respect.

The death list is about 700, and the seriously injured in hospitals number about 600. Many others, who were injured, are being cared for at the temporary homes. Progress is being made in clearing away the debris. Good order prevails in the city.

Another steamer approaching Kingston, and not knowing the conditions, is reported to have suffered. This is the Hamburg-American line steamer Prinz Eitel Friedrich, which district is ashore near where the Prinz Eitel Friedrich was wrecked.

No Americans were killed as the result of the disaster, despite the fact that there were many American tourists in the place when the visitation came.

BYRNE'S MISSION. New Ambassador's Farewell Speech to His Constituents.

Aberdeen, Scotland, Jan. 17.—James Bryce bade farewell to his constituents this afternoon at a great meeting held in the city. Bryce, who is to be represented in the House of Commons. During his speech, Mr. Bryce said he was leaving his post in Ireland because it had been thought that his previous study of American institutions and the people of the United States gave him some special advantage for his new office. He had never ceased to labor for the establishment of the best relations between the two great nations that were meant to be friends.

TOWNS FLOODED. Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 19.—The rivers are again at a flood stage, and with the water rising at the rate of 2 1/2 inches an hour the danger point will probably be passed before evening. Reports from upriver points, however, indicate that the flood will not reach serious proportions and the stage may not exceed 22 feet. The Allegheny river is falling at the head waters, but the Monongahela is still rising at all points. Half the houses in West Brownsville are said to be submerged. Elizabeth and West Elizabeth are also partly inundated. Many of the residents remained up all night preparing to leave their homes should the flood reach them.

SKATING CONTEST. New York, Jan. 18.—At the annual skating contest last night of the National Skating Association of America it was voted to cast the protecting power of the organization over the Amateur Skating Association of Canada, which is fighting an organization that will hold meetings at Toronto.

The indoor speed skating contest on February 22nd and 23rd was awarded to Pittsburg, Pa. The date and place were finally left to the disposal of the committee, which will report in ten days.

## PRESERVATION OF B. C. FISHERIES

### QUESTION DISCUSSED IN PARLIAMENT

#### William Sloan Suggests Bounties For Ship Building and Kindred Industries.

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The week's barren campaign which the Pitt-Reform store has been putting on has been a revelation not only in the slaughtering of prices, but in the record of sales. The Montreal Brokerage Company, represented by Manager Hoffman, had charge for Allen & Co., and throughout the week the accommodation of the store was taxed.

The sale is by no means over, and some special lines are being introduced which have not yet been on sale, and at prices as low as any yet put on the counter. It will pay the economical shopper to watch the Pitt-Reform announcements in the Times daily.

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### OPPOSITION LEADER HEARTILY GREETED

#### Okanagan Riding Decidedly Against the Government and Will Elect a Liberal.

Armstrong, Jan. 19.—In spite of the fact that but a few hours' notice of the meeting was given, there was a splendid turnout here to-night to greet the Liberal leader, J. A. Macdonald, and Alex. Henderson, who spoke at length in behalf of Dr. Macdonald, the Liberal candidate for Okanagan. Dr. Macdonald will be in the southern part of the constituency to-night with Duncan Ross.

The Liberal leader again made a deep impression in this part of the province. The Liberals workers here and in Vernon were very confident, and claim that Price Ellison is already defeated.

STEAMERS IN COLLISION. Three Members of Dundee Vessel's Crew Are Reported Missing.

Dover, Eng., Jan. 19.—The Red Star liner Vaderland collided with and sank the Dundee steamer Naworth Castle, four miles east of the South Goodwin lightship during the night.

So far as is known only three members of the Naworth Castle's crew of twenty are missing.

The Vaderland's bow is damaged beyond the water line and her fore-peak is mangled tight, so that there is no danger of water, but the bulkhead reger of the ship sinking.

The news of the accident reached here in a wireless message from South Goodwin. A dense fog prevailed in the channel all night long, but it cleared away when daylight came.

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# TWELVE PLACES IN NOMINATION

## List of the Candidates Duly Named to Contest Victoria Riding at the Coming Election.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The official nomination of the various candidates who will contest the constituency of Victoria at the coming election took place to-day before W. Price, the returning officer, who was assisted by F. Childs as clerk. The nominations closed at 1 o'clock this afternoon with the names of twelve candidates duly put in nomination.

In each case, according to statute, the necessary \$100 deposit was put up, and remains on hand until after the election.

In addition to the four Liberals, the four Conservatives and the two Labor candidates, there were put in nomination two Socialists, W. M. Maroon and J. Waters.

The list of nominees with their professions, seconders and those assenting to the nomination is as follows:

- LIBERALS.**
  - W. G. Cameron, clothier, proposed by John B. Lovell, seconded by W. E. Ditchburn; assenting, R. B. McKim, J. D. McNeill, W. H. Dempster.
  - R. L. Drury, insurance agent, proposed by R. J. Fell, seconded by J. L. Gump; assenting, J. R. Gloscoe, Aaron Parritt, W. O. Wallace, Lewis Hall, Richard Hall, insurance agent, proposed by J. G. Cox, seconded by David Leeming; assenting, M. McDonald, W. M. Ross, A. MCB, Fraser, Jr.
  - J. D. McNeill, butcher, proposed by H. A. Munn, seconded by Alex. Peden, Jr.; assenting, Frank Heanski, F. E. Ferris, W. H. Gibson.
- CONSERVATIVE.**
  - H. F. W. Behnen, manufacturer, proposed by R. P. Rithet, seconded by L. Goodacre; assenting, W. E. Bone, T. R. Shobolt, D. R. Ker.
  - Frederick Davey, clerk, proposed by

## LIBERAL NOMINEES PRESENT CLAIMS

(Continued from page 1.)

An investigation conducted before a select committee showed a deplorable condition. The stopping of the grants was an admission by the government that there was wrong doing. This blame was put upon the 'grays' upon evidence showed that the government was right to stop the issuing of the crown grants then preparing the crown grants issued should have been cancelled.

Kalen Island Matter. Dealing with the Kalen Island matter the speaker said that the Colonist had thrown new light on the subject. The Colonist said it was no one's business that the G. T. P. directors chose to deal through intermediaries. Of course Mr. Drury said it was no one's business. The G. T. P. was not under trial, but look at the other side of it. If the directors of the G. T. P. deal with intermediaries, the government also dealt through them. This should not have been, and the government stood condemned.

The maps showed that Larsen, the Aberdeen and others secured about \$3000 adjoining the Kalen Island townsite. No one should have been in a position to take such an advantage of the situation. The government should have done as the Semlin-Martin government did in the case of the Kitimat lands—put a reserve on the lands. The history of the G. T. P. dealt with intermediaries, the government also dealt through them. This should not have been, and the government stood condemned.

J. D. McNeill, after referring to the fact that he had the grip, said that the Liberal candidates were present to again try to renew their 'grip' upon the confidence of the electorate. He and his colleagues had had during the past three years considerable difficulty sometimes in getting justice from the government. After February 2nd, however, under a Liberal government, the task of the members would be lightened.

Premier McBride was not running in Victoria with the intention of representing the city in the legislature. He was simply trying to secure a seat in the hope of turning it over to another Conservative. This fact was borne out by the fact that at the time Victoria was seeking to raise the advantages to be derived from the allowing of fish traps on the coast line, that he was going to stand by the fishermen of the Fraser who had stood by him and was going to oppose fish traps. British Columbia needed a premier of wider views than that.

Mr. McBride had not worked in the interests of Victoria. The Songhees' reserve bill, passed by the government, bore this out. That act was a vicious one. It was not right to turn over government to be carried out by order in council. The fair demands of Victoria, which had created the value of the lands in the reserve and which were urged upon the government, would not be listened to.

The conduct of the lands and works department was a disgrace. The speaker himself had on several occasions visited the department in company with fellow workmen who sought information about small tracts of land for settlement. No information was available. This was not a proper condition of affairs.

With respect to the various scandals which had been sited out, Mr. Mc-

Angus McKeown, seconded by W. J. Anderson; assenting, L. C. Hubbard, T. M. Brashaw, L. Goodacre. Hon. R. McBride, Premier of British Columbia, proposed by J. H. Lawson, seconded by C. A. Holland; assenting, H. G. Wilson, G. H. Barnard, Thos. S. Patcher.

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The nominations for Saanich were held at the Royal Oak to-day before James R. Carmichael, the returning officer. Two candidates were placed in nomination, John Piercy, proposed by W. Thompson and seconded by Geo. E. Munro, to represent the Liberals, and D. M. Roberts, proposed by E. Johns and seconded by J. Sinclair, to contest the seat for the Conservatives.

**ESQUIMALT.** In Esquimalt John Jardine, Liberal, and C. E. Pooley, Conservative, were nominated.

Niven referred to the fact that the deputy commissioner and chief clerk had been forced out of office carrying the blame for these. But just in the dying days of the government the man responsible for all, the chief commissioner resigned. The truth was the government could not carry Mr. Green through an election.

J. A. Macdonald, in his announcement, promised a department of labor. This was necessary. About 10 years ago the Dominion government had taken this step. It had proved a great benefit. In British Columbia a department of labor would be of great advantage when the cause of labor was neglected. Under the Dominion department of labor, Chinese immigration had been stopped, a department in the province steps would be taken to bring attention to the Hindu invasion.

