

## FRENCH CABINET HAS RESIGNED

### ACTION CAUSES POLITICAL SENSATION

#### Premier's Opponents in His Own Party Accused of Plotting Overthrow

Paris, Feb. 27.—Premier Briand and the whole French cabinet resigned at 10 o'clock this afternoon.

The decision to retire was reached on Saturday afternoon at a conference in the premier's office, when the political situation was thoroughly canvassed. The bare majority of sixteen which the government received Friday night in a vote of confidence in the chamber of deputies following the premier's arraignment by the radical socialists, Louis Malvy and Paul Meslin, was a sore blow to the premier and his associates, who had been sustained many times in previous crises by much larger votes. In the end M. Briand said he was "sick of it all."

The decision of the ministry to withdraw has caused an enormous political sensation. The Conservative newspapers declare that the forces of extreme radicalism are triumphing over conservatism and progressive reform, regarding the clerical issue which was raised on Friday as a mere pretext to attain M. Briand's downfall. They point out that it is ridiculous to accuse the man who constructed the separation law of an intrigue among M. Briand's adversaries in his own party, who have been plotting his overthrow since the great crisis in the railway strike and backing the premier's programme of nationalization in laboration in connection with public service corporations.

## NEW TRAIN FOR COAST

### (Special to the Times.)

#### Winnipeg, Feb. 27.—The Canadian Pacific has decided to put on a magnificent through train from Toronto to Vancouver next March. Business is increasing so rapidly that the express cannot even now accommodate passengers arriving here daily by the Toronto-Winnipeg train bound to the Pacific coast points, particularly Vancouver and Victoria.

## FREIGHT CARS WRECKED

### Crushed Down Embankment and Smashed to Pieces.

#### (Special to the Times.)

Toronto, Feb. 27.—Seventeen Grand Trunk railway freight cars, heavily laden, were thrown down the embankment west of the Humber bridge yesterday morning and piled in a heap. Most of the cars were reduced to kindling wood and their contents, consisting almost wholly of iron, was scattered broadcast. Alexander, a sectionman, had his leg broken. The freight was bound from Port Huron to Portland. It was 30 o'clock last night before the line was clear. The monetary loss will reach \$35,000.

## INVESTIGATION IS DEMANDED BY JUDGE

### Woman Declares She Handed Him \$3,000 Before He Sent the Miners to Jail

(Times Leased Wire.)

Denver, Colo., Feb. 27.—District Judge Whitford appeared to-day in the federal court here and demanded a grand jury investigation of statements made before a legislative committee by Mrs. Margaret Miller that she had handed Whitford \$3,000 in cash three days before he sentenced 16 miners to jail for contempt, incurred in violating injunction issued by him.

The statement of Mrs. Miller was made before a committee investigating alleged proceedings brought against Whitford by the Federation of Labor. She alleged that a man, whose name was not revealed, gave her the money and asked her to hand it to Whitford, giving her \$10 for her trouble. She said this man was formerly an agent for the Mine Owners' association of Cripple Creek. She asserted that her conscience inspired her to appear voluntarily before the committee and tell her story.

Mrs. Miller is out of the penitentiary at Colorado Springs, having been sentenced to a term on the charge of having aided Mrs. Sarah Alt of Cripple Creek. Judge Whitford appeared personally in court, received in full the charge made against him by Mrs. Miller and said: "If this charge is true I should not be impeached, but indicted, contrary to the law and sentenced to the penitentiary for the full term of the statutory period."

"Criminal Judge Blais promised to consider Judge Whitford's request."

## EIGHT INDIANS KILLED IN FIGHT

### FOUR OTHERS CAPTURED BY STATE POLICE

#### Two Squaws and Two Children Accidentally Shot During the Battle

(Times Leased Wire.)

Reno, Nev., Feb. 27.—News of a battle between state troops and Indians yesterday at Kelly ranch, 40 miles west of Tuscarora, in which eight of the Indians were killed, four captured and one of the state police, Jack Herdic was killed, reached here to-day. In the fight two squaws and two children were accidentally killed and one squaw and two children were captured.

The band of Indians wiped out in the fight was the one which had murdered four wealthy stockmen in northwestern Tashoe county more than a month ago. Since then, under Sheriff Perrell and officers of the state police have been constantly on their trail, through hundreds of miles of mountain canyons from the scene of the massacre at Little High Rock canyon.

Just at noon yesterday a posse of state police who were striving to cut off the Indians' supplies from the Pyramid Lake reservation to which they were fleeing, came upon the band at Kelly's ranch.

As soon as they sighted the police the Indians opened fire, talking cover behind every available rock and tree. For more than three hours the battle was fought before a rush ended the red men's resistance.

There is no doubt but that the band wiped out was that which killed the stockmen. Watches and property belonging to the massacred victims were found among the Indians' effects after the battle.

When the posse and the Indians clashed, the bucks and police both took to cover and the Indians opened fire at once. Before long their ammunition was exhausted and they fell back upon the bushes and arrows of their bows. The fighting with desperation until all were down and chanting their death songs which rang out above the rattle of their pursuers' rifles.

The end of the fight came with the killing of the last Royal. Military college at Sandhurst and suggests this special inducement will be made in order to fill the commissioned ranks.

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## AERONAUTICS IN BRITISH ARMY

### Over Half Million Dollars for This Branch of Service.

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

London, Feb. 27.—The army estimates for 1911-12 show a total of \$138,450,000. This is \$300,000 less than the estimates for the preceding year. In an accompanying memorandum War Secretary Haldane points out that there is a disquieting shortage of qualified pilots for the Royal Military college at Sandhurst and suggests this special inducement will be made in order to fill the commissioned ranks.

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## DICTATORSHIP PROBABLE

### Will Probably Be Established in Portugal Dictatorship until the Presidential In April

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

Lisbon, via Fuent de Onaro, Spain, Feb. 27.—Ruling of Portugal by a military dictatorship until the presidential election in April is believed to be imminent to-day. Troops sent to suppress Royalist outbreaks are acting with great severity. It is believed that Minister Machado will control the dictatorship if such a regime is established.

## JOURNALIST'S FUNERAL

### (Special to the Times.)

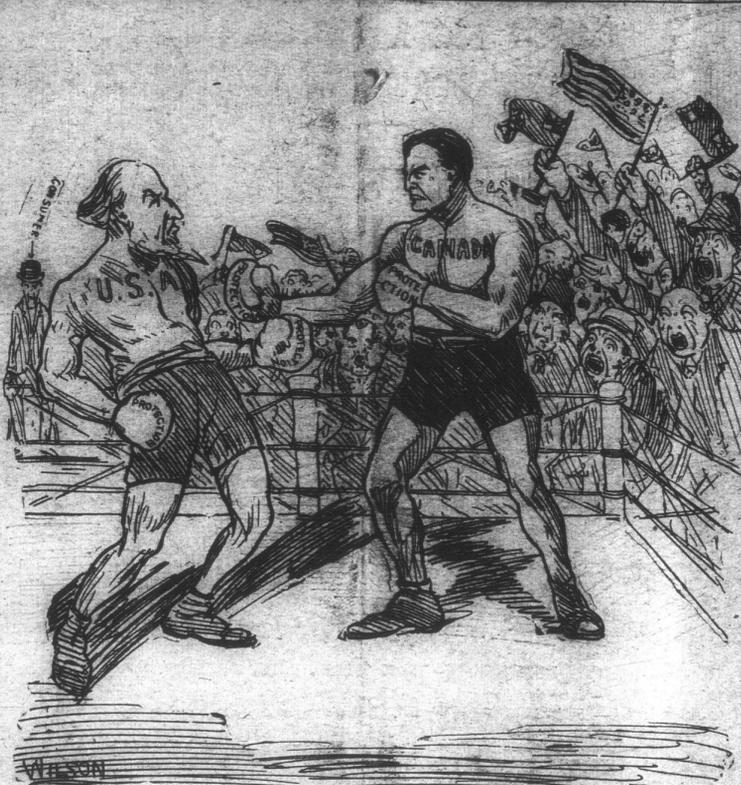
#### London, Feb. 27.—The funeral of the late Chas. R. Robertson, London correspondent of the Canadian Associated Press, who died at Brighton on Wednesday last, took place to-day at Putney, Lord Strathcona, who previously sent a telegram of condolence, was represented. Others who attended were Joseph Martin, M.P., Donald Murray and many Canadian officials in London, together with British and colonial journalists. Beautiful wreaths were sent from all parts.

## FILIBUSTERS CAPTURED

### Five Sailors Are Returned to Flagship by Soldiers.

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 27.—With the capture and the return to the flagship California of five sailors ends the first attempt at filibustering to add the Mexican rebels in lower California to the United States. The California, four men, five cavalrymen and a deputy United States marshal effected the capture south of San Diego. The men were taken to Coronado and returned to the flagship.



JINGO VIEW OF RECIPROCITY. YANKEE PROTECTIONISTS AND STANDPATTERS—Hand him an annexation upper cut, Uncle! BRITISH AND CANADIAN PROTECTIONISTS AND STANDPATTERS—It 'im in the breadbasket, Johnny!

## MUTINY AMONG TURKISH TROOPS

### SOLDIERS FORTIFY THEMSELVES IN PALACE

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

Philippopolis, Bulgaria, Feb. 27.—Mutiny by the garrison of the Yildiz palace, which objected to being sent against the rebels of the Yemen district, is reported to-day in dispatches received here from Constantinople.

With the Yildiz mutineers are a battery of artillery and the rebels are fortifying themselves in the palace against expected attack by a large detachment of troops and police which surround the fortress. A fight is likely to-day.

Little news of the crisis has come out of Constantinople, as the censorship is of the strictest kind. It is believed that the strongest measures will be taken to suppress the revolt, as there is great danger that it may spread from Constantinople to the army.

## FISHERMEN ADRIAT

### ON BIG ICE FLOE

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## WILL KING YET REIGN IN STATES?

### DEBATE ON DIRECT ELECTION OF SENATORS

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—"If we can't govern ourselves, let us have a king," was the meat of an address by Rayner of Maryland, in the senate to-day, speaking to the resolution for the direct election of United States senators.

"I would rather trust the people than a legislature," said Rayner, "and I consider that the carrying out of this resolution would be the greatest political reform in a generation."

"If the people haven't the intelligence to select their own representatives then we had better submit a constitutional amendment and change the government to a monarchy. If the people must have political slave masters, let us invest them with a royal power, for it will have been shown that the republic is a failure."

"One senator has said that the resolution before this chamber would wreck the constitution and founder the ship of state. I venture to say that no amendment will ever be made to the constitution that will impair the spirit of that instrument. The ship of state will easily weather a gale that has practically spent itself in this chamber. It may be necessary to change pilots, to jettison part of the cargo, the shores may be strewn with stranded hulks, but, armed with manhood and courage, the honor of the nation and the ship of state are safe."

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## THIRTY MEN FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH

### Their Ice Boat Falls Into Crevasse in the Caspian Sea

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

Astrakhan, Russia, Feb. 27.—Thirty men who formed the crew of an ice boat on the Caspian sea were found to-day frozen to death.

Their ice boat had plunged into a crevasse, and though the men escaped the water, they froze before they could reach a shore.

## EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS CERTAIN

### VOTE ON RECIPROCITY WILL BE DELAYED

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—Both Republican and Democratic leaders to-day told President Taft that an extra session of congress was inevitable if he is determined to get a vote on Canadian reciprocity.

Senator Bailey declared he would prevent a vote on a permanent tariff board and the regulars have offered to agree if the Progressives, on their part, will permit a vote on reciprocity and on the Lorimer case. As the Democrats intend to filibuster against the Progressive plan, a tie-up seems certain.

By a vote of 66 to 12 the senate this afternoon decided to continue consideration of the Lorimer case, and Senator Crawford commenced speaking. Senator Stone announced that he would address the senate Wednesday.

Senator Jones of Washington "was up a tree" to-day because of conflicting telegrams received from Seattle constituents bearing on the reciprocity measure. He read both in the senate. One message was signed by lumber and logging firms and urged him to support the measure. Another was signed by Seattle bankers, who asked him to oppose the agreement, saying the passage of the treaty would ruin all industries involved.

## WAR ON TRUSTS IN AUSTRALIA

### Minister of Trade and Commerce Says Government Will Take Action

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

Melbourne, Feb. 27.—Declaring that the Australian government "will not permit a repetition of the scandals and the mercenary methods of monopolies in other countries," the minister of trade and customs announced to-day that the government would at once proceed against every trust in operation in the commonwealth.

## MAYOR AND ALDERMEN ARE AGAIN IN OFFICE

### House Passed Enabling Act This Afternoon and His Honor Attended to Give Royal Assent-- Terms of the Bill.

Legislative Press Gallery, Feb. 27.—Victoria is again in possession of a city council, empowered to carry on all the routine of civic business. The very first thing done at the first morning sitting of the House was the introduction by Premier McBride of a bill to provide for a special election of mayor and aldermen for the city, incidental to which the old council is authorized to carry on the affairs of the capital. The bill was put through committee at once, and this afternoon his honor attended and gave the royal assent to it.

The premier, in introducing the bill, spoke of the urgency of the measure, and asked for immediate action on it. The House agreed to, and after first and second readings went into committee on it. The preamble and the sections validating the acts of the council and continuing them in office temporarily are as follows:

"Whereas an election for the purpose of electing mayor and aldermen for the city of Victoria was held on the 12th day of January, 1911, and as the result of such election A. J. Morley was elected mayor of the said city of Victoria, and W. C. Moresby, W. F. Fullerton, W. McKay Ross, Alex Peden, William Gleason, H. M. Fullerton, Geo. Okell, W. H. Langley, W. M. Russell Humber and H. F. Bishop were elected aldermen of the said city of Victoria:

"And whereas the election of the said mayor has been declared invalid by the courts on the ground that the list of voters used in such election was not properly compiled, and therefore not a valid list:

"And whereas the list of voters used for the election of the said aldermen was the same list as was used for the election of the said mayor, and therefore the election of the said aldermen was not valid:

"And whereas it is necessary and expedient to hold as quickly as possible a new election for mayor and aldermen of the said city of Victoria and to compile a new list of voters for the said election, and until such new election to provide for the government of the said city of Victoria:

"And whereas neither the Municipal Elections Act nor the Municipal Clauses Act contain provisions for the compilation of a new list of voters under the circumstances which have arisen, and it is necessary to make special provisions therefor and for the holding of an election on the said new list:

"Therefore, his Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative assembly of the province of British Columbia enacts as follows:

"1. It is hereby declared that the election of mayor and aldermen for the said city of Victoria held on the 12th day of January, 1911, is null and void, and it is hereby declared that the mayor and council for the said city of Victoria, elected in the year 1910, discontinued office on the said 12th day of January, 1911, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in section 86 of the Municipal Clauses Act.

"2. All acts and things done and proceedings entered into, done or passed, and by-laws passed by the said A. J. Morley and W. C. Moresby, W. F. Fullerton, W. McKay, Alex Peden, Wm. Gleason, H. M. Fullerton, Geo. Okell, W. H. Langley, W. M. Russell Humber and H. F. Bishop, shall be deemed to be valid and of full force and effect, notwithstanding anything to the contrary, he deemed to be valid to all intents and purposes whatsoever, just as if the said mayor and council had been properly elected: Always provided, that the same were within the jurisdiction and powers of the said mayor and council if they had been properly elected.

"3. The said A. J. Morley and the said W. C. Moresby, W. F. Fullerton, W. McKay Ross, Alex Peden, Wm. Gleason, H. M. Fullerton, Geo. Okell, W. H. Langley, W. M. Russell Humber and H. F. Bishop shall be deemed to be respectively the mayor and council of the said city of Victoria from the 12th day of January, 1911, until a date to be fixed by the lieutenant-governor in council by proclamation published once in the British Columbia Gazette, upon which date the said offices of mayor and aldermen shall be and become vacant, and during the said period the said mayor and aldermen shall have the same full and complete powers to carry on the following as if the said mayor and aldermen had been duly elected:

"(a) All necessary routine business of the city of Victoria.

"(b) The payment of all city officials and employees and of all moneys payable or to become payable under any contract.

"(c) The payment of all interest and principal falling due in respect of any present indebtedness of the city.

"(d) Works under construction or works already under contract to be constructed.

"Provided that nothing in this clause shall permit the council to enter into any new contract for the undertaking of new work; and further always provided, the said mayor and aldermen shall not have, during said period, any power to pass any money by-laws or to submit the same to the voters of the said city of Victoria."

While acting the mayor and aldermen will be entitled to the usual remuneration. They are declared not to be liable to any penalties for anything done by them from January 12 to February 21. The lieutenant-governor in council may declare their temporary offices vacant as at a date to be fixed by proclamation, and may appoint two dates later than this for nomination and polling days. The mayor and aldermen shall fix the places for holding nominations, the polling places, a returning officer and a deputy returning officer, who shall preside at the respective polling places and shall, previous to the day of nomination, furnish the returning officer with a list of voters for each ward, and otherwise arrange for the holding of the election herein provided for.

Preparing Voters List.

The lieutenant-governor in council shall appoint a commissioner to prepare a new list of voters, upon which the election shall be held, and which, when finally certified by the commissioner, shall be deemed to be absolutely valid, binding and conclusive, and no appeal or application to the courts of any sort whatsoever shall lie to vary, quash, change or question in any way, or to affect the said list of voters. The qualifications of voters are thus set forth:

(a) Any male or female being a British subject of the full age of 21 years who is the registered owner of real estate of the assessed value of not less than one hundred dollars, and who is within the said city of Victoria on the 12th day of January, 1911.

(b) Any male or female who is of the full age of twenty-one years, who is the registered owner of a residential British subject, duly authorized by the directors of an incorporated company which is the registered owner of lands of the assessed value of not less than one hundred dollars, situate within the city of Victoria on the 12th day of January, 1911.

(c) Any male or female being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years who carries on business within the city of Victoria, and is the holder of a trade license the annual fee of which is not less than \$5, for any part of the year 1910, and who duly filed last October the statutory declaration required.

(d) Any male or female, being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, who was a householder within the meaning of the "Municipal Elections Act" within the city in the year 1910, and duly filed last October the statutory declaration required.

After the list has been prepared it is to be posted at the city hall for at least five days before the court of revision. The commissioner shall hold a court of revision at the city hall, with the ordinary powers of that court, and after he has certified the list he shall have it printed. A copy is to be posted up at the city hall and in three conspicuous places in the city, and remain up until election day. The commissioner shall have power to employ and pay all necessary professional and clerical assistance. He is to have free access to all books and documents and the

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## SIR W. MACKENZIE'S VIEWS ON RECIPROCITY

### Does Not Think Fruit Growers Will Be Seriously Affected

#### (Times Leased Wire.)

Winnipeg, Feb. 27.—In a cable received here from Sir William Mackenzie he says his views on the proposed reciprocity agreement have been misrepresented. He is of the opinion that some details of the treaty are good and some are bad. He does not think the fruit growers will be seriously affected and he says the railways will see to it that western Canada will continue to go to the lakes, and not to the American milling centres. He says nothing in the agreement will hurry annexation or affect business between eastern and western Canada.

