



FULL TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT

VICTORIA AND OAK BAY BURY HATCHET

Danger of City Losing Market For Water Averted for Two Years

As a special meeting of the City Council held on Thursday an agreement was reached with Oak Bay on the question of a water supply for the neighboring municipality.

Mayor Morley presided, and there were present in an advisory capacity James L. Baymur, water commissioner, and W. J. Taylor, city barrister.

Of the council four of the aldermen, Aldermen Bishop, Hamber, Sarason and Langley were absent. The agreement in its amended form now reads as follows:

Whereas by agreement between the parties of the 4th of March 1909, the district is to be supplied by the city with its proportion of the existing supply of water until such time as the city obtains an improved system, said water to be supplied in bulk at a price not to exceed twenty cents per thousand gallons, and when the city procures an improved system the price is to be readjusted.

And whereas the district is by a bill presented to the Legislative Assembly seeking certain powers set forth in section 2 and sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 3 of section 4 of the act in relation to the water supply, it has been arranged that upon the city giving the declaration hereinafter contained, the said sections and sub-sections shall be withdrawn therefrom.

Now it is hereby declared, covenanted and promised by the city and with the district as follows: "1. From the 1st day of April, 1910 to the 1st day of April, 1912, the city shall supply the district with water delivered in bulk at the existing points at which water is now supplied at a price of 10 cents per thousand gallons.

"Thereafter the price for each year shall be adjusted on the 1st of April of each year at a price of 2 1/2 cents per thousand gallons over and above the actual cost per thousand gallons to the city of the water delivered at the points designated on the 1st of April of each year.

"2. Should the city by the 31st day of December, 1911, have failed to make arrangements to augment its supply of water for the district other than Lake, then the district may proceed with its application to the Legislative Assembly and the city may oppose the same as they may see fit, and the city may oppose such application as it may see fit in the same manner and in all respects as if this agreement had never been made.

"3. The obligations hereby by clause 1 undertaken by the city shall remain and be binding upon the city until the district shall, through increased growth, require a daily supply exceeding five million gallons, and should the city thereafter be unable to meet the actual requirements of the district, then the district may proceed with any application to the Legislative Assembly for power to obtain an increased supply from any source whatever as they may see fit, and the city may oppose such application as it may see fit in the same manner and in all respects as if this agreement had never been made.

"4. The district will take its supply of water solely from the city during the life of this agreement solely for use in the district.

"In witness whereof the corporate seals of the respective parties thereto have been hereto affixed the day and year first above written."

MOTHER ACCIDENTALLY KILLS HER SON Lad Shot While Hunting and Dies in Hospital From Injury

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 25.—Lewellyn Cushman, 14 years of age, died to-day from the effects of a shot fired by his mother, Mrs. E. L. Cushman, who is a widow. Mrs. Cushman and her son were hunting in the antelope valley, nearly 100 miles from Los Angeles, late yesterday. The lad was walking in front of his mother when the gun she carried was discharged accidentally.

JAPANESE DOMESTIC LOAN. Has Been Oversubscribed and No More Applications Will Be Received.

Tokio, Feb. 25.—The domestic loan of \$1,000,000 has been oversubscribed, and the government announced to-day that no more applications would be received.

MORE CARS ARE IN OPERATION

PHILADELPHIA COMPANY CLAIMS VICTORY

Mass Meeting of Unionists to Discuss Proposed General Strike

Philadelphia, Feb. 25.—Although a general strike of union men in sympathy with the street railway employees who are fighting the company, appeared remote to-day, the question will be settled finally next Sunday at a great mass meeting of unionists.

The presence of armed men along the lines of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company prevented any semblance of riot, and more cars were operated to-day by the company than at any time since the strike began.

No disturbances of any magnitude were reported, and the indications to-day are that the authorities will be able to hold the situation in hand with the forces already on duty.

The company claims a victory and refuses to arbitrate its differences with the strikers. Plans are up in the company's barns offering employment to men desirous of becoming motormen and conductors. The claim is made by the company that hundreds of men are offering their services.

A few of the more hot-headed strikers still continue to urge a general strike, but a majority of the carmen are said to oppose the plan.

The first semblance of disturbance came shortly before noon when a crowd of men and boys attacked a car. They were charged by police and state constabulary, and several rioters sustained minor injuries. One policeman was seriously wounded.

CANADIAN NOMINATED. Minnedosa, Man., Feb. 25.—The Conservative convention here yesterday nominated the sitting member, W. K. Vaddell, for the provincial legislature.

SKELETON OF MURDERED SOLDIER FOUND Officers at Fort Warden Are Trying to Solve the Mystery

Port Townsend, Wash., Feb. 25.—With the finding of the skeleton of another soldier, Port Townsend and nearby Fort Warden are intensely excited to-day.

The skeleton, the flesh gone from the bones and the uniform in tatters, was found in a bush near the point where Private Robert B. Dumm's corpse was discovered last week.

During the past year and a half soldiers have repeatedly disappeared a few hours after pay day and have been put down as deserters. Both in Dumm's case and the second, the marks of violence and officers at the fort believe the other men were also murdered.

There was no money in the pockets of the newest find and officials at the fort are trying to identify the uniform to-day. Private Bennett is still in the guard house as a suspect in the Dumm case.

WIRELESS ON STEAMERS. Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 25.—It is officially announced by the Union Oil Company that every vessel in the corporation's fleet shall be equipped with wireless telegraph in the near future.

This action was decided upon recently when one of the company's ships turned aside to aid a sailing ship in distress. As a result the Union Oil Company's boat was delayed nearly a day and much serious apprehension was caused concerning its safety. There are about twenty vessels in the fleet.

ANOTHER ATLANTIC CABLE. New York, Feb. 25.—Geo. G. Ward, vice-president and general manager of the Commercial Cable Company, announced that in view of the public demand for increased cable facilities and greater speed of transmission, the Commercial Cable Company will proceed at once to lay an additional trans-Atlantic cable. It will be the sixth cable for the Commercial Cable Company to open between Europe and America, and will greatly accelerate the trans-Atlantic service.

MINERS HOLD THEIR CLAIMS WITH GUNS Alaskan Delegate Declares the Mining Laws Should Be Altered

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—An interesting light was thrown upon the Alaskan mining land situation yesterday when Delegate Wickersham told the House committee on territories that the miners hold their claims by the force of firearms.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO ARTILLERY

EARL GREY SPEAKS AT ASSOCIATION MEETING

Governor-General Regrets His Tenure of Office is Drawing to Close

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—At the annual meeting of the Canadian Artillery Association yesterday Col. McNaughton, in moving a vote of thanks to Earl Grey for his interest in the Artillery Association, said he believed that the governor-general had come closer into touch with the great questions affecting this great country than any of his predecessors.

He hoped Earl Grey would convey to King Edward the unwavering loyalty of the Canadian Artillery Association.

Colonel Morrison, in seconding the motion, invited Earl Grey to Fore-wamp camp before he returned to England.

Earl Grey, in reply, expressed the pleasure it would be for him to convey to the King the assurance of the loyalty of the association, though that was scarcely necessary. He expressed regret that his tenure of office as governor-general was drawing to a close, and felt sorry to leave this country after a residence of over five years.

He added that from what he had seen of Canada and Canadians, he was convinced that nothing but the very best would suit them, and so he looked forward to the splendid efficient service that the artillery would be doing.

Sir Frederick Borden said soldiering was a very expensive business, and he had not been able to get for the militia all he would have liked. He expressed his personal thanks and gratitude to Earl Grey for his excellency had supported all movements to better the militia service of the Dominion.

In regard to the question of payment of duty upon uniforms and other necessary articles, the minister of militia expressed the opinion that before long all these articles could be obtained in Canada.

A review of the artillery service of the Dominion was given by Sir Percy Lake, inspector-general. The following officers were elected: President—Lieut.-Col. McNaughton, Cobourg.

Vice-presidents—Lieut.-Col. Renouf, Montreal; Lieut.-Col. Davidson, Guelph; Lieut.-Col. Flowers, Halifax; Lieut.-Col. P. L. Johnston and Major W. Odell.

Council—Col. Benson, Lieut.-Col. J. S. Fenwick, Lieut.-Col. F. Cole, Lieut.-Col. D. T. Irwin, Lieut.-Col. R. Costigan, Lieut.-Col. J. Davidson, Lieut.-Col. A. H. Macdonald, Lieut.-Col. J. A. Hall, Lieut.-Col. G. J. Hurdman, Col. F. King and Major E. C. Arnold.

Secretary—Major Arnold.

UNCLE SAM MAY ENLARGE NAVY Building of Two Battleships Yearly Will Probably Be Recommended

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—Two great battleships yearly of 28,000 tons, costing \$11,000,000 each, may be recommended to congress by the House committee on naval affairs, according to a report current here to-day.

After a conference with Secretary Meyer, of the navy department, a prominent member said that the secretary favored a greater navy, in addition to the battleships, which when launched will be the largest afloat, the committee probably will recommend the building each year of one repair vessel, two large colliers, five submarines, and three destroyers.