The subject of R. G. Tatlow's scheme of assistance to Salvation Army immigration, Mr. Niven said he had no objection to Europeans coming to British Columbia to become settlers. But Hon. Mr. Tatlow was not bringing men in to settle on the land as represented. He was bringing in men to cater for the requirements. Now here, Mr. Niven said, he objected to assistance being given to persons brought in for that purpose.

W. G. Cameron said that the Liberal party were seeking the suffrage of the people, believing that the principles of Liberalism were for the advantage of the people. He asked that there should be no splitting of the ticket. The four members should be elected as representing the broad principles of Liberalism. Everything at the present promise a victory for the Liberal party in British Columbia. Victoria should have its share in that administration by being represented by supporters of that government. Vancouver was going to return Liberals, and Victoria should do likewise.

What had the McBride government ever done for Victoria, which should warrant the citizens in electing Conservatives. The premier himself had never manifested interest in the city, but the contrary had done much against the city. The Liberal candidates had elected as representing the broad principles of Liberalism. Everything at the present promise a victory for the Liberal party in British Columbia. Victoria should have its share in that administration by being represented by supporters of that government.

**MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.** Result of Oak Bay and Saanich Polling on Saturday.

The election held at Oak Bay on Saturday proved one of intense interest. There was a high current of feeling in view of the fact that the contest was not so much an individual one as a party fight. The results show that the contest between the local independent candidates and their opponents who went under the name of Independents, was a draw, an equal number of each being elected.

were elected. The reeve, W. E. Oliver, was returned by acclamation, and in him the Local Improvement members will have a majority. The council is made up of three men of each faction, and Mr. Oliver, who is for straight local improvement, will have the deciding vote. He stated on Saturday to the Times that he would use his vote in favor of the party providing that local improvement work be paid for by the persons benefited.

**Saanich Election.** The municipal election in Saanich was held on Saturday and resulted in the return of Reeve Brydon with a majority of 103 votes over his only opponent, J. Nicholson. Mr. Brydon received 123 votes while Mr. Nicholson received 20 votes.

**ADVICE TO MOTHERS.** If you have a baby or young children in the home always better see that Baby's Own Tablets on hand. Don't wait until the little one is sick, for sometimes an hour's delay may prove fatal. This medicine cures all troubles, constipation, diarrhoea, simple fevers and makes teething painless. If children are sick Baby's Own Tablets make them well; better still, an occasional dose will keep them well.

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**INVESTORS SEEK ESQUIMALT LAND.** Pending Shipbuilding Enterprise Awakens Interest in Water-frontage.

(From Saturday's Daily.) There is great and increasing demand for waterfront acreage at Esquimalt. The latest deal reported in that vicinity was the acquisition of a large stretch of waterfront on Constance Cove, which it is believed was acquired in the interests of W. H. Bullen, joint manager of the B. C. Marine Railway Enterprise.

The deal is highly significant, having regard to the prospective shipbuilding possibilities of Esquimalt and the fact that the present manager of the local shipyard, about 10 years ago took possession of such a stretch of valuable land would suggest that he at least is imbued with a spirit of optimism as regards the future. In fact, it is present the feature which rises paragon among the many land marks in the real estate field is the inquiry about land which fronts deep water at Esquimalt.

It is conceded by all who are best capable of judging that along the entire coast of the British Columbia coast, the ideal spot for ship building enterprise than where the yards of the B. C. Marine Railway Company are now located at British Columbia. For many years shipping magnates in the Old Country, and also in the United States, have been turned towards Vancouver Island, and in particular, to Esquimalt.

**EXPLOSION IN RAILWAY CAMP.** THREE MEN WERE KILLED INSTANTLY. Three More Were Seriously Injured --Hematite Ore on the Loan. Lake Belt.

Kenora, Ont., Jan. 18.—By the premature explosion of 150 pounds of blasting powder, three men were killed instantly and three more seriously injured yesterday at Dutton and McArthur's camp, No. 1, Grand Trunk Pacific, about twenty miles from here. It is hard to get particulars, as the foreman, Alex. McGillivray, who was handling the powder, was killed. Mr. McGillivray was an old and thoroughly experienced foreman. John Lough, one of the men who was seriously hurt, lives in Ridout. The coroner, Dr. Chapman, left to-day for the scene of the accident. The bodies will be brought in to-night and a port mortem will be held to-morrow.

**Two Deaths.** Port Arthur, Ont., Jan. 18.—A man who was injured at White River by being crushed between a locomotive and a coal chute died on the train coming to the hospital here. Another man from Woods timber camp suffering from pneumonia, died on the train coming to the hospital.

**Hematite Ore.** Port Arthur, Jan. 18.—Another important discovery of sixty per cent. hematite ore has been made on the Loan Lake belt. The Kamistiquia Pover company is now prepared to deliver power in either Port Arthur or Fort Williams.

**Stanley Cup Matches.** Montreal, Jan. 18.—The next Stanley cup match will be played Monday night, so that the Thistles have four days' rest between the two contests.

**STRICKEN BY PARALYSIS.** Thomas Moffatt Found by the Police Unconscious by His Bedside. (From Saturday's Daily.)

Thomas Moffatt, residing in a cottage at the rear of 45 Eyward street, was this morning found by the police unconscious at his bedside. Dr. Robertson was summoned, who pronounced that the case was one of paralysis, and had the victim conveyed to St. Joseph's hospital.

Moffatt, who is between 65 and 70 years of age, had been ailing and lives alone. This morning a young boy, Percy Brown, passing the house, heard the old man moaning and telephoned Mayor Morley.

His worship at once notified the police and the patrol wagon with three men set out for the scene. When the door had been broken in, the old man half kneeling, with part of his clothes removed, lay by the bedside. The lamp on a table near by was still burning. His chances for recovery are but slight.

**POLICE NEWS.** Mayor Received Six Weeks for Stealing a Watch. (From Saturday's Daily.)

# HATCHERIES IN THIS PROVINCE

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Hundreds of Bodies Recovered—Fire Still Smouldering in Ruins—People in State of Terror.

London, Jan. 17.—Kingston has been wiped out, the damaged area comprising a square mile. All the large warehouses in the lower part of the city were consumed, while not a single house remained undamaged, and the majority were unfit for habitation.

When the dispatch was filed the bodies of many whites, who had been staying in the Myrtle Bank hotel, were still beneath the wreck, as it was impossible to secure workmen to search the debris.

A conservative estimate of the casualties made by the police of Kingston places the number of killed at 1,200, judging from the number of bodies found in the few buildings which have been examined. This estimate, the correspondent adds, is likely to be largely increased when a thorough search is made of the buildings.

The treasury, on Harbor street, is standing, but the postoffice and courthouse were in ruins. The government offices were unsafe for occupancy. The government house was badly damaged. The Colonial bank was burned out. The Nova Scotia bank was a heap of ruins, and the residence of General Marshall collapsed like a pack of cards.

Mrs. Marshall was dug out alive and but slightly injured. The Roman cathedral, the parish church, the Scotch, Wesleyan and Baptist churches have disappeared, and the English church cathedral was destroyed.

At Port Royal, at the entrance of Kingston harbor, one of the batteries sank and a gunner was killed. The ships in the harbor were converted into hospitals.

The dock of the steamer which brought Sir Alfred Jones and his party to Jamaica.

Remained an Ambulance. Dr. Evans, the ship's doctor, was busy performing amputations from 5 o'clock in the evening to 4 o'clock next morning.

Sir Alfred Jones, Jesse Collins, M.P., and several other members of Sir Alfred's party, had remarkable escapes from being buried in ruins. The Myrtle Bank hotel, according to a dispatch received from Holland Bay this morning, after lunching at the hotel, Sir Alfred, Mr. Collins and others went out on the pier at the waterfront and amused themselves by tossing coins into the water. The visitors had just left the pier on their way back to the hotel when, as they reached the lawn, the earthquake occurred, and the hotel toppled in ruins.

Gerald Loder was at the Jamaica Club, on Hanover street, when the building was demolished, a lounge protecting him from falling debris.

When Captain Young, of the Royal Mail steamer Arno, was killed, First Officer McCauley assumed command. The steamer started on the morning following Royal Mail company's wharves and there sought the Fire All Night.

One of the piers. In the morning the steamer's decks had become covered with burnt and injured persons, who were without a doctor.

Ashore the nearest population was panic-stricken, men and women screaming and calling on heaven to save them and holding religious gatherings, at which excited orators exhorted their terrified hearers to repentance.

Throughout the terrifying scenes, Governor Sweetenham acted in the most energetic manner, but the disaster is so great that the entire city will have to be rebuilt. One unofficial estimate places the loss at \$25,000,000.

A number of houses, many of which were in ruins, were in a state of ruin, the water mains and the gas and electric pipes and wires are completely disordered. Among the strange freaks of the earthquake was that the statue of the late Queen Victoria, in the centre of the city, was reversed. It was rumoured at Kingston that a tidal wave visited Annota Bay, on the northern coast, directly north of Kingston, causing a change in the coast line.

King Edward headed the Mansion House fund with \$500, the corporation of London immediately adding a similar amount. Theatres are organizing special performances for the fund. On instructions from Washington, the American embassy to King Edward and to the foreign office.

