

SCHOOL AFFAIRS UP TO-NIGHT

IMPORTANT BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE BOARD

Believed That Motion for Change in Principals Will Be Dropped.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

This evening's meeting of the board of school trustees...

Another matter which will come up for discussion, which was held in abeyance for the same reason...

Chief interest, however, centres over the probable decision of the board in regard to the motion of Trustee Crane...

PRAIRIE FARMERS VERY PROSPEROUS

M. B. Jackson Says Many Prairie Folk Are Coming to Victoria.

M. B. Jackson, of this city, has just returned from Manitoba where he has been looking after the crops on his farms at Hamiota.

Mr. Jackson says that Victoria is spoken of a good deal in the districts he has visited, and he is sure that large numbers of people will come here this year.

TWO MEN ALMOST SCALDED TO DEATH

Engineer and Fireman Injured by Boiler Explosion in Logging Camp.

Bellingham, Wash., Oct. 14.—George Beckwith, engineer, and John Larson, fireman at the Lake Whatcom Logging camp, near here, are in the hospital to-day suffering from perhaps fatal injuries received yesterday when the donkey engine they were running blew up.

MARPOLE MAKES FLYING VISIT

WAS HERE YESTERDAY FOR A SHORT TIME

Confirms News of Awarding of Contract for Completion of Alberni Line.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

R. Marpole, general executive agent of the C. P. R., spent yesterday afternoon in the city returning in the evening to Vancouver.

Seen by a Times representative at the Empress hotel, Mr. Kurtz said he was just cleaning up the final details of the big project which his company has initiated on Vancouver Island...

JAPANESE INFLUENCE AT WASHINGTON

Alleged to Be Responsible for Resignation of Minister to China.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Washington, D. C., Oct. 14.—The extent of pressure which Japan is said to wield at Washington in securing a United States minister to China who accords with her policies is a subject of comment to-day in official and unofficial circles here.

CHARGES AS TO PAINTING

TRUSTEE STANELAND MAKES HIS DENIAL

Speaks Before School Board Committee on Paint Contract.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

School Trustee Staneland this morning before the special committee of the board to meet A. E. Lewis, contractor for the painting of the North Ward school, denied the allegation made against him that he had told the contractor one coat of paint would be sufficient where the specifications called for two.

From a short denial he proceeded to elaborate on a statement regarding the matter charged against him, when Trustee McNeill objected to his being heard at that stage.

NEW LEADER IN RAILWAY FINANCE

Edward Hawley Has Secured Control of Missouri & Texas Road.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Oct. 14.—It is reported in financial circles to-day that the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad, known as the "Katy," has passed into the control of Edward E. Hawley, who has been drawn into the limelight recently as the probable successor of Harriman as the dominant figure in the railroad world.

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Bluefield, Nicaragua, Oct. 14.—(By Wireless via Colon).—A great revolution against the administration of President Zelaya is to-day sweeping the entire country.

Rivas and Corinto to-day are in the hands of the rebels, who are marching inland. Fierce fighting is reported to have been killed on each side.

WOMAN SHOOTS HERSELF ON GRAVE

Body With Bullet Through Heart Found in San Francisco Cemetery.

(Times Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 14.—With a bullet through her heart, the body of a poorly dressed woman was found to-day lying in front of a weed-covered little grave in Laurel Hill cemetery.

FIRE THREATENS WASHINGTON TOWN

North Yakima, Oct. 14.—Because the fire engine would not work, having been allowed to rust after the Fourth of July celebration, fire at Toppenish last night burned out five places of business and swept everything until some vacant lots were reached.

FIRE DESTROYS TUG

Port Arthur, Ont., Oct. 14.—The tug Jim Fuller, owned by Joseph Finenault here, was burned to the water's edge last night thirty miles down the south shore, where it had gone for a load of wood. The loss is \$10,000.

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BLAZE AT BATTLEFORD

(Special to the Times.)

Battleford, Sask., Oct. 14.—A disastrous fire broke out on Main street at 3 o'clock this morning, resulting in the destruction of a portion of the business section. The fire originated in H. McKenzie's warehouse and spread to Cook's butcher store and the general store of Burlingham & Speers. The fire brigade here succeeded in checking the flames. The loss is about \$40,000, half insured.

BOMB EXPLOSION

One Man Killed and Another Injured in St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 14.—A bomb exploded in a suburb of the city yesterday, killing one of the men who had it in their possession, and wounding the other. Before his arrest, the wounded man attempted to conceal a second bomb and a revolver. The men were dressed as laborers, but it is believed that they were disguised revolutionists who were on their way to the scene of an intended crime when one of their bombs accidentally exploded.

DECLARES PEARY'S CHARGES WEAK

KANSAS PROFESSOR ON EXPLORER'S INDICTMENT

Has No Doubt Brooklyn Doctor Reached the North Pole.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Tokeka, Kans., Oct. 14.—Prof. L. L. Dyche, head of the department of natural history of the university of Kansas, who made several trips to the north as a member both of the Peary and the Cook exploring parties, and is personally acquainted with the explorers, has made a statement touching on the present controversy, by reading Commander Peary's statement, published yesterday, "to my mind is absolutely incredible. It is based upon the testimony of ignorant Eskimos, who were incapable of understanding a country to which they had never been before, well enough to outline such a map as that published and credited by Peary to their explanation. Only intelligent white men with instruments could make their way to such a country and be able to report in detail upon it a year after the trip was made."

DISMEMBERED BODY OF WOMAN IDENTIFIED

Remains Found at Tiverton, R. I., Those of Fall River Girl.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Tiverton, R. I., Oct. 14.—Mrs. Sarah Grinnell, of Fall River, Mass., to-day identified the dismembered body of the young woman found near here as being that of her step-daughter, Ella R. Grinnell. Surgeons who performed an autopsy on the body declared that they had found evidences of an attempted illegal operation.

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S. Y. WOOTTON, Stocks Companies. Subjects for which this d are: business of accident in- rances as regards whether the accidents injury, including the yers or other persons rkm or others un- Parliament already or- ased, or under the under the Law of the accident may have oc- ed, and also to insure s during the incu- sion or illness of human s against damage to sion of plate glass, fire or otherwise by- s against damage to s, including live stock, ing from hail or tem-

REBY GIVEN that the g Company Limited, ed office in the City of Columbia, is applying to Government-General of for approval of the d description of work d constructed in Alberni Island, British Colum- in Alberni Township of Arkyie street, Al- ed one hundred and fif- has deposited the area the proposed works and g with the Registrar- in the City of Victoria, and that the matter of on will be proceeded on of one month from st publication of this da Gazette. The fourth day of Sep- RADING COMPANY. H. H. SHANDLEY, Secretary.

HUNDREDS OF PERSONS PERISH IN HURRICANE

Many Buildings Demolished by Storm Which Sweeps Over Florida Keys--Fears Entertained for Safety of Overdue Vessels.

(Times Leased Wire.) New Orleans, Oct. 12.—Several hundred lives have been lost in the Florida Keys hurricane, according to wireless messages received here to-day. Early advices place the casualties at from 400 to 1,200. From two different sources it was reported that 800 are dead. While full warning was given to the inhabitants of the Florida coast, the West Indies and the Florida Keys that the storm was about to descend upon them, there was very little they could do to protect themselves.

The first puff of wind plainly showed that the hurricane was to be one of unprecedented fury. It gradually grew in violence until the gale had reached a velocity of sixty, then eighty and finally 100 miles an hour. Scores of buildings were lifted from their foundations and rent asunder by the force of the gale. Persons caught on the streets were picked up and hurled with terrific force to the ground. It was in this manner that scores met death.

It is almost certain that hundreds of workmen among the 3,000 men engaged in constructing a railroad in the lower keys, were blown to death. Great apprehension is felt for their safety. Terrible havoc is certain to have been wrought among vessels at sea, and a number that were due to arrive yesterday and to-day have not been heard from.

Among these are the steamers Lam-passas, Oliveette, Momus and Antilles. The latter vessel bears Governor Sanders, of Louisiana, and great concern is felt for his safety. The property loss will exceed \$2,000,000. The city of Key West is reported as being almost totally wrecked. What were considered substantial buildings were lifted by the tornado from foundations and hurled through the air until reduced to kindling wood.

A wireless message from a vessel near Key West, in which it was stated that 800 lives had been lost off Florida Keys was caught at the local station to-day. Following the statement relative to the number of dead, the message became a jumble of meaningless words. The name of the vessel sending the message was not ascertained.

Looters at Work. New Orleans, Oct. 12.—(Later.)—The city of Key West is under martial law this afternoon. Hardly had dawn arrived this morning before looters started to pillage the city and soldiers have been ordered to shoot anyone caught pilfering from the hurricane sufferers. Much of the pillaging has been done by lawless fishermen and cigar makers who took refuge here when they were warned that the surrounding country was threatened by the storm. The soldiers are doing everything in their power to put an end to the pillaging and scores of looters already have been arrested. The loss of life has not been very great in Key West proper, most of the casualties occurring in the unprotected islands, and it is very doubtful this afternoon whether 800 will cover the total number of dead throughout the district.

Barracks Damaged. Washington, D. C., Oct. 12.—Upon receiving word that the army barracks at Key West had been badly damaged but no soldiers killed, Acting Secretary of War Oliver wired the commanding officer to assist the mayor in preserving order.



THE FIRST SHOT

Party in the Trenches:—"That man from Delta again, Billy!"

INVESTIGATING MINE EXPLOSION

SEARCHING INQUIRY INTO EXTENSION CASE

Experts Named by Dept. of Mines to Examine Workings Go to Scene.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) The inquiry into the cause of the explosion at Extension will be a searching one so far as the department of mines is concerned, and every fact possible bearing on that will be brought out at the inquest which coroner Davis has opened on two of the victims. This afternoon there arrived from Seattle James Ashworth, a distinguished English mining engineer, who has been appointed by the provincial government to act with W. Fleet Robertson, provincial mineralogist, in an examination of the mine. Messrs. Robertson and Ashworth went north by the afternoon train, and at the same time H. B. Robertson left to represent the crown at the inquest. Mr. Ashworth is well known in British Columbia. After the Fernie disaster of a few years ago he was engaged by the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company to make a thorough investigation of their mines, and since then he has taken a great interest in this province and its mines. He has made a thorough study of mine explosions and has written on this and other mining subjects, being one of the leading authorities in the motherland. A brother, John Ashworth, will be remembered as having attended the meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute here last autumn.

WOMAN DISAPPEARS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Either Leaped or Fell From Steamer While on Way to Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 12.—R. O. Mournain, of Bethany, Cal., who is in Seattle to-day, reports that his sister, Miss Malinda Mournain, 37 years of age, leaped or fell from the steamship President from San Francisco somewhere between the entrance of the straits and Seattle yesterday. Mournain and his sister were on their way to Seattle to visit an aunt who resides here. When off the Umatilla lightship, Mournain missed his sister, and after searching the vessel opened her stateroom door. On the floor were several letters which the woman had just finished writing to friends in Bethany, but in none of these was there anything to indicate that she contemplated suicide. No one aboard the steamer saw Miss Mournain on deck near the time she is supposed to have disappeared, and the manner in which she went to her death is a mystery.

HUNTING FATALITY

Sydney, N. S., Oct. 12.—Harry Ritchie was accidentally killed near here while hunting by his foot striking the lock of a gun, causing it to discharge.

FIVE KILLED IN COLLISION

Fort Worth, Texas, Oct. 12.—Five persons were killed in a collision to-day near Greenville on the "Katy" railroad.

TRAFFIC ON FORT STREET

PROPOSAL MADE TO DIVERT SAME

Plan to Connect Richmond Road and Richardson Street.

In connection with the proposal to go ahead at once with the local improvement work on Richardson street, the suggestion has been made that in connection with it the city should give consideration to the expediency of arranging for the opening up of a road through the Pemberton estate, known as Gonzales Park, as were such road existent it would be possible to divert all the heavy traffic from Oak Bay and Cadboro Bay districts from Fort street to the southern streets. It will be recalled that when the city council first proposed to lay a permanent pavement on Fort street, residents along that thoroughfare drew attention to what they claimed was a long-standing grievance. This was that the street, being very narrow, with the presence of the tramcar tracks and the immense volume of heavy traffic constantly passing over it, it was rapidly assuming a position where it would lose its desirability for residence. This grievance, and it appears to be a legitimate one, could be removed were a road constructed through the Pemberton estate from Richardson street to meet Richmond road. This piece of property has not yet been subdivided, but plans for the same have been drawn and a road is shown as intersecting the property at the point mentioned. It is felt that this would be an opportune time for the city press for its construction, by arrangement with the owners. J. P. Mann, city solicitor, said to Times this morning that with this road available for the use of the public it would be a simple matter for the council to arrange to divert the traffic from Fort street. All that would be necessary to do would be to draw up the by-law to meet the situation and pass it. It was quite within the power of the city to regulate traffic. This was, in fact, a police regulation.

TWO MEN KILLED BY BURSTING OF GUN

Six Others Sustain Injuries During Tests on Military Reservation.

Junction City, Kans., Oct. 12.—By the explosion of a four-inch gun during military tests yesterday, two men were killed and six injured on the Fort Riley military reservation. The explosion was due to a defect in the gun. LIBEL ACTION. Kentville, N. S., Oct. 12.—The Supreme court opened to-day, among criminal cases being that of the King versus Walter M. Carruthers. This is the celebrated suit in which Sir Frederick Borden charges Carruthers with criminal libel in having circulated copies of the Calgary Eye Opener containing alleged libellous statements regarding the minister. Sir Frederick also has a civil action down against the editor of the Kentville Advertiser.

TOO LATE FOR MEETING

Montreal, Oct. 12.—Mayor Payette, who has been at logsheds with a majority of the aldermen for some time, scored against his enemies yesterday. A meeting of the council was called for 3 o'clock. At that hour there were only three aldermen present. He got them to sign the attendance book, and they went home. The result was that when ten minutes later most of the aldermen made their appearance, it was too late for them to be counted, under the rules, hold a meeting.

SOOKE WANTS ITS WATERFRONT

SUSPICIOUS OF ROUTE SURVEYED FOR ROAD

Railway Company Appears to Have Aims on Frontage Along Harbor.

The owners of property on Sooke harbor have a grievance against the Victoria and Barclay Sound railway, which is now having its survey made. The people of Sooke are in no way opposed to the building of the railway. On the contrary, they are prepared to do everything that they can to facilitate the construction of the road. The location of the preliminary line along Sooke harbor is the cause of the present complaint. When the line was run by the survey party, proceeding from Esquimalt, the water front was reached at the earliest possible moment. From there the route followed was close along the water front on the west side of the harbor. The harbor waters were followed very carefully until "the line leaves in the direction of Otter Point. The owners of water front along the harbor have held a meeting and decided to take steps to offset this move on the part of the company. While it is recognized that the line now surveyed is only a preliminary one and not binding in any way, yet the owners fear that the attempt may be made to monopolize the waterfront. Realizing that Sooke harbor is in the near future to be one of the great ports on the southern end of Vancouver Island, the residents of the district are determined that no monopoly shall be created by any company. The owners here, they say, no object in view of holding up the company, but realize that like any other transportation company, it entitled to liberal treatment to serve its ends. No price has been set by the owners on their waterfront, and no concerted attempt will be made to force the railway to pay any stipulated price for what it needs. They are simply anxious to have the waterfront safeguarded for the future needs of the port. A railway along the waterfront would spoil the opportunities for building sites on the harbor, which will, it is felt, be in the greatest demand when the great awakening takes place. At the meeting recently held it was decided to take immediate steps to offset any move to monopolize the waterfront of the harbor. The Sooke branch of the Development League will lend its influence and if desired necessary, the parent body of the Vancouver Island Development League will be asked to render assistance to see that the waterfront is preserved. There is said by those interested to be no reason why the line should not be built a little back from the water, as a right-of-way equally as good could be there obtained and the portion of land immediately next to the water would thus be preserved for homes and for industrial purposes where desired.