## CARRIAGE WORKS BURNED

### Montreal, Feb. 27.—A fire caused damage to the extent of about \$20,000. The outbreak started in the Braut carriage works on St. Antoine street. There was a high wind at the time, and the flames spread with great rapidity to the adjoining building occupied by Rousseau Garage Company. There were several explosions of gasoline and a quantity of varnish about the place helped the conflagration. The Negro Club's premises above the works was also entirely burned out.

RAILWAYS MAY ACCEPT DECISION

LIKELY TO ABANDON FIGHT IN RATE CASE

It is Believed in New York Companies Will Retrench to Meet Conditions

(Times Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 25.—Belief is growing here to-day that the railway companies will make no protest against the decision of the interstate commerce commission in refusing to allow advances in rates, and that they will retrench to meet current obligations.

The chief public concern over the situation is whether there will be a reduction of wages to the level prevailing before the recent concessions to employees. In this connection the statement of George F. Beary, president of the Reading railroad, that the working man might suffer from the refusal to allow the rate raise, is causing speculation. Referring to Beary's statement, a prominent labor leader said to-day: "There will be no reduction in wages now. The eastern and most of the western systems have signed up with the various brotherhoods for a term of years. If the railroads violate their contracts, which is unlikely, we will have the biggest railroad strike in history."

The impression among financial men here is that everything will soon be adjusted; that the roads will carry out their contemplated improvements and that no fight for higher rates will be made. The executive officers and chief counsel of the railroads in the eastern classification territory will meet here on Monday and determine what action to take on the interstate commerce commission's decision.

Discussing the interstate commerce commission's rate decision, Stuyvesant Fish to-day declared that the railroads of the country had reached a point where their operating expenses were no longer out of proportion to their gross revenue. The rate decision, he said, betters the plight of the real owners of railroad shares held for investment by stopping the claims of labor for higher wages and by ending the claims of the shippers for anything approaching a general reduction in rates. He endorsed the commission's decision that the existing railroad rates are excessive.

Through statements by prominent railroad attorneys it developed here to-day that the principal business of the conference of railroad presidents here on Monday will be to decide whether to test the constitutionality of the Mann-Elkins law. The railroad lawyers believe that the provision empowering the interstate commerce commission to suspend railroad rates is invalid. On this basis the commission's recent decision will be attacked, if at all.

Meeting in Chicago. Chicago, Feb. 25.—Executives and attorneys for the western railroads are expected to meet here to-day after noon notified the interstate commerce commission that it would abide by the decision and would file new schedules by March 10. The Pennsylvania led in the railroad fight for higher rates in the central classification territory.

The interstate commerce commission to-day suspended rate advances vitally affecting the Tap lines and the coal industry in the west. The suspension of advances on coal shipped from West Virginia to the west and middle west have been postponed until September 5.

New York Market Closes Strong. New York, Feb. 25.—There was no nervousness at the opening of the stock market to-day. Trading was narrow and the fear of sensational railroad developments had disappeared. Quotations were irregular, but the general tone was strong.

At the opening, Southern railway, Southern Pacific and Reading showed fractional losses. Missouri Pacific was 1-2 higher but soon lost its gain. Canadian Pacific advanced two points during the early trading.

The market closed strong. Realizing that all danger of a serious slump had passed the big financiers rushed to get their money out of the market. As a result, New York Central, Missouri Pacific, Reading and other prominent issues declined nearly a point from yesterday.

CHAMPION WILL FIGHT. Champion Jack Jackson, who is at present in California, declared he would fight Sam Langford, victor over Lang in London, anywhere and at any time three months after his terms were met. Regarding the terms he demanded a guarantee of \$30,000 as his share of the purse. He also said he would insist upon an American referee if the fight should be held in London. Johnson added that he had not changed his opinion regarding Langford's ability.

LIBERAL ELECTED. London, Feb. 25.—The bye-election for the Forest of Dean division of Gloucester, vacant by the death of Sir Charles Dilke, resulted as follows: Webb, Liberal, 514; D. H. Kyd, Unionist, 3,106; majority, 3,068.

U. S. TREATY WITH JAPAN RATIFIED

PASSES THE SENATE WITHOUT ROLL CALL

Western Senators Decide Not to Stand in Way of the New Agreement

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—The new Japanese treaty of trade and navigation was ratified last night after a two hours executive session of the senate. While the apprehension of western senators that the treaty might let down the bars to coolie labor was not entirely removed, these senators contented themselves with expressing their solicitude. They interposed no objections to ratification.

The action in promptly confirming the new agreement is expected to do more to prove the feeling of cordiality that this country has for Japan than anything done for many years. The effect will be to permit Japan to enter at once upon a reorganization of its financial system and the making of new tariffs with all nations. Japan's treaties with other powers are to expire July 17. That with the United States, by reason of its later ratification, would have continued until the same date a year later had not been. If the government consented to its expiration at the same time as the others.

When the new treaty was received from the president on Tuesday, it immediately became the subject of wrangles. Pacific coast senators feared it might have an effect on the labor situation on the western coast, by reason of the omission of the clause in the treaty of 1894, which it supersedes, recognizing the right of this government to pass an exclusion law. Friends of the treaty explained that the diplomatic notes accompanying it definitely pledged the Japanese government to prevent an influx of undesirable coolies through the rigid scrutiny of all passports. An alien without a passport would of course be liable to deportation.

The California senators, it is said, became satisfied early that the change would not menace the labor situation in their state. Several other western senators became alarmed, however, at what seemed to them unseemly haste in pressing the senate to act. They desired sentiment to crystallize in their states and therefore prevented action for three days.

Supporters of the treaty endeavored to show that the presence of the clause in the treaty of 1894 was obnoxious to the dignity and pride of the Japanese Empire, especially as neither it, nor any similar clause, is in any treaty with another country. It was argued further that the existing treaty would have expired in another year and this country could not hope to induce Japan to sign a new treaty containing such a clause.

After a full discussion, the western senators said they would not stand in the way of ratification, which was accomplished without a roll call.

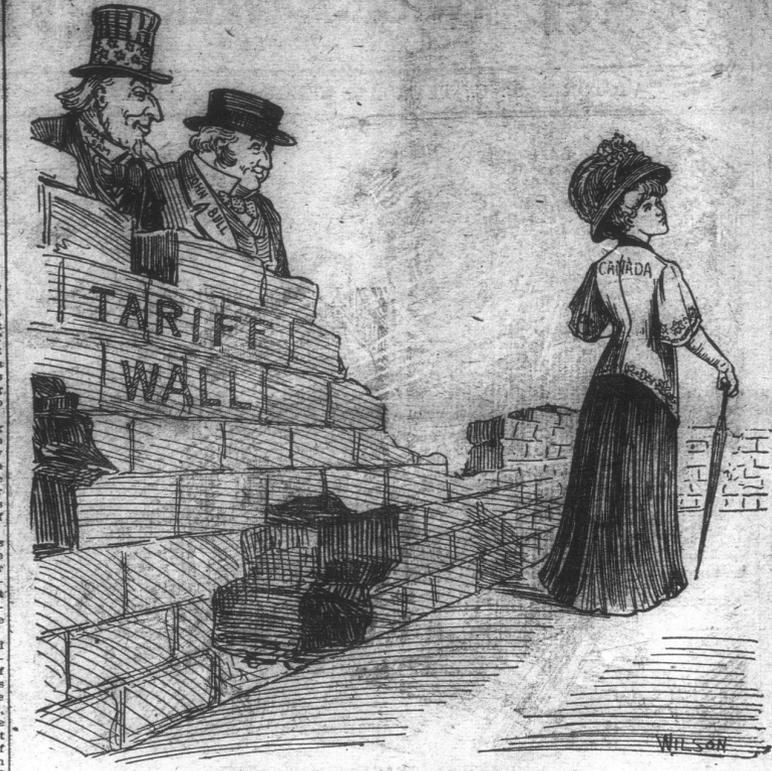
NO MORE RIDING ON FRONT PLATFORMS

B. C. Electric Announces Edict Barring Passengers From That Part of the Car

In implementation of an advertisement which appeared in another part of the Times, A. T. Goward, local manager of the British Columbia Electric Railway, wishes the fact to be made known to the public that on and after March 1 passengers will not be allowed to ride on the front platform of any of the company's cars. This action is being taken in obedience to one of the provisions of the new provincial railway act.

It will be observed by cute side-steps of the law, however, that nothing is said against promenading the rear platform, and in all probability this fascinating portion of the street car will be taxed to capacity in the future. The sum of human freedom is that which is not prohibited by statute; and sailing close to the wind, if the expression may be permitted in such a land-lubbing connection, is always an engrossing pastime.

There can be no doubt that the front platform on the cars was as popular as the observation room on a steamer, and the edict barring it from further trespass will be a keen disappointment to the smokers, whatever advantages it may mean for the much-harassed motorman and safety to passengers—although, by the way, the latter have never suffered from any act of the man at the switch handle by the long existing measure of liberty.



RECIPROCITY—FROM A SANE POINT OF VIEW.

UNCLE SAM—Tarnation fine gal, that, Johnny; but mighty peart and darned independent. JOHN BULL—She is that Sammy, my lad. Bound, as she says, to be mistress in her own house. And, after all, can you blame her, Sammy; can you blame her? UNCLE SAM (wistfully)—No, Johnny, to be honest with ye, I don't believe I kin. 'And if our fortunes cannot be jined, let us two not forget that the gal has been instrumental in removing all the misunderstandings that have existed in our minds and killing the prejudices that have rankled in our breasts for more than a century.

THREE PERSONS LOSE LIVES IN FIRES

Woman Returns to Burning House for Valuables and is Overcome by Smoke

(Special to the Times.) Dauphin, Man., Feb. 25.—The dwelling house of Geo. W. Fulford, ten miles northeast of here, was burned last night, and Mrs. Mary Fulford, aged 76, was burned to death. She was the only person in the house at the time, and was the first to give the alarm. Her son Hiram, who lives nearby, hurried to the scene. The deceased carried the house to secure some valuables and was overcome by the smoke, and perished before she was missed. The charred body was recovered this morning. She came from Port Hope, Ont., and leaves three sons.

Two Perish. New Glasgow, N. S., Feb. 25.—John McDonald, aged 78 years, and Annie, his sister, aged 76 years, perished last night when their home caught fire at Irish Mountain, near here. The body of John McDonald was recovered, but that of his sister is still in the glowing debris of their dwelling.

HOLD-UP MAN DIES FROM HIS WOUNDS

John Ford, Who Killed Seattle Policeman, Passes Away in Hospital

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25.—Just before he died of the stroke of midnight last night, John Ford, hold-up man who figured in the desperate battle with the police Thursday night in which he shot and killed Patrolman Davis, and Davis, with his last bullet wounded him fatally, called a nurse to send a message to his mother.

"She is Mrs. B. Ford, of 334 Central avenue, Cleveland," he gasped. "Tell her I'm sorry that I turned out bad. But I was out of work and ran across this other hold-up man and he told me we could make some easy money." Ford is only 22 years of age.

TO ENLARGE PLANT. Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 25.—The Oliver Chilled Plough Works Co. of Canada, which has secured a permit to erect a \$200,000 building, will, it is announced, spend \$600,000 on its local plant.

DECLARES ASQUITH MISLED COUNTRY

HON. H. CHAPLIN ON TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

London, Feb. 25.—Right Hon. Henry Chaplin, speaking at Wimbledon, strongly objected to Ambassador Bryce aiding or facilitating the reciprocity treaty. Premier Asquith had said Ambassador Bryce had had nothing to do with the negotiations, but unfortunately such a statement was in direct conflict with that of Mr. Fielding. It was not the first time Premier Asquith had made statements by which the country and parliament were entirely misled.

Earl Beauchamp, speaking before the City of Bristol club, said that to describe the reciprocity agreement as an imperial disaster, as Mr. Balfour had described it, was not merely an exaggeration but a great misfortune.

Col. Seely, colonial under-secretary, described Mr. Balfour as coming an imperial cropper. Col. Seely regarded the agreement as a source of immense strength to the British empire and a further guarantee of peace to the whole world.

Vancouver, Feb. 25.—The resolution of Messrs. H. A. Stone and J. N. Harvey, condemning the reciprocity arrangement with the United States, was last night defeated by a vote of 10 to 7 at a sparsely attended meeting of the Vancouver board of trade. Some other fascinating portion of the street car will be taxed to capacity in the future.

FACE INDICTMENT. Portland, Ore., Feb. 25.—Scores of prominent Portland men, including E. S. Joselyn, president of the Portland Railway, Light and Power company, Tom Richardson, former manager of the Commercial club; C. A. Whitmore, G. A. Himes, the historian, and many others are facing indictment at the hands of the county grand jury as a result of the lively mill between Bud Kruger of Oakland and Lee Ward of Portland, at the banquet of the Pacific Coast Printers' congress, held in the Commercial club last night. The grand jury began an investigation of the fight to-day and will call witnesses Monday to testify what took place at the banquet given the leading employing printers of the Pacific coast and which was attended by a large number of local men who are prominent in the state and city.

TWO KILLED IN RAILWAY ACCIDENT

Train Jumps Tracks—Passenger Coach and Four Cars of Lumber Destroyed

(Special to the Times.) Halifax, Feb. 25.—Two persons were killed and scores of others injured, some seriously, last night when the Halifax and Westchester mixed train from Fort Wade and Middleton jumped the rails at New Germany Junction. The dead are: Owen McLaughlin, baggage-master; L. Sargent, Bridgewater, brakeman.

One passenger car and four cars of lumber went over the steep embankment and the wreckage took fire.

EIGHTEEN MINERS KILLED. Bridge Breaks and Trains Falls 150 Feet to Bottom of Ravine. Valparaiso, Feb. 25.—A railway train made up of eight cars in one of which were eighty miners, and the others loaded with cement, broke through the Banagua bridge near the American Braden Copper mines. The bridge crosses a chasm 150 feet deep, and the train fell to the bottom. The miners were all Chileans. Eighteen of them were killed and the remainder injured. The only American hurt is Engineer Albert Bragenton of San Francisco.

LYDD GEORGE IS AGAIN INDISPOSED

Chancellor of Exchequer is Confined to House—Condition Causes Anxiety

(Times Leased Wire.) London, Feb. 25.—As a result of participating in the debate in the House of Commons on the veto bill, Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd-George is to-day confined to his home with neurasthenia. His friends are alarmed.

PREVENTS CLOSING OF SCHOOL. Medford, Ore., Feb. 25.—To prevent the closing of the school at Prospect over which she presides because of lack of the necessary five pupils, Mrs. Gertrude Foster has imported two of her younger sisters. As a result school at Prospect is in daily session, despite the fact that the cold winter drove a number of residents with their families into the valley.

NATIVE DWELLINGS BURNED. Manila, Feb. 25.—Three hundred native dwellings in Tondo, a suburb of Manila, were destroyed by fire to-day. The Mary Johnson hospital was heavily damaged.

RECIPROCITY BILL BEFORE SENATE

NORTH DAKOTA SENATOR ATTACKS MEASURE

Declares Northwestern States Will Suffer If Agreement is Ratified

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 25.—Taking the stand that the ratification of the Canadian reciprocity measure would do great harm to the northwestern states, Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, this afternoon denounced the proposed treaty in the senate. "By ratifying that treaty," he said, "you will strike the cereal and stock interests of the northwestern states a staggering blow, but they will arise and return the blow with compounded interest. It will not be to the advantage of manufacturers to gain by reciprocity at this time. The adoption of the reciprocity principle will settle the great fundamental policy of the United States. The logical development of that policy will be a swift stroke of retributive justice to the manufacturers now urging the change. The protection of the propriety of taking up the tariff proposition, schedule by schedule and subject by subject will vanish."

McCumber declared that the protective idea would be crushed to death by outraged farmers. He said the newspaper attacks on Payne, Aldrich and Cannon were responsible for the reciprocity treaty and that protection must stand as a whole or fall as a whole.

McCumber predicted that if the reciprocity agreement was ratified, American exportation to Canada would be increased \$15,000,000 annually, but the American importations from Canada would reach \$150,000,000.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS. (Special to the Times.) Toronto, Feb. 25.—Among the appointments made by the grand se of the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons this morning, are: Grand master of second ward, John H. Root, Vancouver; grand organizer, John Black, Dawson; grand stewards, A. D. Dickson, Westaskin; R. E. Pevman, Rossland; B. C. and J. R. Anderson, Arcoia, Sask.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT. (Special to the Times.) Whittemouth, Man., Feb. 25.—Louis Grabke, a farmer, was accidentally shot by a young lad named Snell, with whom he was shooting at marks thrown up to the air to-day. Snell handed the rifle to Grabke, muzzle first, after having fired and loaded the magazine. It was accidentally pulled, and the charge entered Grabke's side. He staggered to the house crying out, "I'm shot," and fell dead at the threshold.

SEVENTEEN MEN KILLED IN MINE

Bodies of All Victims of Accident in Nevada Have Been Recovered

(Times Leased Wire.) Tonopah, Nev., Feb. 25.—With the recovery to-day of two more bodies from the Belmont mine, the total now totals 17. Shortly before noon a rescuing party found the body of Frank Burke, a shift boss, lying at the bottom of the 1,100-foot level, and that of an unidentified Slav in a stoke-hole just above the 1,100-foot level.

Rescuers to-day made a complete search of the mine, but no other victims were found. With the finding of the bodies of Burke and the Slav it is believed all the missing men are accounted for.

A coroner's jury will be called this afternoon to view the remains and an inquest will be held either Sunday or Monday. With the fire out and the smoke and gas rapidly clearing, the officials expect to resume operations on Monday.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY. Ireland Defeats Scotland by Sixteen Points to Ten. (Special to the Times.) Edinburgh, Feb. 25.—In the International Rugby match here to-day Ireland beat Scotland by 16 points to 10. Wales and Ireland are now tied with two wins each. They play March 11.

INSURGENT TO BE TRIED. Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 25.—Private dispatches received from Calexico state that Fernandez Palomares, an insurgent, who was taken to Calexico for treatment, has been turned over to the United States authorities to be prosecuted, probably on a charge of inciting an armed expedition against a friendly nation. It was stated he would be brought to Los Angeles at once.