Removing the Homeless. Holland Bay, Jan. 17.—The death list will probably total many hundreds. The injured are many, possibly several thousand, and it is believed that about 10,000 persons are homeless, was among the dead, including A. M. Nathan and Charles Sherlock, leading merchants of Kingston, many of the most prominent physicians, and Captain Constantine, local superintendent for the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company.

The government railroad from Kingston to Port Antonio has not been damaged to any extent, and special trains and vessels are taking homeless people to Port Antonio. The Constant Springs hotel, in St. Andrew's, six miles from here, an establishment much frequented by tourists, was destroyed, mainly by fire. Many distinguished persons, including the delegates to the West Indian agricultural conference, which was to have begun at Kingston this week, were stopping there.

So far as known, no Americans have been killed or injured, but reports say that eight Americans were among the missing. Many of the natives will starve unless they receive almost immediate assistance. That portion of the town of Port Royal, which sank

Evans at Guantamama this morning: his dispatch follows:

"Missouri and Indiana anchored at Kingston at 8.30 this morning. Kingston almost totally destroyed. Four hundred killed. About five hundred in hospitals. There were plenty of doctors but short of dressings. Have supplied all I could spare."

The American torpedo boat Whipple left Kingston this morning and is due at Guantamama at 10 o'clock with full details of the situation at Kingston. Rear-Admiral Evans first heard of the disaster on Tuesday night by means of a wireless message and prepared to

Send Ships to the Scene. Wednesday morning he received a cable dispatch from Governor Macgregor to send medical supplies. The Whipple started immediately at a speed of twenty-five knots, carrying all the supplies suggested by the dispatch. The battleships Missouri and Indiana followed and both are now in Kingston harbor, but unable to communicate by wireless with Admiral Evans owing to an intervening mountain. Communication, however, is maintained through the Colon, which is lying off the port.

Rear-Admiral Evans sent the battleships because he knew no English troops were in Kingston, and he feared looting by the Cuban officials.

Crushed Like Eggshells. London, Jan. 17.—Details of the Kingston disaster are given in one of the dispatches received here from Holland Bay, January 15th.

According to this report the whole city shrivelled up, buildings crashed together and fell in a crushed mass like eggshells. The business streets at the north began to shake and tremble at 3.30 on Monday afternoon. The shock, which came from the westward, lasted exactly thirty-six seconds. The whole earth began to shake and tremble at 3.30 on Monday afternoon. The shock, which came from the westward, lasted exactly thirty-six seconds. The whole earth began to shake and tremble at 3.30 on Monday afternoon. The shock, which came from the westward, lasted exactly thirty-six seconds. The whole earth began to shake and tremble at 3.30 on Monday afternoon.

The shocks were most destructive along the harbor front, where entire streets were levelled and crowds of frightened people streamed northward toward the racecourse. Hundreds had heads and bodies cut and bruised, streaming with blood.

Some who were rescued with injury reported that large numbers of persons were buried under the falling stores and tenements.

As the dust lifted, pillars of smoke arose in Harbor street, near the parish church, and shortly afterwards flames shot into the sky. It was then perceived that fire would complete the work of the earthquake.

In half an hour the flames were spreading from the center of the business section, and the fire department was unable to stay their course, owing to the inadequate supply of water. The water supply had been broken, and the best measures to be taken for relieving distress. In any case they will be the responsible medium.

Harbor is Sinking. New York, Jan. 17.—The shores of the harbor of Kingston are sinking and there is terror lest the city slip into the sea, according to a private dispatch received by a large mercantile house here today from Port Au Prince, Hayti.

The harbor is said to be sinking and the water in many places is now 100 feet deep.

To Relieve Sufferers. Rome, Jan. 18.—The Vatican authorities last night received their first direct confirmation of the disaster at Kingston. The Pope ordered instructions to be sent to the Bishop of Jamaica to organize assistance for the sufferers.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Jan. 18.—The legislative council has voted \$15,000 as the first instalment from the people of Trinidad for the relief of the earthquake sufferers in Jamaica. H.M.S. Indefatigable has sailed for Jamaica with provisions and other supplies.

Food Required. Kingston, Jan. 18.—It is reported that at Annota Bay the crater of the volcano is emitting flames and smoke. It is thought the earthquake originated there. The records of Jamaica contain no previous mention of activity of this volcano.

Appeals have been sent to all sections of the island asking for assistance. Food is needed above all things. The steamer Bella from Philadelphia arrived here yesterday with a small cargo of provisions.

Business is a standstill. Some shops have been opened by Chinamen, who have raised the prices of goods one thousand per cent. This has angered the people, and the Chinamen were driven out and their shops looted.

The hope of famine relief lies in the banana crops, which have not been injured.

Medical assistance is limited owing to the deaths of several doctors. Kingston was threatened with a rain storm this morning, but at the hour of sending out this dispatch the weather is clear.

The body of Sir James Ferguson was found and buried to-day. Committees have been formed and the Governor and Lady Sweetenham and others are doing noble work.

The shipping in the harbor is safe. The Hamburg American steamer Princess Victoria Louise, which ran ashore at the harbor entrance in December, is now a total loss.

Two vessels left here yesterday for the United States loaded to their full capacity with returning tourists and fleeing natives.

Steamer German called in here on her way from Cuba and sailed again after the staying in port one hour.

The railway works here have been demolished, but train service has been resumed.

The offices of the Kingston newspapers have been wrecked.

Canada Ready to Assist. Ottawa, Jan. 18.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier is now in communication with the government of Jamaica as to what kind of assistance would be most acceptable to the Kingston sufferers in view of the calamity which has overtaken them. Canada will likely follow the course it did in connection with the San Francisco disaster.

Burying the Dead. London, Jan. 18.—One brief telegram has been received from Governor Sweetenham announcing that Sir James Ferguson's body had been found in the ruins of a cigar store, and adding that no English officials were killed or injured.

The officials here estimate that relief steamers must be arriving at Kingston by to-morrow as it is feared that the chaos is spreading.

The Mansion House fund for the relief of the Kingston earthquake sufferers is being opened at 2 o'clock this morning half a mile east of Plum Point.

Plum Point. The Merrimack, a steamer, was wrecked at Plum Point. The Merrimack Premier has gone to her rescue.

Plum Point is a lighthouse point about ten miles east of Kingston, where the steamer was bound. She left Port Limon the day of the earthquake. The shocks having destroyed the lights, the steamer presumably lost her way.

The Harbour-American officials say that the passenger list is probably not large, as the steamer expected to take most of her passengers at Kingston. She is to have sailed direct from Kingston to New York.

ELECTION RESULTS. Municipal Contests in Nanzalimo, Revelstoke and Rossland.

Nanzalimo, Jan. 17.—The civic elections here to-day passed off quietly, and without incident. The number of votes polled was unusually large. There was no majority contest. A. Plana, the former mayor, being returned by acclamation. The following aldermen were elected: North Ward, Forrester, Hodgson, Dally; Middle Ward, Dick, Barnes, Knarkin; South Ward, McRae, Wilson, and Newton. School trustees, Plana, Quennell, Forester.

Revelstoke. Revelstoke, Jan. 17.—The following is the result of the municipal elections held to-day: H. A. Brown, mayor; 19 F. W. Alderman; Ward 1, J. J. Woodland and E. Trimble; Ward 2, H. Howson and R. B. Sawyer; Ward 3, J. Abrahamson and J. A. Stone.

Rossland. Rossland, Jan. 17.—P. R. McDonald, in the majority contest to-day defeated John Martin, his opponent, by a majority of 51. The six councillors elected are: James Anson, H. R. Jones, James Tweadie, Isaac L. James, J. H. Langman and Sidney Slesley, all of whom are friendly to Mayor McDonald. The election was quiet and orderly.

MORLEY ELECTED

FOR ANOTHER TERM

Election Keenly Contested and Heavy Vote Polled

—City Council Has Six New Members.

(From Friday's Daily.)

The composition of the city council for the coming year is as follows:

MAYOR. A. J. MORLEY. ALDERMEN. Ward No. 1.—W. McKay Ross, Lewis Hall.

Ward No. 2.—W. J. Hanna, J. Weston.

Ward No. 3.—W. F. Fullerton, W. Gleason.

Ward No. 4.—Thornton Fell, Dr. Verinder.

Ward No. 5.—Anton Henderson, F. W. Vincent.

Following a short but sharp campaign, the municipal elections were decided last evening. A. J. Morley, the last incumbent of the mayoralty, will fill the office for another twelve months. By a majority of 323, he defeated T. W. Paterson. The total vote polled, 3,313, was the largest ever known in the city of Victoria.

The contest throughout proved most interesting, and its result a surprise to many. In spite of the weather, which though milder than it has been for nearly a week, was yet damp and raw, the polling booths were thronged from the hour of opening until they were closed at 7 p.m. A feature of the vote was the number of the ladies who exercised the franchise. Linked with the mayoralty, the referendum and the issue it involved was responsible for the interest shown.

Results in Detail. The voting resulted as follows:

FOR MAYOR. A. J. MORLEY ..... 1,899 T. W. PATERSON ..... 1,483 Majority ..... 416 Total vote polled, 3,313; spoiled ballots, 18.