PORTLAND PASTOR'S UNIQUE RECORD

Has Married Over Five Hundred Couples and None Have Sought Divorce.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 12.—When Rev. Dr. Luther R. Dyott, of the First Congregational Church in this city, ties a matrimonial knot it never becomes loosened. That is the unanimous testimony of 540 couples who have been united in wedlock by the minister. Dr. Dyott has been in the ministry 18 years. He has married persons on an average 30 couples a year. Not a remarkable record in numbers but in the fact that not a couple has appeared in the divorce courts to undo the pastor's work. "You see, I don't marry everybody," explained the preacher. "I would not care to cast any reflection on any of my ministering brethren, it is for a preacher to do as he likes in this regard. But unless I know the parties who are about to be married, or they impress me as being properly mated, and likely to live happily together, I usually refuse to marry them: I think some of them have learned of the stand I take, as I don't receive as many applications as I used to."

CASE ADJOURNED

Vancouver, Oct. 11.—The case of W. J. Hunter, manager of the defunct Hunter-McKicking wholesale fruit company, who is charged with the theft of \$127 of the company's funds by W. McMillan of Victoria, the company's financial backer, was again adjourned in police court this morning till Thursday. Mr. Hunter elected for a preliminary inquiry. Mr. McMillan testified that he had put into the company \$5,500 in cash and a \$10,000 guarantee. He explained that owing to some difficulty met in opening the safe it was impossible to bring the company's books at the moment. On this account another adjournment was agreed upon by attorneys.

NEW U. S. MINISTER TO CHINA RESIGNS

Was Recalled From San Francisco by Secretary of State.

(Times Leased Wire.) Washington, Oct. 12.—The state department to-day announced the resignation of Charles R. Crane as minister to China. Crane was recalled from San Francisco last week, the day before he was to have sailed for China. He had attended a banquet given in his honor by the Chinese merchants of San Francisco, and had made speeches in the east and central west regarding the Oriental situation. It has been suspected that Secretary Knox thought that Crane talked too freely for a diplomat and did not show the proper amount of discretion in his remarks. While the resignation was announced in a formal manner, it is generally supposed here that the action is the result of Crane's public speeches. Secretary of State Knox, in a formal statement to the press this afternoon, said: "I reluctantly reached the conclusion that the good of the service demands that I should inform Mr. Crane that his resignation would be accepted, and I have done so."

RAILWAY RETAINS DELTA HIGHWAY

APPEAL DISMISSED BY SUPREME COURT

Vancouver Church is Given Custody of Infant Child.

Ottawa, Oct. 12.—In the Supreme Court yesterday the first case argued was the Corporation of Delta vs. the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern Railway and Navigation Company. The dispute involved the possession of a highway on which the railway was constructing its line. The municipality asked for an injunction to restrain it, and an order that the road should be restored into its former condition. While the litigation was in progress an application was made to the board of railway commissioners and the railway was placed in possession of the disputed land. At the opening of the case it appeared there could be no question except academically in reference to the control of municipalities in British Columbia over highways, and the railway commissioners having placed the railway in possession, nothing but the question of costs could be involved. Wallace Nesbitt, K.C., was heard on this question. A. H. McNeill, K.C., who represented the railway company, was not called on for a reply. The court, on the authority of Archibald vs. Heistie, dismissed the appeal with costs. Custody of Child. In re Howard was next heard. This appeal involved the guardianship of a female infant claimed respectively by the Children's Aid Society of Vancouver and the Church of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. Mr. Justice Martin directed the custody of the child to be delivered up to the latter, and his decision was affirmed by the Full Court. F. Hellmuth, K.C., moved to dismiss the appeal of the Children's Aid Society of Vancouver on the grounds that proceedings had not been commenced within 30 days from the decision of the application for habeas corpus. W. Nesbitt, K.C., opposed the motion on the ground that the delay had occurred in the signing and entry of judgment which had not taken place until two months after it was pronounced, and that the time for appeal should run from the final order on the nineteenth of August last, consolidating and settling the orders already made. The motion was granted and the appeal quashed with costs. Taxation Appeal. York vs. City of Edmonton was the next case. The appellant is proprietor of the Windsor and Alberta hotels in the city of Edmonton, and paid in respect to each a license fee imposed by the city on obtaining his liquor license. The city subsequently taxed his floor space not occupied by barroom and wine cellars on an assessment for business tax. He paid this tax under protest, and then sued to recover back \$800 from the city on the ground that he had been taxed twice in respect to the same business. Judge Stewart decided in his favor at the trial, but the Full Court reversed the decision on the ground that the license fee was not an imposition in virtue of a license granted under the Alberta liquor license act, and that the clause in the city charter prohibiting double taxation referred merely to those for licenses issued under the authority of that charter. Judgment was reserved.

COURT MARTIAL FOR ENGINEERS

RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT WILL PROSECUTE OFFICERS

Authorities Deceived Regarding Fortifications of Port Arthur.

(Times Leased Wire.) St. Petersburg, Oct. 12.—The government is preparing to bring the military engineers who superintended the fortification of Port Arthur to trial here. The trial follows the recently completed investigation which proved the fortress to have been not one-tenth as strong as the St. Petersburg authorities have been led to believe. The engineers, the investigation indicated, received enormous sums of money which they pocketed, either doing nothing at all to strengthen the town's defenses or throwing up fortifications which, generally, had little more than scenic value. Friends of General Stoessel, who was sentenced to imprisonment for surrendering the fortress to the Japanese, are making much of the showing which they declare completely exonerates him. INSURGENTS REPULSED. Cape Haytien, Oct. 12.—A revolution is to-day in progress in Santo Domingo, according to advices received here. The insurgents, headed by General Andre Navarro, yesterday attacked Dajabon, but were repulsed by the government troops.

TWO MURDER TRIALS AT NANAIMO ASSIZES

Cases Against Holmes and Watts to Be Heard at Sitting.

Nanaimo, Oct. 12.—The Assize court opened this morning. Mr. Justice Clements presiding. The grand jury, after being sworn in retired with two indictments, Rex vs. Holmes, murder; Rex vs. Watts, murder. The court then adjourned until 2 o'clock. Watts is charged with the murder of a man named Holberg at Cumberland and Holmes is charged with the murder of Carlson at Nanaimo, September 13th. W. J. Taylor, K. C. Victoria, is crown attorney. C. P. R. TRAFFIC EARNINGS. Montreal, Oct. 12.—C. P. R. traffic earnings increased \$776,000 for the first week in October.

JOHN OLIVE LINES L PLATFORM

New Provincial Liberal Will Aid British Columbia. Are the Party Policy Development of

(Times Leased Wire.) Vancouver, Oct. 12.—Enthusiasm was the keynote of the great gathering of Liberals last night at Pender hall when John Olive, the newly chosen leader, outlined the party's platform and showed how faulty were the planks in the edifice of the McBride government. Mr. Olive outlined his policy relative to the Oriental question, railway development, timber and lands. G. A. McCrossan, president of the Young Liberals, was an efficient chairman, others on the platform being Ralph Smith, M. P., of Nanaimo; Dr. Hall, M. P., of Nelson; L. D. Taylor, of the World, and T. F. Neelands. Expects Election Soon. Mr. Olive said that he would cast no doubt on Premier McBride's railway proposals, but they had been six years in hatching, and sometimes when eggs are sat on too long they are quite different from what they are intended to be. If the premier brought down a good policy he would find strong support from the Liberals in the legislature. Mr. Olive read what he would call the signs of the times in favor of an election in the near future. He had been accused of offering nothing but destructive criticism, but if the government had nothing to fear why was it afraid. Criticize Finances. Taking up the financial situation he charged that the finance minister had not displayed ordinary sagacity, having borrowed money at 5 per cent, and left a portion in the bank, drawing 3 per cent. Any finance minister who could not estimate the revenue of the country within 80 per cent, was a poor guesser. Here Mr. Olive offered, if he made a wrong statement, to hand over \$100 to any charitable institution. Quoting official figures, he declared that the finance minister had not guessed anywhere near right. He only referred to these matters because the government stood strong on its financial policy. As to expenditure, he said that under representative government money was not voted without the consent of the direct representatives of the people. When the Dominion election was on

hand last year \$700,000 was expended on special warrants, and this year many thousands were being now spent. The Attorney General. "Next," said Mr. Olive, "we come to the Napoleon Bonaparte of the party, the attorney general; the brave fighter who goes to England and gets an introduction to the King and then goes to the privy council and loses his suit. The Dominion government was fought by the gentleman on every point, and on every point in the courts he was decided against. After the decisions in favor of the fishermen in prosecutions inaugurated by the attorney general, the gentleman failed to refund the fines and costs." The premier's administration of the mines department was next criticized, the employment of Chinese being referred to. An Old Policy. Whenever a government had nothing else to go to the people with, it went on a railway policy. In 1888 the Turner government went to the people with such a policy, and on that occasion it was with MacKenzie and Mann. Two teams and a scraper were started, but nothing more. In 1902 it was the Canadian Northern again, and again the terms were to be secret until after the election. It worked then, too. The government did not have originally enough to work with fresh men. Mr. Olive parenthetically that the Liberal party had no aversion to MacKenzie and Mann. Railway men were all alike and they gave nothing more to the people than they were made to. Timber Question. On the timber question, criticism was handed out once more to the government. The Liberals had suggested adopting regulations similar to the Dominion laws in force, but these had been voted down. Nothing new had been learned by the forestry commission, and it would be used by the government as a buffer to let it down easy. The choicest lands of the province had been corralled by speculators, and blame rested on the government, as settlers had been excluded. In conclusion he said the Liberal party stood for progress, the rights of the people and if the Liberals were put in power, much would be done. The Liberals had a policy and had aims for the development of British Columbia.

KING EDWARD IS BACK IN LONDON

HIS MAJESTY AND PARTY LEADERS CONFER

Developments in Fight Over the Budget Are Expected Shortly.

(Times Leased Wire.) London, Oct. 12.—The "No compromise on the budget" banner, nailed to the staff by David Lloyd-George and "Winston Spencer" Churchill has not been accepted by King Edward as disposing finally of his hope of reconciling the warring factions. The King returned to London yesterday. Lord Lansdowne, A. J. Balfour and Fremantle Asquith held conferences with King Edward to-day in rapid succession. Interesting developments in the fight are expected this week. London, Oct. 12.—The "No compromise on the budget" banner, which was imprinted on the King's coat of arms, was imprinted on the King's coat of arms. The King returned to London yesterday. Lord Lansdowne, A. J. Balfour and Fremantle Asquith held conferences with King Edward to-day in rapid succession. Interesting developments in the fight are expected this week. London, Oct. 12.—The "No compromise on the budget" banner, which was imprinted on the King's coat of arms, was imprinted on the King's coat of arms. The King returned to London yesterday. Lord Lansdowne, A. J. Balfour and Fremantle Asquith held conferences with King Edward to-day in rapid succession. Interesting developments in the fight are expected this week.

W. J. BRYAN PAYS VISIT TO SEATTLE

Guest of Exposition Management at Luncheon at the Fair Grounds.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 12.—W. J. Bryan arrived in Seattle this morning to be the guest of the A.-Y.-P. exposition. Mrs. Bryan, who reached the city yesterday, was joined by her husband at the Hotel Washington. After breakfast Mr. Bryan was driven to the exposition grounds, when under the guidance of officials of the fair, he visited the various buildings. At noon a luncheon was served in the "New York state building" with Mr. Bryan as the guest of the exposition management. In the afternoon Mr. Bryan is scheduled to deliver a lecture, his subject being "The Average Man." This lecture deals purely with economic questions and moral obligations of man to man. Politicians and men who take an interest in the issues of the day are invited to the address to be delivered by the Commoner in the evening in the auditorium. Following this last address, Mr. Bryan will be tendered a reception in the Washington building.

KILLED BY TRAIN

Quebec, Oct. 12.—In a collision between a C. P. R. Lewis-Montreal train and a stub I. C. R. train near here last night a sectionman was killed. The collision was due to a dispatcher's mistake. The engines were badly damaged.

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DEATH ROLL FROM HURRICANE INCREASES

Thousand Lives Reported to Have Been Lost in Storm in Florida Keys—Steamer Goes Ashore During Gale.

(Times Leased Wire.)
New Orleans, Oct. 13.—According to a wireless message from Key West today at least 1,000 men employed on the Florida East Coast railroad were drowned in the storm which wrecked a large part of the roadway across the Keys. Many of these reported to have perished were living in houseboats made fast to the trestlework or anchored in the shallows surrounding the marshy islands.

Earlier it was reported that the men escaped, but these reports are being contradicted by later advices reaching the mainland.

Key West is still under martial law, and a number of looters have been taken into custody by the troops and police, who are on constant guard.

The buildings wrecked by the fury of the hurricane are being torn down and the almost impassable streets are slowly being cleared of tangled debris. It is estimated that the damage done is over two million dollars.

Reports of the havoc wrought by the storm are pouring into the city from all sections, and they are so conflicting that it is difficult to learn exactly what the loss of life is. The dispatches, however, tend to confirm the reports that there was a great loss of life, particularly on the Southern Keys.

Appeal for Aid.
New Orleans, Oct. 13.—An appeal for aid for the citizens of Key West was issued to-day by Mayor Fogarty. He said that practically every home in the city had either been demolished or greatly damaged by the hurricane and that those who still had their homes were scarcely able to care for their families.

Starvation threatens the city, the mayor said. Work is suspended and the chances of earning a livelihood for those dependent on daily wages is gone, as the factories are wrecked and business is at a standstill.

Steamer Aground.
New Orleans, Oct. 13.—The Southern Pacific steamer Antilles, which is aground on a coral reef on the east coast of Florida, is listing badly to-day, according to a wireless message received here, and its passengers are being transferred to small boats.

The Antilles went aground near the Jupiter lighthouse during the hurricane. According to the wireless message, the officers believe that there is little chance of saving the vessel, which is being continuously pounded by the heavy seas.

The steamer carried a large number of passengers, among them being Governor Sanders of Louisiana. The vessel cleared this port last Saturday and was bound for New York.

WHI Assist Steamer.
New York, Oct. 13.—The steamer Momus started full speed for the coast of Florida to-day to take the passengers of the wrecked steamer Antilles, which was driven ashore during the hurricane and is now reported to be breaking up.

SPANISH RADICAL LEADER EXECUTED

PROFESSOR FERRER SHOT IN FORTRESS

Socialists Threatened to Kill Royal Party if Prisoner Was Put to Death.

London, Oct. 13.—The Exchange Company's Madrid correspondent telegraphs to-day that Prof. Francisco Ferrer, who was convicted of inciting riots in Barcelona, recently in Paris and London held mass meetings to express their sympathy with the stand taken by Ferrer. Many fiery speeches were made and threats were made that the Spanish authorities in court martialing the radical leader. Some of the newspapers declared the trial of Ferrer to be a travesty on justice. Ferrer has been imprisoned in Fortresse Montjuich since the recent outbreaks in Barcelona. He was taken into custody by General Santiago, then in command of the government troops.

As soon as it became known that he was imprisoned, appeals were made to King Alfonso for his liberation by the Socialists, and upon the refusal of the King to intercede letters threatening the lives of the royal infants were sent to Alfonso.

In addition, it is reported that members of the ministry have been marked for death, and notified that their lives would be forfeited if Ferrer was shot.