LAWYER ASSAILS HON. G. E. FOSTER Criticizes Attacks Made on the Editor of the Toronto Globe

Toronto, Feb. 25.—E. F. B. Johnston, finished his address to the jury in the Foster-Macdonald libel suit shortly before 1 o'clock this afternoon, having commenced when the court opened at 10 this morning. His moderation was one of its most striking features.

There was no attempt at rhetoric, appealing to the sentiment or emotional side; it was a calm analysis of the evidence and more particularly the evidence given by Mr. Foster himself and from his own lips.

Mr. Johnston pointed out at the beginning that there was no slander, as had been charged by the plaintiff, as the case having come down to one of alleged libel only. The charges were not criminal and did not in any way assault the private character of Mr. Foster, but dealt only with his public actions.

LEADERS STIR THE COMMONS

SCENE AT FIRST DIVISION IN PARLIAMENT

Chancellor of the Exchequer Taunts Tariff Reform Members

London, Feb. 25.—The continuation of the debate on Austen Chamberlain's amendment to the excess in reply to the speech from the throne in the Commons was vigorous and exciting. A hush fell when the speaker would put and eyes and noses came with equal volume from either side of the house.

Members rapidly streamed back from the lobbies to hear the figures, giving the government a majority of 31.

Mr. Balfour spoke last. As he arose there was a roar from the Unionist benches. His speech had a note of realism. He took the question of unemployment as his text. It was impossible, he said, to survey all aspects of the question in one speech.

The colonial aspect alone might occupy the House, though he said that it was a preference on what which brought more colonial land under the plough resulted in increased railway accommodation in Canada, it might well be a supply of meat, would be undiminished, yet it was interesting to the growing demand of the world might otherwise produce, would be prevented from that moment.

Mr. Asquith, who was seated at his side, was flushed and smiling happily in the minister of militia which have been badly lacking for days past.

Mr. Bonar Law, who concluded the debate, thought the fiscal history of Canada was more interesting to Great Britain than any other. After having surveyed it he asked after thirty years' what happened? Americans were buying the border to enjoy the benefit of greater natural resources which protection had developed in the Dominion.

Martin's Question. London, Feb. 25.—It is learned that Joseph Martin's trouble in regard to his question respecting Earl Grey in the Commons, the clerk of the House first refused to put the question on the list, remarking: "We have nothing to do with the Governor-General. You must see the Speaker of the House."

Mr. Martin replied: "Why should I see the Speaker? I have brought the question to your notice in the usual way."

The clerk, in a sharp tone, replied: "Oh, very well. I will see the Speaker."

AMBULANCE SOCIETY WILL EXTEND WORK Branches to Be Established in Every City in the Dominion

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—The St. John's Ambulance Society for Canada was organized at a meeting held in the railway committee room yesterday in the presence of a number of prominent Canadians, from all parts of the Dominion. For years the work of the St. John's Ambulance Society has been confined to the cities of Canada, especially in Toronto and Montreal, and also in connection with the different railways of this country, but the branches have always worked separately.

It is an organization which trains the citizens in first aids to the injured.

Every city and classes will be held there, addressed by medical men on the proper thing to be done in emergency.

Earl Grey, who presided, said that there was perhaps no other organization which did so much for suffering humanity as the society. Lady Grey has two certificates for qualifying in "first aid" courses.

Sir Frederick Borden also spoke of the great interest he took in this work.

JEFFRIES CAUSES RUN ON BANK. Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 25.—When Jim Jeffries started against the Merchants National Bank to put away a little of his theatrical "pique," his presence drew a crowd of the curious and started a run on the institution, causing its officials to flee from their headquarters.

The first depositor who saw the money being hypothecated and he asserted the same to the bank. Soon scores of other depositors were "cashing in," and it was not until the fight retired with a greater number of the strong that the frightened depositors became reassured and resumed their savings.

FIFTY REPORTED KILLED. Callao, Peru, Feb. 25.—Fifty persons are reported killed in a panic following a fire in the municipal theatre at Trujillo, a town of northern Peru. The fire started among the paraisos used in connection with a moving picture show.

PREMIER ASQUITH HAS SURRENDERED

Agrees to Introduce Veto Bill and Budget Simultaneously—Government Majority Thirty-One in First Division of New Parliament.

London, Feb. 25.—Premier Asquith to-day surrendered to a new alliance of the Radicals of his own party with the Nationalists and Laborites and agreed to introduce the veto bill and budget, measure simultaneously. The Premier originally had planned to force a vote on the veto bill before the budget was taken up.

It was announced that to-day's agreement was unofficial, but it is believed that it will be binding on the government. The action of Asquith in consenting to the simultaneous introduction of the bills is taken by some persons to indicate that the Premier already has the assurance of the King that he will appoint enough Liberal peers to pass the veto measure if the Lords reject the bill.

If the King should refuse to appoint enough Liberal peers, the cabinet will resign immediately without passing either the budget or even the royal salary list. This for a time would paralyze the administration of government business and might result disastrously to the nation.

The First Division. Members of parliament to-day have learned that the Liberals can muster a sufficient vote on minor measures to assure their passage in the Commons, but the slender majority aroused speculation as to whether they can carry out the policies of the government.

The first test came yesterday when in a crowded session of the Commons Austen Chamberlain's fiscal amendment was rejected by a vote of 285 to 251.

This was a narrow margin of 31 votes for the Liberals, but as there was no cross-voting and no apparent intention to overthrow the ministry, the result proved encouraging to Asquith's supporters. Incidentally, the Laborites voted with the government.

The Freeman's Journal of Dublin, says this morning: "It cannot be stated with too much emphasis that the Irish party has not budged a hair's breadth from the policy which John Redmond has laid down. Unless the government speedily produces a veto scheme and presses it to an issue, the Irish party will enter on a policy of vigorous opposition to the government, with the result that either the ministry will be defeated in a few days or will be contented to eke out a contemptible existence with the aid of Balfour's supporters."

Replies to Martin. London, Feb. 25.—In the Commons yesterday afternoon the Minister of Pensions, under secretary of state for the colonies, replying to Joe. Martin's speech in respect to a speech delivered by Earl Grey last year in regard to the British navy, said: "I presume Mr. Martin's question referred to a speech delivered by the Minister of Pensions last September. The secretary of state for the colonies has been informed that the criticism made in that speech was based upon incorrect reports which were due to the fact that no shorthand writers were present. The secretary consequently sees no reason why he should take any action."

HEAVY PENALTY FOR VIOLATING LAW Man Convicted of Having Beaver Pelts in His Possession

Sudbury, Ont., Feb. 25.—Geo. T. S. Train, manager of the Bisco branch of the Hudson's Bay Company, on the main line of the C.P.R., was fined by Magistrate Fourin in Sudbury yesterday a total of \$8,100 and costs, or twenty years and six months in the penitentiary. This is a fine of \$50 and costs for each of 128 beaver pelts seized, or two months' imprisonment on each charge, the terms to run consecutively.

Counsel for the defence pleaded leniency, as this was Train's first offence, but the magistrate took the view that the real offender was the Hudson's Bay Company, which accepted the furs, and this was not the first offence, hence the fine. The whole cost will be \$8,000, and the Hudson's Bay Company will have to pay it.

SENATORS FIGHT DUEL. Paris, Feb. 25.—Senators Millet-Lacroix and Lintilhac fought a duel with swords yesterday in the Parc Des Fines. At the first encounter Millet-Lacroix neatly parried a lunge by Lintilhac and ran the latter through the forearm. Lintilhac wished to continue but the seconds stopped the combat. The adversaries were reconciled before leaving the field.

The duel was the outgrowth of the dispute among the members of the committee on the secrecy of the ballot, of which Millet-Lacroix is president. The president called Lintilhac a liar and the latter responded "My seconds will deliver my answer." Later in the day Senator Lintilhac appeared in the Senate carrying a wounded arm in a sling. He told his colleagues that he had received a mere scratch.

THE KING ON GAMBLING. London, Feb. 25.—Rev. Montague Fowler, lecturing on the subject of racing and gambling, quoted from a letter written by the King: "I have a horror of gambling and I shall always do my utmost to discourage it. Those who have an inclination for it should be protected, as the spirit of gambling is like infection, one of the greatest evils that can afflict a country."

GRANT SOUGHT FROM THE GOVERNMENT Medical Officers' Association of Canadian Militia Holds Meeting

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—The annual meeting of the Medical Officers' Association of the Canadian Militia elected officers yesterday afternoon. They are: Hon. president, Sir Frederick Borden; hon. vice-president, Col. Frost; president, Col. Jones, G. G. M. S.; president, Col. G. S. Rennie, of Hamilton; thirteen vice-presidents, one from each military district; secretary, Dr. T. H. Leggett, of Ottawa; assistant secretary, Dr. McLeod, of Ottawa; treasurer, Dr. Bell, of Ottawa. A committee was appointed to revise the by-laws of the association. It will then provide for an executive to consist of three officers from Ottawa, one from Toronto and one from Montreal. The association will send a delegation to ask the militia department to grant the association \$1,000 a year to be deposited for the welfare of this branch of the service.