FOR ALDERMEN. Ward No. 1. W. MCKAY ROSS ..... 252 LEWIS HALL ..... 238 Total vote polled, 490.

Ward No. 2. W. J. HANNA ..... 288 J. WESTON ..... 252 H. M. GRAHAM ..... 200 E. D. SPRAGUE ..... 194 Total vote polled, 934.

Ward No. 3. W. F. FULLERTON ..... 478 W. GLEASON ..... 401 H. E. LEVY ..... 256 Ed. BRUCE ..... 190 Total vote polled, 1,325.

Ward No. 4. Thornton Fell and Dr. Verinder, by acclamation. Ward No. 5. ANTON HENDERSON ..... 378 F. W. VINCENT ..... 378 George SLIDER ..... 277 W. H. SMITH ..... 188 Total vote polled, 921.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES. ALFRED HUGGETT ..... 1,908 HARRY BISHOP ..... 1,798 GEORGE JAY ..... 1,778 A. B. MCNEILL ..... 1,470 E. M. WHYTE ..... 838 Spoiled ballots, 3,029.

REFERENDUM VOTE. FOR ..... 1,286 Against ..... 1,223 Majority in favor ..... 63.

Four former members of the council were amongst those returned. Ald. Fell, elected by acclamation in Ward 4, is now the senior member of the board. Ald. Fullerton, elected in Ward 3, will again be a familiar figure. Ald. H. E. Levy, returned in Ward 5, and H. M. Graham, returned in Ward 3, will complete the number.

The aldermanic vote proved a surprise also, in several instances. The election of Mr. Ross over the head of Dr. Hall, that of Anton Henderson over F. W. Vincent, though both of the members of last year's board were returned, is interesting. Two of the new members have in former years filled the position—Messrs. Hanna and Henderson.

The return of Mr. Bishop, who succeeds Dr. Hall as school trustee, was another feature of the election. The referendum fight was one of the most closely contested of the day, as is witnessed by the final figures.

Crowds thronged the neighborhood of the city hall and market buildings while the ballots were counted, men, women and children clustered around the doors and pressed their faces to the panes of the windows while the tedious operation took place.

It was, however, around the mayoralty result that the most interesting feature of the election was seen. The preliminary counting of the ballots to ascertain whether their number agreed with the stubs of the ballot boxes, seemed interminable. Those who from their posts of vantage on the window sills could command a view of the operations, announced startling and imaginative bulletins to the friends below. The excitement deepened to a frenzy when the actual checking commenced.

Inside the hall the excitement was just as intense. Bets were freely booked as to which of the candidates, the first ballot from the pot poured of large sized contests. Returning Officer Northcott had heaped from the five big wooden boxes into the lone receptacle, the first ballot was soon over. The first ballot was for Morley.

Both the candidates were in the room and both were fairly composed. The first fifty ballots counted saw Mayor Morley in the lead. He reached the hundred mark first. Then Paterson began to gain until at 200 they were even. Neck and neck they stood until they reached the 400 mark, where Paterson was one ahead. The excitement inside the hall was reflected through the faithful mind readers stationed on the window sills outside, to the crowd in the street. At the evening's close on however, the returning officer's announcement "Morley" grew more frequent until that gentleman's election was assured.

REPORT REGARDING

CITY ELECTRIC LIGHT

Superintendent Recommends Increased Power and Greater Number of Lights.

The following is the report of the superintendent of the electric lighting plant:

Victoria, Jan. 7th, 1907. To His Worship the Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen—I have the honor to submit the following report having reference to the operations of the electric lighting department during the past year, and setting forth in general the improvements and additions most required to insure satisfactory and reliable street lighting service, and to provide for the further extension of the system.

At the beginning of the year the new electric contract for in the latter part of 1906 was expected to arrive; but it was made, however, in March, and on May 22nd the installation had been completed and put in operation; 125 old style lamps were replaced by the new, long burning, enclosed type, and I am pleased to be able to report that the new lamps are being placed in more than satisfied with the change, the steadiness and brilliancy of the lamps being particularly noticeable.

The equipment installed at the power house operated without hitch since being put in service; this was what the equipment was expected to do, as all apparatus installed was of the most up-to-date type procurable, there being nothing superior available for street lighting purposes, so that the saving in cost of operation, promised as a result of the use of lamps of the new type, estimated at one thousand dollars per annum, has beyond doubt been fully realized. The new generator installed has spare capacity sufficient to operate fifty additional lamps.

The weak point of the present equipment, says Mr. Hutchinson, is the engine power. If any repairs have to be made the engine has to be stopped, thereby causing a complete shutting off of the power or the injured machinery must be allowed to run until an opportunity is presented for these repairs to be made. In view of this fact and the fact that, in the near future many extra lights will be installed in the city, he recommends that the question of supplying additional engine power be taken up as early as possible.

In dealing with the work done during the past year Mr. Hutchinson says that thirty new lights were installed and that several changes were made in the circuit with the object of making the location of breaks and disconnections easier. In rearranging the circuits margins were left for additional lights, and when the new lights were installed there was no trouble in connection with the circuits.

His final recommendation follows: In conclusion, I desire to direct attention to the fact that, in the near future the area included within the city limits would require a vast increase in the number of lights at present in use, and as the power required to operate the lamps is generally computed on the basis of one horse power per lamp, it will be clear that considerable power will be required to cope with extensions of the system, and that the department would undoubtedly find use for power from time to time. I would respectfully recommend that the matter of power generation be considered jointly with the question of the supply, either by immediate use or development at a future time.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen, Your obedient servant, M. HUTCHINSON, Supt. of Electric Lighting Department.

THE BULLETINS

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The total vote for school trustees last year was 2,630. Miss Cameron heading the poll with 1,291.

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A REVIEW.

Now that the candidates have been nominated and the contest for political control of the province of British Columbia is on in earnest, it may be well for the electorate to note certain facts in relation to the position of the principal parties in the conflict.

But subsequent events demonstrated that the government had a real railway policy, and revealed the fact also that there was a powerful influence that could not be concealed dictating this railway policy.

Such is the political situation in British Columbia to-day. And it behooves the people to mark it well, and consider what has transpired since the Liberal government, enlightened by the Liberal representatives from this province, told the C.P.R. in plain terms that its demands could not be contended for at a moment, and promulgated the railway policy the McBride government has opposed with all the influence it could command.

principally to the construction of the railways the members of the government opposed with all the influence they could command. The other fact is that notwithstanding the opposition of the C.P.R. in all portions of Canada and the members of the McBride government in British Columbia, the Laurier government was returned to power with the largest majority on record in the history of the Dominion, and with a solid contingent of Liberals from British Columbia.

But the demands of the C.P.R. were not satisfied with what the McBride government had attempted to do for it. It was not satisfied with the Liberal members in a previous government in its attempt to secure from the Legislature the rich blocks of coal and oil lands in southeast Kootenay, it demanded eight hundred thousand acres of land, to which it had neither moral nor legal right, elsewhere. It had not earned this eight hundred thousand acres of land, according to the opinion of disinterested authorities.

In the foregoing are presented some, but not all, of the facts and circumstances of the McBride-Anderson-Hawthornthwaite government and the relations of that government with the C. P. R. In this election contest it is the people against a combination made up of so-called Socialists and would-be monopolists. The combination is drawing from a common campaign fund, and if it succeeds in corrupting the electorate it is just as certain that the Legislature will meet that it will demand and receive its reward in further raids upon the treasury or upon the public domain.

When the Ottawa correspondent of the Colonist undertakes to elucidate a situation, look out for something altogether unique, original, and preposterous. But this enterprising Tory orator, as the correspondent of the Toronto Mail and Empire also, and anything he says really must not be seriously regarded.

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The local Socialist-Conservative organ admits that the government is going to lose some seats on the Mainland, but affects to believe such losses will be more than balanced by gains on the Island. We fear there is a grievous disappointment in store for the too sanguine supporters of Premier McBride. Elections are admittedly doubtful propositions—as uncertain as horse races, the late Sir John A. Macdonald, a man who is reported to have been deeply conversant with all the moves in the fascinating game, is reputed to have said—but is there any indication that Mr. Eberts is going to win Saanich from Mr. Flacey, that Mr. McPhillips is likely to succeed in the Islands against Mr. Paterson, that Mr. Hayward has the slightest chance against

Mr. Evans in Cowichan, that Mr. Pooley can retain his old seat in Esquimalt, or that Mr. Grant can win again in Comox? The advantage that Mr. Mansion had in Alberni as the champion of a party in power during the late bye-election has been completely discounted by the conviction, so general in all sections of the province, that the days of the McBride government are numbered. The tactics employed during that disgraceful campaign are proving quite futile to stem the tide that is flowing so strongly in favor of Mr. Brewster, and our advice is that there is every probability that seat being redeemed for the Liberal party. In the election of 1903, when the Liberal party was leaderless, without a definite policy, because under the circumstances there was no one authorized to speak authoritatively in the name of the party, when the McBride government had no record to refer to as proof that it was unfit to be entrusted with the administration of the affairs of a province so rich in natural resources as British Columbia—in 1903, previous to the consummation of the notorious partnership between the McBride government and the Kaiser Islanders and kindred companies of adventurers for the despoliation of this province, the Liberals of Victoria won a great victory. In 1907, when the Liberal party is led by one of the ablest men in public in Canada to-day, a man whose name is above reproach, a man who represents all that is to be desired in public life, and who is surrounded himself with lieutenants in every respect of the highest order—we ask is it likely that Victoria, when Mr. J. A. Macdonald is going to be returned to the legislature with the strongest party behind him in point of intellectual ability and moral worth that ever assembled in the Parliament Buildings at the capital—is it at all probable that the city of Victoria under the circumstances that present themselves to-day is going to recant and revert to Toryism? We cannot conceive of such a descent, and we know that in reckoning upon Victoria to make up for the defections that are going to occur elsewhere and to assist Comrade Hawthornthwaite and Premier McBride, with their government of weaklings, to keep this province in subjection to the C. P. R. for another legislative term, the supporters of the two unscrupulous mercenaries are building upon unstable foundations. If Premier McBride, who by word and action has been an implacable enemy of Victoria ever since he attained his premier position by an act of gross treachery without parallel, receives any support in this city except from partisans who are "Conservatives from the neck up, and not from the neck down," he is not likely to have a credible or a long reign.