RUSSIAN CONSULS. St. Petersburg, Feb. 25.—China, through her minister here, has given verbal assurance to the Russian government that no obstacles will be placed in its way for the immediate appointment of consuls in Mongolia.

PLANS FOR THE NEW UNIVERSITY

HON. DR. YOUNG GIVES HOUSE AN OUTLINE

Grounds and Buildings Are Described—Denies That Party Friends Got Information

Legislative Press Gallery, Feb. 25. In an interesting speech this afternoon Hon. Dr. Young, minister of education, gave the House an outline sketch of the plans for the University of British Columbia, which he hopes to see become an institution of learning second to none in the world.

Not the least important portion of the minister's speech was that in which he explained how it is proposed to bring the benefits of the university to those who are not able to attend its classes. Dr. Young spoke on the second reading of the bill which gives authority to the lieutenant-governor-in-council to grant certain lands at Point Grey as a site for the university. He described the site, its natural advantages and its conveniences. The reason for the preservation of foreshore was for the preservation of any commercial enterprises establishing plants along the waterfront of the university grounds, which it was desired to preserve for the houses, etc., in connection with the institution. The site itself comprised 100 acres of the most beautiful portion of this most beautiful province of British Columbia. The appearance of the university in its majestic setting would fittingly mark it to arrivals by sea and by land, too, be duly impressed with the confidence shown by the government in the province's future in this setting aside so beautiful a site as well as in making so generous a gift of land for the university. A sum of \$5,000 had also been appropriated for competitive plans for the university buildings. It was not yet exactly decided what form this competition would take, but it would be open to all, or certain architects well known to specialize in such magnificent undertakings.

Speaking incidentally of the choice of site, Dr. Young said the commission had received a number of suggestions, but had heard representations of boards of trade and other representatives of the various communities, and had returned with their report to the government. There was a severe time for the province, and the province, among the people and the newspapers as to the site that would be chosen, and one paper had given to the public intimations that such inside information was being given to those close to the government as to the location that had been or would be chosen. He took the present occasion to publicly state that there had been at any time any information in this connection given out to any friend of the government, or any opponent of the reciprocity treaty, or any citizen, prior to the public disclosure of the contents of the final report.

At the time the commission had completed its labors he had been held by the secretary of the commission, what had been informed by the interim report recommending certain alternative sites. This he had handed back to the commission secretary at the same time asking him to retain it and asking the commission to complete its work, complying with the provisions of the act as to the selection of the site, and recommending it to the public, at all events the location or locality. Several months later he had received from the secretary of the commission its report, which was found to bear date of June 25, the day when the proffered interim report was given to the public through the chief, the premier, and as the lieutenant-governor was at the time out of the city, it had been put in the pocket of one being advised of its contents, and when his honor had returned it was at once laid before him, and the contents as soon as possible thereafter given to the public through the medium of the press, a fac simile of the complete report, indeed, being printed in one of the newspapers. There had been no justification for any of the allegations relating to the commission's report, and no legitimate reason for the same being taken in this connection by the Times.

In calling for competitive plans for the university, the architect would be instructed to provide for from 20 to 30 buildings in addition to those which would be erected by the various theological institutions. One of the most important of these will be devoted to the liberal arts and science, with provision for schools of music, of art, of agriculture, of domestic science and of veterinary science.

It was not intended to allow the university to form the nucleus of a central farm, in connection with an agricultural college laboratory, would naturally be located in close touch with the university and its work. In connection with the work of the agricultural college it was hoped that there might be developed a comprehensive scheme by which a general agricultural training might be made a feature of the high school work throughout the province. There would also be at the university a stock pavilion. There would be a college of mining, in connection with which latter the government was

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RECIPROCITY IS RETURNED TO BY FINANC

Grand Trunk Believes Agreement is Good

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C. The finance committee of the reciprocity bill yesterday.

The committee first to report either favorably or the reciprocity members then decided to return the bill to the recommendation.

Will Not Go. Sacramento, Cal., members of the California reciprocity plan is to who are wondering has been forthcoming. Mr. Perkins' telegram advice of his constituents. The only information the assembly federal is that the member privately with Perkins as he sees fit. It is explained, the leg on record and later.

Field For. London, Feb. 24.—chairman of the Granding at a meeting of the American holders, said an agreement, that all be some dislocation interests for a time, he on Canada as a whole. They could not be would be the effect, intercourse between in Canada and 2400 States. He predicted capital from C for all this work would be selected, some investments in the way.

Toronto, Feb. 24.—P. O. C. He predicted one of illness Empire Club of York his address, J. I. Somers, of the Toronto Liberal Association, reciprocity. A 1900 the reciprocity agreement, in the opinion members it was inadvisable to pass a resolution that was deferred for a while the executive will delay the club to vote. By a vote of 18 to 10, the club decided to bring here yesterday a resolution condemning reciprocity agreement. The resolution is a lengthy document.

KILLED BY Real Estate Agent of North Vancouver. Vancouver, Feb. 25. Pollok, a real estate agent, was killed by a wheel at least cutting through his body, and cut off at the thigh, lower down. The left leg was severed at the right arm was put in the street, all that remained of the dead, and it is supposed was attempting to cross when the train struck. The first intimations that some was the shooting of Jackson, who fled to a house, and was seen fluttering round the bones. He leaves a wife and three children. He was aged 42 and his residence tenth street east.

SURRENDERS TO Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25. man, one of the Mac sporting promoters, the federal authority walked into the U.S. office yesterday self up. The man escaped Marshal last June. He visited a hospital and managed to escape door. The man is

MAY BUY IR U.S. Government Will Offer for Union Franco.

San Francisco, Cal. the United States go chase the plant of the in San Francisco, by Schwab, rests largely believed. When Sec. Stuyvesant visited here in support needed the building and complete was believed here. It would ask congress appropriation for its purchase that for \$3,000,000 the plant came direct conveyed the "inform close people interested.

RECIPROCITY BILL IS REPORTED

RETURNED TO SENATE BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

Grand Trunk Chairman Believes Agreement Will Have Good Effect

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., Feb. 24.—The senate finance committee to-day reported the reciprocity bill without recommendation.

The committee first voted 7 to 1 to report either favorably or unfavorably on the reciprocity agreement. The members then decided unanimously to return the bill to the senate without recommendation.

Will Not Go On Record. Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 24.—That some members of the California legislature are suspicious of President Taft's reciprocity plan is the belief of many who are wondering why no resolution has been forthcoming in response to Senator Perkins' telegram asking for the advice of his constituents.

The only information available from the assembly federal relations committee is that the matter was taken up privately with Perkins. It is reported that some of the members that a dispatch was sent to Perkins telling him to vote as he saw fit. By remaining silent, it is said, the legislature will not go on record and later regret its action.

Field For Investment. London, Feb. 24.—A. W. Smithers, chairman of the Grand Trunk, president of a meeting of the English shareholders of American and British shareholders, said in a speech regarding the reciprocity agreement, that although there might be some dislocation of individual interests for a time, he thought the effect on Canada as a whole must be good.

He pointed out that the reciprocity agreement would mean the effect of free commercial intercourse between 8,000,000 people in Canada and 94,000,000 in the United States. He predicted a great demand for new election machinery, and that all this work would form, if properly selected, some of the finest investments in the world.

Toronto Resolutions. Toronto, Feb. 24.—A. S. Goodeve M. P. of British Columbia, was unable to attend the meeting of the Empire Club yesterday. In place of his address, J. I. Allan and G. T. Somers, of the Toronto Board of Trade, both leading Liberals, spoke against reciprocity. A resolution condemning the reciprocity agreement was proposed but in the opinion of a number of members it was inadvisable to consider any such resolution.

A resolution condemning the proposed agreement with the United States, the resolution is embodied in a lengthy document. KILLED BY TRAIN. Real Estate Agent Cut to Pieces Near North Vancouver Ferry.

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Edward Thomas Pollok, a real estate agent of North Vancouver, was literally cut to pieces under the wheels of a freight train, just opposite North Vancouver ferry, of eight cars which formed the train as it passed over the deceased, once wheel at least cutting right across the middle of his body. The right leg, just above the knee, and was nearly cut lower down. The left leg was also completely severed at the knee, and the right arm was cut off near the elbow.

Eleven Perish in Nevada Mine. Rescue Party Will Probably Save Five Men Who Are Still Entombed.

(Times Leased Wire.) Tonopah, Nev., Feb. 24.—With eleven dead bodies reported recovered, the fire in the Belmont mine was practically out before noon to-day and there were strong hopes that the five men still in the mine would be rescued.

Shrivers to Authorities. Seattle, Wash., Feb. 24.—Darby Thielman, one of the Maybray gang of fake hooding promoters, is in the custody of the federal authorities to-day. He was taken into the United States marshal's office yesterday and gave him a statement.

May Buy Iron Works. Government Will Probably Make Offer for Union Plant at San Francisco.

Spokane, Feb. 24.—Officials of the North Coast line to-day authorized a statement that construction work on forty miles of the new line of the North Coast between Spokane and Ayr Junction, where it will connect with the O. W. R. & N., will be begun immediately.

Fugitive Captured. Seattle, Wash., Feb. 24.—Fred Alvadore, wanted here to answer to a charge of smuggling opium, has been arrested at San Antonio, Texas, and a United States deputy marshal will leave for that city to-day to bring the fugitive back to this city for trial. Alvadore was out on a \$750 bond in 1909.

U. S. WILL NOT DISCRIMINATE

DETAILS OF NEW TREATY WITH JAPAN

Text of Promise to Limit Immigration of Japanese Laborers

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, D. C., Feb. 24.—That Japan, under President Taft's new treaty, now awaiting ratification, will not be discriminated against, but will enter the "most favored nation" class as regards the United States, is revealed here to-day by publication of the tariff paragraph of the treaty. It says:

"Important duties on articles, products or manufactures of either high contracting party upon importation into the territories of the other party, shall be regulated either by special arrangement between the two countries or by the internal legislation of each."

It adds that neither nation shall discriminate against the other in export duties, and adds: "Nor shall any prohibition be imposed by either country on the importation or exportation of any article from one to the territories of the other which shall not equally extend to like article imported from or exported to any other country."

"The last provisions, however, shall not be applicable to any prohibition or sanitary measures for the protection of animals or useful plants."

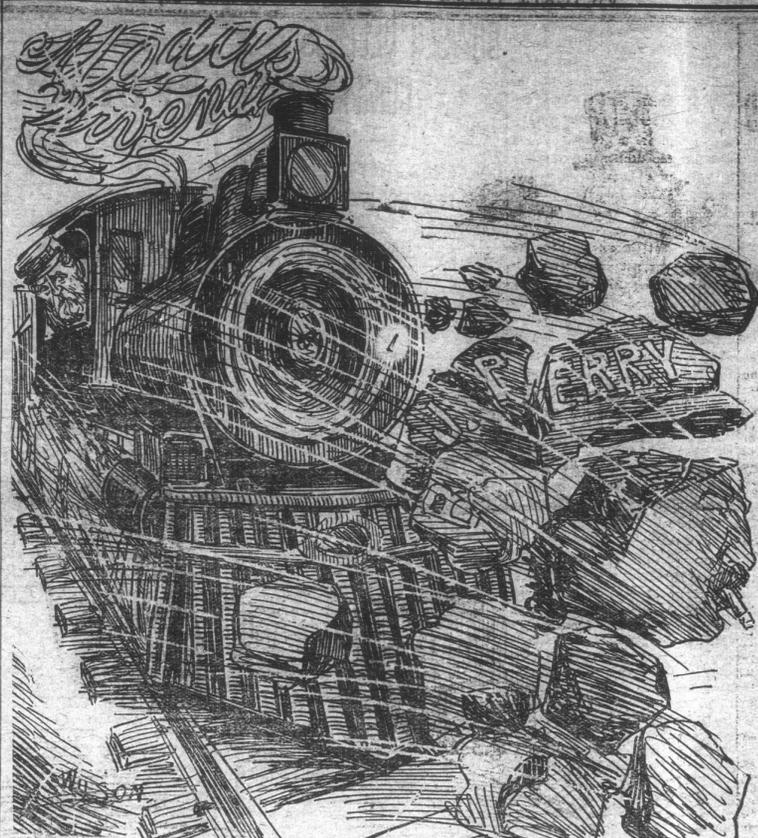
Referring to patent rights, the treaty says: "Citizens or subjects of each party shall enjoy in the territories of the other the same protection as the native citizens or subjects regarding patents, trade marks or designs upon the fulfillment of such formalities as the law prescribes."

The text of Japan's promise to limit the immigration of laborers into the United States, which is applied to the treaty is published here to-day by the administration. It says:

"In proceeding this day to sign a treaty of commerce and navigation between Japan and the United States, the undersigned Japanese ambassador, duly authorized by his government, declares that the Imperial Japanese government is fully prepared to maintain with effectiveness the limitation and control which they have exercised for the past three years in the regulation of the emigration of laborers to the United States."

Equality of the right to reside, conduct business or travel in the other country is guaranteed to the citizens of each, and the same trading and navigation rights as were contained in the former treaty are renewed. It is also provided that ratifications shall be exchanged within three months of the date of the treaty being signed.

TRAINS COLLIDE. Macleod, Alta., Feb. 24.—The south-bound passenger train from Calgary collided with a way freight at West Macleod Junction shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday. Both engines were scrapped and a dozen freight cars were wrecked, while the tracks were blocked for several hours. There was no one seriously injured, but the damage to rolling stock was heavy.



MUNICIPAL TRACK CLEAR AGAIN. B. J. P. (between puffs)—I did not expect such summary treatment from my friends. Base ingratitude, I call it.

NEW MOVE FOR CHURCH UNION

PRESBYTERIANS ARE FORMING ORGANIZATION

Other Denominations Will Probably Take Similar Action

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, Feb. 24.—A movement which will undoubtedly take rank as one of the most important in the history of the churches of Canada for many years was launched yesterday afternoon when at a meeting of about 50 representative ministers and laymen of the Presbyterian churches of Toronto and other centres here a strong organization to be known as the Presbyterian Association for the federal union of the churches was effected.

The movement is the outcome of a decided dissatisfaction with the proposed basis for organization of the Protestant churches, and if hopes are realized similar organizations will soon spring up in the Anglican, Methodist, Baptist and Congregational churches.

The view that obtained among these present was unanimously in favor of a federation of all the Protestant churches that would make for the solution of the social problems of our large cities, that would prevent overlapping in the home and foreign mission fields, and that would stand for organic unity among three denominations merely, and not four.

AVIATION FIELDS. San Diego, Cal., Feb. 24.—The Aero Club of San Diego, which is financing Glenn H. Curtiss' aviation school for army and navy men here, is considering a new proposition. It is proposed by V. M. Griffin, director of the Aero Club of California, and Frank T. Seagriff, director of the local club, to organize aviation enthusiasts in nearly every town in Southern California as the first step toward establishing a chain of aviation fields that will average about 30 miles apart between here and Los Angeles. It is figured that any aviator can easily make 30 miles, and that air-touring can be made as popular in California as automobile touring.

SEEKING DIVORCE. Paris, Feb. 24.—Baroness Vaughan, the morganatic wife of the late King Leopold of Belgium, has commenced divorce proceedings against Emmanuel Duxoux, a merchant, to whom she was married at Arronville, August 18 of last year. A formal attempt made by the judge to reconcile the couple failed.

SEATTLE WATER SUPPLY. Washington, D. C., Feb. 24.—The House bill permitting Seattle to purchase 2,000 acres of public land in the Cedar river basin and complete the city's control of its water shed passed yesterday. The price will be fixed by estimate. The minimum value of the timber is said to be \$1.25 per acre. The government is to retain title to the minerals in the land.

POLICEMAN KILLED BY HIGHWAYMAN

Fatal Fight in Seattle—Two Thugs Are Wounded and One May Die

(Times Leased Wire.) Seattle, Wash., Feb. 24.—Patrolman Jason T. Davis, dead. John Ford, 22, one of the bandits, wounded in a pistol duel, is dying and will not survive the day, physicians say.

Axel Nist, 27, hold-up man, bullet in hips, at hospital. Patrolman Herbert Smith, uninjured. Two policemen and two hold-up men met on a quiet corner in the heart of the Capitol Hill residence district just after dark last night, and had a duel to the death. The patrolmen won, but at a fatal cost.

Patrolman Davis went down at the first shot, but Smith, his room mate and best friend, avenged his death, capturing both hold-up men, fatally wounding one and crippling the other. Smith's first bullet struck down John Ford, who had just shot Davis. Axel Nist, Ford's companion, whose picture is in the rogues' gallery, fled, but was crippled two blocks away by the pursuing patrolman.

All the men were in citizens' clothes, so that spectators, as there were several at that early hour, did not know who were police and who were highwaymen. Smith had snatched Ford's deadly automatic gun from him as he fell, and so that spectators, as there were several at that early hour, did not know who were police and who were highwaymen.

RESIGNS CHAIRMANSHIP. Mr. Vautault, of Quebec Bridge Commission, Retires Owing to Ill Health.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Feb. 24.—The report that Chairman Vautault of the Quebec bridge commission has resigned, is confirmed. It is understood that his resignation is due to ill-health. Mr. Vautault had expressed a desire to drop out on a number of occasions owing to the physical strain the work entailed.

CUBANS CELEBRATE. Havana, Feb. 24.—The anniversary of the commencement of the insurrection against Spain, which, with the later intervention of the United States, resulted in throwing off the Spanish yoke, was celebrated by Cubans to-day.

NEW LAW OF LIBEL. Springfield, Ill., Feb. 24.—Stung by the unwelcome publicity he has received since the beginning of the Lorimer case, Representative Leo O'Neill Browne yesterday took a slip at his newspaper enemies. Browne introduced a libel bill modeled on the English law.

KILLED BY HAT PIN. Boston, Feb. 24.—Captain Andrew England, the well known life saver, is dead here from blood poisoning, the result of a scratch received in a street car from a projecting hat pin.

FORMER VICEROY OF INDIA HONORED

FREEDOM OF LONDON FOR LORD MINTO

Refers to Connection With Canada—Tribute to Canadian Troops

(Special to the Times.) London, Feb. 24.—Earl Minto was yesterday presented with the freedom of the city in acknowledgment of the honor he had principally with Indian affairs, but in opening said:

"It was in Canada that I first entered official life. Lord Lansdowne took me with him as military secretary in the early eighties. It was to Canada I returned in subsequent years as governor-general to witness the marvelous development of the gold fields of Alaska and of British Columbia, and the wheat fields of the Northwest territories, and to wish God-speed to those magnificent Canadian contingents which came to the aid of the Mother Country in South Africa, and stamped their name on our success at Paardeberg."

COUNCIL MAY RESIGN. Trouble May Follow Dismissal of Edmonton Public Utilities Commissioner.