Object to Bill Respecting Co-operative Societies Now Before Commons

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—Representatives of the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada, 400 strong, marshalled by E. M. Trovan, secretary, of Toronto, and J. A. Beaudry, treasurer, of Montreal, assembled in the Commons chamber at noon to-day and presented to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues two bills respecting co-operative societies now being advocated in parliament by Messrs. Monk and Harris, M.P.s. The arguments were in brief that the bills, if passed, would give co-operative societies special and unwarranted privileges, such as the obtaining of charters as limited companies without the payment of the usual fees, no limitation as to capital, no compulsion as to adequate auditing of accounts and no restriction as to the payment of dividends out of capital.

The retail merchants would be put at a disadvantage and in the long run members of co-operative associations would suffer loss. The deputations included representatives from branch associations throughout Ontario and Quebec.

Sir Wilfrid in replying said the bills were not government or party measures and the representations of the deputations would receive full consideration by all members of the House.

FOUR KILLED BY SNOWSLIDES

RAILWAYS BLOCKED AND TRAINS DELAYED

Relief Sent to Work Crew Mourned Without Food on Milwaukee Road

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25.—A train will pass over the west end of the Cascade division of the Great Northern railway to-night, but the route for the most part is blocked with snow. The train is blocked with snow, a train to Avery is blocked with snow, a train to Seattle is blocked with snow, a train to Tacoma is blocked with snow, a train to Everett is blocked with snow, a train to Bellingham is blocked with snow, a train to Blaine is blocked with snow, a train to Lynden is blocked with snow, a train to Skagitway is blocked with snow, a train to Mount Vernon is blocked with snow, a train to Everett is blocked with snow, a train to Bellingham is blocked with snow, a train to Blaine is blocked with snow, a train to Lynden is blocked with snow, a train to Skagitway is blocked with snow, a train to Mount Vernon is blocked with snow, a train to Everett is blocked with snow, a train to Bellingham is blocked with snow, a train to Blaine is blocked with snow, a train to Lynden is blocked with snow, a train to Skagitway is blocked with snow, a train to Mount Vernon is blocked with snow, a train to Everett is blocked with snow, a train to Bellingham is blocked with snow, a 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LIBERALS AND HOUSE OF LORDS

MAY RESTRICT ACTION TO LIMITING VETO POWER

Premier Will Make Statement on Monday Regarding Programme

London, Feb. 28.—The supporters of the Asquith ministry to-day assume that the veto bill will be passed even if King Edward is compelled to swamp the House of Lords with newly appointed Liberal peers.

The cabinet's success through its alliance with the Nationalists and Laborites depends on the immediate consideration and passage of the veto bill.

The United Irish League has decided not to support the new junior lord of the treasury, William Wedgwood Benn.

The premier will on Monday make a statement of the government's plans regarding the House of Lords, and Sir Henry Dalziel, one of the leaders of the revolting Radicals, will offer a hostile motion asking the House of Commons to limit the cabinet's action to the abolition of the Lords' veto and to disapprove all suggestions for the reform of the House of Lords.

The Unionists are aware that time is on their side, and that the Conservative organization and tariff reform propaganda may be pursued through the country to their ultimate advantage.

The address in reply to the King's speech was adopted without a division in the House of Commons yesterday.

The Daily Telegraph asserts that the cabinet has abandoned all idea of reforming the House of Lords and will now direct its whole energies to limiting the veto power of the Lords.

In this, the Telegraph says, the government will proceed by bill, not by resolution, and will not attempt to limit the veto power of the Lords.

The Radical Chronicle partly confirms the foregoing by stating that the government's resolutions will deal with the veto, leaving the question of the reform of the Lords for future consideration.

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THE BUDGET.
If Finance Minister Bowser had turned his first, and probably last, budget speech over to some qualified person, say the President of the Council, to "boil down" to reasonable proportions, it would have been received with greater acceptance.

Mr. Bowser ought to know that the day of long speeches has gone by. This is an age of hurry. The aim of statesmen as well as of business men is to be concise, brief and to the point—to condense everything that is spoken or written within the smallest possible compass.

However, there was a note of optimism in the first budget speech of Mr. Bowser that will be a source of gratification to all British Columbians. The finances are flourishing—and the expenditures are increasing in a corresponding degree.

Although the government of Premier McBride during the seven years it has held power cannot point to a single act it has performed to promote the development of the province, the natural course of industrial events could not be completely stayed.

Even the old policy of the McBride government, which it is gratifying to note is about to be abandoned, could not hold it back.

THE POSITION OF THE POLITICAL PARTIES OF CANADA UPON THE NAVAL ISSUE COULD NOT BE MORE aptly, more truly and more concisely stated than in the following sentence: "The disloyal Grit party is now carrying on an Imperial campaign in Quebec, while the Quebec leader of the Tories is Mr. Monk."

Canada, and cites several instances from the history of diplomacy to prove that the interests of this country have been sacrificed in the hope of gaining the good graces of other powers.

Proceeding to deal with the naval question at greater length our Toronto contemporary compares the attitude of the Conservatives of to-day on great national issues with the direction in which it was invariably led by the late Sir John Macdonald, an avowed and genuine Imperialist.

"Sir John Macdonald was fully as good a fighter as any Conservative of the present day, but he never lost touch with Canadianism. Forty-five years ago, before Confederation was an accomplished fact, and when Canada was a thinly populated fringe of country lying along the lakes and the St. Lawrence, he said that the colonies were in a transition state, and he spoke of the Canada of the future as a friendly nation."

"If Sir John could send a message to the Conservatives of the present day, he might warn them not to lose touch with Canadianism. It is a Canadian spirit that the marvelous growth of the country is due, and it is only by invoking this spirit that a naval policy can be carried to a successful issue."

"The argument that we may be defended more cheaply by making contributions to the British navy finds no response in this country. Canadians are willing to assume all the financial and other risks incidental to the establishment of a Canadian navy."

"If we listen to the timid counsels of those who say that we are incompetent to undertake this service, we shall never make a beginning. If we abandon the enterprise to-day, contributing Dreadnoughts as a temporary measure, we shall find it more and more difficult to lay the foundations. Better lay them now."

HOW THE GAME IS PLAYED.
The Premier stated in his address to the stalwarts Thursday night that they were not, "like some, always out for the loaves and the fishes." But he did not undertake to lift the veil from the mystery attaching to the political appointments in connection with the police commissioners and license commissioners of the Victoria.

Yet there are sceptics in this town who are not all Grits. Perhaps such are wondering in their minds why police commissioners and license commissioners are esteemed by the government which carry fairly handsome remuneration, why the proponents of Chinatown have to be pleaded with to observe the law instead of being told emphatically that they are not above the law and shall be compelled to conform to it.

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DEATH OF MRS. MABEE.
Toronto, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Mabee, wife of Justice Mabee, chairman of the railway commission, died yesterday after a protracted illness.

THE WAR CLOUD IN THE BALKANS

HOSTILITIES FEARED IN THE SPRING
Turkey and Germany Preparing for Struggle Which Seems Inevitable

Berlin, Feb. 28.—Affairs in the Balkans are once more causing the greatest anxiety at Berlin. Everyone has now come to the conclusion that a war between Turkey and Bulgaria is inevitable in the spring.

Already Turkey has placed large orders for arms supplies with Krupp in Germany and Armstrong's in England, and important orders for automatic guns will also shortly be placed with German firms.

MACDONALD WINS LIBEL ACTION
Foster's Position as Public Man Leaves Him Open to Criticism

Toronto, Feb. 28.—The plea of privilege proved the strong card in the Foster-Macdonald libel action, which was concluded on Saturday night, the jury returning a verdict to the effect that while Mr. Foster had acted in good faith as manager of the Unionist Trust Company, his position as a public man and a candidate for North Toronto had rendered him a fit subject for newspaper criticism.

Two Mining Towns Buried by Avalanche
Wallace, Idaho, Feb. 28.—The massing of snow in the course of the great double snowslide which buried Mace and Burke are contrary this afternoon. One report states that thirty bodies have been recovered.

ASBESTOS OUTPUT
Company May Be Organized to Control Supply
Denver, Colo., Feb. 28.—It is reported here that the officials of the Wyoming Consolidated Asbestos Company, the United States Asbestos Mining & Refining Company and the National Asbestos Company are negotiating with the view of effecting an organization which will enable them to control the asbestos output of the world.

THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE JOHN LAMBERTON TOOK PLACE ON Monday at 11 o'clock from the Hanna chapel, where services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Campbell. There was a large attendance of friends and many floral offerings were presented.

BUDGET TAKES SECOND PLACE

VETO BILL TO BE CONSIDERED FIRST
Premier Asquith Explains Government's Programme Regarding the Lords

London, Feb. 28.—The personal promise of Lord George that the bill curtailing the veto power of the Lords would be considered before the budget saved the government to-night. Following his statement, the House of Commons voted a division to pass the financial proposition submitted by Premier Asquith.

