

JAPAN WILL NOT MEDDLE IN MEXICO

AMBASSADOR CONFERS WITH PRESIDENT TAFT

Report That Secret Japanese-Mexican Alliance Has Been Abrogated

(Times Leased Wire.)
Washington, D. C., March 23.—Sweeping assurances that Japan will withdraw entirely from Mexico and hereafter will take no part in Mexican affairs, it is said here today in diplomatic circles, were given yesterday to President Taft at his conference with Baron Uchida, the Mikado's ambassador to the United States.

Dispatches received today from Mexico City confirm this. They state that, as a consequence of the American naval and military mobilization, a secret Japanese-Mexican alliance has been abrogated.

It is definitely known that President Taft and Ambassador Uchida agreed upon what statement of the ambassador was to be made public, and naturally announced friendliness of the other's country.

In spite of this parade of attachment, it has been learned that a secret Japanese-Mexican treaty, the existence of which officials of both nations publicly denied, was framed last April by a special Japanese agent and that the United States has since that time been watching the course of events with increasing displeasure.

Under this agreement Japan practically controlled the Isthmus of Tehuantepec and all the ports of western Mexico below Guaymas. Finally, ten days ago, the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, realising the futility of competing with the Japanese for the coast of Mexico, announced its withdrawal of ships from Salina Cruz, the terminus of the Tehuantepec Isthmus railway.

The secret Japanese agreement, it is said by diplomats who are in possession of the details of the negotiations, and through them opened the door of Mexico to Japan. The pact was such that it could easily have been made the basis for a strategic alliance. This was what the United States feared, and it was this prospect which induced President Taft to smash all precedent and order the mobilization which blocked Japan's scheme.

The movements of the troops, these diplomats say, were a notification to President Diaz that no trifling with the Monroe doctrine would be permitted and were also a notification to Japan that America was awake to the situation and would consider any aggression an affront of the most serious nature.

Officials familiar with the facts in the case are amused at the ease with which the Japanese situation there, to-day, is being handled.

A high official, who was recently sent to Mexico by President Taft to inspect the Japanese situation there, to-day said:

"I may be sure President Taft would not say that he feared war with Japan. If he did, he would be unfit to hold office. Ambassador Uchida certainly would never admit that Japan had made a treaty with Mexico and then had been forced to abrogate it through dictation by a third power. The annals of diplomacy are filled with instances where war has been declared while diplomats of the opposing nations were affectionately embracing."

At Baron Uchida's conference with the president, it has been learned, the Japanese diplomat agreed that his mission was completed.

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CONVICTED OF USING MAILS TO DEFRAUD

Millionaire Head of Manufacturing Company Found Guilty—Will Appeal

(Times Leased Wire.)
Cincinnati, O., March 23.—William P. Harrison, millionaire head of the World Manufacturing Company and its subsidiary organizations, was convicted today in the United States courts here of using the mails to defraud. He was found guilty on seven counts, making possible his imprisonment for 35 years or fines on each count of from \$1,000 to \$5,000. An appeal will be taken.

The arrest of the manufacturer was the result of a raid ordered by Postmaster General Hitchcock. It was alleged that Harrison's advertising literature misrepresented a vacuum cleaner which his company sold through the mails.

WOULD WELCOME ARBITRATION

SIR WILFRID REPLIES TO QUESTION IN COMMONS

Says Great Interest Has Been Aroused by Discussion Regarding Proposed Treaty

Ottawa, March 23.—In the House yesterday Mr. Fowke, Liberal member for South Ontario, asked: "Has the attention of the government been called to recent speeches of Sir Edward Grey and President Taft in reference to the proposed arbitration treaty between the British Empire and the United States, and is the government prepared to express an opinion on the subject?"

Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied: "The attention of the government and, it may be added, of the whole people of Canada, could not fail to be attracted to the proposition now being discussed by Sir Edward Grey and President Taft for a treaty of arbitration between Great Britain and the United States, which would secure for them and their respective peoples the blessings of perpetual peace."

"While the government of Canada could have no direct voice in the negotiations, it can be safely asserted that there is no part of the British Empire where such a treaty would be more welcome than in the Dominion of Canada, which is so closely connected with the United States by geographical proximity and ever-increasing trade relations, and which is still more intimately connected with Great Britain by the strongest bonds of devoted allegiance."

STATE SENATOR'S TRIAL

Springfield, Ill., March 23.—Evidence in the trial of State Senator J. Broderick, accused of having bribed State Senator David W. Holtzlaw to vote for William Lorimer for United States senator, was concluded here at noon today. The attorneys in the case are presenting their arguments this afternoon.

STOLYPIN URGED TO REMAIN IN OFFICE

The St. Petersburg Nationalist Press Supports Former Premier

(Times Leased Wire.)
Lisbon, March 23 (Via Badajoz).—Hoping to insure its return to power in the approaching popular elections in April, the Portuguese ministry to-day is taking elaborate precautions to overawe the populace with an overwhelming display of military strength.

Life of the new republic depends virtually upon their success, although the method is not free republicanism. The ministry wishes to prevent a heavy vote for Royalist candidates, fearing that should many be elected, the restoration of Dom Manuel to the throne would be inevitable.

Owing to persistent rumors of an assassination plot, special guards were detailed to-day to watch over President Braga and his cabinet. The army is said to be split into factions and dissatisfaction with the present state of affairs is widespread.

The emperor dined Tuesday evening at the residence of Mme. Mevirohoff, daughter of Secretary of State Taneff, who is also grandmaster of the court. After the dinner the Grand Duchess Olga Alexandrovna told those assembled that the emperor had succeeded in persuading M. Stolypin to remain in office.

In response to inquiries, M. Stolypin said the situation was without change and that he had received no direct or indirect proposals from his majesty since his resignation.

The Nationalist press is strongly urging M. Stolypin to reconsider his determination to retire.

The emperor yesterday received the Polish members of the council of the empire, who helped to defeat the Zambill, and graciously conversed with them. This was much commented upon, because the defeat of this bill resulted in the fall of Premier Stolypin.

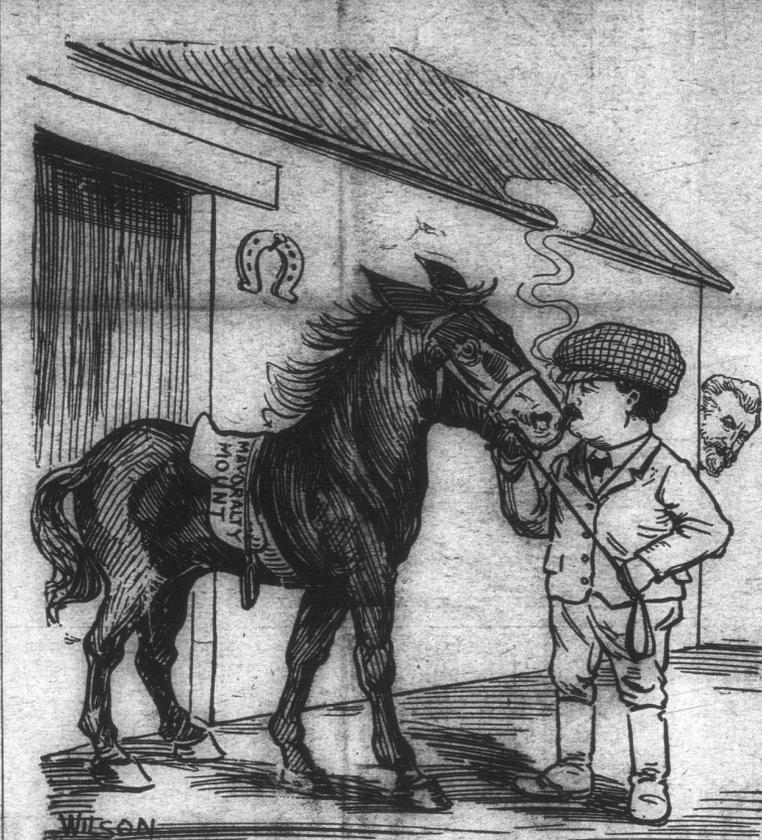
RECEIVES THANKS.

Washington, D. C., March 23.—The American National Red Cross has received the thanks of the Chinese government for its assistance to the starving people of the Red Cross, in bringing relief to the famished. The thanks were brought to the attention of the throne, and the thanks of the imperial government was expressed.

The Red Cross has received contributions from the American public aggregating \$7,000, of which \$33,000 already has been cabled to the famine-stricken populace in sums from \$1,000 to \$10,000.

FOR THE CORONATION

Ottawa, March 23.—R. S. Lake, of Qu'Appelle, in the House yesterday repeated a question asked by him on a previous occasion as to how many members of the Northwest Mounted Police force would be sent to the coronation of King George V. at London.



THE MAYORALTY STAKES—SECOND GREAT EVENT OF THE YEAR.

WILL TRY TO OVERAWE PORTUGUESE ELECTORS

Provisional Government Will Display Military Strength During Elections

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BIPLANE CARRIES ELEVEN PASSENGERS

French Airship Travels Three Miles—Flight for \$3,000 Prize at Havana

(Times Leased Wire.)
Paris, March 23.—With eleven passengers aboard, Lieut. Breguet broke all records here to-day, flying three miles in his biplane. He flew across the aerodrome in four minutes. The total weight of the airship's passengers was 1,500 pounds.