Edmonton, Alta., Feb. 24.—After some months of what his opponents call dictatorial methods and the dismissal of the two superintendents of the power plant and street railway, the mayor and council passed a busy day questioning Public Utilities Commissioner A. V. Bouillon as to his reasons for the recent beholding of the two superintendents. A regular session of the city council followed, and Mr. Bouillon was officially beheaded. He refused to answer any questions. He termed the whole proceedings "Star chamber work." He was dismissed as he dismissed the superintendents. No public reason given. The city solicitor claims the city council's action is illegal. Two aldermen Hyndman and McKinley, have resigned and much public discussion is afoot. Meetings are called and it may be that the entire council will resign.

LAND VALUES IN WEST WILL RISE. Twenty Million Acres Taken Up as Homesteads and Pre-Emptions in Two Years.

(Special to the Times.) Montreal, Feb. 24.—F. T. Griffin, C. P. R. land commissioner at Winnipeg, who is on a visit to the headquarters in Montreal, states that within the last two years 20,000,000 acres of government land have been taken up as homesteads and pre-emptions. The result is that the last block of open prairie lands in the west available for homestead entry and pre-emption has now been practically taken up, and future homesteaders will have to resort to the partially wooded lands of the northern and outlying districts or will have to purchase from the railway companies and the holders. This is bound to mean a further increase in the value of land.

NEW LABOR TEMPLE. Vancouver, Feb. 23.—Plans of the proposed new labor temple to be erected on Dunsmyth street, at the corner of Homer street, have been submitted to Building Inspector Jarrett. The structure provides for four stories, besides the basement, and it is estimated to cost \$143,000. The basement will be utilized for reading, printing and billiard rooms; the ground floor will be occupied by stores and the upper floors will be devoted to offices, halls and committee rooms. The building, which is planned to be 75 feet by 120 feet, will have reinforced concrete and brick curtain walls.

OLD COUNCIL AS A COMMISSION

PREMIER BRINGS DOWN LEGISLATION TO-DAY

Only Routine Business to Be Done, Pending Election on New Lists

Legislative Press Gallery, Feb. 23. In the House to-day Premier McBride made a statement of the government's intentions in regard to the chief legislative business in the city of Victoria. These are precisely as foreshadowed in the Times on Wednesday—the old council to act as a commission for the carrying on of routine work, and the revision of the voters' list by an amendment body preparatory to a new election.

The premier rose during the afternoon and said he desired to make a statement on a matter of great importance, and one on which it was expected the legislature would be asked to pass. He referred to the conditions which obtained at the moment in the city of Victoria by reason of the decision which Mr. Justice Gregory had rendered in the proceedings taken by E. J. Perry against the mayor. The point of that judgment was that the mayor unlawfully occupied his seat, and as a consequence the city was without a chief magistrate. His colleagues were in like position if a proceeding were launched were pressed against them. In order that business might be carried on there would be necessary a bill of an extraordinary character, by reason of the urgency of the case and the unique position which had resulted.

The government had had the benefit of the views of the city barrister and had also listened to a "certain programme" which citizens would like to have adopted. Having in view this and the great importance of the matter to municipalities generally throughout the province the government had come to the determination to submit to parliament, to be passed by next afternoon, a bill which should have for its object, briefly:

First, to validate the acts of the city council from its swearing-in to date.

Second, to authorize the present mayor and council to carry on, until a new election was held, the necessary civic business of a routine character, but without any powers either to submit or pass any money bylaws.

The act would also contain provision to protect the mayor and council, and provide that on a day to be fixed by the lieutenant-governor-in-council they must vacate office, while authority would be given to the lieutenant-governor-in-council to fix a election date and appoint an independent commission to compile, revise and confirm a new voters' list for the purpose of holding the new election, and for that purpose only, and from which list in order that there should be finally, there should be no appeal.

The new list would be posted for five days so that all persons interested could have an opportunity to acquaint themselves with its contents. The powers necessary to carry out this act would be vested in the lieutenant-governor-in-council, and the expenses would have to be borne by the city.

The government believed that this course of action would not bring about any change in the government, and would give all necessary protection. The premier, in conclusion, said he felt that the citizens of Victoria were looking for some announcement and hence he made it at the moment.

J. H. Hawthornthwaite wanted to know why the government did not take the short method of validating the election.

The premier reminded him that the matter was not open to debate at the moment.

APPEAL LIKELY BY RAILWAYS

DECISION IN RATE CASE DELIGHTS SHIPPERS

Heads of Railway Companies Declare Construction Will Be Curtailed

(Times Leased Wire.) What Decision Does. Disapproves advances in freight rates in official classification territory, aggregating the railroads an estimated increased earning of \$27,000,000 yearly. Declines to approve increases by the railroads in the western trunk line territory and proposed advances in commodity rates.

Orders the carriers in both cases to cancel their advanced tariffs on or before March 10 and restore former rates—those now in force.

Served formal notice that unless advanced tariffs are cancelled a formal order suspending them and putting existing rates into operation for at least two years will be issued. The Western Trunk Line association filed rate increases with the Interstate Commerce Commission in the spring of 1910. Shortly afterwards the eastern roads (those in the so-called official classification territory) filed advances. Shippers protested to Washington and the government filed suit against the trunk line roads under the Sherman law, charging conspiracy in restraint of trade and secured a temporary injunction at Hannibal, Missouri. Shortly afterwards the railroad representatives called on President Taft and by agreement withdrew advances, pending the passage of the railroad regulation bill then before congress while the government withheld prosecution of the suit. After this law was passed the suit was dismissed by the government and the rate advance schedules refiled. Under the new law the Interstate Commerce Commission promptly suspended the rates pending investigation as to their fairness. The suspension has been prolonged from time to time while hearings were held in Chicago and Washington. Final decision against the increases in rates was delivered yesterday, the opinion being delayed until after the stock market closed.

Preparing to Appeal. Washington, D. C., Feb. 24.—With "fight" as their slogan, the railroads of the country to-day are preparing to appeal from the decision of the interstate commerce commission which prohibits the proposed advances in freight rates. The appeal will be made to the court of commerce before March 10 and an injunction will be asked nullifying the decision of the commission.

By this method, the railroads believe, it may be possible to obtain a reversal of the commission's findings. Action must be taken before March 10, because the commission announces that unless the tariffs are withdrawn it will itself fix the rates for two years.

Authorities are in conflict whether the commerce court has the power to enjoin the interstate commerce commission in rates of the great victory ever won by the people. The decision, they point out, is based upon a section of the commerce law, passed last year, which places upon the railroads the burden of proof that their proposed advanced rates were reasonable.

Opinions by the legal lights for the government are that the legal obstacles the railroads can erect may indefinitely delay the effectiveness of the interstate commerce commission's decision.

Progressive members of congress to-day declare the interstate commerce commission's decision forbidding the advance in rates the greatest victory ever won by the people. The decision, they point out, is based upon a section of the commerce law, passed last year, which places upon the railroads the burden of proof that their proposed advanced rates were reasonable.

Senator Cummins of Iowa, who made over the Wickersham railroad bill, said the bill was gratifying and was evidence of the change in railroad legislation insisted upon by the Progressives last year.

Senator Bristow of Kansas, said: "If the Progressives had never accomplished anything else, they would feel well paid for their efforts by having laid the basis of the lawmaking decision possible. It was only after a hard contest that the Progressives were able to insert the provisions in the law by which the attempt of the railroads to increase their rates has been prevented."

Victory For Consumers. New York, Feb. 24.—Elation by shippers over the entire country and corresponding dejection by railroad managers is expressed to-day in telegrams which are pouring in here as comments on the rate decision made yesterday by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"It is a people's victory," is the general tenor of expression from the shippers, while the railroad heads, disgruntled, threaten reduction of expenses, curtailment of construction and appeal from the decision of the commerce tribunal.

"The commission's decision is a big triumph for the business men," is the expression of Secretary John Glenn, of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, which led the fight against the rate increases. "We asked the roads to confer, and only when this was refused

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FIGHT FOR FAIR PLAY.

The reciprocity issue has brought a sword into the political life of Canada. This observation does not apply to British Columbia, however.

In the East, however, flags are waving and swords flashing in bewildering fashion. The fight is joined in earnest, and it looks precisely like the fuss Tories usually make just previous to a general election.

Since writing you last, the boss has been reading about the millionaire pork packers being down to Ottawa to get Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Fielding to back down on reciprocity.

LAND SWINDLERS.

The folly of the British Columbia government is being proclaimed throughout the English-speaking world. When the Times arraigns the system which allows of speculation in government lands some people say that it is done only for political purposes.

"The land-grabbers who, seizing the situation, have skimmed the cream of the country, have not spent a penny on development work, but have thrown it into the market or are holding against still higher rises in value, have accomplished a highly remunerative investment. It must be confessed, however, that these speculators are holding up the development of the country—the genuine settler cannot get in, as he cannot afford to pay the prohibitive prices demanded. In this way the province is being denied the very raw materials and backbone it so greatly desires."

Then again, "it must be pointed out

that many of these grabbers are unprincipled men of straw, and have not even yet paid for the land they claim to hold. They know the ins and outs of the provincial government land laws, and know where, not only a carriage and pair, but a Mauretania can be driven through them."

And yet again, "In some places in the Nechaco valley the speculators refuse to consider anything below \$50 per acre, and the land is not worth half the amount. It is not as if the speculator carried out any improvements. He does nothing beyond staking his claim, and then returning to Vancouver to await the coming of the gullible."

Here is an independent investigator going through the country and writing of things as he finds them. His testimony agrees exactly with what we have ourselves found. Yet in face of this, and in spite of it, the Bower-McBrideites stand up before parliament and on the public platform and defend a policy which will eventually involve the province, we will not say in ruin, for the wickedest desperado could hardly do that—but in such difficulties will be felt for generations to come, and for which the people of the next generation will curse Bower and McBride and all their works.

WHO SHALL VOTE?

Doubtless those who for many years have evaded the strict letter of the law in regard to the compiling of the voters' lists recognized the hopelessness of complying with the law in getting the list of voters from the registry office. They may have also recognized that it was a remnant of feudalism which would, when attention was drawn to it, be swept away. It is hardly to be expected that the present provincial government will relieve the situation, for it depends upon an obsolete system for continuance in power. If there were a progressive government in place of the Bower outfit we might expect to see a law passed which would deal with this question on broad lines.

We can see no reason why every man and woman who pays taxes of any kind in the city should not have a voice in the management of the affairs of the city. All are equally interested in having good roads, parks, sewerage, health restrictions, proper police protection, and such other things as come within the powers of the mayor and council. We doubt if those property owners who reside outside the city should vote just because they own some property which someone else uses and for which rent is paid. The person most directly interested is the occupier. The provincial list as at present constituted would hardly do for the city, because women taxpayers do not find a place on it. At the present time it seems necessary to have a separate list, but the list should be compiled from all those who pay taxes.

A question raised by Mr. Marchant Thursday was whether or not all citizens should have a vote on money by-laws. We see no reason why they should not. Expel all the people from the city except the property owners and how much would the property be worth? Everyone will admit that much of the value of the property has accrued as a result of the presence of the non-property holders. If, then, all the people create the values, they should certainly be entitled to have a say in the spending of the money. The rights of property have for centuries been very much over-estimated, for in the past all laws have been made by those who owned property. Times have changed. It is recognized now that the man who owns property should have no greater power in ruling the nation than the man who is landless. If this is correct in the greater questions of the days which are decided by the highest legislative body, why should it not also hold good in the lowest?

While we believe in manhood suffrage, we are of opinion that the system which has just been declared illegal is better than that to which we are apparently about to revert. It is argued that under the system which has been enforced the man who has paid only one hundred dollars on a lot is given a vote. That is certainly true. When he has paid that sum he becomes liable for the taxes which are levied against that property as well as for the local improvement assessments. The very fact that he pays those taxes should be sufficient to entitle him to a vote.

We think the government is doing the right thing in placing the city government in the hands of the mayor and council. We hope the government will now see its ways clear to so change the law that every taxpayer will have a vote for the election of the mayor and council and also for money by-laws.

RECIPROCITY.

We are not surprised, neither are we disturbed, by the fact that many of the boards of trade in Canada have passed

resolutions opposing reciprocity with the United States. Nor is it a matter for surprise that the moneyed interests, represented by some of the bankers of Canada, affect to be dismayed by the prospect of the shackles being stricken from trade. These elements are constitutionally conservative. They have been doing well of recent years, and they do not relish the prospect of the currents of trade being disturbed, even in a minor degree. They realize that there is a chance of future conditions not proving as favorable for them as the present conditions. At the same time we observe that the bankers have no hesitation about taking the money entrusted to them for safekeeping by the people of Canada, and lending it in the New York money market at the prevailing rates of interest. In fact, at one time when a crisis appeared to be impending in Canada as a result of this practice, the government was appealed to to put a stop to it. Which is only one illustration of the selfishness of the "special interests." They are not willing that all the people should be given advantage of the opportunities they themselves enjoy.

Dr. Andrew MacPhail, one of the foremost of Canada's economists, and philosopher, dealt most illuminatingly with the above phase of the reciprocity movement in an article contributed to the Times and published last evening. We are quite satisfied that Dr. MacPhail's views represent the opinions and express the convictions of the great body of the people of Canada. Everyone interested in this vital issue should study the article carefully.

The following, copied from the Canadian edition of Collier's, deals more succinctly with the question, voicing the sentiments of the consumers of the country, who ultimately must decide the fate of the reciprocity measure: "The ultimate consumer in Canada is well satisfied with the reciprocity arrangement. Though not an expert in tariff schedules, he feels vaguely that the thing works out to his benefit. The manufacturer makes a low moan, but merely from habit. There is no heart in his protest, for the changes touch him lightly. Like other men he has to live by bread and fish and fruit and vegetables, and to that degree he is an ultimate consumer himself. As a producer he must have a sneaking sympathy with anything that lowers the cost of production, and political economists tell us there is a close connection between food and wages. What the manufacturer grieves most at is the wound to protection, small as it is. It is not as deep as a well, nor as wide as a church door, but it looks like an opening for more free trade. The farmer with one voice says reciprocity is all right. He remembers the fat old barley-growing days and begins to think of his apple orchard as an asset instead of a liability. The truck gardeners are divided, not being sure whether or not the early cabbage will wither at the prospect of two markets instead of one. The fruit growers are not unanimous, some of the more dauntless asserting that good fruit will command its price on both sides of the line. When the people who grow disagree, the people who eat get the benefit of the doubt. The man on the street who charges ten cents a pound more for bacon here than he does in England. In parliament the measure will have the support of the Liberal majority, plus Western Conservative members who think more of their constituents' interest than they do of a party doctrine."

Sir William Mackenzie does not think the fruit growers will be injured by the reciprocity agreement if it becomes law. Apparently he is beginning to appreciate the wisdom of the Dominion government in arranging the pact.

It is practically decided that the United States will fortify the Panama Canal. The safety of the canal is of more interest to Great Britain than to any other country, because the bulk of the carrying trade of the world is in British hands.

Opponents of reciprocity are still trying their best to keep up a show of opposition to the measure. Some Tory newspapers are still using their blackest type to try to influence their readers against it. The shrieking is not affecting the people, who smile at such childishness.

DISMISSED FROM ARMY.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—President Taft's approval of a secret court-martial which dishonorably dismissed Captain Guy Smith, of the Fourth Infantry, if it is believed here to-day, removed all possibility of a retrial which friends of that officer have demanded.

It is reported that the wife of Lieut. Colonel George Barnett, was demanded Smith's arrest, gave the principal test money for the prosecution.

President Taft kept the sentence of the court-martial for four months before approving it.

BOWSER DEFENDS COMPANY ACT

CONTENDS THAT IT IS A PROTECTIVE MEASURE

Falls Foul of Vancouver World Over Great Northern Terminals—Morning Sitting

Legislative Press Gallery, Feb. 27.—The attorney-general was one of the conservative first on his feet at the Vancouver act of last session, and then on the Vancouver floor over which he showed some warmth on Friday evening. He defended his act compelling registration and licensing of companies from outside the province as one in line with the Conservative policy of protection. Editorial and news comment in the Vancouver World, and the Great Northern Railway for terminal facilities at False creek were the subject of caustic remarks by Mr. Bower.

The House made good progress with legislation at its first morning sitting. The attorney-general, speaking on the second reading of a bill to amend the Companies Act, said he had been the subject of considerable criticism regarding this measure. Since the act was put in force last July there had been much criticism, aroused through-out certain portions of Canada, particularly by those who wanted to do business in British Columbia and were forced to become licensed here. He could not help thinking that there were some political considerations involved, as the Toronto Globe seemed to take much interest in B. C. legislation, the first occasion he had known that great paper to sit in appeal on the work of Ontario in dealing with what was purely a local matter. It could be understood that Ontario would object, as people who had got charters of incorporation there giving them power to do business and who found, notwithstanding that, they had to take out a licence in British Columbia would refuse to take out charters there and so Ontario would lose considerable revenue.

There was a great deal of misunderstanding regarding the act and a want of intelligence shown, because people could not distinguish the difference between a company and an ordinary partnership. The government had protection of local industry in view in passing the bill, as well as dropping in line with other parts of the empire in uniformity of company legislation. Without this the merchants and manufacturers of Ontario and the east could come in and do business without contributing one dollar for the advantages of good government. Why should we allow the manufacturers of Ontario and the east to come in here and under-cut our manufacturers, all in the interests of Ontario stockholders?

There had been a great deal said about fees. The government did not charge more than was charged a local company for incorporation—for a small company with a capitalization of \$10,000, \$25; up to \$25,000, \$50; up to \$50,000, \$75; up to \$100,000, \$125. The amending bill, which made many minor amendments, made it plain that the fee to be charged for incorporating a new company. In the case of extra-provincial companies, capitalized for \$50,000 or more, and satisfying the registrar of joint stock companies, the fee was \$100, carrying on an established business beyond the province in which at least fifty per cent of its subscribed capital was invested, the fee was \$250.

Mr. Bower charged anyone to give him the name of one firm that had withdrawn from or refused to do business here on account of his bill. Since the act went into force there had been registered or licensed 43 extra-provincial companies, and the fees amounted to \$129,682.85. This, he contended, was not an exorbitant amount to ask these companies for the advantages of doing business in British Columbia.

H. C. Brewster moved the adjournment of the debate. The premier introduced a small bill, the attorney-general two bills, the minister of agriculture, two bills, and the minister of public works one, so that the chances of prorogation on Wednesday are dimmer than ever. Third readings were given to the Fire Insurance, University Site, Water Act amendment, Kamloops Park and Bulkley Valley Official Map bills. Some other measures were advanced a stage.