Trouble Recurs.
London, Oct. 13.—(Later.)—No news agency has yet confirmed the telegraphic dispatch from Spain to-day which affirmed that Prof. Ferrer was executed in Fortresse Montjuich this morning.

The government officials are making no attempt to conceal their fears that the execution of Ferrer is liable to precipitate a revolution in Spain, and many of them hint that the trouble will not be confined to Spain alone.

Intense interest is being felt all over England for the fate of Ferrer. An indication of the feeling entertained for him by the English people is expressed in an editorial in the London News which said in part:

"If Prof. Ferrer, one of the noblest men in all Europe, worthy to be called the Tolstol of Spain, is murdered after a mock trial, the civilized world will suffer unspeakable humiliation."

Report Confirmed.
Paris, Oct. 13.—Dispatches received here to-day from Barcelona confirm the report that Prof. Ferrer was shot at Fortresse Montjuich this morning.

He was executed for the alleged reason that he incited the revolutionists to riot in Barcelona recently.

MADE FAST RUN.
Montreal, Oct. 13.—What is stated to have been the fastest run ever made over the International, ended here at 8 o'clock last evening, when a special conveying O. Plummer, the last spike was driven in the Transcontinental road, Dominion Iron & Steel Company, pulled into Bonaventure station from Sydney. The run averaged 50 miles an hour. When Mr. Plummer left Sydney his son was lying at the point of death in a Toronto hospital. On arriving here last night, Mr. Plummer learned that the condition of his son was serious, he was out of danger.

NATIONAL TRANSCONTINENTAL.
Winnipeg, Oct. 13.—Winnipeg is now connected with Lake Superior by three lines of railway. Yesterday the last spike was driven in the Transcontinental road. It is now possible for a train to run clear from Winnipeg to Port William through these new lines for north of the C. P. R.

WILL EXTEND NEW RAILWAY IN WEST

President of Hill's North Bank Road to Pursue Aggressive Policy.

Chicago, Oct. 13.—Announcement is made here of the appointment of George B. French to succeed F. B. Clarke as president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle road, which Jas. J. Hill has built from Spokane to Portland, and which is commonly known as the North Bank road.

It is understood that Mr. French will take up his new duties December 1st. His headquarters will be in Portland, and from there, it is understood, he will pursue a vigorous and aggressive policy in extending the mileage and improve the road.

MISSIONARY WORK IN CANADA.
Rev. James Allen Declares There is Indifference at Home.
Ottawa, Oct. 13.—The eighty-fifth anniversary of the foundation of the Canadian Methodist Missionary Society was celebrated in the Dominion church Sunday night, the edifice being crowded to the doors for the occasion. Rev. Dr. Carman, general superintendent, presided.

In an address on missionary work in Canada, Rev. James Allen, secretary of home missions, said that during the past decade three hundred and seventy-five thousand foreigners had come into the country, of whom seventy-five thousand were Protestants. One thousand of these foreigners had located in Montreal, and from twenty-six to thirty thousand in Toronto, while in Winnipeg from one-third to one-fourth of the population is made up of foreign elements.

Speaking of conditions in the northern part of the city of Winnipeg, Mr. Allen said that the insanitary and crowded conditions of tenements are simply intolerable. In spite of the fact that half a continent of fertile land in the west awaits the plough, in Winnipeg conditions which cause many of the crowded centres of Europe are being reproduced. They are such that practically the whole foreign female population of North Winnipeg is being driven into virtual prostitution. He said that efforts are being made to get civic and legislative authorities to provide educational facilities and better arrangements as to sanitation, and also to prevent over-crowding and extortion on the part of landlords.

In order to prevent these conditions and bring about betterment of conditions it is necessary to send missionaries to the legislatures and councils, as well as to the people. Mr. Allen stated that all the Roman Catholic immigrants in the west, other than French and Belgians, were practically neglected by their church for want of priests of their own nationality to minister to them in their own languages.

"It has been stated," he said, "that the church should withdraw from the foreign field and concentrate their attention on missionary work in Canada. It is not a question between them in foreign fields and our selfish interests here."

BIG BEND MICA FIELDS.
Revelstoke, Oct. 12.—W. O. Young, a mining expert, has returned from a two weeks' trip into the mica country in the Big Bend. He went in with Jack Moore, of Golden, taking the new trail which was built up Mica creek with the assistance of the provincial government, and despite the bad weather, made a thorough examination of the mica claims owned by Messrs. Moore, Anderson and others from Golden. He was very favorably impressed with these mica deposits and brought with him as a sample a magnificent mica crystal, weighing 150 pounds.



AT THE LIBERAL MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT. President McMicking and Leader Oliver. —Sketched by Times Artist.

CHARGED WITH THEFT OF CONCENTRATES

Three Employees of Plant at Goldfield Are Under Arrest.

Goldfield, Nev., Oct. 13.—After being under surveillance for months suspected of stealing rich concentrates from the Consolidated Mills, three of its most trusted employees are under arrest here to-day.

The three men are L. H. Dresser, a graduate of Princeton University; Elliott Lamb, who saved a number of lives in a trolley wreck near Spokane by chopping the victims free; and D. Couture, repair man at the mill.

Five months ago the first of the thefts was reported and all departments have been closely watched since that time. Despite the system of espionage adopted, it is reported that thieves got away with concentrates amounting to \$2,500.

Detective Clarence Sage, who arrested the three men, claims that the method of stealing the concentrates adopted by the thieves, was the most ingenious that he had ever encountered. He declared that the work was done in the concentrating department, where the thieves, by inserting a spoon-shaped piece of metal into the ore, diverted the richest parts of the concentration into a small sack which was so completely hidden as to be almost impossible to detect. The detectives say this scheme was entirely original with the men.

It is alleged by Sage that Dresser had made a statement and surrendered a small package containing rich concentrates in Lamb's room he declared that he found a quantity of stolen concentrates hidden in an old boot.

All of the accused men have heretofore borne excellent reputations, and until he came here six months ago Dresser is said to have been employed in the United States secret service.

NICARAGUA HAS NEW PRESIDENT

ZELAYA OVERTHROWN BY REVOLUTIONISTS

Juan Estrada Proclaimed Provisional Head of Republic.

Colon, Oct. 13.—Revolutionists have overthrown President Jos Santos Zelaya, of Nicaragua, and Juan Estrada, governor of the department of Zelaya, has been proclaimed provisional president.

The capture of the government was made without a shot being fired, and no further trouble is looked for as it is known that the interior of the country will support the newly formed government.

Zelaya is at Cape Gracias, and it is reported that he will not make an attempt to interfere with the new regime. Americans in the country are delighted over the overthrow of Zelaya, as in many ways his tactics were obstructive in regard to the development of the nation's resources.

Zelaya Massing Troops.
New Orleans, Oct. 13.—Santos Zelaya, who was deposed as the president of Nicaragua, is massing troops to-day preparatory to an attempt to depose Juan Estrada, who was named provisional president after the bloodless revolution yesterday.

Estrada is prepared to fight and bloodshed seems inevitable.

Zelaya's action comes as a big surprise, as his attitude before gave the impression that he had no intentions of challenging Estrada's right to the presidential chair in view of the fact that his successor has the interior of the country at his back and a large part of the army.

POLICE DISPERSE MOBS AT LOS ANGELES

Speeches by Mexicans Result in Disorder in California City.

Los Angeles, Oct. 12.—Following a demonstration which almost ended in a riot on a public square known as the Plaza, Juan Miranda, an alleged anti-Diaz agitator, is in the city jail with a bullet wound in his heel. E. Landers, Miranda's companion, also is a prisoner, having been booked on suspicion.

The arrest of the two Mexicans occurred after a squad of police detectives had broken up a street meeting that was being addressed by Mexicans who are dissatisfied with the present administration in their native land.

L. G. Delava and B. Bartolomei, who addressed the meeting, were arrested by officers headed by Detectives Talamantes and Rico. A mob of three hundred persons followed the officers from the Plaza and was dispersed with much difficulty.

Later in the evening, when Rico returned to the Plaza, he is alleged to have been assaulted by Miranda, who was armed with a wicked looking knife. After a sharp struggle with the officer, Miranda fled. When he failed to heed Rico's command to halt, the officer fired a bullet striking the man in the heel. Miranda and Landers, who was with him, were arrested.

A second mob then formed and swarmed into the hallways at police headquarters. They were dispersed by a squad of central station reserves.

BLOOD POISONING FATAL

London, Ont., Oct. 13.—James Hayden, 45 years old, is dead from blood poisoning which developed from a hide infected with anthrax.

TWO BRAKEMEN ARE KILLED BY TRAIN

Fall From Top of Moving Car While Engaged in Friendly Tussle.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 13.—The bodies of H. C. Coleman and G. Cobb were brought to this city to-day following a peculiar accident which cost them their lives last night near here.

The men, who were brakemen on the North Bank railroad, began scuffling on the top of a moving freight car while the train was running between Beatty and Vancouver Junction. In some way both men fell from the car beneath the wheels of the train and both were cut to pieces. Other brakemen who attempted to save Coleman and Cobb declared that the men were engaged in a friendly tussle.

GOMPERS WELCOMED HOME

President of American Federation of Labor Speaks at Washington.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13.—Organized labor, representing many parts of the United States, Canada and Cuba, paid a notable tribute last night in this city to the home-coming from Europe of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who arrived here early in the evening from New York.

Headed by Mr. Gompers, a parade, which formed at the Peace monument at the west side of the capitol, moved up Pennsylvania avenue to 15th and G streets, where Mr. Gompers and other labor leaders for two hours reviewed the marchers.

A committee here escorted Mr. Gompers to Convention hall, where he was accorded an ovation. On the platform in addition to Mr. Gompers and delegates from labor organizations from all parts of the country and others, were John Mitchell, former president of the Mine Workers, and Senator Owen, of Oklahoma.

LIPTON'S VISIT TO NEW YORK

Glasgow, Oct. 13.—Sir Thos. Lipton expects to visit New York on Saturday for the purpose of opening negotiations with the New York Yacht Club for another yacht race in the hope that he may yet be able to lift the America's cup.

If another race is to be arranged the rules of the New York Yacht Club must be modified. Sir Thomas will be accompanied by Col. Noel, one of his closest yachting friends.

COMPREHENSIVE POLICY OF LIBERAL PARTY

John Oliver Deals With Public Questions Affecting Prosperity of the Province—New Leader Clearly States His Position.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
Liberals of Victoria gave a rousing welcome on Tuesday to the new provincial leader of the party, John Oliver of Delta. Always welcome in an audience of Liberals in the capital, Mr. Oliver was more than ordinarily well received on the occasion of his first and forceful opposition in the Legislature. A suggestion that Mr. Oliver be a candidate in the city in the next election was received most enthusiastically.

The leader made a strong speech, outlining what the McBride government had done to lose the confidence of the people, and what the Liberal party had to propose if the electors give them an opportunity to conduct the affairs of the province. He was listened to with great interest, and his remarks were frequently applauded.

R. B. McMicking, president of the Victoria Liberal Association, was in the chair, and the hall was filled with members of the party, among whom the faces of many recent comers to the city were to be seen. Mr. Oliver and Dr. G. A. E. Hall, M.P.F., occupied seats on the platform.

President McMicking said they all knew the mettle of John Oliver, and were glad to have him present so early in his leadership to address the Liberals of Victoria. The following resolution was put and carried with unanimity, the audience rising and cheering the new leader.

"Resolved, that this meeting of the Victoria Liberal Association hereby extends its hearty congratulations to Mr. Oliver on his promotion to the position of leader of the Liberal party in British Columbia, expresses its fullest confidence in his leadership and pledges him an earnest and hearty support in the cause of Liberalism."

A Candidate in Victoria.
R. L. Drury, in moving this resolution, said Liberals would never forget the splendid services which J. A. Macdonald had rendered to Liberalism in this province. He had earned the honor and esteem of all shades of political thought, and would be an ornament to the bench, for which his talents so eminently fitted him. In his first lieutenant, Mr. Oliver, the party had one who would worthily fill the position. Go where one would through the province his name was found to be a household word. Nowhere were his services better appreciated than in Victoria, citizens of which had frequent opportunities to see him facing his opponents in the Legislature, where he showed the greatest lustre of his career.

"Speaking personally," continued Mr. Drury, "I would like and the people would like to see the electors of Victoria given a chance at the polls to say what they think of Mr. Oliver. (Cheers.) If his name was submitted to the electors he would be elected beyond a doubt."

The resolution was seconded by W. E. Ditchburn.

Mr. Oliver's Thanks.
"I can assure my Liberal friends of the city of Victoria that I heartily appreciate the kindness with which they have received the announcement that the Liberal members of the legislature have seen fit to choose me as their leader," said Mr. Oliver, when the applause which greeted him had died down. "I appreciate it beyond all words to express to you on this occasion, the position has been entirely unthought by me. I cannot hope to fill the place so long and ably filled by Mr. Macdonald and I believe I have the Liberals in the legislature and in the province that he always had the fullest confidence of the Liberal party, and that it is with the greatest regret we have to face the loss of his services."

"But Mr. Macdonald is not the only Liberal in the province who has been called upon to take a really more sacred trust—which a place on the bench undoubtedly is. The members of our judiciary hold office at the pleasure of the King, through his representative in Canada, on good conduct. In their hands are life and death, the general administration of justice, and it reflects great credit on the Liberal party of British Columbia when you cast your mind backward, that such a number of illustrious men have been called from the ranks of the party to fill high and sacred positions on the bench, not only in British Columbia but throughout the Dominion.

"I notice that since the announcement of my selection of leader some of our Conservative newspapers have had something to say on the matter, and some references have not been concealed to the fact of my selection. The Vancouver Province referred to my selection as a hole-and-corner one. Well, I have been chosen for an honored position, and I believe I have the confidence of the Liberals of the province. (Cheers.) I want to say that I look upon the position as a temporary one. There are many men in the Liberal ranks who are much more capable of filling it than I, and I hope when the elections come, whether this year or next, several gentlemen will be returned on our side, and that on more able shoulders may fall the task of leading the Liberal party in this province."

There was a general chorus of disapproval and of cries of "You're the leader for us."

Reasons For Existence.
"It has been said repeatedly that the Liberals of British Columbia were disorganized, defeated, discouraged, had nothing to fight for," continued the

leader of the opposition, "I frankly admit that our organization is not what ought to be. One of the first things we have to secure that organization is to show the party and the people of this province that there is a reason for the existence of the Liberal party. If there is good cause why it should be perfectly organized, and that is why I speak to you to-night."

"Some of our opponents say I have faculties of destructive criticism; that any man can pull to pieces, but I require a statesman to read new edifices. In that latter respect I think our party will compare favorably with our opponents. But I wish to show that there is a reason for our criticism of our opponents and that we are not only able to criticize their actions but to outline a policy which, if we are placed in a position to carry it out, will redound to the honor of the province." (Applause.)

The leader of the opposition went on to say that he would refer to some of the doings of the McBride government by way of clearing the ground. It was a boast of the Conservatives that they had found the treasury depleted and the province bankrupt, and that they had changed conditions to one in which there was a surplus of a million and a quarter. But the McBride government did not deposit the minerals, did not uncover the sandstone with coal. The Almighty had done this, and all the Conservatives had done was collect toll from those who were trying to make use of these, and by so doing augment the revenue.

Haphazard Estimates.
A glance at the estimate of revenue presented in 1907 and the actual results of the financial year ending June 30th, 1908 would show whether the minister of finance was such a marvel of ability. The revenue he had estimated at \$3,291,476.66—he got right down to cents—whereas it was actually \$3,931,372, a trifling matter of eighty per cent. from the estimate. There was lots of better guessing to be seen. From timber lands and royalties a revenue of \$750,000 was estimated; the actual receipts were \$2,283,566, a mere bagatelle of being within 300 per cent. of guessing right. This was what was called financial ability. Land sales were to realize \$300,000; they produced \$548,000; again the minister had guessed within 80 per cent.