Flight at Havana.
Havana, March 23.—Eclipsing the time recently made here by Aviator McCurdy, Rene Barriere to-day flew from Camp Columbia to Morro Castle, in competition for the aero club's \$3,000 prize. Barriere did the 13 miles in 15 minutes and 31 seconds, a full minute and a half faster than the time made by McCurdy.

CUSTOMS FRAUDS.

New York, March 23.—Alexander Hollander, a member of the firm of Alexander Hollander & Company, customs broker, pleaded guilty in the United States court to a charge of conspiracy in connection with customs frauds, aggregating \$50,000. He was arrested in Naples last December. Sentence will be imposed later.

ALGERINE IS ON HER WAY HOME

HAS BEEN ABSENT SINCE LAST OCTOBER

(Times Leased Wire.)
Honolulu, March 23.—After one of the longest cruises on record for a vessel of her tonnage—less than 1,000—the British sloop of war Algerine, called from here to-day for San Diego, Cal., whence she will return to Esquimaut after an absence since last October.

With about 100 men on board, the Algerine sailed from Esquimaut and proceeded to Acapulco, Calais and Valparaiso. Thence she steamed 2,000 miles westward to Easter Island and then went through the south seas via Tahiti, Henderson Island and a hundred other out-of-the-way ports to the Fanning islands, whence she sailed for this port.

Throughout the whole of the Algerine's long voyage the weather has been pleasant and the health of her crew has been uniformly good.

LOYD GEORGE MAY RESIGN PORTFOLIO

Report That Ill Health Will Compel Chancellor of Exchequer to Retire

(Times Leased Wire.)
London, March 23.—Reports that Hon. David Lloyd George will be forced within a few days to resign as chancellor of the exchequer because of ill health are in circulation here to-day in political circles. So far no official confirmation of the correctness of these rumors has been obtained.

AVIATION MEET.

New York, March 23.—Following the announcement that there would be no horse racing at Belmont Park this season, it was learned to-day that the Aero Club of America will use the course as the site of a big aviation meet.

At a conference between August Belmont and the President of the Aero Club, it was arranged to hold the meet around May 15, or about a month before the sailing season for London, to participate in the flying events of coronation week.

A MAYORALTY FIGHT PROMISED

PETITION IS OUT FOR D. E. CAMPBELL

Every Likelihood of His Entering Contest—Is a Pioneer Business Man

(From Thursday's Daily.)
A petition is now in circulation and being largely signed which will be presented to D. E. Campbell, the well-known druggist, proposing that his name be placed in nomination for the office of mayor at the forthcoming special municipal election. Mr. Campbell is out of town to-day, but it is understood that he has intimated to those who have approached him in the matter that he is disposed to give the question of his candidature favorable consideration.

There is now every assurance, therefore, that the present incumbent of the office, Mayor Morley, will be opposed. The resultant campaign, though it will necessarily be a short one, will be exciting in vigor, for with the opposing forces well organized there is every promise of one of the most interesting municipal contests in the history of the city.

Mr. Campbell, who is now popularly regarded as practically in the field for the election, April 7, can be counted on as approximately correct. The first sitting of the court of revision will be held on Monday next at the city hall in the council chamber.

Though no official announcement has as yet been made of the date of the elections, April 7 can be counted on as the date of the election.

FORMER CIVIC EMPLOYEE ARRESTED

Ex-Deputy City Clerk of Tacoma in Custody on a Charge of Forgery

(Times Leased Wire.)
Tacoma, Wash., March 23.—Herbert E. Campbell, a deputy city clerk, who resigned Monday morning after City Clerk W. H. Cushman was ousted from office by the municipal commission when it was found the recall petitions had been tampered with, was arrested early to-day by Chief of Police Maloney upon a warrant charging Campbell with forgery. Ex-City Clerk Cushman swore to the complaint at midnight, and in default of \$1,000 bail, Campbell was locked in the city jail.

According to Chief Maloney he has in his possession evidence that indicates Campbell has committed a series of false endorsements on city warrants, and has received thereby various sums of money. Thirty-two of the alleged false signatures, according to the police, have been admitted by Campbell, and it is further stated that he has agreed to make good the deficiency, which he claims will not exceed \$100.

Cushman, however, told Chief Maloney that he feels personally responsible for the conduct of the office of city clerk up to the time of his removal, and said he would deposit a blank cheque with the city treasurer in order to insure the city against loss.

Cushman does not charge Campbell with having any hand in the irregularities in connection with the recall petitions.

CONTEMPT CASE DELAYED.

Cincinnati, O., March 23.—Judge Gorman's hands were tied to-day in the contempt cases against "Boss" George B. Cox, when Judges Smith and Swing, both Republicans, restrained Gorman from proceeding with Cox's trial. Judge Jones, a Democrat, voted that Gorman be allowed to proceed.

RAILWAY BUILDING.

Winnipeg, March 23.—The contract for 100 miles of railway grading and ballasting on the Alberta Central railway, 80 miles west of Red Deer and 35 miles east, was awarded yesterday to James McDonnell & Co. The price was \$25,000 a mile.

COMMISSION PLAN REJECTED.

Ottawa, March 23.—The commission form of government for the city was defeated yesterday by a majority of 51.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

New York, March 23.—Woman suffrage was endorsed by organized labor in Carnegie hall last night at the first meeting of its kind here.

ASKS BIG SUM FROM THE CITY

J. AVERY DEMANDS SUM OF \$25,000

Board of Arbitration in Session To-day Hearing Interesting Case

(From Thursday's Daily.)
One of the most interesting arbitration cases to which the city has been a party, commenced this morning in the committee room at the city hall, when the claim of John Avery for compensation to the amount of \$25,000 was taken up. John Dean, acting for the city; J. O. Potter and J. C. M. Keith, for the claimant, and George Jeeves, referee.

Mr. Avery's claim arises out of the fact that the city acquired certain property at Spring Ridge for the High school site. On certain lots included in this parcel of land he had been conducting a cement block works, and his claim in the main rests on the allegation that because of the purchase by the city of the site, he is forced to move to another location, and thus be deprived of the privilege of getting his material, sand and gravel, at a low figure, this material being heretofore right to his hand.

Mr. Avery's property has a frontage of 88 feet by a depth of 16 feet, and he lays particular stress on the fact that he holds contracts for the delivery of sand from his property, a claim which the city has refused to take into consideration, having offered him the sum of \$1,500 in full settlement.

Ordinarily the city, would, it is said, find itself in an embarrassing position in respect to the claim preferred by Mr. Avery, but it is understood that arrangements have been made whereby the Mount Toimie Sand & Gravel Co., which recently merged with the Worwick Paving Company, will come to the rescue of the city and offer to meet the requirements of Mr. Avery in the matter of the supply of sand and gravel.

Capt. W. H. Worswick, president and managing director of the Worwick Paving Company, on learning of the difficulty which confronted the city in the matter of the adjustment of Mr. Avery's claim for compensation, intimated to the city solicitor that rather than see the city suffer the loss of a large amount of money through circumstances which appeared to work an injury to a manufacturer, the company would agree to supply Mr. Avery with all the sand and gravel he requires at the same rate as he formerly paid for the same, providing that he located his new plant at some point which could be reached by the street cars which haul the material from Mount Toimie.

This offer on the part of Capt. Worswick was, it is understood, made to the board of arbitrators at this morning's session. The hearing of the claim will probably occupy several days.

VOTES FOR WOMEN.

Springfield, Ill., March 23.—By a vote of 31 to 19, the Illinois senate yesterday passed a bill empowering women to vote for certain candidates for city, village and township offices and on questions of public policy. The bill provides that wherever it is adopted by a referendum women more than 21 years of age may vote for all officers who are not constitutional officers.

WILL WITHDRAW SOLDIERS.

Springfield, Ill., March 23.—Following a cessation of all trouble at the Northwestern Coal Company's mine at Beld, Governor Deneen to-day announced that Russian state militia would be withdrawn at once.

RUSSIAN ADMIRAL TALKS TOO FREELY

Fleet Commander Rebuked for Predicting Defeat by Turkey

(Times Leased Wire.)
St. Petersburg, March 23.—Forecasting defeat for Russia in a conflict with Turkey and a subsequent revolution against the Czar, Admiral Skrydloff, the foremost naval authority in Russia, received to-day an intimation that unless he curbed his tongue he would be dismissed.

Skrydloff, the commander of the Black Sea fleet, is Muscovy's pessimist. He predicted defeat for Russia in the Far East, owing to the Czar's unpreparedness for war with Japan. Now he sees trouble in the southward.

"The growth of the Austrian navy proceeds apace," said the admiral, "and simultaneously the Turkish fleet are increasing. Influenced by Austria, the Turks are eager for the fray. Revolution may follow the outbreak of hostilities, and the revolution would be much more appalling than any uprising that might have gone before."

MOBILIZATION OF U.S. TROOPS

STEPS TAKEN TO PROVE PREPAREDNESS FOR WAR

Government Officials Declare Movement Has Been Successful

(Times Leased Wire.)
Washington, D. C., March 22.—That the United States mobilized troops on the Mexican border to prove its preparedness to cope with an event which that very preparedness would prevent, is the explanation given out here today in official circles of the present situation along the Rio Grande.

The maneuvers are a notice to all nations, the officials declare, that the world crises of the latter half of the century are being met by the United States in a manner which will maintain peace if necessary by war. It is stated that from the very first the administration did not expect any immediate exigency.

In proof that the move of the administration was a success, it is pointed out that the mobilization has already prevented the development of a Mexican-Japanese alliance, which might involve a serious international tangle and ultimately war.