Mr. Brewster has given notice of a motion for orders-in-council and all correspondence with the mayor or any alderman relating to the apportionment, division or settlement of the Soncheco reserve.

Mr. Brewster has a question to ask the premier, as follows: 1. Has any guarantee been given to the Canadian Northern Railway Co. or Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann, or either of them, in any way, relating to railway construction in this province? 2. If yes, what is the nature thereof, to what amount, and to what purposes? He will also ask the minister of public works the following question: "Did the municipality of North Cowichan ask the government to define the Victoria-Nanaimo trunk line running through the municipality after the government had thrown the road upon the municipality? 2. If yes, did the gov-

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government appoint a surveyor to define the road, and what instructions were given the surveyors in regard to width and location of said road? 3. Who were employed on the survey; the name of surveyor and men so employed? 4. The amount paid to each employed upon survey? 5. The total cost of the survey to government? 6. The number of miles of road in municipality, and cost per mile to survey?

MAYOR AND ALDERMEN ARE AGAIN IN OFFICE

(Continued from page 1) land registry office is to be open to him and to his assistants at such hours as the attorney-general may fix. His decision as to whether or not any citizen is a British subject shall be final and conclusive. Should any further provisions, or any alterations, or an extension of time be found necessary the Lieutenant-governor-in-council is authorized to declare such. The commissioner is to deliver to the mayor and aldermen a certified copy of the list after the appointment of the returning officer.

In regard to expenses the bill enacts: "The cost of preparation and passing of this Act and of all charges made by the commissioner for his own services and for the services of others and of all disbursements or expenses to which the commissioner may be put in connection with the execution of the said Act and of all charges made by the provincial secretary, whose receipts shall be final, binding, and conclusive and the city of Victoria shall forthwith pay to the said commissioner the amount certified to by the provincial secretary."

H. C. Brewster, when the bill was in committee, asked if it was proposed to exclude holders of agreements of sale from the franchise. The premier replied in the affirmative. Mr. Brewster pointed out that these

PRESBYTERIAN PRES

Rev. A. Dunn, Secretary of West to Be

New Westminster thirty-five years work in the home of the Presbyterian activities extended. Rev. A. Dunn, practically retired, although still of his services are of the district, friends of long standing.

In view of the fact that Mr. Dunn with church in the district it has been decided with an Illumination of appreciation be formally to give a meeting of the very to be held evening, when Mr. Dunn will be present. Liver addresses of prominent of the probability Mr. Dunn will be present. Rev. E. D. McFarley, of home and Principal of the minister Hall, Vancouver, will be present.

The presentation of Rev. J. S. Hensley, the Westminister. The meeting, which was a joyous occasion, being held at a Presbyterian church, this city in order to be given to the city which has so many. Much importance attached at this bytery, but the best to this city a West Side Presbyterian Church, Rev. W. Collins of Island, and from Revelstoke, Mr. first pastor of the which has recent missionary status, is expected to give St. Stephens about in his present of deep months.

The resignation of Rev. J. S. Hensley, St. John's church, considered, as was Rev. A. M. Ross, the congregation of St. John's church, and the statistics for the year, consideration and Nelson Aldridge.

Nelson, Feb. 28. All meeting it was immaterially the adequate isolation give a grant of public library. The finance committee of the eighth installment grounds to the city make a public library. They were adopted under of Ald. Stark, the committee. This paid in quarterly previous years.

W. H. Aldridge Trail, B. C. Feb. 28. of active endeavor mining industry a heritage of the by the completion by his Kootenay Aldridge, late manager Consolidated Mining Company of Canada, on January 1, to become the largest mine-operations of the

In Swartz Hall, for probably the bid for such a project was in keeping with the "Scott, and the Tr his arrival was of cheers. Noble Binns, D. Board of Trade, that capacity read following address: "Mr. Aldridge, these few express simple way the of the people of the Consolidated Company of Canada and your friends, retiring from the mining and smelting have been in you 12 years, the sent not only the mine whole province of losing a capable faithful advocate fare.

"The desire to do the signal services in the development of the province is not to constitute the migration and respect character and a welfare of employe citizens and of high-minded and confidence at notes the pleasant collections. In the agreements and every ambition you cordial follow

BURNED TO DEATH. Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 24.—Edward Hall, a gardener at the White preparatory school here, was burned to death today in his cabin on the schooner "A. S. Mather," teacher of English at the University of California, was partially burned about the face and hands.

PRESBYTERY WILL PRESENT ADDRESS

Rev. A. Dunn, Pioneer Missionary of Westminster District, to Be Remembered

New Westminster, Feb. 25.—After thirty-five years of active and arduous work in the home missionary field of the Presbyterian church, his scope of activities extending from Mission to Ladner, Rev. Alex. Dunn has now practically retired from the busy life, although still often called upon when his services are needed by the pioneers of the district, all of whom are his friends of long standing.

In view of the long connection of Mr. Dunn with the Presbyterian church in the district of Westminster, it has been deemed to be fitting to give with an illuminated address, the token of appreciation and esteem will be formally given to Mr. Dunn at a meeting of the Westminster Presbytery to be held here on Wednesday evening, when many of the old-timers will be present. Some of these will deliver addresses or make speeches reminiscent of the early days, and in all probability Mr. Dunn will also be recalled upon to relate some of his earlier experiences.

Rev. E. D. McLaren, general secretary of home missions, of Toronto, and Principal John McKay, of Westminster Hill, Vancouver, will also deliver addresses.

The presentation is to be made by Rev. J. S. Henderson, on behalf of the Westminster Presbytery. The meeting, which is to be an adjourned session of the annual meeting being held at the Kitsilano Presbyterian church, is being concluded in this city in order that the address may be given to the veteran missionary in the city which has been his headquarters for so many years.

Much important business is to be transacted at this session of the Presbytery, but the chief items of interest to this city are the calls from the West Side Presbyterian church, of West W. Collins of Cedar Hill, Vancouver Island, and from St. Stephens Presbyterian church, of Rev. M. G. Melvin, of Revelstoke. Mr. Collins is to be the guest pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church, which has recently been raised from a missionary station. Mr. Melvin, who is expected to commence his duties at St. Stephens about March 16, has been given the present charge for about eighteen months.

The resignations of Rev. J. H. Cameron, of Westminster church, Vancouver, and of Rev. A. J. McGillivray, of St. John's church, Vancouver, will be considered at this session. Rev. A. M. Ross, late of Atlin, from the congregation of Pipestone, Man., is also expected to be present. The reports of the home and foreign missions, the social and moral work of the church, and the statistics and finance committees for the year will come up for consideration and adoption.

NELSON LIBRARY GRANT

Nelson, Feb. 25.—At the city council meeting it was decided to proceed immediately with the preparation of an adequate isolation hospital, and to give a grant of \$450 to the Nelson public library. The finance committee recommended the payment of a number of accounts, among which was one for the eighth installment on the recreation grounds to the C. P. R., and also that the city make a grant of \$450 to the public library. The recommendations were adopted unanimously on motion of Ald. Stark, chairman of the finance committee. The grant of \$450 was paid in quarterly installments as in previous years.

W. H. ALDRIDGE ENTERTAINED

Trail, B. C., Feb. 25.—Thirteen years of active endeavor in the smelting and mining industry and of intelligent furtherance of the interests of the Kootenay generally, were fittingly recognized by the complimentary banquet given by his Kootenay friends at Walter H. Aldridge, late managing director of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company of Canada, who retired on January 1, to become identified with one of the largest mining and smelting corporations of the United States. In Swartz hall, 150 covers were laid for probably the most representative company of Kootenay ever assembled for such a purpose, and the banquet was in keeping with the occasion. Mr. Aldridge was escorted to the banquet by the Trail Citizens band, and his arrival was the signal for a storm of cheers.

Noble Binnis, president of the Trail Board of Trade, was chairman, and in the capacity read to Mr. Aldridge the following address: "Mr. Aldridge, this gathering and these few expressions of esteem in a simple way the great good will which the people of the Kootenay, the men of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company of Canada, your associates and your friends, entertain for you. In referring from the active direction of the mining and smelting interests which have been in your charge for the past 13 years, the sentiment is general that not only the mining districts, but the whole province of British Columbia is indebted to a capable, conscientious, and selfless advocate of the country's welfare. "The desire to show recognition of the signal services you have performed in the development of the vast and varied resources of the province does not constitute the only motive for our gathering and respect. Consistency of character and a uniform regard for the welfare of employees, coupled ever with the evidence of fairness and honesty and high-minded principles have commanded a confidence and esteem which procure the pleasant relations and inducements in the success of all our enterprises and the achievements of every ambition you have the earnest and cordial following of a host of well-

wishers who appreciate you as an executive, admire you as a citizen and honor you as a man. "Mr. Aldridge, in reply, expressed regret in parting from his friends of the Kootenay, but stated that while the interests with which he was now associated must command his time and efforts to a very large degree, he would still give the interests of the Kootenay his assistance wherever possible.

TOURING WORLD

San Francisco, Feb. 25.—General Constantine Smilovitch, was second in command of the Russian army at Port Arthur in the war with Japan, and arrived here in company with his daughter Ludmilla. The two are making a tour of the world. They spent several weeks in China and Japan before crossing the Pacific.

NO DETAILS UNTIL INQUIRY IS HELD

Capt. Stewart Refuses to Give Out Information Regarding Seizure

According to naval rules Captain Stewart, of H. M. C. S. Rainbow, which seized the American fishing schooner Edrie of Cape Scott, at 1 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, is not permitted to make any statement regarding the capture prior to the official inquiry before the Admiralty court. The schooner, which was towed to Vancouver by the cruiser, has been taken to the government wharf at New Westminster and her catch of 2,600 pounds of halibut was sold last week to the Billingsgate Fish company.

It is stated that the Rainbow was proceeding along the three-mile limit and that the Edrie was seen about four hundred yards inside the line. Reports come from Seattle with the arrival of the fishing schooner Malola, which was in the immediate vicinity when the cruiser came upon the Edrie, that an attempt was made to get the dories on board and three of them had been hoisted in. Gear to the value of \$400 was cut away and the Edrie got moving. The Rainbow halted her, and getting no answer, her engines are being run across her bows, whereupon the schooner shut off her gasoline engines. The Rainbow sent a party of blue-jackets aboard and took the schooner in tow.

Capt. Daniels, of the Edrie, together with his men, however, state that they were not within the three-mile limit, but this is generally the statement made by the fishermen. It is certain that Capt. Stewart knew his position and that he would not have made the seizure had the schooner not been within the limit. The fishing men are inclined to believe that it will result in international difficulties.

The Edrie is said by her owners, the Chlopek Fishing Co., to be worth \$28,000. She is 114 tons gross and sixty tons net register, ninety-two feet long, with an eighteen-foot beam and seven-foot draft. She was built in 1907 at Seattle and has capacity for 120,000 pounds of halibut. Her engines are 150 horsepower and she carries a crew of twenty-seven men, including sixteen fishermen. President and General Manager W. T. Chutter of the company has entered into a contract with the States Consul-General D. F. Wilbur, Commander Stewart of the Rainbow already has been in conference with Consul-General Wilbur regarding his action. Word has been received from Vancouver stating that the Rainbow, which it was supposed would remain in Vancouver for a few days, proceeded to the fishing grounds on the hunt for more poachers last Saturday. It will not be surprising if another seizure is made within a few days.

NEW PARISH HALL

Bishop Perrin Performs Opening Ceremony at Cedar Hill

Under the most auspicious circumstances the new Parish hall at Cedar Hill was formally dedicated on Friday by Bishop Perrin. In dedicating the hall open and dedicating it to the work for which it was created, the bishop took the occasion to review the history of the church in the district. He contrasted the present commodious hall with the present one which had to serve their purpose some forty years ago. The function was given a wider interest by the submission of a memorial programme. The architecture of the hall has been admirably rendered. Captain Cullin, who is responsible for the work, has succeeded in making the hall 30 feet by 50 feet with a pretty stage and two anti-rooms. The total cost was \$2,740, of which \$1,570 has been subscribed.

NOME RESIDENT DEAD

Nome, Alaska, Feb. 27.—Colonel L. L. Sawyer, one of the most prominent men in Nome, died Saturday, aged about 75 years. He won his military title in a Connecticut regiment during the Civil war, and is said to have been prominent in politics in that state before he came to Alaska. Here he was interested in tin mines, and has been president of the board of education. Three years ago Mr. and Mrs. Sawyer celebrated their golden wedding, assisted by the entire gold camp, which had never before witnessed such an anniversary.

RAILWAY BUILDING

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 27.—R. M. Calkins, general traffic manager of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway, called on the board of directors of the company in Seattle in discussion of the route. "It spells conservatism," he said, "but I hope it will not be so far-reaching as to make the reduction of crews in the operating and other departments. "Our line to Everett will be completed and our new passenger train service from Chicago to the coast will be inaugurated on May 23, as previously announced. I fear the borrowing of large sums of money for legitimate extensions and improvements of the railway, if the company will cease with this decision, at least for a time."

COAL PRICES AT PRINCE RUPERT

Committee of Council Seeks Information as to Cheaper Coal

Prince Rupert, Feb. 25.—The acquisition by the city of coal-mining was the subject of some discussion at the council recently. It had been moved by Alderman Newton that some action along this line be taken. The former regarded the matter as something quite imperative. Coal was too expensive, and a full supply, such as claims might produce, would last long.

Ald. Newton was in sympathy with the idea. He could not explain the present high cost of coal in Prince Rupert, but he believed it was time for an effort to be made to obtain relief. He said that the local dealers, the matter had merely been brought up to ascertain the attitude of the council.

Ald. Forsythe said that the city had the power to embark on such a course. Coal-mining called for heavy equipment, and there was no certainty that such expenditures would result in the finding of coal. Ald. Newton suggested that a committee investigate and report back. Ald. Clayton was not so sure but that the city had the power. A municipal enterprise would be a municipal utility. Ald. Hilditch agreed, but not on coal, but numerous other commodities in Prince Rupert were too expensive. This condition of affairs presented a splendid field for investigation.

Ald. Forsythe said he did not wish to see the coal claims idea turned down. Ald. Clayton's original motion was modified to read "that a select committee be appointed to seek information as to the feasibility of such a course before any action was taken." This carried.

LADEN WITH COAL BARQUE TAKES FIRE

Little Hope of Saving Olivebank Now Burning at Santa Rosalia

(Times Leased Wire) San Francisco, Feb. 27.—Advices received at the Marine Exchange Saturday said that the four-masted barque Olivebank, laden with coal and coal-oil, was burning at Santa Rosalia, British Columbia, and all hope of saving her is abandoned. The British barque Olivebank of the Bank fleet of sailing vessels was known at Victoria and at Puget Sound. She was at Tacoma about four years ago and at that time was much in public notice, owing to her depth. The story of a cabin boy who had come out from Europe on the vessel. The boy accused one of her officers of brutality and an investigation was held. The officer disappeared from the vessel before the authorities had time to act. On her present voyage to Santa Rosalia the Olivebank left Hamburg July 31 and made a slow passage out. She is a four-masted steel barque of 2,476 tons. She was built for Andrew Weir by Mackie & Thomson at Victoria in 1892. Being launched in October of that year, she is 126 feet in length, 42 feet beam and 24 feet depth. At present she is commanded by Capt. George. Details of the fire which threatens her destruction will be awaited with considerable interest in Puget Sound shipping circles.

WILL ATTEND CORONATION

Daughters of Empire Arranging for Big Representation in London

(From Monday's Daily) A commendable effort is being made to have as large a representation of the Daughters of Empire in London at the coronation festivities as possible, not only with a view to demonstrating to the mother land the loyalty of the Order which has spread itself over all the British dominions, but also of participating in the ceremonies attendant upon the auspicious occasion, and also of affording the members of the different branches an opportunity to meet with one another in conference. The Canadian Chapter of the Order in Victoria is in receipt of a communication from headquarters at Toronto to the effect that the Canadian Northern Railway company has offered the Order a generous allotment of accommodation on their steamer, the Royal Edward and the Royal George. In addition to the attractions of the general trip it is proposed that the members should have stand tickets for the coronation procession, and arrangements have been made whereby they can be obtained for \$5 and \$2.50.

WILL EXPLORE ARCTIC

Expedition Announced by Capt. Baldwin—Equipment Will Include Aeroplanes and Balloons

Denver, Col., Feb. 27.—An arctic expedition, in which reaching the north pole will be a secondary matter, was announced here by Capt. Baldwin, the explorer. Capt. Baldwin, who commanded the Baldwin-Ziegler expedition to Franz Josef land in 1901, expects to launch his expedition about September, 1912. The expedition, he says, will have aeroplanes and balloons as part of the equipment. It will start from Behring Strait and will follow the polar ice drift for several years. The object will be to collect scientific data and to complete the magnetic survey now being made by the Carnegie Institution. Baldwin, the explorer, Capt. Baldwin believes will be an easy matter and will be a mere incident.

ACCEPTS VANCOUVER CALL

Vancouver, Feb. 25.—The First Congregational church, which has been without a permanent pastor for the past twenty months, has now secured the services of Rev. J. K. Unsworth, late of Westmount, Montreal. He will commence his ministry on Sunday March 5. The temporary church building situated in close proximity to the site upon which the new church is to be erected.

Rev. John Simpson was the former pastor of the church, having held the ministry for a few years. Ill-health compelling him to abandon his work. With a view to recuperating he went to Europe for medical treatment.

COUNTY COURT LIST FOR MONTH OF MARCH

Judge Lammiman to Resume Seat on Bench Monday Morning

Judge Lammiman will resume his seat on the County Court bench Monday morning next, after an absence of nearly three months. During that time he has been confined to his hospital suffering from illness. The County court list for March contains nine cases set over from last month and eight new cases besides eight judgment summons applications. The list for which dates will be set next Monday morning is as follows: From Last Month, Knight (W. J. Taylor), v. Harris (A. J. Patton), Burns (Morris), v. Bruegy (Tait), Leiser (Morphy), v. Le Coueg (Tait), Gray (Crease), v. Chapman (Helmcken), Shade (Aikman), v. Enout (Tait), Larkshaw (Morphy), v. Duesant (Mann), Ching Chung, (Higgins), v. Bell (Langley), Rex (Harrison), v. Lim Sio (Morphy), Lai Chee (McPhillips), v. Wing Hous (Wilson).

NEW CASES

Shaw (Martin), v. Churchill (Taylor), Fairfull (Higgins), v. Erb (Wilson), Sims (Davie), v. Craddock (Fell), Robinson (Tait), v. B. C. Electric (McPhillips), Work (Shandley), v. Rosenberger (Aikman), News-Advertiser (Robertson), v. Butler (in person), Krump (Morphy), v. Graham & Geiser (Higgins), Geiser (Robertson), v. Hickey (Morphy).