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BON TON, ROYAL WORCESTER AND ADJUSTO CORSETS

Advertisement for Bon Ton Corsets featuring illustrations of women in corsets and descriptive text about the quality and fit of the garments.

All the Glory of Spring Reflected in the New Foulards and Organdies

Advertisement for clothing items including Holly Batiste, Printed Swiss, Cotton Foulards, Madras Waistings, and New Waists Priced at 50c.

The New Turban Effects in Hair Dressing Most Fashionable

Advertisement for hair dressing products and services, including a list of items and a description of the new turban effects.

Preparations for Local Kennel, including a list of prizes and names of participants in a dog show.



MINING MEN IN CONFERENCE MARKED PROGRESS IN LEADING INDUSTRY

Outlook Promising for Development of Iron Properties at Early Date

(From Monday's Daily.)

The members of the western branch of the Canadian Mining Institute held their seventh general meeting last week in Vancouver. Some interesting reports were read by the members. A vote of thanks was passed to the chairman, Thomas Kiddie, and the secretary, E. Jacobs, was accorded a similar recognition for the amount of work he had done for the institute in compiling the annual report and giving publicity to the mining industries of British Columbia. In reply to a question it was stated at the meeting that the provincial government had placed \$1,000 in the estimates for the benefit of the western branch. W. Fleet Robertson, provincial mineralogist, was elected president for the coming year. Mr. Jacobs was again re-elected secretary. In an interesting report read by the chairman, he said:

"The total value of the mineral production of the Coast district during ten years, 1900-1909, is rather more than \$50,000,000. While this sum represents only about one-fourth of the value of the mineral production of the whole of British Columbia during the period just mentioned, it is a large amount, for it shows an average yearly value for this ten-year period slightly in excess of \$5,000,000. Now, when it is remembered that the value of the mineral production of the Coast district in 1909 was approximately \$6,200,000, which is the highest total for any year to date, it will at once be recognized that the mining industry in this district is indeed an important one, the more so since the value of its mineral production is increasing as the years pass. If there were no other reason for holding to-day, here in this city of Vancouver—the largest and most progressive city on the Pacific coast of Canada—a meeting of the western branch of the Canadian Mining Institute, this is, I have no doubt you will agree with me, of use an amply sufficient reason for this gathering of ours to-day."

The following reference to iron was made in the chairman's address:

"During the year, a considerable attention has been paid to iron mining and smelting on the coast. One of the largest iron properties in this district has recently been sold to United States capitalists. While the plans of these men have not been made public, it is reasonable to assume that it is their intention to ere long proceed with the mining of iron ore and the manufacture of pig iron."

"Another enterprise is that of the Western Steel Corporation, organized last year to operate the iron manufacturing plant at Irondale, Washington. It is the intention of this company to erect in British Columbia a modern iron smelting plant, and in this connection they have already secured valuable coal-bearing lands and magnesite property at Atlin. When this enterprise shall have been developed it will tend to the upbuilding in the province of another important industry, and that at no distant date, it is due to be as a market shall be found for steel products, allied industries, such as car-wheels, nail manufacture, etc., will be added."

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Grand Forks.

On the motion of A. G. Langley it was resolved to ask the Dominion government to connect the Portland canal with the main line of telegraph communication in northern British Columbia. The meeting also resolved to petition the provincial government to establish a survey line and marks in the Portland canal district for the convenience of surveyors there.

An auction sale of W. C. Meed's stock, which has been pastured on W. Taylor's farm at Saanich, was held Thursday. A number of local horsemen left on the morning train for Saanich, and many of the thoroughbreds sold brought exceptionally good prices. Stewart Williams conducted the sale.

The opening of the E. P. Charlton & Company's 5 1/2 and 6-cent store on Government street has been postponed, according to the management. As announced in Thursday's Times the store was to have opened on Saturday. It has been found impossible to do this, however, and the opening will not take place until Friday, March 4th. The few firms has on hand a very select stock for the opening day.

The C. P. R. has made very generous appropriations for the work of railway extension and maintenance on Vancouver Island this year. No new work beyond that already in hand is to be undertaken. Large sums will be spent in completing the branch to Alseni and for land clearing at Nanoose and other districts. Another important work which is already in hand is the replacing of the wooden trestle over Niagara Canyon with one of steel.

FOR GREATER NAVY

Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.—In pursuance to the announced plan for the construction of a greater navy by increased yearly appropriations for fighting craft, Secretary Meyer, of the navy department, on Saturday discussed the naval programme with the House committee of naval affairs.

The plans of the supporters of a greater navy were gone over in detail and bills were discussed relative to the creation this year of two battleships, one repair ship, five submarines and two fleet collars.

The committee will vote to-morrow on the bills and it is expected that a recommendation to congress for their passage will be made by the committee with a unanimous vote.

DECLARES PRESIDENT TAFT WAS DECEIVER

Deposed Chief Forester Says Ballinger Was False to His Trust

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—Gifford Pinchot, the deposed chief forester, took the stand in the Ballinger investigation when the congressional committee convened Saturday afternoon, and immediately read a statement in which he charged Secretary Ballinger with being false to his trust and with having deceived President Taft.

"I desire before being sworn to give the committee a brief statement of what I shall attempt to prove, following the precedents set in the Givais examination," said Pinchot.

There was no objection and Pinchot was allowed to proceed at once. He read his statement through and it was heard with intense interest throughout.

The severe arraignment of Ballinger and the direct charges caused a slight flutter of excitement in the audience, but there was no attempt at applause.

When Pinchot had concluded with his statement the oath was administered and he took the stand as a witness.

INSURANCE BILL

Ottawa Feb. 25.—The insurance bill was before the Senate committee yesterday, and many clauses passed. The amendment forbidding rebating was passed. The clause respecting presentation on directorate was held over for further discussion.

LOCAL MARKETS

Table listing local market prices for various goods including oil, hams, bacon, beef, pork, mutton, lamb, veal, butter, flour, and various types of grain and feed.

WHOLESALE MARKETS

Table listing wholesale market prices for various commodities such as lemons, walnuts, coconuts, ham, bacon, butter, eggs, hay, corn, and various types of flour and feed.

Golfers

New three-quarter length Golfers just in. In plain net with fancy wave. These are practically our Auto Golf Coat. They come in black, white and navy.



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Campbell's Latest and Exclusive Arrivals For Spring Costumes

The steady growth of our business demands that each season our ready-to-wear exclusive models in costumes and coats, shall surpass the record of our previous season in quantity, quality and attraction, for each year brings us an ever-widening circle of permanent customers, who are experienced in buying, and compare our prices with eastern prices, and our styles with the leading London and Parisian houses. We welcome this competition and extend to every lady a most cordial invitation to inspect the superb assortment of this season's exclusive costumes. Particularly note the quality, fabrics, color harmonies and appropriate trimmings, and especially note the perfections of the hand tailoring.

This spring we are introducing, as usual, exclusive and beautiful costumes. The coats of the suits this spring are cut much shorter than they were for fall. Novelties consist of modified Russian types, hip length from 30 to 34 inches. Not tight fitting but semi and seventh-eighths fitting with an inclination towards the Russian effect.



Coats

Our tailor-made coats for spring are arriving in all their exclusiveness of fashion. We want you to see these at your early convenience. Above all examine prices and satisfy yourself that we give value for value. The utility coats this season are seven-eighths and full length and of material to keep out the cold of the end of winter and not too heavy for spring. All latest shades are evidenced here. Materials used are serge and light weight tweeds.



Skirts

Our splendid showing of Separate Skirts for Spring is well worth the scrutiny of every Victoria lady, and visiting ladies. We cannot make an adequate display of our Separate Skirts in our windows, so would ask you to call in and see them.

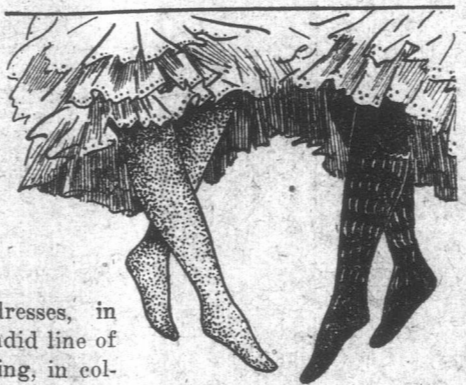
Pleated skirts, with the pleats running up to the waist-band, either side cluster or box pleated effects, are much in favor. Among our exclusive showing of Skirts are those with the kilted pleats running to the knee, others show the new drapery effect. Accordion pleated skirts are also correct this season, being shown extensively in New York and elsewhere.

Latest and Daintiest in Hosiery and Neckwear

Our hosiery and neckwear departments are always so stocked as to meet with the approval of the particular lady or miss. Many new things have arrived in dainty neckwear.

New lines of cotton and lisle hose, also the "sillette" quality. Very fine line of cashmere hose (summer weight).