There will be no move toward the Mexican border unless outrages so flagrant as to call for the presence of a protecting force occur. Even then, President Taft would not think of acting without the consent of congress. The president felt it was his duty to prepare for an emergency, so that if congress should be called upon to act, its orders could be carried out quickly.

How long the troops will remain in Texas, depends entirely on developments. The United States government has determined to give President Taft every chance to restore order. Disarmament is not a condition of the presence of many American troops, and was one of the causes of the recent army movements.

Mexico has made no protest against the presence of troops in Texas. Such a protest would be regarded as un diplomatic, inasmuch as the troops are on American soil, and must remain on American soil until congress shall otherwise direct.

President Taft repeatedly has assured the Mexican ambassador, Senor De La Barra, that the Mexican government need feel no alarm over the movement of the troops. He has sent the same assurance to the City of Mexico.

Personally assure the Japanese ambassador that the present relations between Japan and the United States are entirely satisfactory. President Taft invited Baron Uchida to call at the White House this afternoon. The president wished to inform the ambassador that there was no ground for the belief that the present military manoeuvres on the Texas frontier were unfriendly to the Japanese nation, but that the immediate cause for the mobilization was the apparent danger of a crisis in Mexican internal affairs.

After President Taft's conference with Japanese Ambassador Uchida today, the cabinet was in session for three hours discussing the Mexican situation and the talk of the president with the Japanese diplomat. Later the president and Robert Bacon, ambassador to France, discussed an arbitration with France and a similar convention with Great Britain, both of which, it is hoped, may be negotiated within President Taft's tenure of office.

Diaz May Take Field.
El Paso, Texas, March 22.—Optimism that the end of the Mexican revolution is near, which was rampant here yesterday, has paled and almost disappeared to-day through the failure to receive any message promising peace from Mexico city. The impression here now is that Diaz has refused to discuss any proposals until the rebellion is over, and both revolutionary sympathizers and federalists think it looks now like a long hard fight to a finish.

To Add to the Depression in Juarez, the city evidently expects an attack. One Mexican federal officer here asserted to-day that President Diaz personally will take the field if his cabinet insists upon negotiating with the rebels.

To Disperse Bandits.
Austin, Texas, March 22.—Two companies of Texas rangers were ordered to Chisos today to disperse 300 Mexican bandits who, under the guise of being revolutionists, are raiding American ranches and levying tribute of cattle and horses.

The rangers moved at the order of Adjutant-General Hatchling, who is cooperating with the United States cavalry troops on the border. The bandits have threatened to sack the towns of Chisos and Terlingua.

Leaders Disappear.
San Diego, Cal., March 22.—Generals Leyva and Berthold, of the Mexican rebel army, are not advertising their whereabouts. Just when they disappeared cannot be told, because, owing to the conflicting reports from the border, unverified rumors about them having been received all this week. But at the brigade headquarters of General Bliss in San Diego, it is officially stated that the two rebel leaders are not at Mexicali or at Tecate, or in the neighborhood. It is not thought here that they have quit fighting and the idea is gaining ground that they are withholding a big force of men somewhere to annihilate a larger body of Mexican soldiers.

The big command that was supposed to have left Ensenada last week

FIRE AT MONTREAL

Montreal, March 22.—Two-thirds of the city's fire-fighting force were called out at 1 o'clock this morning for a blaze in the carriage works of the A. G. Lariviere Co., 71 St. Antoine west. The loss reached \$20,000. Six horses and a stable were saved.

B. C. ELECTRIC HAS MUCH WORK

LAYING OF HEAVIER RAILS AND BALLASTING

Big Programme of Track Improvements—Rolling Stock Being Added to

The B. C. Electric Railway Company, in furtherance of its programme of this season's track improvements, has engaged a large number of men at work in various parts of the city. The expenditure by the company this year for up-keep of track will be the largest in the record of the company's operations in this city, for besides the extra large amount of ballasting which is to be done, on a number of the leading thoroughfares which are to be paved with asphalt, rails of a very heavy and permanent type are to be put down. Some work of this latter nature is now in progress on upper Yates street, and before the lower part of the thoroughfare can be paved by the Vancouver company, which has just been awarded the contract, heavy rails will have to be laid on that section also. Fort street will also be relaid with a heavier rail while being widened and repaved. The increase in traffic on all local lines has been so marked since the advent of the spring season that further material additions to the rolling stock are an absolute necessity. Last fall the local management placed orders for some half dozen cars of the large type, and these will shortly be delivered from the company's works at New Westminster, but should the increase in traffic this summer assume the proportions of which there is now every indication a further order for cars will be found necessary.

The inspector appointed by the provincial government to supervise the operation of street cars throughout the province has recently been paying a considerable amount of attention to Victoria, and in each instance where he has made recommendations the company has promptly met them. It is now no longer permissible for passengers to ride on the front platform, no matter how crowded may be the condition of the car. The new rule, which recently went into effect, while it at first elicited some objections from those who were wont to ride on the front end while smoking, is now obeyed without murmur.

SNOW AT OTTAWA

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 22.—Nearly a foot of snow fell during the night and street car service is being operated with difficulty. The weather is mild.

HON. D. GIROUARD DIES AT OTTAWA

Justice of Supreme Court Succumbs to Illness Caused by an Accident

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 22.—Hon. Desire Girovard, of the Supreme court, died this morning after a fortnight's illness, caused by being thrown from his sleigh. Deceased, who was 70 years old, was unconscious for five days before his death.

The vacancy on the Supreme court bench, caused by the death of Mr. Justice Girovard, will be filled by the appointment of a French-Canadian.

CORONATION GIFT FOR KING GEORGE

All the Georges in Nova Scotia Will Contribute Toward the Fund

(Special to the Times.)
Halifax, N. S., March 22.—At a meeting at Government House yesterday it was decided that all the Georges in Nova Scotia should contribute a gift to King George at his coronation. The Marys have already decided to join in the movement of Countess Grey for a presentation to the Queen.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE DEFEATED.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 22.—By a vote of 21 to 21, the state senate here defeated the Allen bill, which was framed to grant equal suffrage to women.



THE FISHING SEASON WILL OPEN ON SATURDAY.

ANTI-TREATING ORDINANCE PASSED

LAW WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED AT TACOMA

(Times Leased Wire.)
Tacoma, Wash., March 22.—There is sorrow in the saloons of Tacoma today as a result of the endorsement at yesterday's referendum election of an anti-treating ordinance. The measure carried by nearly 4,000 majority. "What'll you have?" is relegated to the things that were. No more will the poor man be invited to imbibe at the expense of some one else be heard in Tacoma's saloons, for the dispenser of liquid cheer who accepts money from one man and serves drinks for two is legally liable to a fine of \$100. Mayor Fawcett said to-day that he would see the new law is strictly enforced, and saloon men are preparing to obey its provisions.

"The women did it." Thus ruefully does the Royal Arch give credit to the fair sex for encompassing their defeat. Without the support of the women voters the measure would surely have been defeated, they say. Proponents of the "Dutch treat" measure likewise admit the result is due to the women and they express warm appreciation at what they term the intelligence of the newly enfranchised citizens.

The ladies themselves calmly state that they did only their duty and that they will be heard from again at the approaching recall elections. They promise to "straighten out affairs for the poor man" and make Tacoma the best governed city in the United States. The anti-treating ordinance was passed by the municipal commission last November and was later referred to the voters of the city. It was the first referendum election held in Tacoma under the new city charter. A heavy vote was cast for a special election, about 65 per cent of a total registration of 21,587 voters casting ballots. With four precincts missing the vote stands 8,465 for the ordinance and 5,754 against. Approximately 5,000 women voted.

The fifth ward, which is the stronghold of the laboring class, returned 2,030 votes for the ordinance and 938 against. It is estimated that about 90 per cent of the women registered cast their votes.

WINNIPEG MAYORALTY PETITION

Winnipeg, March 22.—Judge Meyers yesterday ordered that the application of withdrawal of E. D. Martin's petition against the election of Mayor Evans be heard on March 30, and that notice of his intention be published daily for one week between now and March 30, in one daily newspaper of Winnipeg, and also that Mr. Whitt, attorney for Mayor Evans, submit his bill of costs for Mr. Martin in the meantime for their approval.

INCENDIARY AT WORK.

Everett, Wash., March 22.—The police are to-day searching for the unknown firebug who started fires in the Capitol building yesterday. The fire was started twice in the same place. Fire Chief Farrow declares that the blaze was the work of an incendiary and he is leading the search for the firebug to-day.

VICTORIA FIFTH AT CORONATION

THREE WILL REPRESENT CRACK LOCAL REGIMENT

Sergeant and Two Gunners Selected for Places on Canadian Contingent
The officer commanding the Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., has selected the men upon whom will devolve the honor of representing the militia of the city on the Canadian contingent at the coronation of His Majesty King George V. in London in sunny June. The names of the fortunate soldiers of this city who will be drafted into the composite regiment to represent the Dominion are: Gunner A. Nex, Gunner Leslie McNaughton and Sergeant Fred Harrop. Special arrangements will be made for their trip across the continent and the Atlantic ocean. In all probability some sort of a public demonstration will attend their departure for England.

NINE MEN KILLED IN COAL MINE

Crushed to Death by Fall of Slate in Colliery in Pennsylvania

Pittsburg, Pa., March 22.—Nine miners were killed early to-day by a fall of slate in the Hazel mine, near Cannonsburg. One American, David Bonley, was among those killed. Eight hundred men were at work when the accident occurred.