FEARS INVASION OF ASIATIC LABOR

Governor of Oregon Declares Treaty Regulations Kept Out Orientals

Salem, Ore., Feb. 27.—"I look upon it as an entering wedge to open the doors for coolie labor on the Pacific coast," said Governor West, when asked for an expression of opinion relative to the treaty entered into between Japan and the United States and which congress has ratified. "Labor," continued the governor, "is better and superior to those prevailing on the Atlantic. On the Atlantic coast American labor must compete with foreign labor and it has resulted in the reduction of wages and inferior labor conditions in general. American labor on the Pacific coast would have to compete with Asiatic labor had it not been for the immigration laws and treaty restrictions, the subject of the treaty, these and an invasion of Asiatic labor to the Pacific coast and the placing of American labor on an equality with Asiatic labor will be the result."

ASSISTANCE FOR STARVING CHINESE

Cash Contributions Received at Seattle Now Exceed \$14,500

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 27.—Cash contributions for the relief of the starving Chinese, received by the Commercial Club, total \$14,575.58. "Subscription lists will be opened this week by 1,500 newspapers in the northwest," Mayor T. D. Taylor, of Vancouver, B. C., sent word yesterday that contributions from his city would reach Seattle shortly. Fifty volunteers are solicited for the grand ball at the Dreamland in honor of the officers of the transport Buford. Several hundred members of the local Chinese colony will appear in the grand march with their wives in native costume. The Buford is due here to-day. It is expected that she will be ready to sail March 7.

KELOWNA BOARD OF TRADE

Kelowna, Feb. 24.—At the annual meeting of the board of trade, W. W. Jones was unanimously elected president and R. B. Kerr vice-president. The following were chosen as members of the executive council, without ballot: Messrs. P. D. Mulmoult, W. A. Zickler, W. Haug, H. W. Raymer, D. W. Sutherland, D. Leckie, Jas. Harvey, and B. McDonald. For the publicity committee, Messrs. W. G. Adams, and J. B. Knowles were appointed. Working with the secretary, Committee of Agriculture, Messrs. H. Heron, of S. G. Speer and L. Holman.

NANAIMO POULTRY SOCIETY TO BUILD

Site Has Been Secured and Exhibition Buildings Will Be Erected

Nanaimo, Feb. 24.—At a meeting of the Nanaimo Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock society, it was decided to purchase a piece of land on Selby street, a portion of the Pawson estate, situated next the Princess Rink. It was also decided to build exhibition buildings, and an effort will be made to have them ready for the next exhibition of the society. While the plans of the proposed structure have not been definitely fixed, the general plans have been agreed upon, it being the intention to erect commodious quarters with a glass roof which will furnish plenty of light, a necessary quantity for show purposes. The society is to be commended on its decision to launch out and secure permanent quarters.

The Poultry show has been driven from pillar to post as it were each year, seldom being able to secure suitable quarters in which to hold an exhibition, and the expense incurred in fitting up new quarters each year has been a heavy drain on the show receipts. With the erection of permanent quarters, the first expense, though heavy, will practically be the last, and the waste drain made necessary by having to take down after each show will be eliminated. The new exhibition building will be centrally located, one of the best locations available in the city.

SHOT BY ROBBERS

Ellensburg, Wash., Feb. 27.—Joseph Smith, former chief of police of Ellensburg, and a member of the local police patrol, was shot and instantly killed in a revolver duel early to-day with robbers who held up a local cafe. The robbers escaped.

RELIEF GOING FOR FAMINE SUFFERERS

U. S. Army Transport Buford to Carry Supplies to China From Seattle

Bound on a mission of benevolence, the United States army transport Buford passed in at Tootook last night at 11 o'clock and reached Seattle early this morning. It is reported that she will load a large cargo of assorted supplies for the thousands of sufferers by famine in China. The Buford, which came up from San Francisco, was under orders to go to Manila with the Second Infantry, but was transferred last week.

Arrangements have been made to have the Buford leave the Sound for the Orient on Friday, March 10. Nothing definite has yet been decided on as to what port in China she will stop at, but she will steam direct for that port. Japan, where she will receive orders as to her ultimate destination. Included in the monster cargo which the transport will take will be a large quantity of flour and Red Cross supplies, which will aid materially the work of that order among the famine sufferers. Reports of the terrible conditions prevailing in the Orient have been considered on the side of the Pacific by the many liners which have arrived. In nearly every city on the coast some thing of a substantial nature has been done to aid the sufferers and it is expected that the relief which will be found for them. The action of the United States government has been favorably commented upon all along the coast.

ALBERNI MOCK PARLIAMENT

Alberni, Feb. 25.—Prior to the opening of the sitting of the Alberni mock parliament the Morgan administration resigned and E. M. Whyte, leader of the opposition, was called upon to form a government. Premier Whyte announced his cabinet as follows: Minister of Mines, E. M. Whyte; provincial secretary and minister of education, H. E. Sear; minister of agriculture, G. M. Bineo; minister of public works, A. Macfie; minister of lands, H. B. Brown; attorney-general, C. Hilday.

QUESTION OF ROAD TAX

Intercession Point Raised at Meeting of New Westminster City Council

New Westminster, Feb. 25.—Shall lodgers and roomers whose names are on the householders' voters' list be exempt from paying the 42 road tax to the city? This was the question which was raised in the city council when the amendment to the road tax by-law came up for consideration in committee. Some of the council thought not, while others held the contrary opinion. The by-law finally passed as it stood, however, allowing all those whose names were on the householders' voters' list to escape payment of the tax. It will be further considered at the next meeting of the council.

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think the resulting \$200 taxes would go very far toward paying for light, police protection, etc. There was also the phase of the question that it would tend to encourage all to exercise the rights of their franchise or else pay the 42 road tax. The roomers' question were mostly working men who spent their money in the city. The question called forth some lengthy discussion, in the course of which it was suggested that a distinction be made in this by-law between bona fide householders and mere lodgers or roomers in hotels or boarding houses. When the question was put to a vote, however, the amended by-law carried, and will come up for reconsideration at the next council meeting.

MURDERER TWO YEARS AT LARGE CONFESSES

Brought South on the Prince George from Rupert, Where He Confessed

Charged with murdering Henry Williams, a negro, in a saloon brawl on July 25, 1908, at Kennewick, Wash., O'Brien, who gave himself up at Prince Rupert early this month, was brought south on the G. T. P. steamer Prince George (Capt. Robertson), which arrived in port on Saturday night. Deputy Sheriff E. D. Ellis, who was sent north from Kennewick to bring the convicted man down to stand trial, continued on the George to Seattle with his prisoner, who is to be brought up for preliminary hearing as soon as possible.

Since committing the murder O'Brien has wandered all over the country with the hope of evading capture, having gone to the north three times. The sheriff stated that he made a complete confession to him during the trip down from Rupert that that he is glad that the affair has at last come to an end, as he has been haunted and hounded since. In July of last year he came to Victoria with the intention of giving himself up to the police authorities but was persuaded not to by a friend.

O'Brien was drunk at the time of the murder and there was a rumor that he was in the saloon. The bartender had trouble with the negro and forced him to leave the place only by brute strength. After a while the darkie returned and as he passed O'Brien the latter swung and caught Williams by a smashing blow on the head, which resulted in his death. Friends of the murderer advised him to leave, the police officers, it is stated, returned where he taught a boat for the north. After spending some time there he came south, but believing that the police were on his tracks went to Prince Rupert again, where he hid.

Unable to stand the winter conditions at the G. T. P. terminal city he came south to Victoria last year and on the verge of mental collapse he had decided to return to Vancouver. Last late summer, however, he retraced his steps to the north and this time returned on Queen Charlotte Islands. In January of this year he returned to Prince Rupert and on February 7 gave himself up. Deputy Sheriff Ellis was sent north to take charge of the man and had little trouble with him. The sheriff stated Saturday the time of the murder he did not think the murderer would pay the penalty of death for his deed as a number of witnesses have died, but that he would be given a term of imprisonment.

From Prince Rupert the George had a splendid trip, the weather being extremely fine. She cut several hours off the time and arrived in Vancouver with considerable time to spare. Among the passengers who came south were: Ald. Pattulla, of Prince Rupert, and Mrs. Pattulla, Alex. McDermott, of the Victoria Stevedoring Co.; L. Crippen, R. Murray, T. E. East, Harry Thomas, Smith, H. S. Durkee, W. Geddes, H. W. Paterson, M. Albert, A. F. Kobes, W. M. Harlow, K. Kaenovich, S. Woods, W. Woods, F. L. Woods, J. P. Jones, W. J. Lincoln, A. Marshall and A. F. Kobes.

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Yacht Will Enter into Northern Passenger and Freight Trade

About the middle of next week, the yacht Selma, in her time one of the finest in the world, will begin active service as a freight and passenger steamer between Vancouver and Powell River, with calls at such ports as the traffic demands. Her forward cabin has been stripped for cargo capacity, and with hold and decks she will carry about 100 tons of freight, leaving Vancouver each alternate day. The staterooms are the most luxurious that could be furnished thirty years ago, with private baths, steam heat and the richest of tapestries and fabrics. In the plumbing of one of them was concealed the foot of the French cashier who absconded aboard her and was captured at a South American port. Most of the interior decorations remain exactly as they were when the yacht was occupied by the Marquis of Angles, her original owner, and among the mementoes in his possession marked with an engraved copulate. There is also in good condition the piano with which many of the celebrities of Europe were entertained during the Mediterranean cruises. The Selma is owned by a company of Vancouver shipping men who have incorporated, including Captain Polkingshorne, who brought her around from the Old Country, and Captain Sam Mortimer, who will be her skipper on the Powell River run. She is 155 feet over all, with a beam of 21 ft. 6 in. and a draught of 10 ft. 6 in., and her gross tonnage is 202.

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REVOLUTIONARY JUNTA DENOUNCES MADERO

Leader of Mexican Insurgents Is Declared to Be a Traitor

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 27.—Denouncing General Francisco Madero as a traitor to his country and proclaiming the independence of lower California from the Federal Government, the official organ of the Los Angeles revolutionary junta, which controls the northern part of the lower California peninsula, was circulated here Saturday. In a 10,000 word article signed by Ricardo Flores Magon, newly-elected head of the junta, Madero was flayed mercilessly along with L. Gutierrez de Lara, a prominent Los Angeles revolutionist and other friends of Madero. The article dwelt mainly on Madero's ultra-conservatism, but was principally devoted to an explanation of why Madero's plans never would free Mexico from the rule of Diaz, and telling in what way those of the junta here excelled them.

Publication of the article is the culmination of a bitter fight within the junta itself, in which two factions strove desperately to secure control. Simultaneously it was announced that Antonio Villarreal, former president of the junta, had been deposed. Villarreal has been one of the most active of the insurgents and recently attracted international notice through being imprisoned for expressing his views. Senator Gonzalez, another well-known revolutionist resigned with the ousting of Villarreal. Mazon, who is leader of the opposition, is backed by Anacleto Figueroa, editor of the Regeneration. Revolutionists Active.

Torreon, Mexico, Feb. 27.—Advices from the south tell of the holding up and robbery of a Mexican Central passenger train in the vicinity of Pareditas by four hundred revolutionists. The burning of a railroad bridge, looting of a railroad station at Catalina, north of Durango, and an attempt to raid a railroad in the state of Tlaxcala by a small force of rebels which ended in a fight with a detachment of state guards. Two of the insurgents were killed. The passenger train was bound for Torreon from Mexico City. The main car was looted and the passengers relieved of their valuables. The revolutionists have been active in the region about Torreon in the last few days. The band which attacked Pareditas and Cuernavaca a short time ago and fled upon the approach of the federal troops was reported yesterday in the neighborhood of the latter town, apparently headed for Durango.

BOMB OUTRAGE

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 27.—A bomb thrown by an unknown person in an apparent attempt to wreck the building occupied by Colonel Tomberlin, military commandant at Juarez, struck and wrecked an adobe wall adjoining. The explosion, heard throughout the city, stirred the residents to intense excitement. There is no clue to the thrower of the bomb and no arrests have been made, but a rigid investigation is in progress. Colonel Tomberlin and staff were in the building at the time of the explosion, but all escaped injury.

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MARRIED

PARLANT-CROOK—On Tuesday, Feb. 27, at St. Saviour's church, by the Rev. C. Crook, Howard Parlant, of Vancouver, to Evelyn Crook, formerly daughter of Mrs. H. M. A. Crook, of West Victoria.

DIED

RAYE—On 18th inst., at "Salmon," Victoria, B. C. Marjory Selma Fern Rye (nee Brooke, of Hinton Abbey, near Bath, England), wife of Lewis R. Rye, late of the 1st Victoria Rifles, New Zealand.

Advertisement for clothing and fabrics, listing various items like suits, dresses, and accessories with prices.

FORTIFICATION OF PANAMA CANAL

President Taft's Proposal is Approved by House of Representatives

Washington, D. C., Feb. 17.—After nearly five hours of debate the House shortly before 10 o'clock Saturday night voted overwhelmingly in favor of fortifying the Panama canal, and appropriated \$3,000,000 to begin work, the total cost of which is estimated at \$12,000,000.

The action of the House practically settles the question of fortification, for the sentiment in the senate is said to be more than 20 to 1 in favor of protecting the isthmian waterway.

The real test came on an amendment proposed by Representative Tawney, chairman of the committee on appropriations. The amendment provided that part of the money set aside for fortifications should be used until the president had attempted to negotiate treaties with all the leading maritime nations guaranteeing the neutrality and international protection of the canal.

Representative Shirley of Kentucky, attacked this amendment, and warned members that it had been introduced for the sole purpose of defeating the appropriations.

The Tawney amendment then was voted down by 130 to 63. A motion by Kiefer of Ohio, to strike out all provisions for the fortification of the canal was lost by a vote of 135 to 51.

The real interest in the debate seemed to center in the Tawney amendment and the speeches made for and against it by Mr. Tawney and Mr. Shirley. Mr. Tawney, a stalwart Republican, looked to the Democratic side for sympathy and applause and received both. Mr. Shirley, one of the Democratic leaders of the House, was accorded an ovation by the Republican members. When it came to voting, the Republicans generally supported the fortification of the canal and the Democrats opposed it.

The defeat of about twenty Republicans from the general policy of fortifications was offset by a similar defection on the part of the Democrats in favor of fortification.

The fortification of the canal was provided for in the sundry civil bill, but was considered in the House practically as a separate measure and after all the other features of the sundry civil bill had been disposed of, Representative Walter J. Smith of Iowa, led off the debate in favor of fortification and was followed by Representative Kiefer, who led the forces opposed to the provision. No less than twenty members spoke from five to twenty minutes.

Mr. Smith was generally regarded as representing the administration in the fight for fortification. He cited the various treaties on the subject of a canal. "I am here to insist on the fact that the right to fortify the canal," he said, "is more than a right; it is a duty, we have contracted to preserve its neutrality and to protect it against blockade. This solemn duty is the duty of this people to fortify the entrance to the canal as securely as any of the ports of the country."

When Mr. Kiefer had concluded his speech against fortification, he made a point of order against the appropriation for fortification, declaring it was not justified by existing law.

Representative Mann of Illinois, was in the chair and overruled the point. Mr. Mann said that as far as treaty obligations were concerned, the United States clearly had the right to police and protect the canal in any way it saw fit. Several Democrats who spoke and voted against fortification said they did not think that the work had progressed far enough to do so at this time.

Representative Smith explained that the fortifications were not begun and carried on while the present construction force was on the isthmus the work would cost several millions more.

Mr. Tawney in opposing fortification said if such a proposition were taken at the time the Panama bill was first contemplated, its construction would never have been authorized. He insisted that fortification ultimately would cost not less than \$60,000,000.

He declared that the interest on the \$37,000,000 of construction bonds on the \$60,000,000 for fortification, together with the annual cost of \$7,000,000 for maintenance and operation of the canal, and \$10,000,000 for the pay of troops and upkeep of fortification would bring the annual total expenditures on the canal to \$87,000,000. The estimated revenue he said, is only \$4,000,000 a year, leaving the net cost to the United States of \$23,000,000 a year. After the Tawney amendment and the Kiefer motion to strike out had been defeated, another motion was made to recommit the bill with instructions to the committee to omit the fortification of the canal. On aye and no vote this motion was defeated 123 to 41.

Six thousand American troops will man the fortifications to guard the Panama canal from foreign invasion, if the plans now being perfected by the war department are adopted. These troops will be four regiments of infantry, one squadron of cavalry, three batteries of field artillery, and twelve companies of coast artillery. A permanent garrison will be established at Culabra, the highest point on the route of the canal. From this point, facilities will be perfected for the rapid transportation of troops by rail to any other point which may be threatened by an enemy. The coast artillery garrison will be at Ft. Fenton. The distribution of the troops in this manner is calculated to be the best method to prevent a sudden dash by a landing party of an enemy's fleet, having as its object, the restriction of the great locks of the canal.

MAYOR OF CUMBERLAND.

Cumberland, Feb. 22.—J. N. McLeod has been elected mayor, defeating P. Stoddard by 67 votes. The figures were: McLeod, 158; Stoddard, 82.

NEW PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION FORMED

Includes Business and Agricultural Organizations of Fraser Valley

New Westminster, Feb. 22.—The organization of Fraser Valley Progressive Association was completed at the meeting held in the Publicity Commission's office, Reeve Wilson of Chilliwack being elected the first president, Mayor J. A. Lee, New Westminster, vice-president, and Publicity Commissioner C. H. Stuart-Wade, secretary.

The association was formed to be a central body representing all business and agricultural organizations of the Fraser Valley. By uniting the interests of all the municipalities in the Valley, it is hoped that matters too large for individual municipalities may be dealt with, and such action urged on the governments at Victoria and Ottawa as will forward the prosperity of the entire Valley.

The meeting informally discussed many matters of importance to the Fraser Valley, and these will come before the association at future meetings for action to be taken. Chief among these was the question of the extension and improvement of trunk roads. It is probable that the executive council of the new association will meet and lay out a comprehensive plan of trunk roads through the Fraser Valley, to be urged upon the provincial government. Several of the municipalities represented have important local questions which they will bring before the association for discussion, with a view to obtaining the assistance of the body which represents the combined district.

Mr. Stuart-Wade was unanimously elected general secretary. Considerable discussion took place on the selection of an executive council. It was pointed out that the district being so large, it would be difficult to obtain large meetings, and the work could be done by a council it was finally decided that the president, vice-president and secretary, with one member from each municipality compose the executive.

Mr. Walter Burnaby moved that the delegates from the municipal councils. It was pointed out that if a council failed to send a representative, the municipality would be unrepresented on the executive.