In neckwear we have quite a number of the daintiest little novelties, all of which are new arrivals. Jabots trimmed with fine valenciennes lace embroidery. We also have the new frilled fronts to be worn with dresses, in fluted lawn with lace edge. Splendid line of Ascots in white with figured resting, in colored and fancy shades.



The "Kiddies" Dept.

All mothers know that we take very particular care of the "kiddies." In this department we are at all times "up to the mark."

We've just received a new shipment of children's dresses in Chambray and Zephyrs, checks and stripes, for ages of from 2 to 16 years.

Also new arrivals in children's white dresses in lawns, muslins and mull. Ages up to 14 years.



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HARRY SMITH READY FOR BIG

He Tells of the Preparations for Coming Season Northern Camp

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Mr. Smith has recently completed a two-story building and will cater in supplying supplies to the miners and the company at that point a postmaster, so that he is in a position to appreciate the prospects for the coming season.

"This year is going to be a big one," he declares, "and even before the advance guard of the season was beginning to arrive, the companies have been working out ore, and all reports are very good. As is well known, the canal carries very high values, and the companies are the Portland Mining Co., Stewart Mining Co., Red Cliff Mining Co., and the Main Co., the latter a Prince Rupert operation. I expect that with the spring some of these companies will be in the shipping class."

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Mr. Smith looks for an increase of the good times which this summer. He expects that in spite of his optimistic outlook, the coming season in Vancouver Island will be the best yet. The companies are the British Columbia, its incomparable climate.

SECRET RUSSIAN Starting Charge of Assassinating Charge of Assassinating Pressing Electric Bu...

The trial by court-martial of the Russian general, Vladimir Karpoff, in connection with the murder of Col. Karpoff, the chief of police, took place in the fortress of St. Peterburg.

The charge against Petroff was that he had conspired with the aim of the subversion of the order of things and the democratic republic, and the murder of Col. Karpoff. Petroff did not deny that he had conspired with the aim of the subversion of the order of things and the democratic republic, and the murder of Col. Karpoff.

From letters found on him that he once planned an attempt to assassinate the life of General Gerassimoff, the predecessor in the office of Col. Karpoff, and that he blew up Col. Karpoff, Petroff was not found guilty, because his deed was not a crime under the law of the Social Revolutionary party.

The indictment declared that the defendant had attempted to induce Gen. Gerassimoff to resign his former head of the secret police, and that he had conspired with Col. Karpoff, in order to assassinate Gen. Gerassimoff, a former agent of the Russian police in Paris.

The court-martial passed a death sentence on Petroff.

GOOD ROADS COMMISSION Winnipeg, Feb. 25.—H. Rogers announced in the House that the government had appointed Alexander McGillivray as commissioner for good roads in Manitoba. Mr. McGillivray is a resident of Vancouver.



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Mr. Smith has recently erected at Stewart a two-story building 40 x 120, and will enter in supplying mining supplies to the miners and prospectors. He is agent for the Hamilton Powder Company at that point and is also postmaster, so that he is in a position to appreciate the prospects for the year. "This year is going to be a hummer," declares, "and even before I left, the advance guard of the newcomers was beginning to arrive. Six mining companies have been working all winter getting out ore, and all report excellent rates. As is well known, that portion of the canal carries very highly mineralized veins. The companies in question are the Portland Mining & Development Co., Stewart Mining & Development Co., Red Cliff Mining Co., Bitter Creek Mining Co., Portland Wonder Mining Co., and the Main Reef Mining Co., the latter a Prince Rupert organization. I expect that with the opening of spring some of these will enter the shipping class.

"Then the acquisition of the charter for the Portland Shortline—a road running up Bear creek for twenty miles—by Mackenzie and Mann, has given a great impetus to everything, and construction on this road will further increase the good times which are on this summer."

Mr. Smith looks for enormous development all through the central portion of the province in the next five years, but in spite of his optimism over the north, still thinks the southern end of Vancouver Island will be the Los Angeles of British Columbia, because of its incomparable climate.

SECRET RUSSIAN TRIAL

Satting Charge of Assassination by Pressing Electric Button

The trial by court-martial of Petroff Veslenski in connection with the murder of Col. Karporoff, the late chief of the secret police, took place in St. Petersburg.

The proceedings were held secretly in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul.

The charge against Petroff was that he belonged to a criminal society whose aim is the subversion of the existing order of things and the foundation of a democratic republic and that he was the murderer of Col. Karporoff.

Petroff did not deny that he murdered the chief of police deliberately, by causing the doomed man to fall into a trap and pressing an electric button that exploded a bomb fixed under the table at which the colonel was sitting.

From letters found on him it appears that he once planned the murder of the life of General Gerassimoff, Col. Karporoff's predecessor in the post.

The court-martial was held in the Priblitzhov bastion of the fortress, where Petroff had been interned in a casemate since his arrest. Petroff was described as a peasant of the government of Viatka, and a former teacher in the primary school.

Though Petroff admitted that he belonged to the Social Revolutionaries, and that he blew up Col. Karporoff, he pleaded not guilty, because, in his opinion, his deed was not a crime from a democratic revolutionary standpoint.

The indictment declared that Petroff attempted to induce Gen. Gerassimoff, former head of the secret police, and another high official to come to his flat with all up. According to the Bourse Gazette, Petroff was not allowed to subpoena Gen. Gerassimoff or Dabich, a former agent of the Russian secret police in Paris.

The court-martial passed sentence of death.

PRIVY COUNCIL

London, Feb. 25.—Before the judicial committee of the Privy Council today judgment was reserved in the case of Jones and others vs. the North Vancouver Land Improvement Company.

GOOD ROADS COMMISSIONER

Winning, Feb. 25.—Hon. Robert Ross announced in the House tonight that the government had appointed Alexander McGillivray, good roads commissioner for the province of Manitoba. Mr. McGillivray is a present resident of Vancouver.

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SUSPECTED LEADER OF OPIUM SMUGGLERS

Man Believed to Be Head of Band is Captured in Arizona

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 2.—After a desperate struggle with the Arizona officials, a man who they believe is Chick Wallace, alleged leader of a gang organized to smuggle opium into the United States, is in jail today at Prescott, Ariz., according to advices received at the sheriff's office in this city. The man who declares his name is John Oliver, was arrested late last evening in Williams, Ariz.

Wallace is the reputed leader of the gang that has been successfully smuggling opium into San Francisco for the last eight months. He is also alleged to have been the brains of an organization for the illegal importation of Chinese.

Since the recent capture in Los Angeles of fourteen half-starved Chinese smuggled across the boundary from Mexico, the federal officials had redoubled their efforts to capture Wallace. The Chinese were in a box car that was billed to San Francisco. The arrest of the man in Arizona is the culmination of one of the most exciting government cases in the southwest in recent years. For more than a year the federal officials have trailed the members of the gang. T. J. Murphy and M. L. Harris were arrested in this city a month ago. They were alleged to be members of the ring.

DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEETS

Earl Grey Speaks at Annual Gathering—New Officers Elected

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—At the annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association today Col. MacDonald and Col. Dillon reviewed the work of the past year, the latter mentioning the specially splendid work of the Canadian team at Bisley last year. Secretary Birdwhistle, in his annual report, stated there were 700 entries at the D. R. A. meet last year, an increase of 144 over the previous year.

The following officers were elected: President, Col. Sam Hughes, M. P.; Vice-presidents for western Canada, Col. Prior, Victoria; Col. Cruickshank, Alberta; Col. Steele, Manitoba; Lt.-Col. Gwynne, Saskatchewan. Secretary, Captain Birdwhistle, Ottawa. Treasurer, Major W. D. Sutherland, Ottawa. Auditors, Cunningham & Co., Ottawa.

In reply to a resolution, expressing regret at the near approach of his return to England, Earl Grey said the many years spent in Canada were the happiest of his life. He would go back to England as a Canadian, and would feel himself somewhat in the capacity of a Canadian ambassador.

TRIED TO START REVOLT IN THIBET

Chinese Government Issues Note of Removal of the Dalai Lama

Peking, Feb. 25.—The Chinese government today issued a statement declaring that the removal of the Dalai Lama from the management of the Thibetan government was the result of an effort upon his part to start revolution in the Dalai Lama's army. He is the head of the Lamaist hierarchy. The government's statement in part follows: "The Dalai Lama, upon his arrival at Lhasa from Peking, circulated, with the object of organizing a general revolt, these rumors: 'The China intended to exterminate Lamaism, and second, that British trade in effect was injuring Thibet. The Dalai Lama then took measures to thwart this trade, whereupon China became alarmed and ordered 2,000 troops to go to Lhasa, with the object of preserving the peace and affording protection. When the Dalai Lama learned of the above, the Peking government ordered the Chinese resident agent to reason with the Dalai Lama, who refused to listen, and on the twelfth secretly left Lhasa with his followers. The resident agent searched ineffectively, whereupon China decided to elect his successor and issued a decree ordering the protection of Lamaism, and then continued the existence of treaties with foreign powers concerning Thibet with the purpose of preserving the status quo."