According to report, the victims were entering the mine on a coal car when it jumped the track, demolishing the supports supporting the roof. With the caving in of the roof tons of slate crashed down on the miners, crushing their bodies almost beyond recognition. Officials of the Pittsburg-Buffalo Coal Company deny that the car jumped the track and assert that the slate fell from the roof. The mine was closed following the accident and work will not be resumed until after the funerals of the victims.

BIBLE PRESENTED TO KING.

London, March 22.—A special deputation of laymen was received yesterday by King George in honor of the 800th anniversary of the publication of the King James edition of the Bible. His Majesty was presented with a specially prepared Bible. Celebration of the anniversary will be general throughout England next Sunday.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY.

New York, March 22.—Late yesterday afternoon it was learned that three indictments had been returned by the grand jury against William J. Cummings in connection with the Carnegie Trust Company case. He is charged with larceny in the first degree in misappropriating \$85,000 of the company's funds.

When arraigned, Cummings, through his attorney, pleaded not guilty, with the privilege of changing his plea later. He was released on \$50,000 bond.

THREATS MADE BY FOREIGN MINERS

AMERICANS AFRAID TO RESUME WORK

Illinois Town Declared Under Martial Law by Commander of Troops
Bend, Ill., March 22.—Fearing the vengeance of armed foreign miners who are on strike here, more than 1,000 American workers to-day refused to resume their places in the mine despite offers of protection by the troops who are here to preserve order. All last night the militia camped in the centre of the town, which was declared under martial law by Colonel Laing in command, and who ordered his soldiers not to spare bullets if they were necessary to quell the expected outbreak.

Threats are freely made to-day by the foreigners that they will dynamite the home of Supt. Reese of the Northwestern Mines and that they will kill his entire family. The gravest apprehensions of trouble are entertained here to-day as the result of a plan by the troops to raid a stockade where most of the striking foreigners are staying. It is reported that many of the strikers are anarchists and it is believed probable that any attack by the troops will be met by bombs.

SESSIONAL INDEMNITY.

Members of Manitoba Legislature Vote Increase of \$500.

Winnipeg, March 22.—The legislature last night voted an increase of \$500 to members' sessional indemnity, making it \$1,500. It raised cabinet ministers' salaries to \$7,500, voted \$5,000 for the agricultural college and \$500,000 for a start on the new parliament buildings. The total cost of which will be four millions. The coronation vote was 15,000 and 115,000 was voted to the Salvation Army to rescue fallen women. The salaries of all deputy heads were raised \$400.

TWO GENERALS KILLED.

Fell in Fight in Honduras in Which Forty Rioters Were Also Killed.
Tegucigalpa, Honduras, March 22.—Forces of General Matuy to-day parted the scene of Sunday's battle between rioters and Honduran troops at Comayaguebla, in which Generals Lara and Palma were slain, forty rioters killed and fifty injured.

Holding began when the troops of Lara and Palma occupied the Pueblo and failed to relinquish their arms, according to agreement between the Honduran government, the rebel forces near Tegucigalpa, and the peace commission. When the federal troops retained their weapons a mob led by insurgents, attacked them.

RAILWAY PROMOTER DEAD.

Boston, March 22.—Nathaniel Thayer, for many years known as one of the foremost railroad promoters in America, died here yesterday. He was a director of New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, of the U. S. Steel Corporation and of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, and many other financial institutions.

Eighteen per cent of the entire area of France, or about twenty-three and a half million acres, is forest land.

ANTI-ALIEN LAND BILL

Measure Passed by California Senate Likely to Be Dropped in Assembly.
Sacramento, Cal., March 22.—Although the state senate has passed the federal committee's substitute for several anti-alien land ownership measures, it was predicted to-day that the bill would fall of passage in the assembly, because of its chances for being buried in the final rush hours of the session.

TO COMMAND HISLEY TEAM

Ottawa, March 22.—Lieut.-Col. Stimson, of Toronto, and Major Burdand, of Montreal, have been chosen commandant and adjutant respectively of the Hisley team which sails in June.

WILL APOLOGIZE TO MR. SIFTON

ACTION OF MONTREAL RIOTERS CONDEMNED

Students' Council Expresses Regret for Indignities to Former Minister

(Special to the Times.)
Montreal, March 22.—An official apology from the student body of McGill will probably be tendered to Hon. Clifford Sifton for the indignities to which he was subjected on Monday night by the rowdy element of the undergraduates. A memorial is being circulated in the university and largely signed, while the students' council has called a mass meeting for 5 o'clock this afternoon to consider what action should be taken towards punishing those who have brought their Alma Mater into disrepute and to draft an apology.

Civil actions for damages amounting to \$1,200, including the cost of a carriage which was burned, may also add to the discomfort of the students and somebody will have to pay. About a dozen students will be made the defendants. It is stated.

It was on the invitation of a large body of the students that Hon. Mr. Sifton consented to address them in the hall of the McGill University.

ALBERTA CROP PROSPECTS.

Calgary, March 22.—"Given some moisture at the proper time this season and Alberta will have a crop of grain that will exceed any crop ever produced in the south," said General Manager Nasmith, of the Alberta Railway & Irrigation Company yesterday. The fall wheat is looking fine.

F. Burns, the Alberta cattle king, declines an interview attributed to him stating heavy losses of cattle in Southern Alberta. Cattle have come through very well, and the loss was very small.

ONTARIO ESTIMATES.

Toronto, Ont., March 22.—Provincial Treasurer Matheson has submitted the main estimates for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1912. The total sum provided for is \$5,009,511, but owing to the length of period in advance for which provision has been made, this amount probably will be swelled by two millions in supplementary estimates next session.

WRECK ON C. P. R. AT PORT MOODY

Collision Between Freight and Gravel Trains Delays Traffic

(Times Leased Wire.)
Vancouver, March 22.—Through a misunderstanding of signals between the engineers of a freight and gravel train, a smash-up occurred on the C. P. R. yesterday afternoon at Port Moody, 12 miles east of here. The freight engine ploughed half through the caboose of the gravel train, wrecking several cars and smashing an overhead bridge which crosses the rails in the Port Moody yard at the spot where the accident occurred. No one was injured, but the traffic tied up both east and west bound freight and trains to Seattle until an early hour this morning.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT ON SOUTH AFRICA

Declares the New Commonwealth Will Make Rapid Progress
(Special to the Times.)
London, March 22.—The Duke of Connaught, presiding at the annual dinner of the South African Society, said that under the sympathetic and devoted government of Premier Botha that country would progress rapidly. There was both a strong government and strong opposition, and its people took the keenest interest in the affairs of the union, which now ranked with Canada and Australia among the great self-governing states of the empire.

MAYOR MORLEY WILL BE OPPOSED

CERTAIN THAT RIVAL CANDIDATE WILL APPEAR

Every Promise of an Exciting Municipal Campaign Early Next Month

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
An ever-increasing amount of interest is now being manifested in the approaching special municipal elections, and speculation is keen as to who will be Mayor Morley's opponent. That he will be opposed is said to be a certainty in the city.

Meanwhile rumor is busy with the names of F. A. Pauline, who has already seen service at the council board, and R. B. Thomson, M.P.P. Mr. Thomson is understood to be in the position that he would only consent to become a candidate in the event of Mr. Pauline refusing the nomination.

It is said by those closely in touch with the situation that many of those who are opposed to Mayor Morley were favorable to his re-election by re-election in the event of all the address being similarly resented, and that they change of attitude is due entirely to the fact that the Voters League has thrown down the gauntlet by determining to nominate supporters of the mayor in each of the wards.

One of the most interesting municipal contests in the history of the city is thus, because of its peculiar set of circumstances, assured. Both parties to the fight—the Morleys and the anti-Morleys—are joining their ranks. The Voters' League held a meeting last night at which were present representatives of the league from every ward in the city and a vigorous campaign of discussion upon the publication of a weekly sheet, which is a feature of each campaign in which the organization takes part, and it is hoped that the voters will be able to adopt the same tactics in respect to publicity and publish a paper which will be distributed gratis to every house in the city.

As previously announced in the Times there is every probability that the election will be fixed for Friday, April 7. Harold B. Robertson, commissioner under the Special Elections Act, will hold the first session of the court of revision on Monday next at 10 o'clock at the city hall.

REFUSE HALF MILLION.

Nelson, B. C., March 22.—A syndicate of American capitalists have made an offer of half a million spot cash to Wolverson & Co. for the 41 timber licenses held by the Sunset Mills Ltd., in which the shareholders are largely Nelson and coast capitalists. At a meeting of the shareholders held here the offer was refused by a vote of 10 to 1, it being decided to hold the property at the original price of \$600,000.

The limits of the island on the Adams river had proper attention. The price offered, although less than that at which the limits were held, was so large that the directors decided to call a meeting of the shareholders to discuss the matter. About 70 per cent of the stock was represented in person or by proxy at the meeting.

TO SUPPRESS RISING.

British Expedition on Way to Santo Island in the New Hebrides.
Sydney, N. S. W., March 22.—A British relief expedition to quell an uprising of natives against whites is on its way to-day to Esperito, Santo Island, and in the New Hebrides. The 100 white men of the island are overwhelmingly outnumbered. The affairs of the group are administered by a commission of English and French naval officers.

CONVICTED OF MURDER.

Lewiston, Ida., March 22.—The jury in the trial of Robert Worth, charged with the killing of William V. deLoach, returned a verdict last night of guilty in the first degree. Judge Steele will pass sentence to-morrow.

Worth, whose conviction and execution is apparently the most unexcused. He killed McLaughlin while he and the victim and several friends were eating "an alcohol party."