British Columbia than the natural desires above all things to be accurate in its statements, and we presume it also strives to be reasonable in its conclusions. We are going to ask it to make some corrections in the references it made yesterday—the Sabbath Day, too—to the alleged operations of what it terms the Liberal "machine" in Victoria. In passing it may be said the differences between the methods of the Liberal and the Socialist-Conservative "Machines" in this city were fittingly illustrated in the manner in which the candidates of the two parties were nominated. The Colonist said on Sunday that the Liberal "machine" sought an interview with Dr. Hall and asked him to secure the withdrawal of Mr. Johnson, one of the Labor candidates, on certain conditions. That is not true, and the writer evidently knew it was not true when he made the statement, because he carefully prepared his readers for the true statement of the case he knew would be made public. The facts are that a gentleman who claimed to be acting on behalf of Dr. Hall approached the executive of the Liberal Association, and suggested that arrangements might be possible that would consolidate the interests of the Liberal and the Labor parties in this city. Now the Liberal executive and the Liberal candidates are well pleased with the political outlook. They are more confident of the result than they were three and a half years ago. But they realize that all the elements that are opposed to the McBride government can be brought together in harmony the defeat of that administration on election day will be all the more complete—that even its avowed dependence on the support of the Socialists, if there are any elected, will not save it. A committee of the Liberal Association was appointed and, in accordance with the request, waited on Dr. Hall to hear what his proposals might be. Whatever they were, they were not acceptable to either party, and the conference did not result in anything tangible. That is the truth, and we ask our contemporary, as it values its reputation for veracity, to make the correction.

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ADD TO NATIONAL TRANSCONTINENTAL. Five Additional Sections—Use Canadian Material and Pay Current Wages. The Times contains notice that tenders are being called for the construction of five additional sections of the National Transcontinental railway. The notice states that tenders will be received until 12 o'clock, noon, on February 14th, for the following sections of the Transcontinental railway: 1. District "A"—From a point designated on the plans of the commissioners at or near the city of Moncton, in the province of New Brunswick, westerly for a distance of about 50 miles. 2. District "A"—From a point designated on the plans of the commissioners at or near the town of Grand Falls, in the province of New Brunswick, westerly to the boundary between the province of New Brunswick and Quebec, a distance of about 62 miles. 3. District "B"—From a point designated on the plans of the commissioners at or near the town of Grand Falls, in the province of New Brunswick, westerly for a distance of about 150 miles. 4. District "B"—From a point designated on the plans of the commissioners at or near the town of Grand Falls, in the province of New Brunswick, westerly to a point known as Weymontachene, a distance of about 45 miles. 5. District "C" and "D"—From a point designated on the plans of the commissioners, about eight miles west of the Abitibi river, crossing easterly for a distance of about 150 miles.

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DECISION IN TWO CASES. Full Court Hands Down Judgment in Two Appeals From Lower Court. In the Full court a conclusion was reached in two appeals. The first was that of the case of C. P. R. The case arose out of an action for damages for the killing of a cow near Robson, on the C. P. R. track. S. Taylor, K.C., appeared for the plaintiff, and was also reserved. S. Taylor, K.C., for the C. P. R. Judgment was reserved.

Mr. Brewster's remarks on the wild land tax were very favorably received. The speaker read the plank in Mr. Macdonald's platform dealing with the matter. The stand of the Liberal party on the question was stated as being the right one in the interests of the poor man. The education legislation of the government was also severely handled by Mr. Brewster, who pointed to the burden placed upon the settlers of the remote portions of the province, and the remedy, for the obvious measure. The speaker also discussed the railway policy which was also discussed. It was stated that Mr. Brewster, in the government offer to the C.P.R. of \$1,000,000 to build a branch line from Spence's Bridge to the boundary line. This was frustrated by the actions of two Conservative members from Vancouver (to their honor, be it said, even though they were offered \$100,000 each to vote for the measure. Continuing, the speaker criticized the claims of the Conservatives that the railway would be distributed through to Alberni in the spring. Why, remarked Mr. Brewster, the people of Alberni were listening for train whistles 20 years ago, and they are listening for them yet. The railway would be put through just as soon as the C.P.R. wanted a shorter outlet to the West Coast, and not before. It was a matter of dollars and cents, and nothing more.

LOCAL NEWS. Two drunks appeared in the police court this morning, pleaded guilty, and were assessed the usual fines. A concert will be held in the J. B. A. A. hall on February 12th. It is being held for the purpose of reuniting the members of the association. This programme is now being arranged. The annual meeting of the Victoria Tourist and Development Association will be held on Wednesday, January 23rd, at 3.30 p.m., in the association rooms, Fort street. Officers for the coming year will be elected, and the report of the executive will be received. The death took place on Saturday of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Neal, at 32 Quince street, aged 17 months. The funeral takes place on Tuesday at 2 o'clock, Rev. T. W. Gladstone officiating. The terrible disaster which has visited Kingston, Jamaica, was recorded by the seismograph at the Victoria office of the department. It is stated that the record was much smaller than that made by the earthquake which devastated Valparaiso. The swearing-in of the mayor and alderman took place on Saturday in the County court room before Judge Lammiman. The ceremony was a short one, consisting merely of the administration of the ordinary oath. Notice is given that the annual meeting of the Victoria Horticultural Society, which was called for Monday evening next, has been postponed. The date for the meeting will be announced later. Rev. Dr. Reid officiated yesterday at the marriage of F. P. Penzley, a popular employee of Weller Bros., and Miss North Denny. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's mother, Pandora street. T. S. McPherson left Nelson Thursday for this city, where he will reside permanently in future. H. M. Fullerton, of Nelson, with Mr. McPherson, has already opened an insurance and real estate business in Victoria. Mr. Fullerton will shortly join her husband at the coast. Friday night at the residence of J. C. Byrne, 115 Chatham street, the death took place of James H. Skinner, a pioneer resident of this city. Deceased, who was 61 years of age, was a native of Scotland, and came to Victoria about 35 years ago. A widow and six children are left to mourn his loss. J. H. Gordon, who has been here since last July, visiting his parents and friends, left on last night's Charnier for Germany to finish his studies on the violin. Having spent three years in Europe with Prof. Kleuger, he has now decided to place himself under Prof. Hugo Becker at Frankfurt-on-Main for a few years. Ald. Lewis Hall has posted two notices on the city hall bulletin board. One states that he will, at the first meeting of the city council on Monday, propose that the city engineer, water commissioner and waterworks foreman be requested to report on the best means of obtaining an additional supply of water for the city during the coming season. The other deals with the printing and binding of all reports from civic officials. The death took place on Friday at his home on the Sooke road of Samuel Morrow, for many years a resident in this district. Mr. Morrow was a native of Crossan county, near Ladbarn, county Down, Ireland, and has resided in Sooke for 35 years. He had reached the age of 78 years. Deceased was a bachelor, and was survived by a relative, M. D. Martin, with whom he made his home. The funeral of Mrs. A. B. McNeil, which took place Friday afternoon from the family residence, Stanley avenue, was very largely attended. Rev. J. H. Gordon conducted a service at the residence, and Mrs. Gregson sang an appropriate solo. There were many beautiful floral tributes. The following acted as pall bearers: M. E. Cleveland, R. L. Drury, A. Dier, J. O. Turnbull, A. J. Clyde, Dr. Russell, D. McMillan and W. Beckwith. The sale for Madam Puccini's grand opera success, "Madame Butterfly," from the Garden theatre, New York, has been open at the Victoria theatre since Monday. The sale will close next Saturday, and Manager Denham requests all patrons desiring to obtain tickets to apply early. "Madam Butterfly," the most notable offering of the New York grand opera season, will be seen here on March 11th. It will be by far the biggest attraction seen in this city for several years. Victoria No. 2 Building Society held a general meeting at the secretary's office, Troughton avenue, Friday evening, Robert Erskine was elected auditor to fill the position left vacant by the death of J. E. Church. The tenth drawing for an appropriation was presided over by the following committee: G. McCandless, James Woolcock and D. Miller, and resulted in No. 196, held in the following names: 196 A and B, A. P. Schroeder; 196 C and D, A. St. G. Flint.