The lands department had shown its ability also. Vancouver had lost thousands of dollars and suffered great loss in order to force street crossings over the C. P. R. tracks. Yet with that ex-

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COOK REPLIES TO PEARY'S CHARGES

DECLARES ESKIMOS WILL PROVE HIS STATEMENTS

Records of Journey Now Before University of Copenhagen.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 13.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Brooklyn explorer to-day made a hot retort to Commander Robert E. Peary's published charges to the effect that Dr. Cook did not reach the north pole.

Commander Peary's charges form a statement to the public which was signed by himself and four other members of his party and declare that Dr. Cook's Eskimo boys, I-Took-A-Shoo and Apelah admitted to them that the Brooklyn explorer did not reach the pole and that his furthest point north was Cape Thomas Hubbard, in latitude 81 1/2 degrees.

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Ottawa, Oct. 13.—One of the best known of Ottawa's citizens, and a prominent Conservative, in the person of John Kavanagh, died at the age of 85. He had been president of the board of trade, member of the chess board, and director of the Central Canada exhibition.

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POLITICAL MALPRACTICES.

No doubt there are many members of Parliament who might have been unseated for corrupt practices if half of the stories told are true. There are also persons in Victoria who are not members of Parliament who would be in jail to-day for acts committed in connection with an election if the authorities responsible for the enforcement of the criminal law had done their duty.

Every body else throughout Canada, who had to listen for months to the purchases, expressions of virtuous indignation which were poured forth by every subsidized Liberal rag throughout the Dominion of Canada, is pretty well tired of the subject.

When the Post has answered these two questions, it can have all the opportunity it wants to exhibit its news; it will have answered them, it ought to keep silent on one of the most disgraceful incidents in the modern political history of Canada.

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As for the suggestion of Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson in regard to the importation of Oriental laborers, he ought to understand that the request cannot be granted, Sir Charles has lately completed a tour of this country, and he ought to understand from the settled mood he has encountered, if he mixed with the people at all, the utter impossibility of such a suggestion being adopted.

AN INSPIRING PROGRAMME.

In an address displaying a statesmanlike grasp of the political situation John Oliver on Tuesday outlined the policy of the Liberal party of British Columbia. We believe it is a policy which will appeal to the people of this province with irresistible force, and that when analyzed by the electorate must result in the complete overthrow of the McBride government.

The platform adopted by the Liberal party, it is hardly necessary to say, is not a mere collaboration of commonplaces designed to set the imagination of the people in a blaze for a day, and immediately following the election, having served its purpose, to be stowed away like the blackened properties of a fireworks display until it may be required again for a similar purpose.

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to what his political opponents describe as his special attribute, destructive criticism. He disposed of the situation which he prevailed for the past five years by the general statement that while the government was bad it might be worse, and that there is little doubt that it will be worse if given the opportunity. He explained the policy of the programme as attractive and ambitious but it is not beyond the capacity of a competent government, and in the hands of earnest, capable and progressive men there is no doubt whatever that it can be carried out.

The province of British Columbia is importing annually about seven million dollars' worth of agricultural products. That is chiefly because a great deal of the public domain of the province suitable for agriculture has passed into the hands of speculators. Not that there is anything reprehensible in such speculation. The fault lies not with the investor, but with the system which permits of investments inimical to the public well-being.

The Dominion government, wisely advised during the past ten years, realises this. It has admitted the validity of the proposition that British Columbia is worthy of consideration by spending millions of dollars in the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway through to the Pacific Coast, although there were critics on the other side who maintained and voted that the road should not be built beyond the prairies.

The policy of the Liberal party for the settlement of vacant lands and the re-creation of population is to co-operate with the Dominion in the construction of development branch lines of railway. Mr. Oliver has no doubt that an expenditure of from three to five millions of dollars in subsidizing the lines which have already been voted by the Dominion government would result in active work being immediately undertaken on the Victoria & Barkley Sound Railway, upon the extension of the E. & N. to the north end of the island, upon the Nicola Valley extension, upon the Kettle River Railway, upon the Koctenay Central Railway, upon the Midway & Vernon Railway, upon the Fort George & Vancouver Railway, and upon the line designed to give Vancouver Island direct connection with the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Such is the constructive policy of the Liberal party as expounded by its new leader. It is a policy which is not beyond the capacity of the treasury. It is an active as opposed to the passive programme of the McBride government, and we believe ought to receive the enthusiastic support of every British Columbian who has faith in the resources of the province and hopes for their speedy development.

mon to the Coast. Other governments of British Columbia have had dealings with Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann. They have even had agreements with these gentlemen "signed, sealed and delivered" into the hands of independent gentlemen of Victoria as guaranties of good faith. The people of this city ought not to have forgotten such political incidents. Yet Mackenzie & Mann, although at least twice pledged to commence work immediately upon the extension of their system to Victoria, are still lingering on the other side of the Rocky Mountains.

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What Other People Think THE LADYSMITH MINES. To the Editor:—You have been very frank in your account of things as they took place at the explosion here on the 24th. The men in No. 1 and No. 3 mines commenced work on the 24th.

A MAYORALTY IMPOSSIBILITY. To the Editor:—In the Daily Times of the 9th inst. there was a paragraph headed "A Mayoralty Possibility" in the name of Mr. W. T. Oliver, of Oak Bay, added to it as one very likely to be heard at any public meeting.

A MAYORALTY POSTSCRIPT. To the Editor:—There is an old saying that the gist of a woman's letter is in the postscript.

allowed by Mrs. Atkins to be a part of Victoria's new growth and future destiny? Mr. F. A. Pauline will pardon the introduction of his name as an example since he very ably filled the seat of an alderman and might well have occupied a chair had he not been killed.

Without mentioning other names, I can recall at random two Oak Bayites who have made Victoria's architecture famous across the continent, a surgeon of equal prominence, the owner of the newest and best block in Victoria, members of the leading law firms, managers of public and private corporations, accountants of known standing, contractors, photographers, shopkeepers and artisans, all of whose occupations are carried on through every street of Victoria.

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The regiment under command of Major A. W. Curtis departed at the drill hall at 2 p.m. and marched to Hanna's undertaking parlors. Here services were conducted by Rev. Wm. Drayton of the Lutheran church. Mr. Drayton made allusion to the sad circumstances attendant upon the death of the young man whose life and character were noble and exemplary.

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HON. J. SLUGGETT DIED WEDNESDAY

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While the news of his death will come as a great blow to his many friends, of which there are a large number in the city of Victoria, his demise could not have been long delayed for he had long since passed the allotted span, being in his 81st year.

It has been arranged that the funeral shall take place on Thursday afternoon next from the residence of his son, John Sluggett, West Saanich. Interment will be made in Shady Creek cemetery.

Later the rowdy element formed again in the vicinity of the embassy and tore up the lamp posts, trees and benches and erected a barricade. The cavalry charged, using their sabres freely and stormed the barricade. The police arrested a dangerous Spanish anarchist, Emmanuel de la Torre, who admits having fired at Mr. Leptine.

The Spanish embassy is surrounded by soldiers to prevent the radicals from attacking it. A long petition was handed to the city council to-day asking that one of the city's streets be re-named in honor of Ferrer.

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The Montea brought 6,300 tons of cargo, including 1,700 bales of silk, the value of which will approach very nearly a million dollars.

Of the 108 passengers there were 42 Europeans in the saloon, 1 Japanese and 2 Chinese.

The Chinese government has taken decided steps to suppress the boycott movement against the Japanese in that country.

LABOR ON G. T. P. London, Oct. 14.—Interviewed by a representative of Canada Illustrated...

SAVES BROTHER FROM DEATH IN COAL MINE With Clothing on Fire He Carries Brother to Place of Safety.

Marshfield, Ore., Oct. 13.—J. B. Snedden, who carried his brother from a mine shaft that had been riven by an explosion...

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS. Victoria Meteorological Office, 6th to 12th October, 1909.

ANNUITY SCHEME TO BE EXPLAINED

Dr. Samson Will Speak in Victoria on Monday Evening.

Wage-earners and all who are interested in the making of some provision for old age should make a point of hearing Dr. James Samson in Institute hall on Monday evening.

G. T. P. OFFICIALS PAY VISIT TO CITY

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ENCOUNTERED GALES IN MAGELLAN STRAIT Steamer Camphill Arrives at San Francisco From Baltimore.

Experiencing a series of fierce gales which rendered her passage through the Strait of Magellan exceedingly dangerous, the British steamer Camphill has arrived at San Francisco, 70 days from Baltimore, with a cargo of coal for the U. S. government.

GOES UP IN SMOKE. Kaslo, Oct. 13.—One of Kaslo's old boom day buildings went up in smoke when the "Leland" was destroyed by fire.

PROBABLY DROWNED. Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 14.—W. D. Hutcheon went fishing at noon on Tuesday, and yesterday his overturned boat was found near the beach.

MAORI KING TOTAL WRECK

SLOOP OF WAR CLIO MAY BE LOST

Montea Brings News That Search Was Being Made for War Vessel.

When the steamer Montea, which reached here to-day, left the Orient, there was a good deal of anxiety felt for the sloop of war Clio which had left Japan for Hongkong and must have had to steam in the teeth of a big typhoon which passed right over her course.

TWO SHIPS STILL 'IDLE AT ESQUIMALT' Reduction of \$1 on Lumber to Orient—Coastwise Firmer.

Only two idle vessels are now in Esquimalt harbor, the ships Halewood and Senator. Both of these have been in port a long time and charters have been expected for each previously to this.

PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN AT REVELSTOKE Board of Trade to Issue Booklet Describing Resources of District.

Revelstoke, Oct. 12.—At the last meeting of the board of trade the mayor reported that the lumber was arriving on the ground for the publicity building.

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COMPREHENSIVE POLICY OF LIBERAL PARTY

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Waste of money was no new story with the government. Take a little matter like the repair of a country bridge. Plank work \$327 had been purchased, but to haul it three miles and a half cost \$255. As showing the love of the McBride government for the laboring man it might be said that two men were paid \$320 to haul it. In this planning, a foreman got \$88 to boss these two men, a superintendent got \$124.50 to boss the foreman, and over the top of him again was a superintendent who got \$1,600 a year and expenses. Fault might be found with the leader of an opposition for referring to these things, but where they were, spread on the records.

Indian Reserve. "I want to touch on a question which has been a burning one here for years, and one which led to the defeat of Hon. Wm. Tomlinson," continued Mr. Oliver. "This is in connection with the Songhees reserve. Just so long as our Liberal friends at Ottawa consent to follow Premier McBride in government, he calls the game of politics—he calls it a game, but I call it serious business—just so long they can expect nothing but defeat here.

The provincial government has a reversionary interest in these lands and before the Dominion government can give up the reserves they must be in a position to give a clear title. The Indians are no fools, and even if they were they have plenty of advisers in Victoria—"That is so"—to keep this question open. The provincial government has been playing a double game in this question, and without any credit of the Liberals at Ottawa that they have allowed the provincial government to get away with their game. In September, 1906, Frank Pedley, superintendent of the affairs of the Indians, here and saw the provincial government and entered into a verbal arrangement with them whereby they agreed to give contract the Dominion government might make for the reversal of the Indians, on condition that their reversionary rights should attach to the proceeds as they would have attached to the lands, a very reasonable proposition and very fair on the face of it. In March, 1907, Mr. Pedley asked the government for an answer. In the meantime there was a provincial election and Mr. Oliver was elected. Mr. Oliver here an order-in-council was passed granting the city a reversionary right in 43 acres, but the Ottawa government was never notified and went on with negotiations for months in ignorance of it.

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"I say it fearlessly, and I am prepared to meet Premier McBride anywhere on it, that the provincial government has made it utterly impossible for the Dominion government to settle this reserve question, and at the same time their papers have been hounding the Dominion government. I saw Mr. Pedley has been asking the city council to convey its reversionary rights to the Dominion and that the council so far has not seen fit to do so. "I want to go back to February, 1907, and tell you that no people were ever handed a bigger gold-brick than you. There is absolutely no statutory authority behind that order-in-council. The measure giving the province power to act in this way was not passed until the session of 1908 and the order-in-council of February, 1907, is absolutely illegal and not worth the paper it is written on. You have as senior member from this city in the premier the man who is, above all others, responsible for this state of affairs. What are you going to do about it; send him back at the head of the polls the same as last time?"

"We should say not," was the emphatic reply of the meeting. "Flight Ottawa" Policy. The attorney-general was the author of the policy of fighting Ottawa. Mr. Oliver went on to say. He had fought them on the fisheries, on the right to control over water in the railway belt—and even then only by overhead bridges to be built by the province. In every court he had gone into the claims he advanced on the part of the province had been decided against him; he could not bamboozle the judges though he could the people. In the prosecution of the Fraser river fishermen the imposition of fines and costs had been declared illegal by the Supreme court, but the attorney-general's department refused still to return the money. The electors would remember the outrages against Japanese and Asiatic labor while the province was in power.

with the coin from his client Gotoh in his pocket. What was going on in his department? There had been for some time a number of murders going unwhipped of justice—Gun-a-Noot, the Midway murderer, the bandits who held up the C. P. R. trains, the murderer of the Coma Decker. Victorians would remember the Lampton street school matter.

"What about a government that took a sum of money from the man who developed the lives of your children in that building? That is the way the province is being governed and it is about time the people put a stop to that state of affairs.

In Victoria education, where was the university, where was the agricultural college in connection, where was the experimental farm?

Railway Rumors. It was said that if there was to be an early election it would be because the government had secured a satisfactory contract with the Canadian Northern railway to bring its line to the coast at a price which seemed to him he had a recollection that in 1888 the Turner government made a similar contract with the C. N. R. for the purpose of building a line to the neighborhood of Pentiction represented all that was done, and it was said that with a microscope old inhabitants could show the dump. He had, too, a hazy recollection that there had been a contract with the C. N. R. to bring its line to Victoria, and the Conservatives were returned with a handsome sum of money for the railway? Surely with a firm that had lent itself to two bogus contracts with the government the people would not be so easily deceived by a contract, and that it would be carried out when the government made such a claim for support.

"I don't go around condemning the government as totally bad," said Mr. Oliver. "I believe it is bad, but I believe there is a possibility of its being worse, and if you return it again it will have a chance to be a great deal worse before you have an opportunity to deal with it again."

The McBride government's record on railway matters was a poor one, Mr. Oliver went on. In 1904-5 the province from the throne forehadard co-operation with the Dominion government in the building of an all-Canadian railway into the Yukon. Nothing more has ever heard of co-operation. The Grand Trunk Pacific project, entailing the building of seven hundred miles of railway and the doubling of the habitable area of the province, was opposed in every way by the provincial government. To-day they boasted of selling lands in Prince Rupert to the extent of a million dollars, while at the same time they were not without railway construction, but nothing materialized.

Island Railways. On Vancouver Island the Dominion has provided a subsidy for the E. & N. from Wellington to Alberni, part of which line was built and the contract let for the balance. A subsidy was provided for a line from Cowichan Bay to Cowichan Lake, so the whole country tributary to Cowichan Lake should be opened up. The E. & N. had been voted a subsidy for 79 miles more from French Creek to Campbell River, and it was only a matter of time until a subsidy was given to bring the line to the north end of the island. From Campbell River eastward towards the G.T.P. the subsidy was available for 100 miles of the Vancouver Island line. Here again the policy of the Dominion government was apparent, to connect this island with the G.T.P. There was also 110 miles of Pacific Northern and Omnica, from Kitimat into Telkwa. In all there were available subsidies for some thousand miles of railway, outside the main line of the G.T.P. totalling \$6,000,000.