BRAKEMAN KILLED.

Olympia, Wash., March 22.—O. B. Moore, a brakeman on the Peninsula road, was killed by the killing of William V. deLoach. While applying the brakes on a logging train that had lost its way by derailment, he was caught between the logs when a chain broke. He was killed by the logs when he was struck by the engine and caboose, derailing several cars and smashing an overhead bridge which crosses the rails in the Port Moody yard at the spot where the accident occurred. No one was injured, but the traffic tied up both east and west bound freight and trains to Seattle until an early hour this morning.

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ATTEMPT TO IMPEACH KATSURA CABINET FAILS

Foreign Minister Says Friendly Relations With U. S. Will Be Maintained

(Times Leased Wire.) Tokyo, March 21.—Efforts by the anti-American and Nationalist party in Japan to impeach Prime Minister Katsura and his cabinet today failed.

The motion of impeachment was introduced in the lower house of the Diet. As this was the last day of the session, it was hoped to rush through and get a verdict against the government. The resolution demanded the resignation of the cabinet for its conclusion of the recently signed treaty with the United States as "humiliating" to Japan because of the fact that no further privileges were granted to Japan in America.

Repeating to charges, Baron Komura declared that Japanese by the new agreement, were placed on an equal footing with other nations in immigration to the United States and announced the determination of the government to adhere to its present policy and to maintain friendly relations with the United States.

On a vote the impeachment proposal failed, a large majority of the members voting in the government.

FIFTY MILLIONS FOR CARRYING MAILS

U. S. Post Office Department Will Pay Railways \$5,000,000 More Than Formerly

(Times Leased Wire.) Portland, Ore., March 21.—United States will pay the railroads of the United States about \$50,000,000 this year for carrying the mails, an advance of \$5,000,000 over previous figures.

The new postal law, copies of which have been received by post office officials in Portland, shows the appropriation for the inland transportation of mails by railroads to be \$50,000,000, of which about \$45,000,000 will be available on July 1 of this year.

Wooden mail cars will have to go out of commission soon, however, unless what may be a joker in the new postal law, kills the bill of the department.

Kingham, Ariz., March 21.—Passenger train No. 1, Santa Fe westbound, ran into an open switch in the yards here late yesterday and collided head-on with a local train of the Western Railway of Arizona, standing on the siding.

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STOLYPIN FEARS CHINESE CRISIS

DECIDES TO RETAIN POST TEMPORARILY

(Times Leased Wire.) St. Petersburg, March 21.—Reports that Russian Minister Korostovitz has been assassinated in Peking were still unconfirmed today, but fearing that they may prove true Premier Stolypin, who resigned yesterday, announced today that he would temporarily retain his post in an effort to avoid a crisis in the Chinese situation.

The senate's rejection of Stolypin's plan to Russinize Poland is given today as the chief reason for the premier's resignation, which is regarded as a reactionary triumph. The bureaucrats, deeming Stolypin dangerously liberal, are said to have seized the defeat of his Polish plans as an opportunity to force his resignation.

The resignation of the premier came as a surprise to the emperor, who was greatly disturbed for a time. He did not wish to hear it, but Mr. Stolypin explained his motives and indicated his firm intention to withdraw from public life.

Kokosoff, who will probably be the new premier, has a reputation as a careful statesman. The duma's attitude has not yet been defined, but Mr. Kokosoff has undoubtedly done much in the last years to regain the confidence impaired by his exclamation in the duma in May, 1909: "Thank God there is no parliament in Russia."

On the Finnish, Jewish and Christian questions, Kokosoff has maintained an enlightened stand. He opposed the issues of nationalism and co-operated with the duma in effecting extensive reforms in the finances of the country.

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PROPOSAL TO HOLD NATIONAL CONVENTION

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It is declared that President Diaz will not resign and that he will not force a new election as long as a single man is under arms against the government.

A large body of insurgents, it is reported, crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico near Langtry last night with arms and ammunition. A company of the 23rd Infantry under Capt. Dillingham started for Mexico to-day, which is 300 miles below here.

Washington, D. C., March 21.—The administration apparently "marked time" to-day until the result of Minister Limantour's mission to Mexico City shall have become known. It was learned that Limantour carried official messages to President Diaz from the "Tartar" administration.

On account of the absence of several members, the cabinet meeting set for to-day was postponed until tomorrow. It was asserted that no need for hasty action by the cabinet existed and that the president personally does not fear international complications from the Japanese angle.

Major-General A. Murray, who recently ceased to act as chief of coast artillery, soon will be sent to take charge of the coast artillery, department of California, according to an unofficial report to-day. General Murray is temporarily assigned to command the department of the lakes.

San Diego, Cal., March 21.—Reports from Escarto, Lower California, to-day were that the federal troops were still keeping up a fight across the narrow valley near the town, with the revolutionary force. This force, estimated at number 200 and to be under the command of Berthold and Leiva, is keeping the federal well within their scant fortifications.

A number of non-combatants, frightened from their homes by the guerrilla warfare that has continued in the district for weeks, have come across the American line. Most of them are without sufficient food, and help has been sent for by the American ranchers on whom the burden has fallen.

San Antonio, Texas, March 21.—Chances for American intervention in Mexico are believed here to-day to be more remote than they have been in the past. The federal army generally expressing the opinion that the "stability" of their seeing foreign service is "not great."

Members of the revolutionary junta here assert the insurgents are awaiting word from Mexican Finance Minister Limantour before making further moves. They assert their belief that America is preparing to recognize the insurgents against Diaz and will then interfere diplomatically to restore peace.

Figures furnished to-day at military headquarters here show that in spite of active recruiting, the division mobilized here has only reached half its nominal war strength. The war footing of the division is rated 191,850, the present force numbers 537 officers and 9,898 men.

San Francisco, Cal., March 21.—Branding as a "lie" a sensational report that two Japanese spies, one carrying a miniature camera concealed, had been arrested on forbidden ground at the Presidio post, Col. Wisser of the coast artillery, declared to-day that the statements were based solely upon suspicion.

The Japanese were not arrested, said Wisser. "The only unusual incident was that the officer of the day concluded it was best that I should see and talk with them. They told me they had lost their way and were allowed to go. They had no camera or any other object that would have aroused suspicion."

They were not on forbidden ground at the present time, taken of having them examined by the adjutant and myself arose from the recent discussions in the press of the war manoeuvres.

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MR. TEMPLEMAN ON RECIPROcity.

It was clearly shown by Hon. William Templeman, addressing the Liberals of Victoria West on Monday, that British Columbia had everything to gain from the initiation of the reciprocity agreement between this country and the United States.

Turning to the industries of the province, it was further shown that most of these would be benefited. The only business about which there was any doubt was the fruit-growing industry.

The speech of the minister was convincing, albeit lacking in those flourishes of rhetoric and bombast which are features of some political meetings.

RECIPROcity AND FRUIT GROWING.

The cry of certain Canadian politicians that reciprocity would ruin the fruit industry of British Columbia has been taken more or less seriously in Great Britain, from which country many immigrants come here annually to go into the fruit growing business.

Inquiries have been made and the consensus of opinion is that British Columbia fruit is so good that it can hold its own against any competition.

Notwithstanding the tariff, Ontario, the province of Canada supposed to be most hard hit by reciprocity in the present U. S. tariff against fruit, has increased about twenty millions the apple has become more popular as an article of diet, and railway transportation has made its distribution more easy.

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people to eat them. Canada has a rapidly growing population, but the United States has a population of ninety millions already existing, and growing rapidly, too.

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Mr. Edward Grey in his negotiations, but the Conservatives of this country have not enough patriotism to slant party differences on this great question.

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that this should be thoroughly understood by the people at large. The commission confirmed the impression which has long been held that more or less smuggling of Chinamen into the province has been going on.

JAPAN WILL NOT MEDDLE IN MEXICO

Country would cease all efforts to establish a coaling station at Okpanos near Manzanillo, would not seek to secure a naval base at Magdalena Bay and would refrain from all further efforts to colonize the Isthmus of Tehuantepec.

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MEXICO FACES GRAVE CRISIS STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER OF FINANCE

Senior Limantour Surprised at Change of Sentiment Among the People

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Arrangements are being made to hold a defunct and spring flower show on Wednesday, April 19 (Primeiro Day) under the auspices of the King's Daughters.

HEAVY GALE BURST OVER CITY TO-DAY

Wind Blew With Great Velocity From the Southwest—Yucatan Nearly Hit Lorne

Coming on without the slightest warning, a heavy southwest gale accompanied by rain burst upon this city and Vancouver Island early this morning.

FURTHER EVIDENCE IN COAL THEFT CASE

Accused's Solicitor Claims the Prosecution is Trying to Cover Its Own Misdemeanors

Chalmers that F. R. Lehman, formerly the employ of C. W. Kirk, coal merchant, Victoria, West, is being prosecuted in order to cover up charges against his late employer, and to prevent an action being brought.

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Victoria Meteorological Office, 15th St. March 23, 1911. Victoria—No rain; total amount of bright sunshine, 50 hours and 34 minutes; highest temperature, 57 on 15th; lowest, 32 on 11th.

NANAIMO TENNIS CLUB. Nanaimo, March 21.—At a meeting of the Nanaimo Tennis club officers were elected as follows: President—W. A. Schwartz.

FOR SALE—One Jersey cow, cheap (pedigree), several grade cows and four two turf cows for the coming season.

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75 a Day Power Men

At the regular meeting of the Nanaimo Power Men...