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WILL EXPLAIN PLAN TO COUNCIL. LANDSCAPE GARDENER WHO HELPED WINNIPEG. With Officials of Tourist Association Held Conference With Mayor This Morning. (From Monday's Daily.) D. D. England, the landscape gardener, of Winnipeg, who is in the city at present in company with the officers of the local Tourist Association, conferred with Mayor Morley and a number of aldermen in the Mayor's chamber this morning. Mr. England, under the parks and cemetery board of Winnipeg, supervised the boulevards of many of the streets of that city, and prepared the plans for beautifying the metropolis of the middle west. The plan upon which that board acts was explained to the Victoria city fathers by Mr. England. The Parks' Act passed by the Manitoba legislature may be invoked by any municipality. This provision in the boulevarding of streets, the planting of trees, seeding, etc., and the maintenance of the streets and cemetery shall be governed by a board of nine, six of whom are elected for three years, the others being the Mayor with the chairman of the street and finance committees. With Mr. England and the officers of the association was Mr. John Arbutnot, who was the first chairman of the board in Winnipeg, but who now resides here. As a result of this morning's conference, Messrs. England and Arbutnot will meet the city council on Wednesday evening and explain the workings of the Winnipeg system. The bargain campaign now being carried on at the Pitt-Rivers store is nearing an end. There are only two more days to run, and then Manager Hoffman of the Montreal Brokerage Company will close down on the bargain, which has attracted the attention of Victorians for some time past.

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Various and weird are the conceptions regarding the wild horses that make their homes among the untraversed peaks of this Alpine province.

As to these little animals are the lineal descendants of the cloven hoofed horses of the Glacial Age; many presume that, like their neighbors, the wild horses, they were always here while the ice was here.

To see these little creatures scale the side of an almost perpendicular mountain, to watch them leap from rock to rock with the dexterity of a mountain goat, to witness an exhibition of speed that would cause a sensation on one of our race tracks, requires a good deal of faith to believe that these little creatures are anything but the product of a peculiar environment and conditions.

As to the origin of these wild horses, the origin of these wild horses is as follows: Away back in the early days explorers and prospectors would come on horseback from the other countries of the east and south.

These horses were formed the nucleus of the wild bands of to-day. Then, in the late spring and early summer, when the gold fever raged in the Cariboo region, many horses were brought in from the north for pack and saddle purposes.

It is easy to understand how these horses, away from all restraining and civilizing influences, would quickly forget—as men often do—their training, and adopt the manners and customs of their companions of the wilderness.

How to ride the province of these worthless pards, has for some time been considered. The case is not a new one, but the government is offering a bonus for their destruction, but I think it will have to be done if the province is ever to be rid of them.

Cure Every Form of Indigestion

After you have eaten a meal, the stomach should do two things—pour out a dissolving fluid to digest the food—and churn the food until completely digested and liquified.

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The goods have now an accepted reputation, and are recognized as products of the highest standard. The company is getting the highest prices for them, and has no difficulty in selling in all Europe by one of its own men, who keeps it posted about the movements of the market, and who attends to the delivery of the goods.

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AN OPINION OF MR. McBRIDE

Edmonton Bulletin Dabbles in British Columbia Politics and Gives Reasons Therefor.

Premier McBride, of British Columbia, has seen fit to call on the general provincial elections, and the journalistic priests of Conservatism from the Mail and Empire down are bestowing upon him their editorial benedictions.

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WOMAN'S WATCHWORD IS MODESTY

Whatever threatens woman's delicate sense of modesty, frightens her. For this reason many a woman permits disease of the delicate womanly organs to become aggravated because she cannot bring herself to submit to the ordeal of unpleasant questioning, offensive examinations, and obnoxious local treatments, which most physicians think necessary.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been long hailed as a "God-send to women." It makes weak women strong and sick women well. It enables women to suffer from the most distressing ailments, such as prolapsed uterus, retroversion, anteversion, and other displacements of the organs.

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YUKON'S LOSS IS B. C.'S GAIN

MINNES' RESIGNATION RECEIVED WITH REGRET

Councillor Lowe Denies Scurrilous Reports Set Afloat by Unscrupulous Opponents.

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OR HIS OWN COUNTRY

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hibition in the rooms association a number been given by George Glen Lee, Colwood, stalin almost record largest being 134 ights over 3 lbs. 6 oz.

A. MACDONALD IN THE OKANAGAN

Rousing Rally Raised the Enthusiasm of Vernon Liberals to its Height--Confident of Victory.

Vernon, B. C., Jan. 19--The first meeting in Vernon since the campaign opened and the best meeting yet held in the constituency of Okanagan took place here last night. The Odd Fellows hall was packed to the doors, and the utmost enthusiasm marked the greeting to the Liberal leader, J. A. Macdonald, who made a great impression in a speech following a local government apologist.

NEW PRIMATE OF ALL CANADA BISHOP SWEATMAN ELECTED TO POSITION

Destructive Fire at Moncton--Canadian Northern Places Orders For New Locomotives.

Toronto, Jan. 17--Bishops of the Anglican church in Canada met at St. Alban's cathedral yesterday and elected Bishop Sweatman, metropolitan of the ecclesiastical province of Canada and primate of all Canada.

Bank Appointments. Toronto, Jan. 17--Following the appointment of Alexander Laird as general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, the following changes have been made in the head office staff. A. Hreidall will hereafter be super-intendent of branches, and he will rank as next officer to the general manager; the title of H. H. Morry, vice-chairman, A. Pearce, secretary-treasurer, F. G. Morry.

Grace Van Strudford Ill. Toronto, Jan. 17--Grace Van Strudford, the well known prima donna who is filling an engagement at Shea's theatre, was taken suddenly ill and is lying in a private hospital and will undergo an operation for appendicitis.

An Appeal. Toronto, Jan. 17--The conviction of Charles M. Hayes, general manager of the Grand Trunk, in the two-cent a mile fare case, will be carried to the court of appeal at the next sittings, which will open on Monday.

Orders Locomotives. Toronto, Jan. 17--The Canadian Northern railroad has placed an order with the Canada Foundry Company for forty new engines, to cost \$400,000.

New Officials. Montreal, Jan. 17--The vacancies on the Dominion Coal Company's board left by the resignation of Sir William Van Horne and F. S. Pearson were filled by the appointment of G. E. Dugan and C. P. Fergie, both officials of the company, Mr. Dugan being assistant general manager and Mr. Fergie superintendent of mines. Mr. Dugan also has been vice-president of the company.

Railway Earnings. Montreal, Jan. 17--Canadian Pacific earnings for the week ending January 14th were \$266,000, a decrease of \$115,000.

Church Destroyed. Montreal, Jan. 17--The Roman Catholic church at Port Leonard de St. Maurice was destroyed by fire early to-day, the loss being \$75,000.

Wedding at Montreal. Montreal, Jan. 17--A fashionable wedding took place here yesterday. Mr. George Ham, of Boston, and Miss Margery Hays, daughter of General Manager Hays, of the Grand Trunk, were the contracting parties.

Mrs. Carmichael Dead. Montreal, Jan. 17--Mrs. Carmichael, wife of the Bishop of Montreal, died last night after many months of illness.

Illness of George Ham. Montreal, Jan. 17--George Ham, chief of the advertising department of the C. P. R., underwent an operation yesterday at the Western hospital. It was announced to-day that the operation had proved successful and his condition was satisfactory.

Fire at Moncton. Moncton, N. B., Jan. 17--The large stone building at the corner of Main and Alma streets, occupied and owned by the Y. M. C. A., was destroyed by fire yesterday. The insurance is \$200,000. Miscellaneous book and furniture store was badly damaged by smoke and water; the insurance, the Bank of Montreal and was flooded.

Senators Introduced. Ottawa, Jan. 17--The senate met last evening. Two new senators took their seats. They were Hon. John Costigan, introduced by Secretary of State Scott, and Senators Coffey and Hon. G. W. Ross, introduced by Secretary of State

to great enthusiasm with a fighting speech, predicting a Liberal victory. Dr. J. C. Macdonald, the Liberal candidate, made an excellent speech, also did Duncan Ross, M.P. The Liberals here are in great spirits, and are fully confident they have Price Ellison beaten. Dr. Macdonald gains strength every day, and the meeting last night was a vote-getter. Leader Macdonald and Mr. Henderson speak at Armstrong to-night and at Revelstoke on Saturday.

Scott and Senator Jaffrey. Got Four Months. St. Catharines, Ont., Jan. 17--James Wadsworth, proprietor of the Monument house at Queenston, situated in a local option district, was convicted on a second offence of having in December last sold liquor without a license. He was sentenced to four months in the Central prison without the option of a fine.

SASKATCHEWAN COAL SUPPLY. Regina, Jan. 17--Hon. W. R. Motherwell, provincial minister of agriculture, is in Winnipeg to interview Vice-president Whyte with regard to the coal supply of the province. Before going Mr. Motherwell gave out the interesting information that the fuel situation has interested the local government so much this season that it is now considering the advisability of purchasing a coal area from the Dominion for the purpose of operating mines on the public ownership principle. Mr. Motherwell is now investigating the matter. Will the further settlement of the country the fuel question must always be an interesting one for the government. Failing the execution of this public ownership scheme, it has been suggested that the government regulate the coal business of the country under a license system and compel so much fuel to be kept in stock. This would place the business in fewer hands and serve the needs of consumers much better than the present system.