After some discussion Mr. Walker amended his motion to read that the executive consist of the nominees of the municipal councils, with the provision that where there is no council representation, the board of trade delegate be the executive member. This was satisfactory to the meeting and was adopted.

W. Bennett Hood, of Vancouver, as representative of the British Columbia Roads Association, addressed the meeting, making endorsement of a resolution forwarded to the provincial government. The resolution had already been endorsed by the Union of B. C. Municipalities, and asked for an amendment to the present act to provide that roads might be built by a municipality, on funds borrowed from the petitioners and secured by lien notes of three-fourths of the petitioners.

The resolution was read and endorsed by the meeting; this being the first matter on which action was taken by the new association, all other matters being left relating to organization.

OUTPUT ON MINES.

Nelson, Feb. 22.—The Phoenix Amalgamated Ottawa, Knob Hill and Noble five mines joined the shipping list the past week. The Phoenix Amalgamated is the property of the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Company, on which work was recently resumed. The Ottawa is a silver-lead mine at Sloaca City, and was a shipper last year. The Noble Five is a silver-lead property which has long been off the shipping list, and is one of the Cody mines. The Knob Hill is in the Republic camp in Washington.

The following are the returns of the ore production and movement for the past week, and for the year to date:

Table with columns: Boundary, Week, Year. Lists production for Granby, Mother Lode, Snowshoe, Jack Pot, Number Seven, Phoenix Amalgamated, Other mines, Roseland, Centre Star, Le Roi No. 2, Le Roi No. 2, milled, Le Roi No. 2, milled, Other mines, Sloaca-Kootenay, Sullivan, St. Eugene, Richmond-Eureka, Rambler-Cariboo, Hewitt, Quebec, Granite-Poolman, Nugget, Wilcox, Emerald, Society Girl, Hope, Yankee Girl, Mollie Hughes, Knob Hill, Noble Five, Phoenix Amalgamated, Ottawa, Other mines.

Total 5,196 33,459. The total shipments for the week, including the estimated milling, were 43,069 tons, and for the year to date, 217,024 tons. The total receipts at the smelters, including concentrates, were, for the week, 39,398 tons, and for the year to date, 291,611 tons.

ESTABLISHING CAMPS IN THE MOUNTAINS

Grand Trunk Pacific Contractors Preparing to Rush Work This Season

Prince Rupert, Feb. 21.—From the end of the steel, the contractors and sub-contractors in the G. T. P. are reported to have been very busy getting in supplies and already are at work upon construction almost as far west as Tete Juan Cache.

It is the expectation of Messrs. Foley, Welch and Stewart to complete their contract to Tete Juan Cache before the end of the season, and with this end in view are already commencing to ship outfits and men west, to the camps that they have established in the mountains. For the season's work they will require over 3,000 men.

Practically all of the construction to be done on the Grand Trunk Pacific this season west of Edmonton, will be rock work, and will require an immense amount of ballasting. Two main lines of fair length will be required in the mountains, and work on these is also to proceed this summer. It is the opinion of the contractors that construction through the Yellowhead will be comparatively easy.

A great deal of construction can be done in the mountains during the remaining winter months. The contractors will meet and lay out a comprehensive plan of trunk roads through the Fraser Valley, to be urged upon the provincial government. Several of the municipalities represented have important local questions which they will bring before the association for discussion, with a view to obtaining the assistance of the body which represents the combined district.

WARNINGS UNHEEDED.

Verdict of Coroner's Jury Which Investigated Cycling Fatality.

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—The coroner's jury which investigated the death of Rafaela Tonoello, who died from injuries received in a bicycle accident last Saturday afternoon in Stanley Park had a difficulty at arriving at a verdict. The testimony of Robert Miller and other witnesses clearly established the fact that the accident was due to the deceased riding down a steep hill on the wrong side of the road. Miller was teaming a road roller through the park, and had just rolled the place where he was to leave it, alongside some crushed stone bins on the right hand side of the road. Suddenly a bicyclist shot past the roller, he heard a yell, and then another bicyclist closely following the first, and seemingly without control of his wheels, ran head on into the roller. The scream of the first man and Miller rushed to the aid of the injured cyclist, who did not appear to be badly hurt and was able to talk, despite the frightful accident. The examination in the hospital revealed later.

Bottesell Engino, the companion of the injured man, said that they had been riding through the park, and on reaching the fatal hill, which they went at a fast rate of speed, thought they would be unable to go down the proper side of the road. He managed to get by the roller on the right, and expected the other man would be able to follow. With great feeling the witness told of hearing his chum's cry, and upon turning to see the unfortunate man prostrate on the ground.

After a few minutes' deliberation the jury came to the conclusion that death was the result of an accident, unavoidable by the teamsters, who were in no way to blame for the accident. Hence they found that the deceased was riding on the wrong side of the road. The park is plentifully placarded with signs warning bicyclists of dangerous sections. The evidence, however, clearly shows that there were thirty feet or more of clear space on the proper side of the road for them to pass.

FIRE AT LADYSMITH.

Columbia Hotel Destroyed—Boarder Has Narrow Escape.

Ladysmith, Feb. 24.—The Columbia Hotel, one of the largest and most important hotels of Ladysmith was completely destroyed by fire. The fire spread rapidly, the fire having secured a good hold before even the inmates of the hotel were aware the structure was on fire. The department made a quick response to the alarm and had the fire already denied confined its effort to saving adjoining property, the most endangered being the residence of ex-mayor P. Malone, the house never being saved after a desperate struggle. An inmate of the hotel named Jackdon had a close call from being suffocated, being rescued from his perilous position only in the nick of time. The building was owned by Mr. Dwyer, now a resident of Vancouver, the hotel being run by Cooley Bros. There was \$2,000 insurance on the building and \$1,800 on the furniture.

MAY BUILD NEW LINES.

New Westminster, Feb. 24.—That the B. C. Electric Railway Company has a considerable amount of money in this city this summer is now quite probable, as a result of a conference between the city council and the company of the railway. Another carline will probably be built in the city, the line down Lulu Island is now under construction and Mr. Glover, assistant manager of the company, has promised that work on the line to Millside would be commenced as soon as possible.

Another proposal which was discussed at the conference was the question of the city getting a percentage of the gross receipts, as is the case in Vancouver. This was objected to by Mr. Glover, as he said the lines in Westminster were not yet paying. After some discussion, it was proposed that the company be given five years in which to make the line pay, after

NOTICE

We take pleasure in informing you that we have engaged the services of Miss Green, formerly with W. A. Murray & Co., of Toronto, who took charge of our Corset Department this morning. Miss Green is an expert corsetiere of wide experience and we are quite confident that Victoria ladies will find her knowledge and assistance extremely beneficial.

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NEW CONVENT TO BE BUILT AT NANAIMO

Contract Awarded for Three-Story Building to Cost \$25,000

Nanaimo, Feb. 22.—Mr. Jeffrey Planta has been awarded the contract of building a Convent on Wallace Street for the Sisters of St. Ann, to replace the structure destroyed by fire some months ago. The contractor was busy Tuesday installing a gas engine and band saw which will be used in sawing up the immense amount of lumber necessary in the construction of the large building which is to be 120x60, three stories in height, and topped with a flat roof on which will be a tower, carrying the cross with which all Convents are equipped.

The new edifice will be a model structure, with large class rooms on the ground and second floors, equipped with every convenience for the children and installed with the latest improved heating apparatus, also containing all educational facilities.

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LOST IN WOODS.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 21.—After ten days in the woods near Kent, without food or shelter, Ben Woolin, of Sumner, was rescued by a rancher's dog and is slowly recovering from the terrible experience of a local hospital. He was in the woods February 14 and wandered about without food or sleep until yesterday afternoon. Woolin was well supplied with money.

MILK INSPECTION WILL BE STRICT

MORE OFFICIALS ON IF IT IS NECESSARY

House Passes Second Reading of Bill Restricting Sale of Drugs

Legislative Press Gallery, Feb. 24.—Confronted by a heavy order paper, and desiring to bring the session to a close by Wednesday next, the House held what was for it a most unusually prolonged sitting, not adjourning till shortly after two o'clock this (Friday) morning. A number of measures were advanced a stage. It is expected that morning sittings will begin on Monday.

The need for a close inspection of milk was emphasized during the debate on the bill respecting agricultural associations, one section of which provides for the appointment of provincial dairy inspectors and the inspection, as frequently as possible, of the use of stock, stables, dairies, creameries, etc.

H. C. Brewster laid stress on the need for inspecting milk entering Victoria and other cities. One inspector could not do all that was required. The smaller places would be sure of a pure milk supply. As much disease was carried into the cities through bad milk as in any other way.

The Minister of Agriculture said it would be the duty of the inspector to look into these matters. Last week quite a number of animals had been slaughtered which were afflicted with tuberculosis. It was necessary to have more inspectors he hoped the government would appoint them.

In the matter of spraying to prevent the spread of tree pests Mr. Brewster asked if anything was to be done on trees on crown lands. The minister would be little use to spray orchards if tree pests were to run riot on crown lands.

The Minister of Agriculture assured him that there was little to fear in this way. H. F. W. Behnen wanted inspectors of nursery stock removed from the control of the horticultural board and made independent. His amendment was not accepted by the Minister and on a vote was defeated.

Habit Forming Drugs. F. J. Mackenzie's bill to restrict the sale of habit forming drugs was called up on second reading.

Mr. Mackenzie drew attention to the fact that Hon. Macdonnell, Minister of Labor had introduced a bill of a similar nature into the House of Commons. It was certain that this bill would be passed, and therefore the House would be in order to adopt this stage of Mr. Mackenzie's bill. For himself, he proposed to support it.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite thought it would be an unusual and very ill-advised action for the House to pass legislation similar to that being enacted at Ottawa, and raised a point of order. Mr. Mackenzie remarked that the Mackenzie King bill only applied to cocaine, morphine and opium, but not their derivatives, and thus did not go as far as his bill.

Mr. Speaker Eberts, on the point of order, said he would not take the position of declaring this bill to be ultra vires of the legislature. Considering the number of times which it has been going through the courts to settle the jurisdiction of Dominion and province it would be a rather strong position for any Speaker to rule any bill out, even if he was of opinion that it was beyond the power of the Dominion. As in the case of insurance, Dominion and provincial legislatures might have coordinate jurisdiction in regard to any drug or stimulant. He said that the craving for drink or drugs was an effect of the conditions of our civilization.

Mr. Brewster did not agree that legislation had no effect in regard to restricting the use of liquor and bettering conditions even among its victims. While it was not possible to legislate away the existence of a habit formed through a life-long use of a drug, which tended to restrict an evil and keep from before the generation growing up a temptation which they would know nothing about, if such laws were enforced, would make it possible for that generation to be free from the taint of drug habit. If this bill tended towards reducing the habit of using drugs or restricted the formation of the habit, and it having been ruled to be in order, he would support it.

H. H. Watson (Vancouver), who is the member for Delta, a druggist, said the House that, pharmacists were in an even better position than physicians to realize the evils of the drug habit, which fortunately had not reached serious proportions in British Columbia. The use of drugs completely destroyed the physical and mental economy, and the effect was marked in some sections that it was something was done. With the falling-off in the consumption of liquor the use of drugs was increasing. The provision that a prescription calling for cocaine, morphine or heroin must be filled by the druggist, and not be filled except upon the written order of the original prescriber, would be of great assistance in curbing the evil.

There was mention in the bill of an exception in the matter of the use of drugs in veterinary practice. It was well-known that on raccoons it was a frequent trick to "dope" an animal by hypodermic injections of cocaine, the effects of which were so marked that the temporary power of the animal to perform prodigies, without feeling the exertion. This was a most cruel, inhuman practice and the special ad-

APPEAL LIKELY BY RAILWAYS

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What we seek the injunction that has resulted in this victory.

Traffic Manager, Valpar of the Chicago Association of Commerce, said: "I believe the decision is justified from the showing made by both sides in the rate-hearings."

"I think it is a fair decision," said William Hayler, counsel for the Illinois Manufacturers' Association. It is a victory for the shippers but really a greater victory for the consumers, who actually pay the freight."

President Louis W. Hill, of the Great Northern: "We will keep on doing business, but not much will be done in the way of improvements or extensions."

President W. C. Brown, New York Central: "We will not announce our policy until our attorneys have an opportunity to present the commission reasons for vetoing the rate increases."

President W. W. Finley, Southern Railroad: "The question is of the broadest, and will not be dismissed at a moment's notice. We will appear."

President Daniel Whitney, Baltimore & Ohio: "There is only one thing to do. That is to make effective Louis W. Brandeis' efficiency system. We must buy less material and pay less for what we get if we are to keep going."

President George S. Baer, Reading Railroad: "It is a great blow to the railroads. I don't see how some of them are going to get along."

Vice-President E. W. McKenna, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul: "If the railroads had not anticipated substantial increases in rates, wage advances to employees would not have been granted. The decision is most surprising."

General Counsel Chester Dawes, Burlington Railroad: "The railroads believed they would be given sufficient advances in rates to produce reasonable returns."

Third Vice-president William A. Gardner, Chicago & Northwestern: "We will continue to seek permission to make increases in rates."

General Manager Webber, Canadian Pacific: "The decision affects Canadian as well as American railroads. We shall not be able to do business as well as we have been for five years."

Slump in London. London, Feb. 24.—Leading railway stocks slumped considerably on the opening of the stock exchange here today, as the result of the Interstate Commerce Commission's decision against higher railroad rates in the United States. The break ranged from two to seven points. The heaviest losses were in St. Paul, Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Pennsylvania and Reading, although other shares also were under heavy pressure. A flood of selling orders were called from America in anticipation of a weak opening in the New York exchange.

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CIVIL SUNDRY APPROPRIATIONS

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—The sundry civil appropriation bill, carrying \$140,540,000, was reported to the house today. This, while \$25,431,000 over the bill of last year, is \$14,486,000 under the estimate.

The largest single item in the bill is \$45,560,000 for the Panama canal, an increase of \$7,500,000 over the estimate. For public buildings, \$21,311,245 is appropriated, an increase of \$16,000,000. Canal fortifications received an appropriation of \$3,000,000. The measure probably will be passed by the house under suspension of the rules.

Despairing of forcing the senate to pass his tariff completion bill, Senator Taft is centering his efforts to secure \$400,000 to continue the present board by an appropriation in the sundry civil bill. If the provision passes, the next house will have the opportunity to interfere with the tariff board.

RUEF REHEARING. San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 23.—The action of the State Supreme court in granting a rehearing to Abraham Ruef was upheld today by Attorney C. W. Cross, who answered the contentions of Attorney-General Walsh. Cross contended that as several of the present Supreme justices helped to frame the constitutional amendment of 1904 under which Ruef rehearing was granted, they were in a better position than others to judge whether or not they had transgressed the rules of the amendment.

MORMAN LEADERS CONFERENCE. Stockholm, Feb. 23.—Plans for spreading their faith throughout the Scandinavian nations were discussed here today at the opening of a conference of Mormon leaders from Sweden, Norway and Denmark.

Thousands of converts to Mormonism have been made in those countries in the last few years and the sect is gaining a strong foothold. A considerable number of Swedes and Norwegians have been induced to settle in Utah.

SHIPPERS GAIN SWEEPING VICTORY

Interstate Commerce Commission Orders Reductions in Railway Freight Rates.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 24.—The Interstate Commerce Commission yesterday afternoon ordered reductions in freight rates on practically every known variety of merchandise transported by railroads. The order, which marks the end of the great rate cases and affects every railroad in the country, was issued under heavy pressure. A flood of selling orders were called from America in anticipation of a weak opening in the New York exchange.

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PROLONGED SITTING TO HASTEN PROLOGATION

Coal Mines Regulations—Land Registry Act—Fortnightly Pay Days

Legislative Press Gallery, Feb. 24.—The coal mines regulation bill, which has been before the House frequently during the last fortnight, reached finally early this morning, and will be read a third time this afternoon. When it came up late in the evening sitting, H. Hawthorthwaite moved again his amendment forbidding the employment of any boy under eighteen in a mine, which was carried and within the preceding twelve months.

The premier again refused to accept the amendment, as tending to throw several lads in the mines at Nanaimo out of work, and on a division it was supported only by Mr. Brewster. The Land Registry Act amending bill was taken up in committee in the afternoon, Alex Lucas (Vale) in the chair, and reported complete, and the evening sitting was read a third time.

The office hours are fixed at 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (on Saturday) for the staff, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (noon on Saturday) for the public.

It is enacted that hereafter no land, other than a mineral claim, shall be subdivided into parcels of less than five acres, and no application for registration of any parcel less than five acres shall be received, unless the land shall have been registered in the register of indefeasible title. The intent of the bill is to bring about gradually registration of indefeasible title in western British Columbia.

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The decision of the commission was unanimous. It states vigorously that there is no reason why the railroad, east or west, should increase their rates over the tariffs.

It is claimed by the railroads that advances of approximately 18 per cent. in the east and 16 per cent. in the west were necessary in order to enable the interests of the railroad stockholders to be considered. Attorneys for the railroads declared, after reading the decision, that the commission had dealt a blow at the heads of the railroad industry.

The decision prevents increases in rates becoming effective for two years after March 10. If freight increases totaling over \$100,000 annually have been forestalled.

The sweeping character of the verdict causes a disappointment to the railroads, whose representatives expected that the commission would compromise on some of the commodities in which the tariff is heaviest.

To Louis Brandeis, the Boston lawyer who argued the case for the shippers, is given credit for the victory. Brandeis contended that the increases ordered by the railroads of the country and suspended by the Interstate Commerce Commission following the receipt of complaints were not only unnecessary but were due to "greed and grab-it-all policy."

The decisions of the Interstate Commerce Commission were written by Commissioners Lane and Proby. They covered 128 closely printed pages.

ANTI-ORIENTAL REGULATIONS. Melbourne, Feb. 24.—Regulations have just been issued by the federal government, which will have the effect of practically expelling the Orientals who are engaged in the pearl fisheries on the north coast of West Australia. The ostensible reason for the ministry's action is that the "white Australian" policy permits of no infringements such as are caused by the presence of the Orientals on the coast, but the real reason is that the authorities charged with the duty of securing the defence of the island continent are anxious lest the Japanese should have an opportunity of spying out the land.

CHARITIES TAX. Melbourne, Feb. 24.—The government of the state of Victoria proposes to introduce a charities tax, to which all wage earners will have to contribute. Some of the hospitals are languishing for lack of funds, and it is hoped the tax will have the effect of placing them on a sound financial foundation.

OAK BAY BILL. Mr. Speaker Eberts Thursday afternoon ruled on H. B. Thompson's point of order regarding the Oak Bay bill. He found that there was matter in the bill not contemplated in the published notice of the bill. The bill was referred back to the private bill committee for report.