Liberal Proposals. Coming to what the Liberal Party in the province proposed to do Mr. Oliver said they would, if placed in power, add the Kootenay Central on condition of the Liberals at Ottawa consent to complete. All subsidies would be made dependent on the payment to all workers of the current rate of wages for white labor. The construction of a line from Nicola to Carmi would be aided on condition of construction at once, and the Midway and Vernon people would have pressure brought to bear on them to construct. Above all every possible

endeavor would be used to get a link through Hope mountain so as to bring the Boundary trail to the coast. If the V. & W. E. could satisfy the government that it was going on, well and good, but that connection must be made in the immediate future. If the V. & W. E. was willing to construct a traffic bridge on the proposed bridge across Burrard Inlet and maintain it free of tolls, he would be prepared to provide the provincial subsidy. The Dominion subsidy would be prepared to aid the line from Vancouver to Fort George, and the E. & N. to build to the north end of the island.

It would also aid the Victoria and Barclay Sound, out through Metchoin and Sooke and on to Alberni, forming a loop line with the E. & N. which would open an immensely rich district and make it tributary to Victoria. They would use their influence to get a Dominion subsidy from Nicola to the coast, and the Victoria and Barclay Sound, and its extension of the line to the north of the island. They would know no secret, however, would be a great sight of the island, Victoria or Vancouver, and look to the advancement of the interests of British Columbia.

The average cost of constructing a mile of railway in the province was \$40,000. Subsidies on one thousand miles at \$5,000 a mile would amount to \$5,000,000, and even at five per cent. the annual charge for interest and sinking fund would be \$250,000, five-eighths of one per cent. per annum for forty years on the outlay that would involve. If it was remembered that probably sixty per cent. of the capital would come in other industries the tax would be one-fourth of one per cent.

Better Terms. A statement prepared by the auditor-general of Canada, showing the expenditure in British Columbia, demonstrated the enormous error of the statement prepared by the McBride government. Under the head of public debt the auditor-general found there had been an expenditure in the province of \$5,146,000; the provincial statement made it \$2,450,000. For civil government the figures were, respectively, \$1,000,000 and \$70,000; for pensions, \$130,000 and \$70,000; on militia, \$1,708,000 and \$359,000; on mail service, \$3,070,000 and \$981,000. In the first 32 years since the province entered confederation the total expenditure showed that there had been expended in the province \$88,152,508 while the provincial statement only accounted for \$24,464,382, an error of \$63,688,126. The provincial statement showed that the people in the "cent belt" did not give them enough money to spend.

The best claim British Columbia had, Mr. Oliver said, was in the rates charged on the C. P. R. He had looked into the matter carefully and had been able to best claim the province had; and it had never been advanced. When he got a resolution passed for the presentation of the case to the railway commission here last August, the Dominion government threw away the case.

Asiatic Problem. In regard to the Asiatic question Mr. Oliver asked what any provincial government had ever done to stop one Asiatic from coming in here. What- ever had been done to keep them out was done by the Dominion government. And while labor unions and Conservative papers claimed that Dominion regulations were not effective when there was a rumor that the C. P. R. wanted to bring in Orientals, these same people denounced the government for supposed readiness to remove the restrictions. The record of the McBride government was that it had voted to bring in Orientals, these same people denounced the government for supposed readiness to remove the restrictions. The record of the McBride government was that it had voted to bring in Orientals, these same people denounced the government for supposed readiness to remove the restrictions.

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Nelson, Oct. 12.—When a big diamond drill now on the way from Chicago to arrive at the quarry of the Canadian Marble Works, at Marblehead, B. C., about eight miles from Lardo, in the course of a few days, everything will be done to test the strength of the marble of one of the richest marble properties on the continent. A series of tests will be made in the ensuing months over the top of the white man's standard in British Columbia. (Cheers.) You know perfectly well the Dominion government would never think of interfering if we work along in peace, practical lines such as these.

Land for Settlers. Mr. Oliver dealt shortly with the necessity for opening up agricultural areas to the actual settlers, and pointed to the fact that seven million acres worth of agricultural products which should be produced at home have to be imported every year. To-day large quantities of land, timber and mineral locations have gone into the hands of Americans, who were holding land at such high prices that settlement was retarded. This was not a party matter at all; the man who put party before province was a traitor to his country. He had no quarrel with those who held these areas now as they had got them under the laws, but experience was teaching the people that a change was needed. Areas in which settlers could go ahead to be surveyed and mapped, and information be readily obtainable and the land given free to men who would use it intelligently. In the matter of timber the leader called how the government had voted down the very proposals they were now going to adopt. He advocated allowing municipalities, who needed more revenue to meet increasing demands on them, to levy and collect on personal property instead of the provincial government getting it.

In concluding Mr. Oliver called upon the electors to weigh the record of the government and decide that in the interests of the province a change of government was needed. The following resolutions were moved by A. B. McNeill, seconded by W. E. Houston and adopted: "That the Liberals of Victoria in meeting assembled endorse the policy

enunciated by our leader, John Oliver, that we pledge ourselves to disseminate those principles that distinguish the Liberal party from the Conservative party now in power in this province; and that we do our utmost on the first opportunity to elect representative men to the legislature who shall give effect to those principles in laws that shall be placed on the statutes of this province."

DETAILS OF FATAL SHOOTING ACCIDENT

Explosion of Dynamite Caused Death of E. Breidford.

The details connected with the death of E. Breidford near Kamloops have been received and show that an explosion of dynamite was the cause of the accident. It appears that after lunch on Sunday afternoon, the deceased, Jack Myrtal and a third man left on a shooting trip. Some little way out from Penny's station Breidford and Myrtal separated from the third man to make a detour of a hill. Shortly after they separated the third man heard a terrific explosion and hastened in the direction from which it came to ascertain the cause. He was horrified to find that his companion had met with a terrible accident. He first saw the body of E. Breidford and realized that he was beyond human aid. He then went to Myrtal, who appeared to be unconscious, and tried to assist him back to Penny's.

Jack Myrtal gave the following account of the accident. He said they came upon a cave and looked into it. He thought he saw a cougar inside, and knelt down to fire at it. Immediately he pulled the trigger there was a terrific explosion and he was knocked down by a shower of rocks. He could give no explanation beyond the suggestion that possibly he had fired into some dynamite stored there for some purpose or other.

Immediately upon their arrival at Penny's assistance was sought for to bring in Breidford, who was found dead when the party arrived. He had evidently received the full force of the explosion, having been carried some fifteen feet from the mouth of the cave and his body being terribly mangled. The meantime medical aid had been sent for and Dr. Sanson was soon on the spot from Ashcroft. Having made careful inquiries into the accident, Dr. Sanson, who is district coroner, said there was no occasion for an inquest.

Jack Myrtal describes the place where the shooting took place as a tunnel driven into a cut bank about a mile and a half from Penny's. He thinks that the concussion of his shot must have exploded some dynamite left in the tunnel. At first he was inclined to think that his rifle had exploded, but afterwards his rifle was found unharmed. Myrtal is badly cut about the head, and both his arms are scarred up, but he is resting easily and is not seriously hurt.

It is just possible that the dynamite which caused the terrible accident of yesterday was stored there by the train robbers, who passed in that vicinity having a gold ring from the party who had dynamite with them when they were shot.

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CIVIC GOVERNMENT AT VANCOUVER

Necessity for Changes Will Be Discussed at Meeting of Council.

Vancouver, Oct. 12.—The city council is to hold a special meeting shortly to consider the necessity for a radical change in the methods of Civic government in vogue here. This step was among the various decisions arrived at at the regular meeting last evening. Another was that it would be a great deal better not to shelve the isolation hospital question. On the motion of Ald. Morton it was also decided that the city solicitor take immediate steps to put into effect Clause 3 of the agreement with the B. C. Electric Railway company, whereby, if the latter does not furnish good and sufficient cars for the comfort and convenience of the passengers, the agreement shall be revoked.

Ald. Morton, McBride and Whiteside criticized the B. C. Electric and its mode of doing things. They were particularly caustic in reference to the condition in which the city streets were left by the company when new lines were put down, and also as to the car service provided. Ald. Morton thought that something better should be done to relieve the congestion on the cars along Westminister avenue arising from the heavy South Vancouver traffic. Ald. Kirkpatrick and McSpadden expressed the belief that the company was doing all in its power to provide a good service. The motion on the subject were that the city solicitor take steps to put into effect Clause 3 of the agreement, which states that the company shall place and continue good and sufficient cars for the comfort and convenience of the passengers, and that the city solicitor take steps to have the B. C. Electric clear up all city streets where lines are being built. Ald. Morton and Whiteside were the mover and second in each case.

With practically no discussion on motion of Ald. Goodman and Campbell, it was decided to call a special meeting shortly to consider a change in the form of municipal government, and as Ald. Goodman expressed it, "to minimize the evils of the ward system."

The city clerk was instructed to get information in the meantime from any municipalities which may be using a different system from that in vogue in this city.

Ald. Goodman was sponsor for the proposition that the local improvement by-law be amended so that the city may one-third of the cost of local improvement works instead of the ratepayers paying all, as at present, and also that the lanes and boulevards be brought under the local improvements. The suggestion will be taken up shortly.

SENT TO PRISON FOR TWO YEARS. Undertaker's Assistant is Sentenced for Robbing Corpse.

Vancouver, Oct. 12.—Two years' imprisonment was the sentence imposed by Judge McInnes yesterday morning on John Selza, the undertaker's assistant, who on Friday last pleaded guilty to stealing a gold ring from a corpse. Selza made a long and eloquent oration in his own defence but it availed nothing with the Court. Judge McInnes said that while he commended the prisoner for the frankness of his statement, the crime was of such a nature that he could not take a lenient view of the case.

Thomas D. Jones, an employee of the B. C. Leather company, who had pleaded guilty to filching goods, was given a three months' sentence. From statements made about the case it appeared that Jones had a weakness for whiskey. Otherwise his character was good.

CHILLIWACK FOREGOES ANNUAL EXHIBITION. Agricultural Society Unable to Get New Grounds in Shape for Fair.

New Westminster, Oct. 12.—The Chilliwack fair, which was scheduled to have taken place last week, was not held owing to the fact that the Chilliwack Agricultural Society was unable to get its new grounds in shape in time for the occasion.

Some weeks ago the society completed the purchase of twenty-three acres for use as exhibition grounds. This gives it much more space for the fair than was previously the case, the old grounds only having an area of five acres. The buildings of the society, however, were all on the old ground, and it was found impossible to get new ones erected on the present park in time for the show. Had the weather been fine it might have been possible to hold the fair in the open air. Friday, however, was so wet that it was decided to forego the exhibition this year.

EAST PREPARING FOR SHIPBU

Quebec City Anxious to Warships for the Canadian Government.

In connection with the movement which has been launched in Victoria looking to the establishment at Esquimalt of a large modern naval dock, a recent decision of the Quebec board of trade has a pertinent interest. At the session of that body on October 4th a subscription list was opened to acquire funds for the purpose of applying for letters patent to organize a company to undertake the construction of a new, modern graving dock.

According to a press dispatch, a company of Quebec business men will likely be formed as a result of this meeting to build the dock, and will, if possible, secure a British naval construction firm to join with them, as that would give them a chance to bid for the building of the vessels for the new Canadian navy.

This move on the part of Quebec is no doubt intended to be preparatory to the work of building the vessels which will be stationed on the Atlantic coast only, and it will remain for shippers and others of this similarly bestir themselves in respect to the ships which will be maintained on the Pacific.

The energetic committee of the board of trade which has in hand the matter of fostering industries at Esquimalt in connection with the naval programme of the government will no doubt give full consideration to the suggestion contained in the announcement from Quebec.

Senator Bostock, of Ducks, B. C., and Senator Roy, of Edmonton, who are now in the city, to-day visited Esquimalt and inspected that port with the view of familiarizing themselves with its advantages as a naval base, so as to be prepared to take part intelligently in the debate on locations of docks, training stations, etc. Senator Bostock, who lived for many years in Victoria, is a warm champion of the claims of Esquimalt. He thinks it is important that influential visitors from the east should have pointed out to them the splendid advantages of Esquimalt as a natural site for a naval base.

GRANBY OUTPUT CONTINUES TO GROW. Copper Production Shows Increase of 800,000 Pounds in Year.

Phoenix, Oct. 12.—Although the Granby Consolidated has not yet reached the low-cost mark which it expects to attain in the production of the red metal, recent reports indicate that the company is making substantial efforts to increase its output. In the month of June 30th, 1909, the average copper production was 10 cents a pound, compared with 10.24 cents in the previous year. There were produced slightly more copper and precious metals than in the previous year, copper increasing 800,000 pounds, silver 33,000 ounces and gold 5,000 ounces. A. B. W. Hodges, local manager of the property, in reporting for the year, said:

"The mine shipped to the smelter last year 963,510 tons of ore, against 858,432 for the previous year, and the smelter treated 884,733 tons of dry ore, including 19,944 tons of custom ore, which is only 100,000 tons more than the previous year."

The ore receipts for the month of September amounted to \$3,009 tons. Of this amount Granby mines at Phoenix shipped 78,548 tons, which is well up to the yearly average, and some 4,461 tons were received from ten other shippers, one of which is located in the Slokan, and the other nine in the State of Washington. The ores from these foreign properties are largely of a silicious nature and are used as a flux with the Granby ore. The receipts for September follow: Granby, Phoenix 78,548; Snowstorm, Coeur d'Alene, 2,556; Quib, Republic, 845; Lone Pine, Republic, 151; Arlington, Republic, 90; Black Lake, Republic, 10; Ben Hur, Republic, 98; San Polo, Republic, 59; Belcher, Republic, 667; United Copper, Cheshawah, 37; Molly Hughes, Slokan, 41.

DEVELOPMENT-BY-LAW DEFEATED IN COUNCIL. Proposal to Build Wagon Trails and Sidewalks at North Vancouver.

Vancouver, Oct. 12.—To encourage settlement in North Vancouver, Alderman Schultz introduced at last night's session of the North Vancouver city council a by-law to provide funds for the opening up of wagon-trails and sidewalks to houses of bona fide settlers and residents. The by-law was defeated on its first reading after a prolonged debate, lasting just two and a half hours.

The council decided to meet the day evening, when the proposed by-law to raise the necessary money for improvements will be discussed. The proposition is that the city should issue bonds or guarantee the bonds issued by the company for \$128,000, which represents the cost of a new ferry steamer (\$38,000), a concrete wharf at North Vancouver (\$25,000), and slips and boats (\$19,000).

ATTRACT FOR LIBERNI SECTION

LIBRARY FIRM HAS UNDERTAKEN WORK

Head of Company Will Arrive Shortly to Commence Operations.

The contract for the construction of the uncompleted portion of the Alberni branch of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway, a section of the road, has been awarded to the Calgary contracting firm of Janse, McDonnell & Timothy, according to an announcement made by Mr. R. Marpole, vice-president of the E. & N., on his return to Vancouver yesterday from Calgary. While in Calgary Mr. Marpole discussed the terms of the contract with the firm, which put in the lowest tender with the result that the necessary agreements were signed. Mr. Janse will commence construction immediately.

Mr. Marpole was absent from Vancouver for a week and during that time he took a run over the Calgary & Edmonton branch, visiting districts he had not seen for two years. He has an up-to-date grasp of the progress which by the country in the vicinity of Lacombe and Stettler. He was also amazed at the extraordinary development of the country of the east of Calgary as far as Strathmore in the irrigated belt.