CONDITIONS IN CHINA APPALLING MILLION MAY DIE IN ANWHEI PROVINCE

Famished Natives Kill Starving Dogs and Eat Them—Bark Used as Food

HAVE C. P. R. BOUGHT THE OAK BAY HOTEL?

Real Estate Men Are Agitated With Delight at the Prospect

"How long, O Lord, how long," is no longer the question that is agitating the minds of the real estate men of Victoria in regard to the longevity of the boom.

BORDER WARFARE RUINS RANCHERS

Stores and Cattle Taken by Mexican Federal Troops and Insurgents

San Diego, Cal., March 21.—Dilatatory tactics to the Mexican government keeps the border in a state of anarchy...

WHAT RECIPROCIITY MEANS TO CONSUMER

(Continued from page 1)

Reciprocity means to the consumer that he will get a better price for his goods...

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REPLIES TO ATTACK ON EARL GREY

Secretary of Ottawa Overseas Club Writes Regarding John S. Ewart's Letter

Ottawa, March 21.—The secretary of the local Overseas Club has issued a strong letter in reply to J. S. Ewart, S. C., who took exception to Earl Grey's connection with that organization.

CHEAPER POWER

Prince Rupert, March 21.—That the city council is seriously considering the question of water power as a means of lighting the city in the near future was evident from the proceedings at a recent sitting of that body.

BOOKER WASHINGTON ASSAULTED

New York, March 21.—Admitting that he mistook Booker T. Washington, the foremost negro educator in the United States, for a "peeping Tom," and that he gave him a good beating, Albert Ulrich, a carpenter, was arraigned in the West Side police court yesterday on a charge of assault.

BRIEBRY TRIAL

Springfield, Ill., March 21.—The trial of State Senator John Broderick for alleged bribery of State Senator D. W. Holtzclaw to vote for William Lorimer for United States senator began yesterday.

NEPTUNE'S GUNNERS MAKE NEW RECORD

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SEATTLE'S NEW COUNCIL

Seattle, Wash., March 21.—The new city council of nine members recently elected by the reform element went into office yesterday.

WILL VISIT VICTORIA

Regina, March 21.—Premier Scott has this morning returned to Victoria on a holiday. He is expected to visit Victoria on the latter's invitation.

CANADA'S TRADE STILL GROWING

Ottawa, March 21.—The total trade of Canada in eleven months of the fiscal year totalled \$87,377,486, an increase of \$76,739,507, compared with the corresponding period last year.

NUCKET MINE MILL

Nelson, March 20.—That there is sufficient ore ready to be taken out of the workings of the Nugget mine to keep the mill in operation during the three months of April, May and June when the melting of the snow causes the mine to fill with water, and makes operation difficult, was the statement made by W. B. Pool, manager of that well known Sheep creek property.

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BUILDING UP A UNITED CANADA

No Diversity of Interest in Dominion, Declares Hon. Frank Oliver

Montreal, March 21.—"I have no patience with the people who hold that there is a diversity of interest between one class in Canada and another," declared Hon. Frank Oliver, speaking before the Canadian Club yesterday on "The Place of the Northwest in Canada."

CANADIAN NORTHERN WORK IN WEST

Winnipeg, March 21.—The Canadian Northern railway let contracts today for \$8,000,000 for construction this season in western Canada.

WILL CO-OPERATE WITH SIR E. GREY

Permanent Peace Delegation Congratulates British Foreign Secretary

Paris, March 22.—Conversations have been held between President Taft and M. Jusserand, French ambassador at Washington, representing a comprehensive agreement for arbitration between the United States and France.

NATIVE POLICEMEN LOSE THEIR LIVES

Seventeen Perish on Trip With Administration in Jungle of Papua

Melbourne, March 22.—Further news received from official sources in Papua show that the party who aided Mr. Staniford Smith, the administrator, in his explorations in the interior met with many adventures in the course of their journey.

HITS UNCHARTED ROCK

Fishing Steamer Zaporas Bumps Near Port Townsend—Little Damage.

Port Townsend, March 22.—The hull of the steamship Zaporas, of Tacoma, the largest of the Puget Sound fishing fleet, ran on an uncharted rock near Middle Point, five miles west of this place, Sunday morning and sustained injuries which sent her back to her home port for repairs.

NEW CONCENTRATOR

Nelson, March 21.—From Silvertown comes word that the new concentrator which has been erected in connection with the Van Ral silver lead mine has been completed and has started operations.

DIES IN CELL

Winnipeg, March 21.—James C. Patterson, 35, a switchman on the Canadian Northern, died in Winnipeg police station last night. He was picked up on the street by a constable and lodged in a cell as drunk, where he died soon after.

WILL TRY TO MAKE NORTHWEST PASSAGE

Captain Bernie Will Visit B. C. Ports If Trip Proves Success

Ottawa, March 22.—Among the items passed in committee of supply in the House yesterday was one of \$53,000 to provide for maintenance of vessels employed in the patrolling of waters on the northern portion of Canada, also for establishing and maintaining police and customs posts, mainland or islands, as may be deemed necessary.

IN SEARCH OF HEALTH

San Francisco, Cal., March 22.—Permitting to go to the Philippines in an effort to regain his health, a man known as Louis Glass, found guilty of bribery in connection with the granting of a franchise to the Home Telephone Company by Superior Judge Lester, chairman of the Pacific Surety Company signed Glass' bond.

NEGROES ANXIOUS TO REACH ALBERTA

Do Not Take Kindly to Examination by Officials at Emerson

Emerson, Man., March 22.—The special train carrying negroes for points on the Grand Trunk Pacific near Edmonton, arrived here early this morning and contrary to expectations was permitted to pass the boundary unchallenged. The train is now being held while a rigorous inspection by medical officials of the Dominion government is in progress.

THREE TURNED BACK

Gretna, Man., March 22.—A trainload of stock and effects belonging to the party of Oklahoma negroes, who passed across the boundary at Emerson, reached here from the south to-day and was stopped for examination. The three men in whom the train was in charge were examined and declared unfit by Dominion officials. They will be sent back to the States. Meanwhile the trainload of stock will be cared for here pending the arrival of members of the party from Emerson to take charge.

TARGET FOR BATTLESHIP

Cheapeake Bay, Md., March 22.—Just one round of firing from the great guns of the battleship New Hampshire was required here yesterday to put the old battleship Texas, now the San Marcos, out of commission. The guns were trained on the San Marcos to test the new "detached explosive" to be used in the navy. After only one round had been fired, the San Marcos was in an unseaworthy condition.

IMMIGRATION INTO CANADA

Winnipeg, March 22.—Commissioner Walker, of the immigration department, reports that the immigration into Canada in the last ten months was 216,000, of which the United States contributed 102,000.

WILL CHEAPEN COST OF LIVING

VANCOUVER MEETING ENDORSES RECIPROcity

Declaring that reciprocity with the United States would tend to reduce the cost of living in British Columbia, as well as open up new fields for the exportation of raw products from Canada, a largely attended meeting of Vancouver business leaders, presided over by the Vancouver Liberal Association Monday night, passed the following resolution:

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MORE TROOPS FOR MEXICAN GARRISON

Force at Hermosillo Is Preparing for Attack by the Revolutionists

Nogales, Ariz., March 22.—Anticipating an attack by rebels reported to be headed toward Hermosillo, 150 Mexican federal soldiers reached here yesterday en route to reinforce the Hermosillo garrison. They left on a special train following the regular passenger.

CHARGE AGAINST MISSING BANKER

Evidence Will Be Submitted to the Grand Jury at Portland

Portland, Ore., March 22.—For the purpose of securing an indictment still in the hands of the grand jury, Attorney Cameron said to-day that he was preparing evidence to place before the jury to back a charge that Meyers accepted deposits knowing the bank to be insolvent. The grand jury begins its sessions to-morrow.

FAILURE OF BANK BEING INVESTIGATED

District Attorney Hopes Some of Officials Will Shed Light on Affairs

New York, March 22.—In the hope that some of the officers of the Carnegie Trust Company will "squeal" as to the way in which that institution was looted, the indictments returned by the grand jury, it was learned to-day, are being held up by the district attorney's office.

COUNTY COUNCIL FAVORED

New Westminster, March 21.—Several important matters came up for discussion at the regular meeting of the Burnaby board of trade. The pros and cons of the proposed new water system for Burnaby were discussed, and the views of the council were supported.

SENTENCE COMMUTED

Washington, D. C., March 22.—President Taft yesterday commuted the sentence of Thaddeus Potter, of Portland, Ore., who was convicted of complicity in a conspiracy to defraud the government of public lands. The governor of Oregon, many lawyers, and Francis J. Heney, who prosecuted him, recommended clemency for Potter. President Taft commuted his sentence to a fine of \$50 "because he aided the state in the prosecution of more culpable offenders."

RAILWAY REGULATIONS

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It has been decided to amplify the plan of foreshore protection at Dallas, on the section running from Montreal to Menzies street, by the utilization of the groyne system in connection with the sea wall, now a course of construction of the contractors, the Pacific Coast Construction Company. This interesting statement was made to the Times on Wednesday by the city engineer, Angus Smith.

WINNIPEG GRAIN

(Special to the Times) Winnipeg, March 22.—Wheat—May, 32 1/2; July, 34; October, 30; 35c. Cash Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 90c; No. 2 Northern, 85c; No. 3 Northern, 80c; No. 4 Northern, 75c; No. 5 Northern, 70c; No. 6 Northern, 65c; No. 7 Northern, 60c; No. 8 Northern, 55c; No. 9 Northern, 50c; No. 10 Northern, 45c; No. 11 Northern, 40c; No. 12 Northern, 35c.