CONGRESS IN DOUBT

Board of Arbitration May Decide Whether Peary is Entitled to Recognition

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—The question of whether Commander Robert E. Peary deserves recognition by congress by his announced discovery of the North Pole may be submitted to a board of arbitration. The committee on naval affairs of the House has decided to ask the following three men to decide the question: Admiral Melville who supported Peary; Admiral Schley, who supported Dr. Cook; Major-General Greeley, who did not take sides. The plan is to have these three men pass upon the justice of the proposal that congress should honor Peary.

NINE MILLIONS IN ESTIMATES

GREAT INCREASE IN FIGURES FOR 1910-11

Public Works Are Responsible for the Greater Amount of This

Legislative Press Gallery, February 24th. The estimates of the expenditure of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1911, were brought down this afternoon by the minister of finance, Hon. W. J. Bowser. The total amount asked for is \$7,738,257.11, together with a statutory obligation on account of the guarantee of three sets of railway bonds estimated to call for \$40,000 this year, or a sum of \$7,778,257.11. The aggregate amount asked for is \$7,818,257.11, an increase of \$80,000 over the estimates for the coming fiscal year of over two million dollars more than the current year.

The supplementary estimates are slightly larger than those of last year. For the current fiscal year there is needed \$1,231,892.46, and for some odds and ends of account for the fiscal year of 1908-09 there is required a further sum of \$73,671.63. The sum total of the estimates to be voted this session is thus \$9,049,231.29, which, when compared with the total vote of \$6,339,537.12 last year, is certainly making the money go, as the new holder of the portfolio of finance is credited with having said soon after his accession to the stewardship of the purse.

The increase is made up chiefly in the proposed expenditure on public works. Where there was voted last session, even with an election as a likelihood, \$2,331,100, the total vote asked this year on account of this item is \$4,266,805. Civil government is costing but \$92,000 more with the increase of salaries incident to the recent grading. Education gets \$136,000 more, and hospitals and charities an increase of about 70 per cent. on last year's vote. The estimated expenditure by services, omitting the \$40,000 for the guarantee of the bonds of the Shuswap & Okanagan, the Nakusp & Siccan and the Victoria & Sidney, compared with the amounts for the current year, are as follows:

Table with financial figures: Public debt, Civil government, Administration of justice, Public institutions, etc.

THE REVENUE

The estimated revenue for the year 1910-11 is as follows:

Table with financial figures: Dominion of Canada, Annual payment of interest, Annual payment for lands, etc.

IMPORTATION OF CATTLE

London, Feb. 25.—The board of agriculture regarding the opening of British ports to Argentine cattle is momentarily expected. Argentina has given assurances that there is no fear of disease spreading from Brazil and Paraguay.

SORBY PLAN IS DISCUSSED

HARBOR ASSOCIATION APPROVES SCHEME

Statement Made That Money Was Ready for Big Enterprise

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The chief objection to the plan was taken by F. W. Vincent, representing the C. P. R. He said that the Selk's point had never been much in their way for during the 36 years they had been operating in the harbor, but they never had an accident there. He objected to the wharves being built out so far as proposed, as the harbor was already too small. Of course it would be a good thing to take out the Selk's point, but it would not be a good thing to fill up the harbor.

Allerman Banerman pointed out that as it was at present a private party could obtain waterfront privileges to build out into the harbor, and there was not room for them all. He was in favor of the proposal. In the supplementary estimates of the Hudson's Bay Company, asked if the association opposed it, what did it prevent it going through. On being told that it would be asked if Mr. Holliday was willing to surrender his waterfront, he thought that gentleman should have been present to explain his position and to assure them that it would be carried through, if necessary. It was necessary, however, that all should make some concessions in improving the harbor. He was in favor of the outline of the scheme.

Joseph Wilson said that the spending of such a vast sum of money as four or five million dollars would be a good thing for the place. It was his opinion that the promoters should show that they were financially able to carry it through. Mr. Kirk thought it was the duty of the provincial government to deal with the bona fides of the company. Mr. Sorby explained that Mr. Holland had told him the money for the enterprise was available.

ANOTHER COMET FOUND

Sighted by Swiss Astronomer While Making Observation of Halley's Celestial Visitor

Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 25.—A new comet in the vicinity of Halley's famous celestial visitor has been discovered by Prof. Tidoux, of the observatory at Geneva, Switzerland, according to a bulletin received by the University of California. The Swiss astronomer placed the new comet at 1 degree 14 minutes east and 5 minutes south of Halley's comet. He gave no information as to its size but it is believed he will soon have other data forthcoming. He declares that its motion differs from that of Halley's comet. He discovered the new comet while making observations of its more famous neighbor.

IS CHARGED WITH LOOTING BANK

Premier Treasurer is Taken Into Custody Upon Return to Surrender

Boston, Mass., Feb. 25.—George W. Coleman, former treasurer of the National Bank of Cambridge, arrested on a charge of having looted the bank of more than \$100,000, was asked this afternoon what he had done with the money.

Coleman hesitated for a while, then replied: "What did they expect of a man at \$11.50 a week?" Coleman was being held by the police for \$20,000 bail. His friends announced that they expect to raise the entire amount by to-night and obtain his release.

The Coleman case is being considered by the grand jury and a definite action by the jury is expected soon. He refused to say whether any other person is implicated in the muddled affairs of the bank. Coleman was arrested here at the railroad station upon his return here to surrender to the authorities. Many Harvard students have funds tied up in the bank.

ENGLISH SOCCER GAMES

London, Feb. 25.—The replayed cup yesterday between Westham and Queen's Park Rangers resulted in a win for the latter by 1 to 0. In the second league, Barnsley won, defeating Fulham. Score, Barnsley 2, Fulham 1.

BIG SHIPBUILDING PLANT PROPOSED

May Be Erected at Victoria—Dominion Government's New Drydock

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—Definite announcement that a big shipbuilding plant will be established at either Halifax, St. John or Montreal is expected to be made shortly by the government. The government will also bring down a bill increasing the subsidy for the building of a drydock. The terms will be 25 in- instead of 30 years. The Pacific coast will also benefit by the plans of the government and a shipbuilding plant will probably be built at Vancouver or Victoria on a large scale.

SLIDES DESTROY BRIDGES

Everett, Wash., Feb. 25.—Loaded with every available bridge worker and wrecking man, a special train was sent into the mountains today to follow the snow ploughs. The carloads of provisions were taken also to prevent any suffering among the passengers of the stalled trains. At the general offices here it is believed most of the bridges in the mountains have been torn out by the slides.

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PREMIER ON RAILWAY BILL

OUTLINES FEATURES AT CONSERVATIVE MEETING

Declares That There Will Be Control of Freight and Passenger Rates

The feature of the annual meeting of the local branch of the Conservative Association Thursday was a speech by Premier McBride. The honorable gentleman seized the occasion to make an important announcement forecasting the railway legislation which will be submitted to the House on Monday next.

He said it would be his duty, to lay before the house measures providing for the construction of the Canadian Northern Railway from Yellowhead Pass to Barkley Sound. It would provide that the road be built within four years; that white labor be employed; that the men be paid white men's wages; that the material, where the markets afforded it, be purchased in British Columbia; that a minimum mileage be completed each year to insure the completion of the road and its operation within four years; and that the control of freight and passenger rates be passed in the hands of the people.

He dwelt on the beneficial effect on British Columbia of the promulgation of this railway legislation. For upwards of half a century there has been going broadcast stories of the marvelous wealth of the Canadian West, of its timber resources of illimitable extent; of its wealth in minerals; of its great fishing industries. Yet he ventured to say that if all these reports could be brought together and contained in a single brief chapter the facts would not be portrayed. In the C. P. R. there was one instance of what transportation could do. Basing his prediction on the evidence furnished by the road, he had no hesitancy in declaring that with the completion of the Canadian Northern railroad, "the people's line," he called it, the West would enjoy prosperity such as it had never yet enjoyed.

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AVOC WROUGHT
BY SNOW AND RAIN
Railway Still Blocked—Two
Wrecks Caused by Wash-
outs

Everett, Wash., Feb. 28.—The snow
blockade on the Great Northern rail-
road grows worse each hour instead of

AIRSHIP FLIGHTS.
Portland, Ore., Feb. 26.—Charles K.
Hamilton, the aeronaut, has wired the

MOTHER'S PRAISE
FOR BABY'S OWN TABLETS
There are thousands of mothers
throughout Canada who have no hesita-

TWO DIVISIONS
ON SCHOOL BILL
QUESTION OF CHINESE
MIXING WITH WHITES
Liquor License Bill—Land Act
Amendments—Prince
Rupert Bill

Legislative Press Gallery.
February 24.
There were two divisions taken this

Teachers in E. & N. Grant.
Parker Williams moved for the striking

Some time was spent in committee
on the liquor act.
The attorney-general asked what means

At the last meeting of the Lake
Hill Women's Institute held on Feb-
ruary 18th, Mrs. Sherwood gave two

Fraser, McDonald, MacKenzie, Braden,
Manson (Comox)—31.
Absent—Taylor, Mackay, Shafter,
Gillman, C. C. Eves.