CARIBOO PROMISES LIBERAL VICTORY. Quebec, Jan. 19--A well attended meeting here last night was addressed by Messrs. Jones and Yorston, Liberal candidates. Dr. Wade, Liberal candidate for Kamloops, and Wilson and Chapman, Conservative candidates, were present. Mr. Yorston made a splendid impression, and will be one of the strongest speakers in the House. Dr. Wade made a vigorous arraignment of the government and scored Mr. Wilson, who refuses to state the reason.

The latter made a flowery oration without reference to a single issue. This is a Conservative stronghold, but indications are that a small Liberal majority will be gained here. At 150-Mile House a good Liberal majority is assured, and also at all points between there and Quebec.

Furke, Quessel, Horner, Stanley and Barkerville all promise Liberal support. The outlook is promising for the return of Liberal majorities of Jones and Yorston.

Colonial Officials Believe It Will Result in Adjustment of Number of Differences. London, Jan. 17--The Associated Press learns that the exchange of certain definite proposals between the United States and Great Britain for the purpose of clearing up the outstanding differences between the United States and Canada has reached a rather advanced stage, so that well-informed circles not only hope but believe that the approaching meeting between Secretary Root and Earl Grey, government ministers of Canada, at Ottawa, will result in arranging some, if not all, of the long-pending controversies.

A high colonial official said to the Associated Press to-night: "We know now that both sides desire to 'clear up the slate,' to use Mr. Root's own phrase in one of his communications, and we have reason to believe that this will at least be partially accomplished before the assembling of the colonial conference in April. Secretary Root's plan for settling the questions between the United States and Great Britain was brought to England by Sir Mortimer Durand last May, since when no time has been lost in working towards a final adjustment. After Mr. Root's plan had been referred by the foreign office to the colonial office, the whole question was submitted to Canada, as it was felt that the latter would indicate the lines of acceptance or dissent. The Imperial government made certain suggestions, but did not seek to lay down the law to the Laurier government, which is considered to be best able to judge. In due course Canada's reply was received, disclosing a desire to reach an agreement as to the lines of acceptance, but Canada wants compensation for waiving any interests as a national quid pro quo for anything she may have to give up."

"The questions to be settled include pelagic sealing, the lakes fisheries, the Canada sea fisheries, the diversion of water power from the St. Lawrence and the diversion from the boundary rivers. These and other questions are not of first class importance, but they must become so at any moment, and reasonable prudence requires their adjustment. The matters to be dis-

THE SHAH CROWNED. Teheran, Jan. 18--Mohammed Ali Mirza was crowned Shah of Persia in the palace this afternoon.

cluded also include a number of individual claims which the executive branch approves, but which congress left unpaid. Regarding the most important questions, the one relative to pelagic sealing, the proposal of the United States tends to an arrangement by which Canada shall have a share in the catch in the Pribilof islands, in which at present she has no share, providing pelagic sealing is discontinued."

COBALT CAMP. Ore in Sight is Worth Millions of Dollars--Only a Few Veins Uncovered.

Ottawa, Jan. 17--A. P. Law, director of the geological survey, in the summary report of the department presented to parliament, says that he paid a short visit to Cobalt. He adds: "Of course on so short a visit it would be presumptuous to offer an opinion upon the origin and extent of the ore. Enough was seen to pronounce upon the richness of the veins and to make a rough estimate of the millions of dollars in silver shown on the surface and in the workings of the claims. Granting only very moderate depth, there is ore in sight sufficient to produce millions, and only a few of the veins have as yet been uncovered."

Attention is also called to the limited area covered by the veins in this region and to the natural impulse to consider locations in the vicinity of great value. Prices are being advanced in many instances beyond reason.

SECRETARY ROOT ARRIVES. Ottawa, Jan. 19--Secretary of State Root arrived from Washington this afternoon and drove straight to Government House.

CUSTOMS MEN WANT MORE PAY. PRESENT PETITION TO HON. MR. PATERSON. Representations Strongly Supported By Members and Senators--Minister's Reply.

Ottawa, Jan. 17--The customs outside services of the Dominion was, represented to-day by a large delegation, all parts of the country being represented, asking for an increase of their present salaries. They met Hon. W. Paterston in his office and were accompanied by thirty or forty members of parliament and several senators, who strongly supported this increase. Ralph Smith represented British Columbia. The Liberals and Conservatives alike from all cities were present and heartily endorsed the petition, which was presented by Speaker Sutherland.

The petition asked for 50 per cent. increase on their present salaries. This would bring the minimum up to \$500, and \$30 a year should be given after wards until the maximum in each class was reached. It further suggested that 50 per cent. be added to all the present minimums and maximums of the salaries as scheduled. All the superior offices were asked to be paid in accordance with the duties they had to perform.

A special petition was presented from officers west of Lake Superior asking for special provisions of \$50 per month on account of the increased cost of living.

Hon. Mr. Paterston was impressed strongly by the endorsement the proposition received, and said that although there was a limit to the increase for this purpose, it might have to be increased. Since he took hold, he had given \$155,000 in increases.

FROM STEAM ROAD TO TROLLEY LINE. Efforts Will Be Made to Have the Victoria Sydney Railway Electrified.

A prominent real estate man is the authority for the statement that during the present year an effort will be made to convert the Sidney railway from a steam into an electric road. It is pointed out that in a short time the whole of the Saanich peninsula will be cut up into small holdings and that the residents of these small fruit farms will require better facilities for travelling to and from the city than the present road offers, and what is more, they will be able to pay for a better service. The Sidney road is owned by parties in close affiliation with the Great Northern railway, the object in acquiring it in the first place being to give them an independent entrance to the city.

Some time ago there was a report that the road was to be connected with an electric line. The scheme was not carried out, however, owing to the populating of the Saanich peninsula and the planting of it in fruit farms. The advantages of an electric road are apparent. Some branches lines could be laid to connect with outlying sections and the whole territory be brought into close communication with the city of Victoria.

The Kootenay Copper Mining Company, of Spokane, has been given an extra provincial registration, with O. J. Higgins, of Creston, as attorney for the province.

SHEARWATER'S GOOD SHOWING

ADMIRALTY ISSUES RESULTS OF GUN LAYING

Pacific Coast Sloop Headed Vessels Firing With Four Inch Guns.

Special correspondence from London states that the Admiralty return giving the results of the gun layers' test in 1906 has just been published. It is pre- faced by the following statement: "The Lords of the Admiralty, note with extreme satisfaction the very marked improvement in the results as compared with former years, including even those of 1905, when the shooting showed such a great advance over previous results. This improvement is due to a higher standard generally throughout the fleet. This year 89 ships fired, and the percentage of hits to rounds fired was 71.5, as compared with 65.5 in 1905; 62.86 in 1904; 62.4 in 1903; 61.1 in 1902; 58.3 in 1901; 53.3 in 1900; 51.1 in 1899; 31.63 in 1898; and 31.88 in 1897.

The gunnery of the various squadrons was in Prince Louis, British Columbia. Second cruiser squadron, Mediterranean fleet, first cruiser squadron, Atlantic fleet, first cruiser squadron, China squadron, Channel fleet, tenders, etc. (headed by the Shearwater), Cape squadron, North Atlantic squadron, coastal squadron, and East Indies squadron. "The best shooting ship was the cruiser Drake, her best gun layer being Able seaman, commanding the second cruiser squadron, which made an average score of 124.4. The little Shearwater of the fourth Pacific station, cut a most respectable figure in the gun layers' tests. With her 4-inch guns she shot 103 rounds and scored 39 hits, at the rate of 10.33 rounds discharged per minute, and 8.7 hits per minute, her best gun layer being Able seaman, P. Fisher, who found the mark ten times. Her score was 104.6 points, which was an average for the fourteen ships primarily armed with this gun, and out of 49 ships which fired she stands in the thirtieth place.

A NEW APPOINTMENT. W. J. Goepel Will Succeed Neil Mackay As Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.

This week's Gazette contains notice of the following appointments: Ole Anderson Sherberg, of Yreka, to be a justice of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia.

John H. Haverthwaite, the Socialist leader, visited St. Sping Island last week in the interests of the candidate, Mr. Leedingham.

According to the Times correspondent, A. E. McPhillips, the Conservative nominee, is at present canvassing the island. He is having a very cold reception. Mr. McPhillips will not hold any meetings until Mr. Paterston arrives on the coast.

H. W. Bullock, who opposed Mr. Paterston in 1903, has refused to assist Mr. McPhillips in the campaign.

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AD. MEN TO MEET. Pacific Coast Association's Convention to Take Place at Spokane.

The Pacific Coast Advertising Men's Association will hold its regular annual meeting in Spokane, January 26th and 27th.

Membership in the association is open to all business men. The active members are those who are engaged in some form of advertising, either for themselves or for others. The purposes of the association are to raise the standard of advertising on the Pacific coast, to facilitate the work of advertising men and publishers, and to secure for advertising men the recognition which their equipment deserves.