CHARGE AGAINST MISSING BANKER

Evidence Will Be Submitted to the Grand Jury at Portland

Portland, Ore., March 22.—For the purpose of securing an indictment still in the hands of the grand jury, Attorney Cameron said to-day that he was preparing evidence to place before the jury to back a charge that Meyers accepted deposits knowing the bank to be insolvent. The grand jury begins its sessions to-morrow.

FAILURE OF BANK BEING INVESTIGATED

District Attorney Hopes Some of Officials Will Shed Light on Affairs

New York, March 22.—In the hope that some of the officers of the Carnegie Trust Company will "squeal" as to the way in which that institution was looted, the indictments returned by the grand jury, it was learned to-day, are being held up by the district attorney's office.

COUNTY COUNCIL FAVORED

New Westminster, March 21.—Several important matters came up for discussion at the regular meeting of the Burnaby board of trade. The pros and cons of the proposed new water system for Burnaby were discussed, and the views of the council were supported.

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GRATIFYING REPLY NIGHT'S ANNUAL ELECTION

There was a good annual meeting of the society held last evening at the club library rooms, with a fine attendance. The election of officers was held and the following were elected: President, H. T. Naylor; Vice-President, H. T. Naylor; Secretary, H. T. Naylor; Treasurer, H. T. Naylor; Editor, H. T. Naylor; and Librarian, H. T. Naylor.

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WOMAN IN CHARGE

Prosecuting Officer Accused Shot After Murder

Chicago, March 22.—The prosecuting officer, Schenk, who confessed to the murder of his wife, was shot and killed by a woman, who was charged with the murder. The woman was charged with the murder of Schenk after he had been shot and killed by a woman.

NEWFOUNDLAND

Nineteen Sealers Man Have Sailed for Hudson Bay

St. Johns, Nfld., March 22.—Nineteen sealers man have sailed for Hudson Bay. The sealers are going to the coast of Newfoundland to hunt for seals.

MINERS WILL

Nelson, March 21.—The miners of the coal and coke companies have decided to go out on strike. The strike is being called by the miners because of the low wages they are receiving.

SETTLERS FROM

Calgary, March 21.—A party of settlers from the United States are going to the coast of British Columbia. The settlers are going to the coast to start a new life.

CONCLUDING WORK ON V. & S. DEPOT

Expected That Passenger Station Will Be Completed by May 1

On the first of May the local depot of the Victoria & Saanich Railway will be completed...

The extensive freight shed which is now being erected within the time specified the passenger station...

When the building is completed and all the auxiliary improvements are in operation, the present rough hewn aspect of the depot will be replaced...

LOCAL NEWS

The bank clearing for the week ending March 21 aggregated \$2,758,528.

The C. P. R. will shortly published a magnificent pictorial representation of Victoria which is being reproduced...

The public health is exceptionally good for this season of the year. But four infectious cases are now being treated at the Isolation hospital...

A pleasant social meeting was enjoyed by the members of Court Cariboo and Companions of Par West on Monday night.

Jack Melville, the popular Scotch character and comic singer, is getting up a concert to be given at the G. U. W. hall on April 14.

Over five hundred men are at present employed by the city engineers being executed on the day labor basis.

Repla work is being done by the city assessor, Wm. W. Northcott, who is being assisted by J. A. Griffith and A. H. Mitchell.

It is expected that upwards of 150 candidates will submit themselves for the examination which is being prepared by the surveyor-general and the officers of the British Columbia Land Surveyors' Association.

Robert Grant, who formerly represented Comox in the provincial legislature, has recovered a valuable ring which he lost more than ten years ago.

In furtherance of the cleaning up programme recently inaugurated by the medical health officer, some 150 buildings have been marked for condemnation because of their insanitary condition.

NEW TRAINS TO COAST

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In reliable quarters it is said that the No. 94 and No. 96, the Toronto-Winnipeg express, will run through to the coast and will be strictly first-class train, carrying only standard and tourist sleepers and will have all the luxuries of the Chicago-California train.

There is also a rumor that the C. P. R. will run a through train from Toronto to Winnipeg by way of Chicago and St. Paul.

PREMIER FISHER DENOUNCED

Melbourne, March 22.—Mr. Fisher in his campaign speeches in favor of the referendum policy of the government has startled the Liberal party by saying that if the referendum is not passed "something will happen."

While some profess to regard the Premier's statements as merely campaign dodges, the premier's language is denounced by Liberals throughout the states of the Commonwealth.

COWICHAN BRANCH OF NAVY LEAGUE

Officers Elected at Annual Meeting at Duncan—Public Gathering Proposed

(Special Correspondence)

Duncan, March 21.—The annual general meeting of the Cowichan branch of the Navy League was held in the hall of the Pythias hall on Saturday afternoon with a good attendance of members.

The report of the year's work showed that the Cowichan branch has 140 members and a good financial standing.

The freight shed which abuts on the passenger department is built of steel and is a fine structure that can be run alongside and loaded or unloaded, as the case may be, with the utmost facility.

ENGLISH INVESTORS TO VISIT VICTORIA

Party Represents Millions of Dollars in Quest of Extended Investment

Sir Edward Tennant, who has recently been raised to the peerage, and a party of prominent English capitalists are expected to be in Victoria on Saturday.

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The party recently arrived in Toronto from England and they are at present on their way here. It is understood that several millions of dollars are represented by their combined presence and that they are looking for extended fields of investment for the various concerns in which they are interested.

Marborough E. Pryor is chairman of a life insurance company which has tremendous money power. Mr. Pryor remarked to a friend while in the city that he was amazed at the growth of Canada, and he was convinced that English investors were being added to the list of directors to replace those who have left the city.

ROSTER OF PLAYERS AT LAST COMPLETE

Eleven New Arrivals Yesterday—Practice Games at End of Week

The roster is complete. Every player whom Householder expects to report has appeared and nothing is left but to weed out the crummies.

Ernest Anson, M. Inst. C. E. is a prominent mining engineer. Walter Hargreaves Brown is a son of Mr. Alexander Brown, head of Brown, Shipley & Company.

WASHINGTON LOGGERS OBJECT TO NEW ACT

Required by Law to Clear Land of Brush and Debris After Cutting Trees

Hoquiam, Wash., March 22.—Headed by ex-Senator Polson, who is heavily interested in the lumber business, section two hundred and twenty-eight of the Washington state forestry bill, which was passed by the last legislature and just signed by Governor Hay.

The chief objection the loggers have to the measure is that it requires loggers to clear land of brush and debris after they have cut the timber from it.

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The bout will go for 15 rounds, and the result of it will be watched with great interest, as the two boys are so well matched in age, experience and ability, they are evidently on a level.

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In his annual report, E. F. Giget, the retiring president dealt with the steadily increasing demand for accommodation at the hospital, the large average number of patients treated per day at the hospital during the year, the urgent necessity for a larger and more suitable building and the good financial position in which the institution now stands.

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The filibustering is believed to be the findings along that inland coast, there are good trails to the Gulf side, forty miles across, where the munitions of war could be taken and reshipped safely for the Mexican mainland.

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Prisoners Found Armed for Assault on Wardens and Officers Sunday Morning

A determined and organized break was narrowly averted Sunday last at the New Westminster penitentiary, where the prisoners had conspired to attack and assault the wardens and make an escape from custody.

A band of time-servers were armed with slugs, well-oiled daggers, and had the authorities become acquainted with the plot.

The time selected for the attack of the officials and wardens was shortly after church service on Sunday, and the attack was to have been made in the cell block.

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FIRST SHIPMENT OF WHALE OIL ARRIVES

Petria Also Brings Considerable Gill-Bone—Will Take the Machinery North

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
 Bringing the first shipment of products from the west coast whaling stations, the Canadian Northern Fisheries Company's steamer Petria, Capt. Shadforth, arrived at the outer dock last evening from Sechart and Kyugot. She has ten tons in all, including about 50 barrels of oil and 60 sacks of gill-bone.

Officers of the steamer report that the mammals are not being taken in very large numbers of the coast. Early in the season the whales are wild and when sighting any objects drift off in another direction. The four whaling steamers off the coast, however, have harpooned quite a few but the stations are not working full time.

As soon as the Petria discharged cargo she proceeded to Nanaimo to load bunker coal. On her return she will tie up at the outer wharf again to load machinery and other material for the new Naden Harbor station. The Blue Funnel liner Ningchow, Capt. Allen, which arrived here this afternoon from the Sound, is discharging a number of large winches and machinery brought from the Old Country for the whaling company. It will be trucked from the Holt line across the dock and the Petria will stow it away in her hold.

ASSESSMENT SETTLED

Final Offer of G. T. P. to City of Prince Rupert

It is understood that before leaving for the east D'Arcy Tate, of the G. T. P., obtained the sanction of the provincial government to the agreement to be submitted to the council of the city of Prince Rupert in regard to the taxation and other conditions to which the G. T. P. will be subject in the terminal city. The following is the gist of the agreement:

Fifteen thousand dollars a year for ten years, from January 1, 1910, as taxation.

Proportionate share of local improvement taxes where the railway company's property abuts on to public streets.

The dealing to the city of the various park sites and a lease for city purposes of 200 feet of waterfront, as outlined in the previous agreement.

The proposed agreement also provides that within three months of the signing of the agreement, the company will commence work on a permanent station, round house, engine works, and machine shop, to carry them to completion. It will also pay roll within the city, and within six months to commence the erection of a large first class hotel.