Hons upon which the license should be
held. This province has the largest
best area in the world for the manufac-

CAPTAIN NAUGHTON
WELL KNOWN HERE
Skipper Who Died at San
Francisco Formerly Traded
to This Port

SHIP JABEZ HOWES
SOLD TO PACKERS
Will Be Used as Cannery
Tender to Alaska
Points

The ship Jabez Howes, owned by C.
Boudreau, of San Francisco, which has
been laid up at Winslow since October,

TESTIMONY IN
SLANDER CASE
WITNESSES EXAMINED
YESTERDAY AFTERNOON
Plaintiff Gives Emphatic De-
nial to the Charge of
Mrs. King

The hearing of the action for slander
brought by Miss Hardie, trained nurse,
against Mrs. King, the matron of the

WHARF CONTRACT
WILL SOON BE LET
A. L. Brownlie Slated for the
Position of Port En-
gineer

SUDDEN DEATH OF
WELL-KNOWN RESIDENT
John Lambertson Passed Away
at the Residence of T.
Lynn Friday

ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO
KILL WOMAN AND CHILD
Inmate of California Sanator-
ium Testifies Before the
Grand Jury

MINER BURIED BY SLIDE.
Brother Who Saw Him Perish Waits
For Sumner to Recover Body.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25.—With his
brother buried under tons of frozen
earth in Alaska, Gus Wagner, a

DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE
WILL MEET AT ALBERNI
Vote Taken From Branches
Favor the West Coast
Town

FOUND DROWNED.
Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25.—The body of
an unidentified woman, fashionably

TWO CHARTERS.
Steamer Waiatama to Load in Old Coun-
try for Vancouver.

CYCLOPS IS OFF
RED SEA REEF
PART OF HER CARGO
HAS BEEN REMOVED
Pilgrims Will Take Passage
on Some Other
Vessel

Blue Funnel liner Cyclops has been
in the neighborhood of Jeddah, where
she went ashore a week or two ago.

TO BUILD DIRECT
ROAD TO OUTER WHARF
Scheme Will Be Laid Before the
City Council in Near
Future

TO PRESS VANCOUVER'S
CLAIMS TO UNIVERSITY
Alumni of Toronto University
Will Appoint Special
Committee

TO STAND PAT
Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—Represen-
tative Gardner of Massachusetts,

LOCAL COMPANY DOUBLES STOCK NOW CAPITALIZED AT MILLION DOLLARS

Eleven Per Cent Paid on Common Stock and Eighteen on Preferred

The Pacific Whaling Company are extending the scope of their work, and for that purpose are doubling the amount of their capital. At present the amount of stock issued is \$500,000, but this is to be raised to a million, the stock being issued to the present stockholders at par according to the number of shares at present held.

The new steamer which is being brought from the Old Country in sections on the steamer Titan it has been decided to name the William Grant, in honor of Captain William Grant, the president of the company.

The other new whaler, Sebastian, which was bought at St. John, Newfoundland, is expected to reach Victoria about the same time as the Titan.

The officers for the coming year are: President, William Grant; managing director, Captain Spinnaker; and secretary, A. R. Langley.

H. W. WILLS RETIRES

FROM C. P. R. SERVICE

Popular Western Superintendent of Hotels Resigns His Position

A special to the Times from Winnipeg says H. W. Wills, superintendent of C. P. R. hotels in Western Canada, has resigned his position and will quit the service to-night.

Mr. Wills was in Victoria last week and is now in Vancouver. His resignation will come as a surprise, although there have from time to time been rumors of misunderstanding between Mr. Wills and the head of the C. P. R. Hotel system, and Mr. Wills, Mr. Wills formerly managed the St. Francis in San Francisco, and later the Royal Alexander hotel in Winnipeg. He was very popular in connection with his work.

Mr. Wills has had several tempting offers. He will manage the hotel system of the Florida East Coast Railway.

BRIEF LOCALS

Building permits have been issued to James Goldstraw for a five-roomed house on Princess avenue to cost \$1,300, and to Mellor Brothers for a store house on Kingston street to cost \$1,200.

The death occurred in Los Angeles, Cal., on the 12th inst., of A. E. Thompson. Deceased was for eight years a member of the Manitoba legislature, representing Arthur. For several years he resided in Vancouver, and during his residence there made many visits to Victoria. F. A. Thompson, of this city, a brother of the deceased, attended the funeral which took place in the south on Friday last.

On Tuesday evening next the annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association will be held in the Alexandra Club rooms, Government street, commencing at 8 o'clock. The reports of the officers who have represented the association for the past year will be read. A full attendance of members is requested, as the election of officers for the ensuing year will also take place. Any business which is to be treated in the work of this body are cordially invited to attend.

The Daughters of Empire met Friday afternoon. Mrs. Rocke Robertson, the regent, presided. After the reading of the minutes, it was decided to change the day of meeting to the fourth Monday in the month. The best method of forming boys' and girls' chapters was informally discussed. It was agreed that the sympathy of the children should be enlisted in the empire movement and the secretary was asked to communicate with the teachers and ladies and gentlemen who would be likely to assist in the work. The regent brought before the members the request of Captain Wray that the order should attend the Naval League meeting. The invitation was thankfully accepted.

All Welsh residents of the city and vicinity, visitors and those interested will be sure of a good celebration of St. David's day on Tuesday next, March 1st, at 3 p.m. in the Y. A. H. Hall, Broad street. The Victoria Cymrodorion Society have arranged for an excellent evening. A good programme will be given after supper. Mr. Griffith Hughes will preside, Mr. J. M. Morgan will be pianist. Some genuine leeks grown from Welsh seed will be supplied by Mrs. Watt Jones, and a large picture on canvas of the Welsh dragon, painted by a gentleman at Duncan, B. C., will adorn the room. The tables will be decorated with flowers donated by the ladies of the society and the ladies of the society will see that everything is artistically arranged with bunting, etc. A treat is in store for all those who attend.

LICENSE QUESTION TO COME UP ON MONDAY

City Council to Discuss Amendments to the Liquor By-Law

(From Saturday's Daily.) City Solicitor Mann, at the instructions of the City Council, has prepared certain amendments to the liquor license by-law and the same will in all likelihood come before the board at the meeting on Monday evening.

The suggestion has been made that boxes in restaurants should be done away with altogether, and that the sale of liquor with meals should not be permitted after the hour at which hotels and saloons are required to close their bars.

Some of the members of the board are understood to be in favor of an increase in the present license fees. That for saloons and restaurants is now \$400 per year, while restaurant licenses will be required for the work, and of this amount the city will furnish \$100,000 and the government \$7,000,000. It is understood that the money will be made available inasmuch as the Chamber of Commerce has set its seal of approval on the project and declares that it is needed to provide an outlet to the new barge canal.

NEW HARBOR AT NEW YORK

Increased Facilities for Handling Grain Trade on Atlantic.

New York, Feb. 26.—The suggestion that the city of New York and the federal government cooperate in connection with the building at Jamaica Bay of the best harbor on the eastern coast is arousing much interest here. It is estimated that seventeen million dollars will be required for the work, and of this amount the city will furnish \$10,000,000 and the government \$7,000,000. It is understood that the money will be made available inasmuch as the Chamber of Commerce has set its seal of approval on the project and declares that it is needed to provide an outlet to the new barge canal.

It is declared that under the present system of docks in New York city there is no ground available along the North river whereby the 1,000-ton barges, grain laden, which are expected to make the trip from the head of Lake Superior to New York in tow, can tranship their cargoes at New York. With Jamaica Bay equipped as suggested the big barges from the Great Lakes could be towed there and their cargoes transferred direct to the ocean liners, which will take them to Europe.

Then, again, it is asserted, a canal could be built so that the bay could be made the outlet for a great part of the Long Island Sound traffic. The city is expected to use its influence to have the state enact the legislation which is required in connection with the project.

BRITISH DELEGATE TO VISIT THIS CITY

Wesleyan Church Selects Representative for Methodist Conference

The British Wesleyan church has selected as its fraternal delegate to the general conference of the Methodist church, which meets here this fall, Rev. Henry Haigh. He is a Yorkshire



REV. HENRY HAIGH.

man and has seen a great deal of service in the mission field, especially in India. He is a master of the language of India and has conducted a paper in the vernacular of that country for many years. For seven years he has been at Newcastle-on-Tyne. He is a probable aspirant for the presidency of the conference of his church.

Thos. Sorby was present at last evening's meeting of the streets committee of the city council and explained to the board the details of the scheme for the improvement of the foreshore on the southern section of James Bay, running from Raymond's wharf to the chemical works. After inspecting the plans the committee decided to endorse the scheme and pass the same on with this recommendation to the city council. At the request of the mayor duplicate copies of the plan were left in the hands of the council. Masks are still in use amongst gaye nations to scare away demons.