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W. J. BRYAN IS GIVEN WELCOME

NOTED ORATOR SPEAKS AT NOON LUNCHEON

He is Being Shown City and Will Address Gathering To-night.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Victoria is honored to-day by the presence of one of the most noted public men on the continent of America—W. J. Bryan.

He is being shown the city and will address a gathering to-night.

President McKim, of the Y. M. C. A., and Chairman Michener headed the reception committee at the wharf.

Mr. Bryan's arrival here was at once escorted to the Empress hotel where a luncheon was arranged for in his honor.

His Worship Mayor Hall presided at the luncheon and the social board.

Mr. Bryan began by saying he appreciated the cordial welcome and thanked them most heartily.

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GIRL DROWNED IN BURRARD INLET

Falls From Wharf Into Water While at Play With Her Sister.

Vancouver, Oct. 12.—For three hours yesterday the police dragged the waters of Burrard Inlet, near the Heatley avenue wharf, in vain attempts to find the body of little Nico Rogigno, who is supposed to have fallen off the wharf while at play with her sister, about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

According to the story of the elder girl, who is six years old the other one, a tot of two years and five months, was sitting at the edge of the wharf at the inside corner of the right-angle it makes, when suddenly she slipped over the edge.

The elder girl was so terrified that she ran to her home at 608 Powell street, before she told anyone, although there were at least a dozen men near.

There were six clerks in the wharf office but none of them saw any accident, nor did the men on the B. C. Electric Power boat, which was tied up at the wharf, observe anything unusual.

The action follows the conference of Mayor Taylor with Secretary Ballinger when it is said the secretary assured the mayor that as long as the city of San Francisco adhered to the terms of the Garfield grant, and devoted its attention to the Lake Eleanor project, the city of San Francisco would not be afraid from him.

Mayor Taylor interpreted this alleged declaration of Secretary Ballinger as an invitation to go ahead with the work.

MISS CAMERON DELIGHTED AUDIENCE

Inspiring Lecture Given at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

The auditorium of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was fairly well filled on Tuesday for the lecture given by Miss Agnes Deans Cameron under the auspices of the Young People's Society of the church.

The lecture was given at 8 o'clock and was a most interesting and inspiring one.

Miss Cameron showed views of points of interest in the Dominion of Wales, including Digen, Nova Scotia, and finishing at Quebec, Charlotte Island. Some of these views were of intense interest, and a few were photographs taken by Miss Cameron and shown for the first time.

The lecturer briefly described each picture and often quoted very aptly some gems of poetry to emphasize a truth which she wished to bring to the attention of the audience.

There was not the same enthusiasm displayed by the audience as at the former lectures, but this was possibly accounted for by the fact that the gathering was in a sacred edifice and also by the fact that many of the pictures shown were familiar to a large number present.

As usual the value of the lecture as an educative force cannot be over-estimated for the wonderful natural wealth of the Dominion was very strongly emphasized by the photographs shown and by the words of the lecturer.

It would be an excellent thing if every high school and college in the Dominion had a copy of the book, "The New North," which will shortly be published.

Capt. Thompson, on behalf of the Young People's Society, tendered Miss Cameron the hearty thanks of the society and of the audience for her lecture.

REV. DR. MATTHEWS ON CIVIC PROBLEMS

Well Known Lecturer Will Pay Visit to Victoria and Give Address.

On the evening of Thanksgiving day, Oct. 25th, Rev. Dr. M. A. Matthews, of Seattle, will address a public meeting in the city.

He will have for his subject one that is of the very first importance at the present time, "Civic Problems and Civic Righteousness."

Dr. Matthews is the popular pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Seattle, has a very wide reputation as an advanced thinker along the line of civic problems.

He comes here under the auspices of the Young People's Society of the Metropolitan Men's Club, who are being congratulated upon securing such a well known speaker.

Already, judging from the comments made upon the program, there is a large audience assured.

Vigorous steps are being taken to advertise the coming of Dr. Matthews, and there should be a very large attendance of the general public of the city.

IMPRISONED BANKER WILL IN THE TOMBS

Physician Has Been Called to Attend Charles W. Morse.

New York, Oct. 12.—Charles W. Morse, who has been imprisoned here since Monday, when the United States Appellate Court confirmed the decision of the United States Circuit Court sentencing him to 15 years' penitentiary for the violation of the banking laws, is ill in the tombs.

The first night of his incarceration was passed without sleep and it was necessary to administer a sleeping powder before the convicted banker could rest.

To-day he is ill and a physician has been called to see him.

FORTY MILLION DOLLARS FOR WATER SYSTEM

San Francisco Has Practically Decided to Adopt New Scheme.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 13.—The city administration has practically decided upon a bond issue of \$40,000,000 for the full development of Lake Eleanor-Hetch-Hetchy water system.

This step was determined after an extended conference of city officials yesterday in the office of Mayor Taylor.

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Mayor Taylor interpreted this alleged declaration of Secretary Ballinger as an invitation to go ahead with the work.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DURING SEPTEMBER

Over Three Thousand Pupils Now Being Educated Here.

The report of the attendance at the public schools of the city for the month of September, which has just been issued, is very gratifying, indicating as it does a constant increase in the school population of the city.

The total enrollment, 3,026; boys, 1,609; girls, 1,417; average actual attendance, 2,762.20; percentage of attendance, 91.21; perfect attendance, 299; truancy, 4; corporal punishment, 69; tardiness, 206.

The attendance at each school is given as follows: High school—Total enrollment, 306; boys, 143; girls, 163; average actual attendance, 273.80; percentage of attendance, 89.47; perfect attendance, 136; truancy, none; corporal punishment, none; tardiness, 44.

Boys' Central—Total enrollment, 551; average actual attendance, 508.07; percentage of attendance, 92.20; perfect attendance, 299; truancy, none; corporal punishment, 13; tardiness, 16.

Girls' Central—Total enrollment, 456; average actual attendance, 421.52; percentage of attendance, 92.44; perfect attendance, 265; truancy, none; corporal punishment, none; tardiness, 9.

North Ward—Total enrollment, 437; boys, 245; girls, 192; average actual attendance, 401.05; percentage of attendance, 91.77; perfect attendance, 246; truancy, none; corporal punishment, four; tardiness, 31.

South Park—Total enrollment, 245; boys, 175; girls, 170; average actual attendance, 316.24; percentage of attendance, 91.67; perfect attendance, 169; truancy, none; corporal punishment, nine; tardiness, 21.

Victoria West—Total enrollment, 269; boys, 136; girls, 133; average actual attendance, 247.81; percentage of attendance, 92.13; truancy, none; corporal punishment, nine; tardiness, 17.

Kingston street—Total enrollment, 229; boys, 114; girls, 115; average actual attendance, 208.93; perfect attendance, 128; percentage of attendance, 91.23; truancy, none; corporal punishment, six; tardiness, 17.

Spring Ridge—Total enrollment, 183; boys, 95; girls, 88; average actual attendance, 168.26; percentage of attendance, 92.46; perfect attendance, 93; truancy, none; corporal punishment, four; tardiness, 10.

Hillside—Total enrollment, 116; boys, 60; girls, 56; average actual attendance, 101.67; percentage of attendance, 87.64; perfect attendance, 57; truancy, none; corporal punishment, five; tardiness, 18.

Rock Bay—Total enrollment, 89; boys, 54; girls, 35; average actual attendance, 74.84; percentage of attendance, 84.22; perfect attendance, 38; truancy, none; corporal punishment, two; tardiness, two.

CENTENNIAL BIBLE CLASS

Members are Preparing for a Big Season—Discuss Plans.

A meeting of the men's adult Bible class of the Centennial Methodist church was held Tuesday night at the residence of the Misses Aubin, 2609 Third street, when the programme of the winter's work was discussed.

The membership committee advised the election of two captains and sides known as the reds and blues, with the view of canvassing the North Ward district for new members.

This met with the approval of all present, and the work will be started in a short time. A debate has been arranged for by the literary committee to be held on Tuesday evening, November 2nd.

The object of this is to train the members of the class for the platform.

The social committee is making great preparations for holding a big social evening on Thanksgiving Day. They have arranged an excellent programme for the occasion, consisting of songs and games.

A contest will take place between the men for the making of cakes, jellies and fancy dishes. Prizes will be given the winners and keen competition is expected to be witnessed.

The members of the class wish to announce that they have formed an athletic association and have fitted up a number of rooms in an up-to-date manner, and invite all young men to come and spend an enjoyable time with them in the evenings.

They also extend cordial invitation to all young men to attend their meetings on Sunday afternoon in the church.

The total bank clearings for the week ending October 12th, as reported by the Victoria clearing house, were \$1,382,125.

COMING TO BOOST WINNIPEG EXPOSITION

Delegation to Interview Government and Civic Bodies Next Friday.

Charles F. Roland, secretary of the general committee of the 1912 exposition to be held in Winnipeg, has wired Mayor Hall informing him that delegates from the prairie capital will wait upon the British Columbia ministers on Friday of this week and would like an interview with his worship at the Empress hotel at 10 a. m. of the same day.

Simon Leiser, president of the board of trade, has received a similar invitation.

The object of the delegation is to enlist the co-operation of the people of British Columbia in the exposition. A huge expenditure is involved in the enterprise and it is hoped not only to elicit the moral support of all the communities in Western Canada, but secure financial aid from the various provinces.

Winnipeg has of itself undertaken to raise a fund of a million dollars.

In connection with the part which British Columbia shall take in the exposition, the suggestion has been advanced by the Victoria branch of the Vancouver Island Development League that the island should arrange for the erection of a special building intended to illustrate the timber wealth.

HOLMES TRIAL IS POSTPONED TILL MAY

Nanaimo Man on Trial for Murder Will Wait Until Next Assizes.

The fall assizes at Nanaimo came to an abrupt end last night, as foreshadowed in the previous evening's Times, both cases on the docket, Rex vs. Holmes and Rex vs. Watt, being postponed to the spring assizes in May next.

Arthur Hault, a new witness in the case, is believed to have strong evidence against the prisoner, Holmes, he confessed, confessed to him of having murdered Carlson, and when asked by him (Hault) if he was not sorry for what he had done, Holmes replied: "No, I would do it again if I had to, I am ready to die anyhow."

Holmes had told him how he left the house after the murder, of the route he travelled in going from the Carlson home to the Temperance hotel, and of entering the hotel (to his knowledge) unobserved.

While not officially confirmed, it is stated that the coroner's jury has returned a verdict of guilty on the part of other parties other than young Hault that he (Holmes) committed the murder, and of his having changed his clothes in a barn between the time of having committed the murder and reaching his room in the hotel.

Regarding the above evidence in conjunction with that already made known, the case against Holmes appears a strong one, and the only reason, says the Nanaimo Herald, why the case should be postponed when it could not get a change of venue, appears to be that it is a public sentiment in Nanaimo was prejudiced so much in the prisoner's favor as to make a conviction impossible, no matter how strong was the evidence against him.

Several days ago the Attorney-General asked the defence if it would consent to a change of venue, and that time the defence said "No." The proposal was again made yesterday morning when the defence again refused, and not being able to get a change of venue, the crown asked for a six months' postponement.

RESOLUTION PASSED CONCERNING DISASTER

Development League Deal With Subject Wednesday Morning.

The following resolution was passed on Wednesday by the executive of Vancouver Island Development League at a meeting held in the Board of Trade rooms:

"The Victoria branch of the Vancouver Island Development Association joins with everyone on Vancouver Island in expressing their deep regret at the recent terrible disaster at the Extension mines, when 23 lives were lost, and they wish to extend to the wives and families of the deceased their sincere sympathy."

"In light of the constant dangers to which miners are exposed in following their extra hazardous occupation, the association calls upon the mine owners to adopt, and the provincial government to rigidly enforce all possible measures for the safety of the men working in the mines."

A copy of this resolution will be sent to the secretary of the Ladysmith Board of Trade and to T. R. Wilson, president of the Citizens' League.

"The regular session of Victoria hive, Tuesday in the A. O. U. W. hall. The lady commander gave her monthly report and showed that the money taken in at the refreshment tent at the exhibition grounds during the fair, had been handed over to the Women's Building fund. A vote of thanks was tendered to all wholesale merchants and others, who made donations to be used at the tent. It was decided to hold a social evening on Tuesday, November 23rd, when all members and friends are cordially invited to be present."

"The members of the Young People's Society of the First Presbyterian church had an enjoyable time at their weekly meeting on Monday evening. An amusing address was given during the evening by Rev. W. Stephenson on 'Scottish Humor.'"

Every year the English post office gath-ers 20,000 letters which are posted without addresses.

SEEK TO EVICT PASTOR.

Congregation Tries to Regain Possession of Church Parsonage.

Colfax, Wash., Oct. 11.—Another chapter in the controversy between the First Baptist church of Colfax and the pastor, Rev. Herbert G. Buss, has opened here by the filing of a suit in eviction in the superior court by the church corporation, which is trying to regain possession of the church parsonage, now occupied by Rev. Buss and family.

The complaint alleges that Mr. Buss became pastor of the church January 1st, 1908, and that the contract between him and the church officials contained a clause specifying that it might be terminated at the request of either the church society or the pastor, at any time after December 15th, 1908, and that Buss was dismissed on April 7th, 1909, but refused to vacate the parsonage, although written notice requesting him to do so was served upon him June 2nd.

The church officials ask that the defendant be made to pay \$20 per month rent for the parsonage from April 7th, 1909, damages and the costs of the action.

ANNUAL BANQUET OF OLD CAMPAIGNERS

Commemoration of Indian Mutiny on King's Birthday.

The British Campaigners' Association will hold a banquet on the night of November 9th, the King's birthday, at the Driad hotel, in commemoration of the Indian mutiny.

There are a number of members of the association who were present at the battles during the mutiny, and an evening of reminiscences is promised as the old campaigners of the mutiny will be the principal speakers.

Major J. Wilson, president of the association, and a veteran of the Crimea, will take the chair at the banquet. Invitations have been sent to the Lieut.-Governor, Hon. Richard McBride, Mayor Hall, the Bishop of Columbia, and local singers, Col. Peters, D. O. C.; Major Currie, O. C. Fifth Regiment, C. G. A., and others.

The association last year held a banquet in commemoration of the Crimean campaign, at which Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley gave an address. He will be invited to speak again at this banquet. An orchestra and local singers will supply the musical part of the entertainment. Tickets can be had from Lieut. Stern, secretary of the association.

BRIEF LOCALS.

The concrete foundation for the vitrified brick pavement, now being laid on Wharf street, is about completed and the work of laying the brick will be pushed on rapidly. A slow load of brick arrived from Seattle on Tuesday, and the contractors, who have been held back by the slow time of the brick not being enough brick, will now be able to proceed with all haste in the work.

The Young People's Society of Emmanuel Baptist church enjoyed an interesting talk Tuesday night by Miss Gunn, the well known worker among the local Chinese. Miss Gunn described the method of teaching the boys and girls, and dealt with the work in general. All present thoroughly enjoyed the talk.

On Monday evening last a meeting of the congregation of the St. Andrew's church, Nanaimo, was held with Rev. Dr. Campbell, moderator, of session, and H. Robertson, B. D., of Revelstoke, was the unanimous choice as the new pastor of the church, and a call was extended to him. The meeting closed with a hymn, and a free manse and four weeks' holiday in the summer. Rev. Dr. Robertson is no stranger on the island, having served for two years in the surrounding districts.

The Young Peoples' Bible class of the Metropolitan Methodist church have decided to hold an opening service on Friday evening in the school room of the church. Arrangements are being made to make this event a big success. An energetic committee is now preparing an excellent programme of music and music. All members of the class are invited to be present and bring their friends. Everyone who is requested to bring a photo of themselves, the first one taken of their likeness.