WILL INCREASE MILITIA FORCE

Sir F. Borden Says General French's Report Will Be Carried Out

Ottawa, Feb. 24.—"We intend to carry out Sir John French's report so far as the whole force in Canada is concerned. Perhaps not as rapidly as we would like, but not less rapidly than we have been progressing in this department in the past seven or eight years. The artillery will be increased to the strength it should have, and the cavalry and infantry also. The necessary armament will be supplied as rapidly as possible, and divisions made as the general's report suggested."

This announcement was made by Sir Frederick Borden, minister of militia and defence, to the annual meeting of the Canadian Artillery Association in the House of Commons yesterday. It elicited prolonged cheers and enthusiasm from the members.

Sir Frederick said that the report had been eminently pleasant reading to him in so far as the artillery of Canada was concerned, and he thought should be very satisfactory to the militia as a whole. General French had not been expected to do so, and had not been expected to report on the force as he found it, as a unit ready to take the field, and he had done so.

LOCAL NEWS. In regard to the report of the last Spanish council meeting, Thomas Carter, the well known Victoria contractor, informs the Times that he did not apply to the council for permission to erect any building.

Before Magistrate Jay on Friday the Westhorne Lumber company paid a fine of \$10 for leaving building material on Courtenay street for allowing his dog to run in Beacon Hill park. J. H. Jeffrey was fined \$5, and W. E. Gregson paid \$5 fine for riding a bicycle on Oak Bay avenue sidewalk.

The Victoria Printing & Publishing Company, which for twelve years has been in business on the corner of Government and Yates street, moving to the Lenx and Leizer building on Yates street. There it will continue under the management of Phil R. Smith. The spare rooms in the building will be rented for lodges.

The St. Andrew's and Caledonian Rifle band gave an enjoyable concert and dance in A.O.U.W. hall Thursday night. There was a large attendance, and the programme was splendidly rendered. A feature of the concert was the singing of Mrs. Crawford, a lady of over three score years, who sang "Cam Ye by Athol" and ten. How the sergeant-at-arms to subdue the disturbance. The floor for a few minutes was the wisest decision, half a score of members addressing with Wickarsham and Mondell.

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DISTURBANCE ON FLOOR OF U. S. HOUSE

Delegate From Alaska Attempts to Assault Wyoming Representative

Washington, Feb. 24.—A disturbance on the floor of the House yesterday afternoon between Delegate Wickarsham, of Alaska, and Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, caused a great sensation.

"I don't care a fig," shouted Wickarsham during the debate on the Alaska coal land leasing bill, "I'll slap you around and strike at Mondell, and land him below the neck. Members at once interfered and the two gentlemen were seized and separated."

Representative Mondell, of Pennsylvania, temporarily in the chair, ordered the sergeant-at-arms to subdue the disturbance. The floor for a few minutes was the wisest decision, half a score of members addressing with Wickarsham and Mondell.

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ACCOUNTANT BYWELL MISSING AT EMPRESS

Leaves for Seattle Before Auditors Arrive to Examine Hotel Books

(From Friday's Daily.) C. P. E. auditors have for the past few days been engaged at the Empress hotel auditing Accountant Bywell's books. Bywell left Victoria Sunday night for Seattle and has failed to return.

Whether the shortage is actual or whether the books are only padded completely is not made public, but it is said that Bywell told friends last week he believed his books to be short \$2,300, and that he had no idea how the deficiency could have occurred.

Bywell learned the latter end of last week that the auditors were coming from Vancouver to go through the books and accounts of the hotel, and rather than face the ordeal and whatever might disclose, he left town on Sunday night's boat to Seattle.

Bywell had been with the Empress hotel since its opening four years ago. He was first in charge of the bellboys, and was promoted to the position of clerk, which he occupied during the management of B. M. Humble. When H. B. Jackson was promoted manager, Bywell was made an accountant and had occupied that position until his departure Sunday night.

ANNEXATION RESOLUTION. Premier Asquith Will Not Send Any Communication to United States. London, Feb. 24.—Premier Asquith in the House of Commons today said he did not intend sending any communication to the United States regarding the annexation resolution.

MARITIME PROVINCE HOCKEY. (Special to the Times.) Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 24.—The university of New Brunswick hockey team defeated Mount Allison here Wednesday night by a score of 8 to 4, and thus won the Maritime Province and intercollegiate hockey championship.

CLASHES BETWEEN TROOPS AND REBELS

Number of Fights Reported in Mexico—Insurgents Burn Bridge

(Times Licensed Wire.) Laredo, Tex., Feb. 24.—Passengers arriving here today brought reports of many fights in Mexico and the burning of a bridge by insurgents near Torreón. Fights took place at Laramaca, Cuernavaca, San Juan, Gndalupe, Velardern, Assarc, cruces, Hacienda Peviciana, San Antonio and Hacienda Juan Perez, the reports say. It was reported that both the federal and insurgents lost heavily in the battle near La Mancha.

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Plan to Surround Rebels. El Paso, Texas, Feb. 24.—Hoping to strike a vital blow to the rebel cause by exterminating the revolutionary forces under Provisional President Francisco Madero, official announcement was made at Juarez today that arrangements were completed to surround Madero's troops at Ahumada.

With the view of putting an end to the revolution by the capture of Madero and annihilation of his force, 500 federal troops left Juarez Sunday night and today are making a forced march on Ahumada.

Col. Mayole left Chihuahua Wednesday with Ahumada as his objective point. Colonel Escobedo commanding 600 infantry, who is advancing from the east plans to meet the other troops near Ahumada, and completely surprise Madero and his forces.

Unless Madero learns the present plans, a battle is expected.

REMEMBER FRANCIS WILLARD. Union Met at Home of Mrs. William Grant.

An afternoon of delightful and profitable reminiscence was spent Thursday at the home of Mrs. William Grant at Point Ellice. The occasion of the meeting was the commemorating of Francis Willard, the founder of the W. C. T. U. The measure of the tributes poured up on the memory of this famous woman was voluminously indicative of the influence she has acquired over the thought of her countrymen in the field of work which she early marked for her own.

Mrs. William Grant was unfortunately absent, but her sister, Miss Smith, played the hostess charmingly. Mrs. Willard, the president, emphasized the debt all owed to their founder for the guidance and inspiration with which she had inspired them.

The address of Mrs. Spofford had a peculiar interest, as she was one of the band of ladies of Victoria who joined the union at its formation. She referred to the great work of the society in saving the homes of the individual, and thereby saving the nation's honor, and said that the women workers who comprised its membership were deserving of all the encomiums that were showered upon them. She spoke of Miss Willard with the delicate charm of an intimate friend, revealing some of her beautiful characteristics, and held her up as an ideal to be cherished and emulated by the younger members of the society.

A pretty feature of the function was the acknowledgment of a beautifully mounted photograph of the Countess of Carlisle, the world's W. C. T. U. president, sent by Mrs. Lilla M. Davies, of Marsh House, Shropshire, England.

SUICIDE FOLLOWS ARREST. (Special to the Times.) St. Catharines, Ont., Feb. 24.—George A. Allen, 50, a married employee of Welland Vale Manufacturing Company here, died in the Buffalo hospital this morning from morphine poisoning, following the arrest on a charge of theft. Chief Green, of St. Catharines, wired that he had a warrant, \$1,000 being involved. When arrested Allen said that he had taken eighteen morphine pills and a quantity of ether, and he dropped unconsciously.

LIBERAL SMOKER. Ward 3 Liberals will hold their first smoker in Broad street hall on Friday evening next, March 3. The executive are arranging a programme which will combine good speeches, good music, good smokes and refreshments.

The speakers of the evening will be H. C. Brewster, M. P. P.; M. B. Jackson, Lieut.-Col. A. W. Currie, president of Ward 1 Association, and others.

Ward 5 Liberals will hold their first smoker on Tuesday evening next to organize.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY. Irishmen Will Dine in Clay's Restaurant, Fort Street.

The committee which has been entrusted with the arrangement for the St. Patrick's Day banquet has completed arrangements with Arthur H. Tobin, of Clay's restaurant, for the holding of the annual Irish event there.

The dinner will be held on Friday, March 3, at 8 p. m., and is expected to be an even greater success than its predecessors. Particular attention is being paid to the music of the evening, and a choice programme of vocal and instrumental music will be rendered.

Tickets for the dinner can be obtained on and after to-morrow from the hon. sec-treas, A. St. G. Flint, Trenchon avenue. Members of the committee appeared in Saturday's Times, are asked to call at Mr. Flint's office, and obtain tickets for sale.

RAIDED BY POLICE. St. Petersburg, Feb. 24.—Raiding the offices of the Westinghouse Electric Company here yesterday, the police seized every scrap of paper relating to the electrification of the St. Petersburg street Railway Company by the American concern. The Russian government demanded that the Westinghouse Company immediately pay a penalty of 50,000 for alleged failure to live up to its contract. The company was originally fined 200,000, but the government yesterday remitted 245,000.

ADJUSTING FINAL CLAIMS ON ROUTE

Surveyors at Work on Second Twenty-Mile Section of the Barkley Sound Railway

With construction headquarters at the Peddar Bay camp and a supply store at Colwood station, the Carlin and Grant Smith & Co. undertaking of the Vancouver Island railway can be said to have actively commenced. The work of purchasing the right-of-way is adjusted, with the exception of a few claims, over the first twenty miles. Along the twenty-mile route gangs of men employed by the sub-contractors are locating and marking the work of the new line is well under way.

The second twenty-mile section is now being surveyed, and when the surveyors have completed the sub-contractors for clearing and grading will be placed on the work. Just beyond Sooke there is some very heavy construction work necessary to bring the grade down to a 1 per cent. basis, and the contracting company estimate the section at the point indicated will cost \$60,000 per mile.

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NAMES BALL TEAM

Hard Sorting Season Fast

Having a hard time sorting names...

Names have been sorted...

Names are listed...

INDIAN MURDERERS EVADE OFFICERS

More Men Are Searching for Redskins Who Killed Four Stockmen

(Times Leased Wire) Elko, Nev., Feb. 24.—Hunting for a party of ten Shoshone Indians who are suspected of having killed four wealthy stockmen in Washoe county nearly a month ago...

The Indians have been traced 142 miles by the state police from Little High Rock canyon...

One old warrior, three young braves, two old squaws and one 17-year-old girl and three children are in the Indian party...

It is regarded as certain that the sheriffs and posse will cross the trail of the Indians to-morrow and that a desperate battle will result.

EXTERNAL TRADE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM Remarkable Expansion During Year 1910—Exports to Canada 25 Per Cent. Greater

Striking evidence of the great volume of the external trade of the United Kingdom, and of its remarkable expansion in 1910, is afforded by the recently-issued 'Accounts relating to the trade and navigation of the United Kingdom' for the month and twelve months ending 31st December last.

Of the increase of £32,400,000 in exports of United Kingdom produce, £20,000,000 represents the increase in consignments to other parts of the United Kingdom...

Table with columns for 'Imports from United Kingdom' and 'Exports to United Kingdom' with values for 1910 and 1911.

POSTAL CASE HAS REACHED DEADLOCK

Baxter and Johnson Ready to Be Fined but Legal Machinery Will Not Work

The law is some way. Baxter and Johnson were last year taken into the police court on a charge of having defrauded His Majesty's mails by evading the regulations...

Now the police magistrate has received a letter from the solicitor, who acted for the post office, Mr. Baxter and Johnson, who writes, enclosing the judgment of the court of appeal and asking him to deal with the case.

The court of appeal has given an order that the case go to the magistrate for judgment, and the appeal cannot go to the acting magistrate, because such an order does not exist.

The court of appeal has ordered in effect that the case go to the magistrate for judgment, and the appeal cannot go to the acting magistrate...

MUSICAL FESTIVAL. Sheffield Chorists Will Be in Victoria May 15.

A musical festival of the first and purest order will be given in Victoria on May 15, when the musical combination known as the Sheffield Chorists will visit the city...

Grand Master E. L. Webber, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of British Columbia, has requested Deputy Grand Master W. H. Cullin to assume his duties of grand master during his illness.

On Tuesday evening the Daughters of England gave a very enjoyable social to their many friends in the K. of S. hall...

CLUSTER LIGHTS ON BROAD STREET

Esquimalt Road is to Have Asphalt, Bridge Street to Point Ellice

Cluster lights, similar to those now ornamenting Douglas and Yates streets, are contemplated for Broad street, from the Times building corner to Cormorant street.

Esquimalt road is to be paved, drained and provided with curbs, gutters and sidewalks, from Bridge street to Point Ellice bridge.

Sherbrooke Lake for Summer Outing—Official Climbs Mt. Daly and Pope's Peak

The sixth annual camp of the Alpine Club of Canada will be held in the alpine meadows above Sherbrooke lake towards the end of July or the beginning of August.

On her main deck she will be able to carry any kind of freight and almost any amount of it.

Montreal, Feb. 24.—Robert Kerr, the retiring passenger manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, was the recipient of a handsome presentation made by the executive and general officers of the company...

Portland, Ore., Feb. 24.—Through the efforts of public spirited citizens of Portland, \$1,600 has been raised for the relief of Chinese famine sufferers...

Will Visit Italy. Berlin, Feb. 24.—Official announcement is made that Crown Prince Frederick and the Crown Princess, who have abandoned their proposed trip to China, will visit Rome in April...

NEW FERRY FOR SMOKE ROUTE

ECHTEL IS PURCHASED FROM VANCOUVER FIRM

C. C. Shipping Co. Buys a New Steamer—Determined to Keep Pace With Demands

With the replacing of the little steamer Tasmanian on the Victoria-Porter Bay-Sooke run by the Echtel, a larger, more comfortable and faster boat, the needs of the neighboring districts will be well met.

The dimensions of the new boat are: 32 feet in length over all, 75 feet between perpendiculars, and 15 feet in depth.

STEAMER ECHEL This steamer has been purchased by the British Columbia Shipping Company and will replace the Tasmanian on the run to Sooke.

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Along the Victoria water front the garage Eliza Linn is well known, having left this port only last week with a full cargo of lumber loaded at Chemainus for Antofagasta.

VISITS WATERFRONT AND IS SHANGHAIED

Son of Iowa Physician, Drugged at Seattle, Wakes Up on Eliza Linn at Sea

A tall slender, clean-cut youth of 17 was brought to the immigration inspectors' room in the large office at New York several days ago to be questioned about his right to land from the Panama liner Panama, which brought him from Christobal.

At the meeting of the company last night arrangements were completed for the purchasing of the Echtel, formerly owned and operated by the Seckel Steamship Company, Vancouver.

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AMATEUR BALL IS EXPECTED TO BOOM

Three Series to Be Run—Teams Will Be Allowed to Use the Grounds

Victorians will have a chance to see more baseball this year than ever before. When the season really opens it will be surprising if a single day passes without a game of some description being played.

The outfielder of one nine sometimes gets mixed up with the catcher or the first sacker of another, and if he is not careful is likely to receive the leather sphere on the back of the neck.

The teams which will enter for the Peden cup are, as far as the North Ward, Beacon Hill, J. B. A. and Oak Bay.

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REIGN COMPROMISE IN SALVAGE CASE

Owners' Representatives Award Puget Sound Towboat Company \$6,800 for Work

(From Friday's Daily.) In a compromise reached yesterday afternoon between representatives of the owners of the Norwegian freighter Titania, Capt. Kroeger, which grounded on Turn Point, Stuart Island, several weeks ago, and the Puget Sound Towboat Company, the tug Lorne and Tutoosh have been awarded the sum of \$6,800 for assistance rendered in floating the big collier from her perilous position on the rocks.

At the time of her stranding the Titania was on her way from Comox to Anacapa, loaded with a full cargo of coal, and was in command of Capt. Christensen, the Nanaimo pilot, who was bringing her to Victoria.

The wireless operator at Roche Harbor at once notified Victoria and Seattle of the vessel's condition, and the Puget Sound Towboat Company dispatched the Lorne from here and the Tutoosh from the Sound.

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LIGHTHOUSE TENDER REPORTS HARD TRIP

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**ELWOOD WATKINS**, Architect, Rooms and Offices, 301 Block, corner Broad and Truncheon Aves. Phone 2128 and 1122.

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**H. S. GRIFFITH**, 14 Princes Block, 1609 Government Street. Phone 1453.

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**SPENCER BROS., BIRDEN & CO.**, Civil Engineers, Dominion and R. C. Land Surveyors, 114 Princes Block, Victoria. B. C. Branch offices in Nelson (13 years) and Port George (10 years).

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**W. McGRIGOR**, British Columbia Land Surveyor and Civil Engineer, 1000 Commercial Street, Victoria. B. C. Branch, 52 Lakeside Street, P. O. Box 27, Victoria. Phone 1234.

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**MRS. TITLY**, pianoforte teacher, has removed to Head Street (next Post Office) 474 St. James Street, Victoria.

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**W. J. HANNA**, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 474 St. James Street, Victoria.

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**R. C. STEAM DYE WORKS**, The largest dyeing and cleaning works in the province. Country orders solicited. Tel. 200. 100 Broad Street, Victoria.

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**A. F. ROY'S ART GLASS**, LEADED LIGHTS, ETC., for churches, schools, public buildings and private dwellings. Glass and fancy glass bottles, leaded glass, special terms to contractors. This is the only firm in Victoria that manufactures leaded glass for leaded lights, thereby dispensing with unskilled work. Works and stores, 58 Yates Street, Phone 184.

### CHISHOLM & CARRUTHERS

are now located at their new building, 1120 View Street, where they have the most up-to-date plant on the Island for the manufacture of leaded art glass, plate and bevelled British plate mirrors, and anything in the glass line. Phone 2282.

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**QUAITY'S SERVICE**, Baines & Brown, 474 St. James Street, Victoria.

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**SEWER PIPE**, Field, this Ground Fire Clay, Flower Peds, etc. B. C. Pottery Co., 474 St. James Street, Victoria.

### PAWNSHOP

**MONEY LOANED** on diamonds, jewelry and personal effects. A. A. Aaronson, corner Johnson and Broad.

### ROOFING

**H. B. THOMSON**, slate and tar and gravel roofers, slate black boards; estimates furnished. 52 Hillside Avenue.

### SCAVENGING

**L. N. WING ON**, 1709 Government Street, Victoria.

### SILK GOODS, ETC.

**A. WEAVER**, 474 St. James Street, Victoria.

### CARRIAGE BUILDERS

**CHAPPEL & JONES** have for sale two new express wagons. Corner Post and Broad Streets.

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**ORRIBEN & DUNN**, Chemist and Purveyor of Chemicals, 474 St. James Street, Victoria.

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