The agreement has to be submitted to the people of Prince Rupert for a vote.

BOOMING BELLA COOLA

Eastern Speculators Tuning Their Attention to Land Sealing in This Province

Eastern Canadian newspapers just to hand contain large advertisements setting out the advantages of Bella Coola farming land, which is offered at \$5 per acre, in the Tatla Lake district. It is said that many settlers are going into the country, which is known to be one of the best agricultural sections of the whole province.

Bella Coola has long been known as one of the best locations for the terminus of a railway. It is situated at the head of work on the Tatla river. It is said to possess superior advantages as a port. The wide publicity which is now being given to opportunities for settlers in British Columbia should result in a considerable influx of people the coming spring.

AUTO FATALITY

Vancouver, March 21.—A coroner's jury made a careful inquiry concerning the death of C. H. Evans, whose skull was fractured by being struck by an auto driven by Mr. H. Tucker on Wednesday evening at Fendley street, near Broughton. The verdict stated that death was due to the accident, the opinion being expressed in a rider that the driver of the auto should have slackened his speed to a greater degree at the point where the accident occurred, and also that he should have applied the emergency brake of the machine.

The current issue of the Canada Gazette contains a copy of a dispatch from the colonial office, interpreting the phrase in the table of precedence for Canada, "archbishops and bishops according to seniority." Rt. Hon. Lewis Harcourt states that he is advised that the phrase should be interpreted as signifying that archbishops, as such, should take precedence of bishops as such; that archbishops should rank among themselves according to date of appointment to the office of archbishops, and that bishops should rank among themselves according to date of consecration.

Building permits have been issued to James Walsh, stable on Hillside avenue, to cost \$400; Charles Cowper, dwelling on Callaghan street; R. Sorenson, dwelling, Michigan street, \$1600; James Mogy, dwelling on Harbinger avenue, \$1800; A. E. Simmonds, stable, Centre road, \$250; W. B. Rivercomb, dwelling on Haultain street, \$1,800; W. B. Rivercomb, two dwellings on Haultain road, \$1500 each; W. W. Carlow, dwelling on Mount Stephen street, \$1600; A. Johns, three dwellings on King's road, \$1500 each; A. R. Anderson, dwelling on Quadra street, \$1600; E. Bunting & Sons, dwelling on Richmond road, \$2500.

The make of gas in England, Scotland and Ireland during 1910 was 159,683,723,000 cubic feet, as compared with 154,464,583,000 in the previous year and this was distributed amongst 6,961,273 customers.

MAY MAKE QUATSINO CENTRE FOR LINERS

C. P. R. to Establish Ocean Port on West Coast—Would Save Much Time

It is rumored in the Terminal city that there is a possibility that the C. P. R., as soon as arrangements could be completed, might change their ocean port from Vancouver to Quatsino Sound, just south of Winter Harbor. It is understood that Edward Bath, one of the highest engineering authorities in England, will be here in the course of a week on his way to Quatsino Sound to investigate conditions as to its suitability as a port for the C. P. R. In addition to the harbor possibility, Mr. Bath is concerned on behalf of other undertakings, having interests in the district of Quatsino Sound.

The object of the proposal is to meet possible competition in the form of the ocean terminus the G. T. P., when completed, would have a Prince Rupert being 500 miles farther north, the latter place is, naturally, a nearer route across the Pacific to the Orient. It would be with the idea of combating this apparent diversion that the C. P. R. are making investigation as to entertaining the question of the "Empresses" docking at a port which would have some thirty-six hours on the schedule time across the Pacific.

The C. P. R. have already the E. & N. railway on the island near completion as far as Alberni. An additional line to Quatsino would not be a long-deferred proposition, if wanted.

It is expected that R. Marpole, of the C. P. R., may have something to say on this subject when he returns next week from his trip to Europe.

BUSY SEASON AHEAD OF B. C. CANNERIES

Preparations Being Made for Greatest Season in History of Province

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
 Preparations are now being made by the cannery companies which operate in British Columbia waters for the most and busiest season, which promises to be the greatest in the history of the province. Indications on every hand point to the season being the most successful ever experienced and one which will go down in the annals of the fishing industry of the Pacific Coast as the best, both through the quality of the fish and the quantity taken.

The steamer Anur is going around to the outer dock to-morrow morning to load 30 tons of fish for Rivers Inlet. This is all consigned to the canneries there, and shows that they intend to make an early start in curing and canning the fish. The British Columbia fish for shipment to all parts of the world. Ready markets for the provincial salmon can be found in any section of Eastern Canada, United States and Europe. The salmon of the coast waters have no equal throughout the world and have made a name which is of great credit to the province.

Other canneries all along the Coast are making arrangements for opening and the rates which will be paid the fishermen this season will be announced very shortly. The canneries are now paying a much higher rate this season than last, but whether the British Columbia companies will do the same is not known. Many hundred white fish and Orientals will be engaged in the work, and they look to making good profits.

All the northern boats will have plenty of work in the numerous canneries. Fishermen anticipate a heavy run of salmon on the coast of the province. Very few fish have been caught in the Straits of Juan de Fuca so far, but within a few weeks they should be running in large schools.

BACK FROM REPORT

Manager of Pacific Coast Construction Company Starts Work on Big Contract

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
 T. Stedham, manager of the Pacific Coast Construction Company, which has been awarded the contract by the Dominion government for the erection of large wharves and a buoy station at the northern port last night, after having put a gang of men to work on the site of the undertaking, clearing the ground and erecting bunk houses.

Mr. Stedham says that conditions at the Pacific terminal of the Grand Trunk Pacific are most promising. The people of the ambitious city are full of hope and enthusiasm and such a situation is in progress. The contract at Prince Rupert returned from many hopes to have its contract with the Dominion government completed by the end of the year. A large force of men will be employed and the job pushed with all vigor.

A feature of the work will be the use in the construction of the wharf of the Ferro-Concrete pile, which the government chose after careful investigation as the type of pile to be used on all public wharf construction in this province hereafter.

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SEAMEN ARE MAKING STRIKE WORLD-WIDE

Tars Want Better Conditions—Cease Work When Notified by Wireless

Advice has been received from J. Havelock Wilson, president of the Sailors' and Firemen's Union of Great Britain, that a strike of the seamen throughout the world on all vessels carrying the British flag will take place on or about May 23, some twelve weeks hence. When the strike order goes out, all British vessels which can be reached by a week on his way to Quatsino Sound may quit as soon as they reach their home ports.

This design, if carried into effect, is bound to exercise an important influence on commercial prices and the carrying trade, perhaps to the extent of enhancing the former and revolutionizing the latter.

Conditions of the sailor's life have been greatly modified of late years by the substitution of steam vessels for sailing ships, at the same time there has been introduced a new class of hardships for seafaring men. This relates to the coal-heavers and passers in steamships, whose tasks are not only severe, but continuous, but distribution with considerable danger and loss of health. It is from these conditions, and especially with regard to seamen on sailing ships and coal passers on steamships, that relief, or rather compensation, is now demanded in the form of increased pay.

On the other hand, the big steamships have so largely absorbed the carrying trade that there is a surplus of tonnage, freights are dull, shipowners are making little or no profits, and the demand for increased pay cannot be met without certain and possibly ruinous loss.

The British and British colonial merchant marine now includes 31,042 steamships and sailing vessels measuring over nineteen million gross tons, and manned by over 300,000 men, of whom some 70 per cent are British and 15 per cent each Lascars and foreigners, the latter consisting largely of Chinese and negroes. It is possible that the Lascars and foreigners are not included in the Seamen's Union. But if all the rest are included it means a strike of a quarter of a million of men, if attended with any success, it can hardly fail to affect freights, if it leads to a lockout, it may have an important effect on the future distribution of tonnage in the carrying trade. With this contingency in view, the following table of gross tonnage at present owned by the principal countries of the world will prove of interest:

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(Times Leased Wire.)

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The former rates, on the steamers Roanoke and George W. Elder, the two vessels operated by the North Pacific Company between San Pedro and San Francisco were \$8.35 first class, and \$7.35 second class. The cut affects its whole coastwise traffic from Los Angeles to Seattle.

The new schedule will be inaugurated with the sailing of the Roanoke from San Pedro, March 23.

After lying idle at her moorings at Seattle since the first of the year, the steamship Latouche, of the Alaska Steamship Company, is now being repaired and placed in commission. She will leave March 25 with canny outfits for various stations in Southeastern Alaska. As yet no regular run has been decided upon for her.

FIRE AT MERRITT

Merritt, March 21.—Merritt's first big fire occurred Thursday night when the large rooming-house belonging to Samuel Contango, was burned to the ground with most of the contents. A coal oil lamp upset in one of the upstairs rooms, and before the flames could be extinguished the situation was beyond control. The loss will reach hundreds of dollars. For a time the whole town was threatened.

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Leaving San Diego last Wednesday the whalers commenced the last stretch of their journey and were again favored with fine weather, making the run in six days. They passed in at Cape Flattery early Tuesday morning, but owing to a misunderstanding in the quarantine regulations they did not reach the inner harbor until late on Tuesday afternoon.

Early this morning the Brown was hauled out on Turpe's ways to be overhauled and placed in condition for the whaling season. The big winches will be immediately installed on deck and the guns set in position at the bow. They will be sent to the new Naden Harbor station upon its completion. These two whalers are the last of the kind which were ordered by the Canadian Northern Pacific Fisheries Company from the Akers-Mek-Vaerstedt ship-building yards in Norway.

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