CONSERVATIVES ARE RECKLESS

COAST MEMBERS TRY TO MAKE POLITICAL CAPITAL

Ministers Reply to Charges of Discrimination Against This Province

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—For an hour and a half last night Messrs. Cowan, Taylor and Barnum held up the passing of bills in the parliament estimates for harbors and rivers in British Columbia, while they sought to make a little political capital by general allegations that British Columbia was being discriminated against in respect to the expenditure of federal money for public works.

The government, on an item of \$14,500 for Columbia river improvements, declared that the government was not doing as much for the protection of the banks of navigable rivers in British Columbia as it was doing in the East. He also stated that the province was not getting its fair share of dredging appropriations.

Mr. Taylor followed this lead with a general complaint of negligence for British Columbia, and Mr. Cowan ventured the extreme statement that the government was only spending in the province about one-fifth of the money received from the British Columbia revenue.

Hon. W. Pugsley and Hon. W. Templeman promptly challenged these statements. The former declared that in the estimates for public works there had been absolutely no discrimination against British Columbia, and Hon. Mr. Templeman declared Mr. Cowan's statement to be absolutely disproved by a return presented to the House a few years ago.

"The hon. member," he said, "is making general statements and is not producing any proof whatever. He is stating them. He says that the appropriations for expenditure for British Columbia is one to eight in the rest of the Dominion, and that the contribution to the work of the province is proportionately much larger than the contribution of other provinces. It is hard to prove a statement of that kind. I do not think it is so myself, and I say frankly and fearlessly after a very long investigation, into the question.

"What demands have been made on the government for necessary public works in that province this year, and which has been refused? I know of none. I know of no wharf, no dredging, or other public works that should be carried out in British Columbia, but that she herself had seen the child beaten, and witnesses had sworn that the child was being beaten. In the next place—the most important and significant of all—she had sworn that she had, immediately after the alleged beating, written to Dr. Robertson and informed him about it. Dr. Robertson had sworn that she had not so telephoned, and in proof that the doctor was lying, she had produced the evidence of three or more witnesses that when she was confronted, on November 7th, some months after the incident of the alleged beating, and asked, 'Why did you not tell me?' she had replied, 'Oh, we concluded to say nothing about it.' Were the case short of the evidence of all other witnesses, said Mr. Peters, and only the testimony of Mrs. King and her husband, and that of Miss Hardie and Dr. Robertson submitted to the jury, he was sure that they would have no difficulty in finding a verdict for the plaintiff.

COUNCIL WILL ABATE FIRE-CRACKER NUISANCE

Hereafter Explosives May Only Be Set Off in Parks and Public Places

(From Saturday's Daily.) If a recommendation which Mayor Morley will present at Monday evening's meeting of the city council is adopted no more will the noisy firecracker be set off throughout the city during the Chinese New Year period; no more will the school children be anxious to be remembered by their Chinese friends with gifts of crackers, and no more will there be danger of horses being frightened, and in consequent liability of serious accident. For the mayor proposes to so amend the streets by-law that hereafter, even if permission be granted to explode firecrackers on festive occasions, such form of celebration shall be confined to parks and open spaces.

Under section 39 of the by-law, the mayor is empowered to grant permission for the setting off of firecrackers. Hereafter this permission has been given to the Chinese, as the latter consider the noise a very necessary accompaniment of their New Year celebrations in order that various 'devils' may be driven from their midst. With the by-law amended as proposed, even if the mayor should yield to the wish of the Chinese and grant permission, the setting off of firecrackers will be confined to parks and open air spaces, and it is also provided that the operations of setting them off shall be under the direction of some competent person agreed upon by the mayor and the Chinese, as the latter consider the noise a very necessary accompaniment of their New Year celebrations in order that various 'devils' may be driven from their midst. 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VANCOUVER BOY RECEIVES MEDAL

Arthur A. Bacon is Honored by Royal Humane Society for Bravery
Vancouver, Feb. 25.—Albert A. Bacon was awarded the Royal Humane Society medal at the city hall.

GRAND FORKS TO HOLD FALL FAIR

Agricultural Association Organized and Prepares for Show
Grand Forks, Feb. 25.—The preliminary steps required by law in the organization and incorporation of agricultural associations were taken at a largely attended meeting in the city hall.

BLOCK PAVING CONTRACTS

Vancouver, Feb. 24.—Block paving contracts, totalling over \$30,000, have been awarded on five streets, Harris, Dunsuir, Howe, Seymour and Westminster avenue.

A TERRIBLE SUFFERER FOR THREE YEARS

But Health Was Completely Restored by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills
Extreme anguish; pains in the joints that all but drive one crazy—thus may inflammatory rheumatism be described.

WESTMINSTER LIBERALS ELECT OFFICERS

Annual Meeting of the Royal City Association Largely Attended
New Westminster, Feb. 25.—About a hundred supporters of the Liberal party attended the annual meeting of the New Westminster Liberal Association.

B. C. COPPER COMPANY HAS RECORD YEAR

Big Increase in Net Profits—Smelter Capacity to Be Enlarged
Phoenix, Feb. 24.—During the year ending November 30th, 1909, the British Columbia Copper Company's smelter treated 37,338 tons of ore.

HUSBAND GOES TO JAIL

Creston, Feb. 24.—James McGinnis arrived here a few days ago in search of his wife. After making inquiries he ascertained that she and the baby were at Duck creek.

LIQUOR BARRED FROM TRAINS

Everett, Wash., Feb. 25.—F. White is in jail here charged with drinking liquor on a train. This is the first case in this part of the state brought under the new law.

OBTAINED MONEY BY FALSE PRETENCES

Two Men Get Twenty-Three Months and Another Two Months
Rossland, Feb. 25.—J. W. Watson, alias "Red" Jackson, alias "S. N. Murray" and J. W. Andrews, alias Bob Johnson, alias Nels Johnson, pleaded guilty to the charge of obtaining money under false pretences.

EXPECT BUMPER CROP OF FRUIT

W. E. Scott and Colleagues to Lecture Next Week at Okanagan
The coming season will be the greatest fruit year that British Columbia has ever had.

OVERLAND TOUR TO SAN FRANCISCO

Special Excursion Provided for Those Who Want to Make the Trip
For those who do not like the long water journey from this city to San Francisco a special overland excursion has been arranged from Seattle.

PROPOSED NEW CATHOLIC PARISHES

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New Westminster, Feb. 25.—When Archbishop McNeil, the recently appointed primate to the see of Westminster arrives in Vancouver.

ACCUSED OF COMPLICITY IN HUSBAND'S DEATH

Professor's Widow Collapses When the Charge is Read
Kirkville, Mo., Feb. 25.—Mrs. Alma Vaughn, widow of Prof. J. T. Vaughn, who died of strychnine poisoning in October, was arrested for complicity in the death of her husband.

IMPORTANT FIND IN THE WAR EAGLE

Ledge Twelve Feet Wide and Carrying \$35 Ore. Located by Diamond Drill
Rossland, Feb. 24.—A strike of considerable importance has been made in the War Eagle, where, on the ninth level, a deposit twelve feet in width of \$35 ore has been located by the diamond drill.

DEPUTY SHERIFF WINS FISTIC CONTEST

Fight in Ante-Chamber of the Grand Jury Room During Investigation
Santa Rosa, Cal., Feb. 25.—A fist fight in the ante-chamber of the grand jury room here and testimony introduced to connect Dr. Wilfrid P. Burke of the Santa Rosa sanitarium with the dynamiting of Luella Smith and her baby.

PRIVATE BILLS ARE NEARLY ALL REPORTED

Committee Has Been Diligent in Its Work—Oak Bay Bill on Monday
In the private bills committee this morning two bills which have been before and after they appeared before the jury, and this aroused the suspicion of Reynolds, who ordered him to cease.

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London, Feb. 25.—At a meeting of the English Association of American Bond-Shareholders A. W. Smithers, the American chairman, said he believed in long service in big enterprises in Canada.

HOTEL KEEPER PINED
Kingston, Ont., Feb. 25.—For selling liquor to Railway Engineer M. McLaughlin while on duty, L. Blair, hotel keeper of Shantou Lodge, was today fined \$50 and costs. Blair's defence was that McLaughlin said he was not on duty.

RAILWAY EARNINGS
Montreal, Feb. 25.—Grand Trunk Railway earnings for the third week of February show an increase of \$99,204 over the same week of the previous year. C.P.R. earnings for the week ending February 21st totalled \$1,414,000, an increase of \$258,000.

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Ottawa, March 2.—Simon Fraser, president of the Victoria Trade and Joshua Kingham, president of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, were interviewed by the Postmaster-General regarding the proposed improvements to the Pacific coast.

Ontario Game Regulated
Toronto, March 2.—At a meeting of the Ontario Game and Game Commission, the minister of public works announced that the game laws in Ontario will be amended to equal them in making new blood and in this way they cure anaemia, rheumatism, heart palpitation, indigestion, neuritis, St. Vitus' dance and many other troubles.

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