P. J. Riddell, who has just returned from an extended tour of Europe which included visits to all parts of the United Kingdom, comes home with the opinion that Victoria, in the matter of civic progress, has nothing to learn from the cities of the Old Land. Mr. Riddell says that contrary to the views of many people, Victoria is more up-to-date than many far larger cities in England, and in regard to street work, considering the tremendous task that has been set this city in the effort to keep pace with its expansion, Victoria shows up exceedingly well by comparison with any city he saw in all his travels.

On Monday evening last the Young People's Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church held a very successful flower social. A large quantity of flowers were contributed by friends and members of the society, and these were tastefully arranged in bouquets to be sent to the Jubilee and St. Joseph's hospitals and the Aged Women's club. An excellent programme had been rendered, consisting of a piano solo by Miss A. Muriset, recitation by Mrs. Gleason, violin solo by Miss H. Roberts and a vocal solo by Mrs. Jesse Longfield, a clothe-pin dressing contest was entered into, the winners of the first and second prizes being Miss M. Simpson and Miss M. Gaud. The dolls were afterwards sent to the children's ward of the hospital. The fruit and candy which was also contributed was sent to the Protestant Orphanage. A very pleasant evening was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.

ARE TO SOON APPOINT DEAN

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES AT CHRIST CHURCH

Retirement of Canon Beaulands Brings About Important Developments.

Pursuant to the changes agreed upon when the resignation of Canon Beaulands as rector of Christ church was accepted, very shortly further important announcements respecting the status of the cathedral and its officers in this diocese will be made. It is proposed to appoint a dean to the cathedral, which office has hitherto been held by the bishop. This will require an act of the Legislature, known as "an enabling act."

Bishop Ferrin, on the resignation of Canon Beaulands, was appointed rector pro tem, without emoluments, and two were appointed as his assistants. These were Rev. Wm. Barton, M.A., and Rev. John Grundy. On securing the necessary legislation a new dean and chapter will be constituted. The new dean will be in charge of the diocese, under the bishop.

Bishop Ferrin is understood to be in communication with some of the most noted Anglican clergymen in Canada, with the idea of selecting one suitable for dean. It may be taken as a certainty that the appointee will be one already identified with the church in Canada. It is hoped to be able to announce the choice about Christmas.

When these contemplated administrative changes have become active it is anticipated that the project for the construction of a new cathedral will be taken up with renewed vigor, and at a comparatively early date plans will have been formulated for its erection. For some time the cathedral authorities have had in their possession the plans for the new structure which were drawn by J. C. M. Keith, the local architect, and all initial details have been completed for the furtherance of the enterprise.

In connection with the above, the Toronto correspondent of the Church Times, writing under date of September 24th, says:

"During the past summer the return of Canon Welch to the Old Country is a distinct loss to the church in Toronto, and so to the church in Canada, and while the city of Wakefield has gained a good man, we have lost him."

Another loss from the opposite side of the continent, Canon Beaulands, for a great many years rector of the Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, British Columbia, has also returned to the Old Country. A man of most versatile mental ability, he has labored long under most trying conditions, and he will long be remembered for his wide and kindly disposition. His preaching was of distinctly academic character that appealed to the people of culture and education, and both he and Canon Welch were probably the two men in Canada who were best able in their sermons to transport such of the hearers as came from England back again into the surroundings of some old English cathedral. The same use of polished English, the same deep thinking and the same calm argument, marked both, and these characteristics are not too common in Canada. It is proposed to appoint a dean to the cathedral at Victoria, which office has hitherto been held by the bishop of the diocese. This will require, we understand, an act of the Legislature. The change should be beneficial, as Victoria is growing fast, and the gradual alteration from a parochial to a fuller cathedral organization in Christ church is a step towards an increase of strength to the diocesan work of British Columbia."

St. Paul's church, Victoria West, will celebrate the 15th anniversary of the opening of the church by special services on Sunday, the 31st instant, and by a concert and social on the following Tuesday evening and the usual first class programme.

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CONFIDENCE IN CHIEF DAVIS

ALDERMEN GO ON RECORD IN MATTER

Debate Called for by Reference to Recent Test of Water-ous Engine.

City council went on record Monday night as having the most unbounded confidence in the ability of Chief Davis of the fire department, this expression of opinion being called forth by a reference to the recent test of the big Waterous engine which has recently been acquired by the city.

The matter came before the board when the report of the fire warden was read. Ald. Stewart said that there were many rumors afloat to the effect that the engine had not pumped to that capacity in the recent test, and that if a continuous strain were put on the engine at the rate of pumping it was supposed to be capable of, it would shake itself to pieces.

Ald. Fullerton, chairman of the fire warden, said he had asked Chief Davis of the engine and that the report he received was that the engine was being circulated by rival engine manufacturers and he challenged Ald. McKee to mention the name of his informant.

Ald. McKee would not disclose the name of his informant, but he expressed the most unbounded confidence in Chief Davis, who he said was the right man in the right place.

The report carries with it a recommendation that a hose tower be erected at the headquarters station at a cost of \$600, and also the installation of a hydrant on Richmond road between the city boundary and the isolation hospital, as well as the repair of the combination chemical engine and hose wagon at a cost of \$247.

The request of the B. C. Auto Company to install a gasoline tank at its premises on Wharf street was referred to the chief.

DIAZ ON HIS WAY TO MEET TAFT

President of United States Continues Trip Through California.

Mexico City, Oct. 12.—President Diaz, of Mexico, is speeding northward on a special train to-day on the first leg of his journey to meet President Taft at El Paso.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 12.—At 9:30 this morning President Taft, accompanied by his entire party, boarded a special electric car and was whirled away to the veteran's home at Sawtelle.

NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERY QUESTION

Modus Vivendi Renewed Pending Arbitration Proceedings.

London, Oct. 12.—The Canadian Association Press is officially informed that His Majesty's government has agreed with the United States to renew the modus vivendi of 1902 for the regulation of the Newfoundland fisheries until the termination of the arbitration proceedings before the Hague tribunal for the settlement of the Atlantic fisheries question.

The San Francisco papers record the death of Prof. W. M. Seary, president of the California Pharmaceutical Society, and one of the most eminent chemists in the United States.

NEW BOARD OF TRADE.

New Westminster, Oct. 11.—The Maple Ridge Board of Trade has at length been organized, the secretary of the Westminster board of trade, C. H. Stuart Wade, having worked energetically to that end for several weeks.

MORE MONEY FOR CANADA'S EXPOSITION

City of Winnipeg Will Contribute One Million Dollars.

Winnipeg, Oct. 12.—True to her faith in the national importance of Canada's exposition to be held in 1912, Winnipeg has guaranteed to raise a million dollars for the big event.

Representatives from Germany have offered to establish a bureau at Berlin in the interests of Canada's international exposition.

CHEESE MAKER FINED.

Convicted Under Inspection and Sale Act—Violations of Fruit Marks Act.

Ottawa, Oct. 12.—Wilfrid Lapierre, cheese maker, of the Sheppard cheese factory, Shefford county, Que., was fined \$25 at Granby on Saturday last for incorporating a quantity of inferior or worthless cheese in the centre of several new cheeses during the process of manufacture.

The following persons have recently been fined for violations of the fruit marks act on complaints laid by the Dominion fruit inspectors: R. O. Konkle, Beamsville, Ont.; Wm. Nash, Stony Creek, Ont.; S. P. Smith, Jordan, Ont.; Lougheed Bros., Clarksburg, Ont.; Geo. Dyce & Co., Meaford, Ont.; T. S. Vipson & Co., Montreal; D. Hanniwell, St. David's, Ont.

EXTENDS AID TO LADYSMITH SUFFERERS

City Council Gives Five Hundred Dollars to the Relief Fund.

Acting on the suggestion of Mayor Hall, the city council decided to vote aid to the sufferers through the relief fund.

The mayor reported that he had received a letter from the secretary of the Ladysmith Board of Trade explaining that the relief committee would be glad to receive the assistance of the city.

The council heartily agreed with His Worship's suggestion. While under the Workmen's Compensation Act \$1,800 is paid by the company for each miner killed, and there is a further sum of \$300 coming from the miners' accident fund, the sad plight of the afflicted members of the little community will elicit ready response from Victoria.

KNOCKS JOHNSON DOWN.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 12.—Representing to Champion Jack Johnson's offer to meet all comers in lieu of his usual sparring partners, "Gunboat" Smith, a seaman from one of the United States cruisers anchored in his harbor, appeared yesterday at the champion's training quarters and scored a clean knockdown in his fourth round bout with the big negro.

Coming out of clinch in the last round, the sailor swung a right overhead chop, which caught Johnson flush on the chin. The champion went down flat on his back and when he regained his feet he was so dazed that his manager cut the round short.

Smith mixed things with the champion from the start, and the 500 spectators gathered at the training quarters cheered him vociferously for his good showing.

The First Presbyterian Church club held its meeting Tuesday evening. There was a large attendance of club members and their friends.

DETECTIVES ARE ON TRAIL OF SWINDLERS

Many Persons Accused of Defrauding the U. S. Government.

New York, Oct. 12.—Within the next two weeks scores of new indictments, amounting to more than a hundred, will be returned by the United States Grand Jury for swindling the government out of tariff revenues at the port of New York.

With this idea in mind, Collector Loeb has out dragnet for the swindlers ever since he assumed office last spring. With a large corps of special men from the department at Washington assisted by inspectors and detectives, the work has been so quietly conducted during the last few months, that he has kept the "dead beats" in the dark as to what was going on.

It is said that the government has been swindled out of millions of dollars and that Collector Loeb is determined to put a stop to it. It has been authoritatively announced that Loeb's men have traced at least 200 "sleeper" trunks that contain five million dollars which should have netted the government at least \$2,000,000 in duty.

PLAN TO ENCOURAGE BULL FIGHTING

Organization in North of Spain Draws Up New Regulations.

Bilbao, Spain, Oct. 12.—The proprietors of the bull rings in the north of Spain have formed an organization which aims at the regulation and encouragement of this national sport.

Every seven years a gold cup is to be awarded to the bull farmer or bulls which are failures as fighters.

SUCCESSFUL SOCIAL AT GORDON HEAD

Enjoyable Entertainment Under Auspices of St. Andrew's Ladies' Auxiliary.

(Special Correspondence.) Gordon Head, Oct. 11.—The "box" social held in the Gordon Head hall under the auspices of St. Aiden's Ladies' Auxiliary proved a great success.

The monthly trustee meeting of the Saanich municipality was held on Wednesday, when several important business matters were discussed.

FRENCH CAPITAL.

Senator Roy Has Interested European Investors in Canadian Company.

(From Tuesday's Daily.) In the city to-day is Senator Philippe Roy, of Edmonton, who is here in connection with a loan company with which he is prominently identified.

The company is capitalized at \$2,000,000 and in it are interested some of the strongest financiers and financial institutions of France. Canadian capital is also being interested, and Senator Roy says some Victorians will likely take stock.

The loans will be placed on improved farm lands in the prairies, the very best of security being thus offered.

D. D. MANN IS ON HIS WAY TO COAST

Will Inspect the Work of Surveyors From the Yellow-head Pass.

Winnipeg, Oct. 12.—D. D. Mann, vice president of the C. N. R., left here at noon for British Columbia to inspect the work of the surveyors from the Yellowhead Pass to Vancouver.

Mr. Mann stated that the work of the surveyors, according to reports he had received, had progressed very favorably. Since last spring 300 men have been working in the mountain section and there was every probability that the survey would be completed this year.

—Hon. Thomas Taylor, Minister of Public Works, has returned from a trip to Cariboo. Mr. Taylor has covered nearly the whole of the province since assuming office, with the exception of the northern part of British Columbia.

RIVERS-WILSON HAS RETIRED

CHANGES IN GRAND TRUNK DIRECTORATE

Proposal Intended to Strengthen Hands of Executive in Canada.

London, Oct. 12.—It is understood on good authority that a re-arrangement of the Grand Trunk directorate has practically been settled after much trying discussion.

The association was organized last year at Salt Lake and since its formation has grown rapidly.

NEW ANGLICAN CHURCH AT SUMMERLAND

Foundation Stone is Laid by Ven. Archdeacon Beer of Kaslo.

Summerland, Oct. 11.—The foundation of St. Stephen's Anglican church was formally laid on October 8rd, by the Ven. Archdeacon Beer, of Kaslo.

STREET RAILWAY BY-LAW PASSES AT NELSON

Company Will Probably Have Line in Operation by First of Year.

Nelson, Oct. 11.—By-law No. 204, designed to give the city of Nelson an up to date street railway system and service at an early date, carried by a majority of 248, the vote being; for 239; against 10.

W. G. McMorris speaking for the Nelson Street Railway Co., Ltd., made the following statement: "The result of the vote is a matter of great satisfaction to the directors and contractors of the Nelson street railway company."

No change in the rules governing the international races for the Alexandra cup will be consented to by the trustees of that trophy.

SUFFRAGETTE LEADER WILL VISIT STATES

Mrs. Pankhurst to Deliver Lectures on Woman Suffrage.

London, Oct. 12.—"I want it distinctly understood," said Mrs. Julia Pankhurst, president of the National Women's Social and Political Union, who expects to sail for America on the Oceanic Wednesday, "that I will be the first member of our union to visit the United States in the interests of woman suffrage."

The views of Mr. R. H. Alexander, the third member of the board are said to be practically the same.

Nanaimo, Oct. 12.—At the Assizes here to-day the grand jury brought in true bills in the case of Rex vs. W. Holmes and Rex vs. M. Watt.

THE HOLMES CASE.

Prosecuting Attorney Taylor stated the crown was not ready to go on with the case.

—In order to accurately determine the northern boundary of the E. & N. land grant, about which there has been some doubt, the government and company are undertaking a joint survey.

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SCHEME TO PROTECT WESTERN HOTELMEN

Detectives Will Furnish Information Regarding Transient Guests.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 12.—Hotel men in San Francisco, Oakland and Berkeley are busy preparing to receive and entertain the delegates to the convention of the Western Hotelmen Protective Association, which convenes here Thursday and remains in session until Saturday night.

The cases in detail are: Yoshikawa, charged with the murder of another Japanese at Carlisle Cannery on the Skeena River; Ichitaro Yomomota, charged with shooting a Japanese fisherman at Steveston; John Stanton and Richard Overton, obtaining money by false pretences. The last named couple are alleged to have lured an old farmer from Bellingham and robbed him by fraudulent betting on horse races.

FALL ASSIZES AT VANCOUVER

Four Murder Cases Will Come Before Mr. Justice Irving.

Vancouver, Oct. 11.—The Fall Criminal Assizes will open here to-morrow. Mr. Justice Irving on the Bench. There are about a dozen cases on the list.

Most of the crimes to be tried are crimes of violence, and the great majority of the alleged offenders are Orientals and foreigners. There are four murder cases, including that of James Moore, the negro, charged with the murder of Patrick O'Brien on the waterfront two years ago last Summer.

Quebec, Oct. 12.—The petition against the return of E. Turcotte, M. P. for Quebec county, was dismissed yesterday, the particulars ordered not having been produced.

VICTORIA SELECTED ALMOST UNANIMOUSLY

Standing Committee of Methodist Church Strongly Favoured Conference Here.

In its account of the meeting of the standing committee of the Methodist church at its meeting when it was decided that the general conference of the church be held at Victoria, B. C., commencing on August 10th, 1910, the Toronto Globe says: "It is a fact that the special rules committee of the association recently recommended the adoption of the universal rating rules instead of the international, which are now in force, and also that the competition for the Alexandra cup be changed from the 28-foot class to the 31-foot class, the stand which the cup trustees take will nullify any change in the rules which the association may adopt as the board of trustees are the supreme authority in cup matters according to the conditions of the deed of gift from Hon. James Dunsmuir."