The convention will open with the business session on Saturday, January 26th, which will continue from 9.30 to 12. The programme, so far as definitely arranged, included the following papers among others: "Electricity as a Factor in Advertising," B. I. Dasset, advertising manager, Portland General Electric Company. "Advertising Possibilities of the Great Inland Empire," N. W. Durham, editor of Spokane Review, Spokane. "What 1907 Promises for the Coast," C. V. White, White Advertising Bureau, Seattle.

The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, "The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition," Frank L. Merrick, chief of Press Bureau, Seattle.

PRICE OF COAL IS INCREASED LOCAL AGENTS RECEIVE NOTICE FROM MINES. Dealers May Enforce Additional Charge Owing to Increased Cost of Labor Here.

The price of coal has gone up. The expected has happened and from now on the local consumer will probably have to pay anything from 75 cents to \$1 per ton more for the black diamonds than he has had to do in the past.

J. Kingham, of J. Kingham & Co., received an intimation from the Western Fuel Company at Nanaimo that coming into effect to-day the price to them of lump and bit coal would be increased fifty cents per ton. The other dealers expect the notice any time.

The additional cost to the consumer arises from the increased cost of labor in the local yards, in screening and sacking the coal, and also from the increased cost of the coal itself. A difference will be made between cash and book orders as the dealers state that the latter have increased so greatly that it is impossible not to differentiate.

"Owing to the unexpected and unprecedented demand for coal during the present month the management of the Western Fuel Company has had under consideration with President Howard, the terms of a voluntary agreement to increase to the employees during such period as the present demand exists, the amount of their bonus to 10 per cent. notwithstanding the agreement between the company and the employees which was made some months ago, the company will make a voluntary increase of bonus to all contract and day employees equal to the bonus of the gross earnings, for the entire month of January, and beginning with February 1st an increase of bonus equal to 10 per cent. of their gross earnings, to continue so long as the market conditions justify.

Mr. Stockert states that, although the pushing men for coal in the Western Fuel Company up to this time have made no increase in price, the price of the coal has advanced, and they were entitled to a share of the general upward tendency of prices, and that, because of the advance in price, the trade of 50c per ton will be made, excepting to such trade as is covered by contracts which the company is bound to respect.

At Extension. From LadySmith it is reported also that at a meeting of the employees of the Wellington Colliery Company held in the opera house, a proposition from the company was received, relative to an advance in wages. The proposition submitted by the company was to advance the wages of the employees 10 per cent. A statement was made that coal would be advanced 90 cents per ton, it being understood that so long as the advanced price in coal was maintained the advanced schedule of pay would be continued. The matter was discussed by the miners. Hugh Fulton was in the chair. After a thorough discussion, the proposition of the company was accepted and the meeting adjourned.

BANKER KILLED. Woman Shot Man Who Refused to Marry Her and Then Committed Suicide.

Lubeck, Germany, Jan. 16--Ernest Stiller, manager of the local Bank of Commerce, a former member of the Reichstag and prominent in financial and political life, was shot and killed by a street here yesterday by Miss Elizabeth Schulz, who then shot herself.

UNFAIR POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT

Discriminated Against Cranbrook--Rousing Meeting Addressed By W. W. B. McInnes--Will Go Liberal.

Cranbrook, Jan. 18--With J. G. McCallum, president of the Liberal Association, in the chair, the grand Liberal rally at Cranbrook was held this evening. The large hall was crowded to the doors, and waves after waves of applause testified to the hearty accord of the audience. Mr. King was the first speaker, and after scoring the government for wasting three years without passing any legislation of value to the province, paid an eloquent tribute to the courage and ability of Mr. W. W. B. McInnes, who had boldly gone into a Conservative stronghold, and who would win handsomely by so doing.

Matters of public repute were analyzed, and it was shown that because the member was in Opposition only \$5,000 annually had been spent in a district that had contributed some \$75,000 to the revenues. As election time approached, the government loosened up and the sum of \$10,000 or \$12,000 had been given. The speaker did not think that any fair man would say that the government had treated the district fairly. On its record then the government should be turned down.

Wild applause and cries "It will be." Candidate Speaks. Dr. King, the Liberal candidate, made an able exposition of the manner in which the eight-hour law had been killed by three of the present cabinet ministers and "45c-per-month" Bowser. This latter gentleman had tried to mislead the citizens of Cranbrook about the question of the eight-hour law, and was too intelligent to be taken in. Neglect of the government to bring out adequate information about great areas of fine agricultural land was commented on, and the promise made that when the Liberals were in power they would get busy along these lines.

Mr. McInnes, the Conservative candidate, followed, and in the time allotted to him tried to make out a case for the government, but judging from

the ironical remarks of the audience he failed to connect. His attempt to elate Mr. McInnes was drowned by a storm of protests, and was modified before the speaker could proceed. He concluded with a brief reference to the Columbia & Western railway land grant, and an attempt to explain Premier McBride's attitude on better terms.

Mr. Kelley, the Socialist, was then called for, but he failed to appear. His place was taken by Mr. McDonald, at one time a Conservative, who briefly denied any connection between the labor candidate and any other. Mr. McDonald dealt some severe raps at labor Socialists. Capital and labor should go together.

W. W. B. McInnes was then introduced, and after a reception that caused him to pause for some minutes to permit the applause to die away, reviewed the Liberal chances for the province, showing that great Liberal gains were certain and a return of a Liberal government assured. The Liberals were not in favor of firework but quiet and reasonable work in favor of labor. If there ever was a piece of bungling on the part of the government it was in the Flathead. He said instead of that enormous area of great wealth being lost to the public the government could have saved it by businesslike methods. The record of the government was then reviewed and point after point was scored against McBride. Prolonged applause testified to the fact that the burning eloquence of the speaker had the complete sympathy of the entire audience. Prop after prop was brought in under the tottering structure of government patchwork until only fragments were left.

When Mr. McInnes closed he had covered the entire field of provincial affairs, and in a masterly manner, Bowser, buncombe and McBride muddling was shown up in all their lack of position. He was not in the mood of the meeting confirms the general opinion that Dr. King will be elected with a splendid majority.

lor will not likely sit in the next House. Kaelo is being hardy fought in the Liberal interests by John Keen, who has excellent chances of victory. Robt. Green's retirement will probably be by the air of mystery which surrounds the event, and the way in which Mr. Green has acted towards his old supporters. They naturally expected a frank explanation of why he resigned when he visited them. This was not forthcoming. On the contrary, Mr. Green kept his mouth under the conditions which were so remunerative as to prohibit his continuation in the government, but the alliance which he has made with the Conservatives will reveal it, but that it would have to remain in the dark. The suspicions previously aroused were by no means set at rest by the time he spent with his friends, however, in the interests of the party, decided to carry out the programme and press Mr. Mackay to run, and then accept the nomination of Mr. Green in the person of Neil F. Gackay, the Deputy Minister.

There is resentment on the part of many in Kaelo, and John Keen will assuredly win.

In Cariboo the two Liberals are safe, and Stuart Henderson will be easily elected in Yale. There are Conservative nominees like S. Tingley, who say C. A. Semlin is a back number and will not vote for him.

Mark Engleson, whom A. W. Smith and the Colonel a few weeks ago announced to be the strongest candidate in Lillooet, will have it comparatively easy in defeating Archie McDonald, the Conservative candidate.

Coming to the coast, Vancouver city looks extremely well, and the prospects are high for the election of the full Liberal ticket. New Westminster is decidedly Liberal also, and the influence is being felt in all the surrounding constituencies. Even in Dewdney, where the Premier was formerly regarded as absolutely safe, there is every prospect of Robt. Jardine defeating the Premier. That Hon. Mr. McBride realizes the danger is shown by the fact that he has taken the precaution to try chances in another riding in Victoria. It would not be a surprise to see him defeated in both.

Essex is conceded to the Liberals, and Capt. John Irving's chances are excellent in Atlin.

COLD IN EAST. Megantic Reports Fifty-Three Below Zero--Works in the Open is Stopped.

Quebec, Jan. 17--The coldest weather experienced in Quebec and the neighboring districts since 1887 now prevails, fortunately without a breath of wind, or no one could stand it. Sherbrooke reported 48 below and Megantic 53 below. Business was practically suspended in the city, as no one, unless compelled, went out of doors during the day. Trains all arrived owing to the difficulty of keeping up steam on locomotives, and all work in the open is stopped.

In Alberta. McLeod, Alta., Jan. 17--For nearly two months the prairie has been covered with a great depth of snow, and range cattle are suffering terribly. Cattlemen are praying for a chinook wind to spring up which would save the situation, as the cattle cannot reach food beneath the crusted drifts. For two days the wind has been blowing, and just now there is every indication of the near approach of a chinook wind.

The adjourned meeting of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home board will be held in the city hall at half past four on Tuesday evening. Charles Hayward's wife, who died some time ago, and just now there is every indication of the near approach of a chinook wind.

In Ymir Fred Hume will have an easy victory. Dr. King is absolutely safe in Cranbrook, and W. C. Wells will be sure of sitting for Columbia in the new Legislature.

In Revelstoke the Liberals have a good fighting chance, and Thos. Tay-