Arrangements were also made for sending forward the documents and all the information of the committee on church union to the Methodist pastors and congregations. A very complete system of church finance, submitted by Thomas R. Parker, of this city, was considered and referred to the general conference. A report of the meeting of Ocean Grove of the commission appointed to arrange for the Ecumenical Methodist conference to be held in Toronto in 1911, and at which delegates will present from all parts of the world, was presented by the Hon. Chief Justice Maclaren. The executive and program committees, representative of Methodism in Canada and the United States, will meet in Toronto on the 20th and 21st inst. to arrange the subjects and select the speakers for the conference, which will last about twelve days. England will send a large delegation of ministers and laymen to the conference, which is to be the largest and most important of its kind ever held.

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On the two properties, it is learned about 75 men are now employed while development is being pushed with a view to making heavy shipments in the near future. A Taylor natural air compressor, purchased recently in the eastern states, has arrived and is now being installed on the United. When this is in place the company will be in a position to work that property on a much more extensive scale. Shipments are now leaving the Highland steadily, but much larger quantities of ore will, it is expected, leave that property from now on. About 20,000 tons of ore, it is stated, have already been blocked out of the United. Sinking is progressing and a six-foot shoot of ore has been discovered in the bottom shaft. Bunk houses have just been constructed on the properties and many other improvements made, and the Ainsworth camp is now a scene of renewed activity. The road between Ainsworth and the mines has been put into shape so that ore can be hauled to the dock for shipment with out delay.

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PUPILS WANTED for evenings in bookkeeping and shorthand; terms moderate. Apply Box 293, Times Office.

Lost and Found

LOST—Black and tan terrier, answers to the name "Lord Roberts," white tail nail on fore foot. Please return to H. Behnen, M. P. P.

LOST—An Alsatian terrier, in the Sooke Lake district. Reward. J. H. Gillespie.

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BACK FROM TRIP THROUGH NORTH

JAMES THOMPSON MADE INTERESTING TOUR

Hudson Bay Company Officer Visited Many Posts in Province.

James Thomson, manager of the Hudson Bay Company's business at Victoria, and superintendent of the fur-trading posts and steamers, has just returned from a trip to the interior of the province extending over three months.

Mr. Thomson first went up the Stikine on the steamer Port Simpson as far as Telegraph Creek and over the trail to Dease lake. Then across the lake in a canoe and the Skeena river to McDune, better known as Sylvester's Landing. This was the most northerly limit of the trip.

Returning to Prince Rupert, Mr. Thomson went up the Skeena to Hazelton and overland to Ashcroft by way of Babine and Stewart Lake, Fort George was one of the points visited, and there the first man met was John Houston, the veteran journalist formerly of Nelson and Prince Rupert, who went to Mexico but did not like the prospects there. He is now getting a printing press into Fort George and very soon will issue a newspaper from that centre, a place which he thinks is destined to become a good city.

Babine lake, Mr. Thomson describes as a fine sheet of water over 100 miles in length and four or five miles wide, probably the largest sheet of fresh water in British Columbia. This lake flows into the Skeena river, while the overflow of Stewart lake, but a few miles away, eventually finds its way into the Fraser.

Mr. Thomson had not time to visit the two hatcheries which were built by the Dominion government a couple of years ago at those lakes, but from information gathered in the neighborhood they have had a very good year. The run of fish has been large in both lakes.

Speaking of the fur trade, Mr. Thomson said that there had been a steady decline in the number of pelts taken, and very soon the province of British Columbia will be of minor importance as a fur producing country.

"There is a very marked change in the interior of British Columbia since I last visited it," said Mr. Thomson. "Many people are flocking into the valleys of the Skeena, Nechaco and Bulkley. Certain phases of agriculture are very successful in those valleys. The Skeena valley is one of the finest places of the world for growing potatoes. The Hudson's Bay farms at Port St. James and Fraser lake have been very successful, oats and barley ripening well on ordinary occasions. The company has used the grain grown there for the animals for years past. I am convinced of the future success of agriculture in those districts. The mines in the district will provide a market for all that can be raised. Everyone is hopeful and they have reason to be so."

PACKERS WILL PAY.

Leavenworth, Ky., Oct. 12.—The case against the Cudahy Packing Company for the violation of internal revenue laws by failing to place stamps of the proper denomination on packages of oleomargarine, came to an end in the federal court here yesterday by a compromise, when the packing company was fined \$5,000, and agreed to pay back stamp taxes of \$2,777.50 and a special tax of \$10,000 for agencies, making the total \$9,777.50 to be paid by the packing company to the government.

RAILWAY CASES.

Winnipeg, Oct. 12.—D'Arcy Scott, chairman, and S. J. McLean were the members present when the railway commission opened for business yesterday. Several cases of a local character were disposed of, and three were held over until the next sitting of the court in November.

FOG DELAYED PRINCESS MAY

Many Passengers From North, Including Big Game Hunters.

Early on Tuesday the steamer Princess May arrived in port from Skagway and other northern points. She brought south a full list of passengers, the larger number of whom left the steamer at Vancouver. Among those who came to this city were Sir William Armstrong and party who were returning from a big game hunt in the north and who brought with them a fine lot of trophies. Mrs. Day, of this city, also arrived from the Yukon.

The trip north of the steamer was a disagreeable one, but coming south there were no storms and little rain. Fog, however, delayed the steamer a good deal. She had to lie up for ten hours in Johnson Strait and when she proceeded south it had to be done with the greatest caution. Every two hours she reported her progress by wireless so that there was no anxiety felt on her account.

The steamer brought south \$15,000 worth of gold from Skagway. She leaves again to-night.

BRANDED SEAL FOUND AT FALKLAND

Herd Said to Be Leaving Pribilof Islands.

That the days of the sealing industry in the Pribilof island are numbered, and that the scene of the sealing fleet operations will centre in the Falkland islands, is the opinion of Capt. Nicholas Brown, well known in Seattle, who left for the Falklands almost one year ago.

Capt. Brown, in a letter, dated August 23rd, to Capt. John Hickey, of the Seattle halibut fleet, stated that seals were plentiful during the past summer months, and that indications point to a visible increase in the herds for the season now approaching.

While sealing off the Falklands during February and March, Capt. Brown found a seal which had the mark branded upon it by one of the government agents at St. Paul island, showing that the animal had travelled all the way from the Pribilof group to the Falklands, off the east coast of South America.

Reports of the government agents on St. Paul and St. George islands during the past two years bear out the statement of Capt. Brown, for the herds have decreased in that period of time to an alarming degree.

Officers of the revenue cutter Tahoma, which recently arrived from the sealing grounds in Behring sea, also state that this year the reports as gained from the sealing schooners show that the year will be a poor one in the north. Many of the schooners had less than 100 skins when the season was almost half over in July.

The significance of the news from Capt. Brown according to statements of the revenue officers lies in the fact that with the decrease of the seals the fleet of schooners will cease to ravage the seas in the vicinity of the Pribilofs and the United States government will not be placed to the expense of maintaining a large fleet of cutters in the Behring sea.

ARRESTED IN EAST.

St. John, N. B., Oct. 12.—Harry Finn, son of the late M. Finn, one of the wealthiest liquor men in the lower provinces, was arrested here yesterday on receipt of a wire from the chief constable of Edmonton, charging Finn with obtaining money under false pretences at Edmonton. Finn had been in real estate business and sold lands for which he could not give clear titles.

CONNECT PIPES BY DAY LABOR

OAK BAY COUNCIL DISCUSS QUESTION

Shooting Permits in Municipality Have All Been Cancelled.

The engineer of the Oak Bay municipality reported to the Oak Bay council Tuesday that the water pipes for the new distribution system had arrived and were being delivered on the ground. Councillor Newton moved that the laying of the pipes be done by contract as that would be the quicker method, and they would then know how much they were to pay for the work. He had that morning met with W. E. Oliver, another member of the water committee, and it was Mr. Oliver's opinion as well as his own that the contract system would be the better. There was a good deal of work for their own men to do, so that it would be difficult for them to undertake the work. In this municipality there were no poor whom it was necessary to employ, so that could not be used as an argument in favor of day work.

Councillor Noble advocated doing the excavating by contract and having the pipes laid by their own men. He said that he spoke from experience, and was not talking "through his hat" when he advocated this system. He had done a good deal of this sort of work, and had always found that mains laid by contract were not satisfactory. In discussing this matter with Mr. Prece, of the city staff, that gentleman had said: "Whatever you do, Bill, don't ever lay water pipes by contract." There was a proposal to appoint a pipe layer and of this he approved.

Councillor Colbert supported the plan of laying the pipe by day work, as he said there were many ways in which the work of making the joints could be skipped. On being put to a vote Councillors Noble and Colbert voted for the amendment, which was to lay the pipes by day work, and Councillor Noble opposed it. Thus the amendment carried.

J. Gullbert was appointed to do the work of laying and connecting the pipes, but not until Councillor Noble had made a vigorous protest in favor of a local man. The engineer reported on a petition from the owners of the Linklake Park subdivision showing that the cost of clearing the right of way, grading the streets, putting down sidewalks, gutters, boulevards, sewers and water mains would amount in all to \$17,823. As the property was assessed at only \$40,250 they could not under their present municipal law proceed with the work, they being allowed to spend only 15 per cent of the assessed value in making such improvements. The petitioners will be informed of the decision in order that they may change their petition to bring the request within the bounds of possibility.

A question of co-operating with the city in the grading of a portion of Foul Bay road on the boundary line between the city and the municipality was discussed and referred to the engineer for further report. There was a question of laying a wooden sidewalk, and also of the amount chargeable against the owners of the property which was not wholly satisfactory to some of the councillors.

Percy D. Hillis asked to be allowed to purchase some black soil, which was granted. A change was asked in the improvements to be made on York Place. This will be referred back to the petitioners to give the proper undertakings. Official notices will be served on the tramway company to put in proper condition the piece of road at the terminus of the line.

Councillor Noble stated that the company had been granted the privilege of putting in a loop and they had left the road in bad condition. Their attention had been called to the matter on several occasions, but they had taken no notice. The old waiting shed is also asked to be removed, as it is proving to be a nuisance where it is. This was done on the suggestion of Councillor

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STATEMENT FROM CITY TREASURER KENT

Some Interesting and Timely Information for All Ratepayers.

AUSTRIAN HUNTERS HAVE RETURNED

Much Game Found on Siberian Coast by Transit Charterers.

Rudolf Ritter von Gutmann, a lieutenant of the Austrian Horse Artillery, Doctor Mitter, and Secretary Mahler comprise a hunting party that has returned from a voyage in the Transit extending from June 18th.

First they went to Nome, and also spent some time at Juneau, and most of their hunting operations were conducted from a schooner which they chartered at Nome.

Not only were heads obtained which would grace any collection, but Dr. Mitter secured splendid photographs and topographical data, some of the best pictures showing numbers of sea lions on the ice.

YACHTSMEN REJECT LIPTON'S APPLICATION

Baronet Black Balled by Members of Royal Thames Club.

London, Oct. 12.—A serious set-back in the campaign of Sir Thomas Lipton has just occurred. His application for membership in the Royal Thames Yacht Club has been rejected. He was black-balled by the Royal Yacht Squadron Club, though King Edward personally put up Lipton's name for election.

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Ratepayers who take an interest in learning how their money is being expended by the city council were furnished some interesting and timely information by the presentation at Monday night's meeting of the following financial statement submitted by City Treasurer Kent. The statement covers the receipts and expenditures for the nine months ending September 30th and reads as follows:

Cash on hand, Jan. 1st	\$ 547 52
Land and improvement tax	22,401 22
Board of health	2,022 00
School purposes	5,038 35
Per capita grant school purposes	18,381 65
Special rate, debt	19,371 39
Interest and costs	1,422 02
Cemetery fees	3,981 78
Cemetery, sale of hay and scrap iron	119 80
Dog tax	2,127 00
Fire insurance tax	8,100 00
Liquor licenses	33,400 00
Market fees	1,332 00
Miscellaneous	2,803 23
Permanent sidewalks	843 00
Police court fines	3,771 50
Police sundries	32 14
Pound fees	383 50
Road tax	4,508 00
Trades licenses	10,950 25
Waterworks rates	79,750 00
Waterworks unclaimed wages	28 70
Approaches	902 48
Board of health	2,022 00
Board of school trustees	289 10
Isolation hospital fees	511 12
Boulevard maintenance	96 65
Heywood Ave. local imp.	265 00
Police sundries	301 00
Home for the aged	182 00
Library fines	100 00
Park, sale of animals	1 00
Streets, bridges and sidewalks	513 13
Debiture int. accrued at date of sale	1,181 10
Crosette account	13,177 50
Bills payable, advances Bank of B. N. A.	208,000 00
Tax sale surplus	1,510 40
Tax sale redemption	324 00
Tax to be refunded	5 53
North park account	3,068 78
Local imp. assessments	4,300 77
Sewers rental and sewers tax in hand for deposit	47 11
Total	\$553,403 32

CONSERVATIVE LEADER DEAD.

C. S. Wilcox, M. P. P. for Hants, Nova Scotia, Passes Away.

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 12.—The death occurred in Windsor of Charles S. Wilcox, member for Hants, and the legislature, and leader of the Conservative opposition in the House. Mr. Wilcox was a prominent member of the Church of England and leader of the hymnists' missionary movement. He was prominent in the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and was for many years governor of King's College. In politics Mr. Wilcox was a strong Conservative, and has twice the opposition force in the local House. He was a prohibitionist.

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LUMBER CARRYING RATES ARE FIRM

Many Steamers Are Offering for Wheat Shipping This Fall.

Seattle, Oct. 12.—Rates on lumber from Puget Sound are showing a great deal of firmness, in the coastwise business they are advancing and steam tonnage is reported as scarce, while in the off-shore lumber business the Oriental rates have been advanced \$1, and take effect this week, and the rate to Europe has been increased five shillings.

Wheat business is not active and there have been few fixtures for this trade. The upward tendency of the wheat market is not encouraging for exporters. With the abundance of tonnage offering, on top of the lax export market, rates are far from strong, and the indications are that there will be no more sailing craft taken for wheat this fall in view of the number of steamers to be had and the rate at which they are willing to accept cargo.

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Do You Realise the Danger of a POISONED FINGER?



DEATH OFTEN LURKS IN A CUT.

YOU see this danger illustrated in the case of Mr. W. C. Edwards, a well-known Friendly Society leader, of Peter Street, Toronto. He cut one of his fingers with a piece of glass, and instead of applying Zam-Buk to prevent blood poison and to heal it, he neglected the cut, and blood poison followed. He says:—"The blood-poison from the finger spread up my hand and arm and caused me terrible agony. After two months' treatment the doctor said there was no cure, and amputation would have to take place if I intended to save my arm. I left that doctor and consulted another. After a few weeks' treatment, he also told me that operation would be necessary. He said the bone had become diseased and the finger would have to be opened so that the bone could be scraped. I went away to consider when I would have the operation performed and met a friend who advised me to try Zam-Buk. "That night I bathed the wound and put on some Zam-Buk. I got a little sleep for the first time for many nights. In the morning the wound began to bleed instead of the foul discharging as in the past. This was a healthy sign so I went on with the Zam-Buk. Well, to cut, a long story short, in a few days I put away the knife, and in a few weeks the finger was healed completely. To-day that finger is as sound as a bell and I owe it to Zam-Buk. I spent over \$20 in doctors fees and when I think how Zam-Buk at such a trifling cost saved me from amputation I am very grateful for the help I can tell you."

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