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SESSION IS OVER.

Adjournment of Eighth Canadian Parliament Winds Up in a Squabble

OVER THE GENERAL ELECTION BILL

Which Finally Passed With Many Amendments

ON GOOD FINANCIAL BASIS.

Another Trans-Continental Railroad—Sir Charles' Interests Jeopardized—Washington Town Burned.

Ottawa, July 26, via Skagway, July 26.—The fifth session of the eighth parliament has ended and ended with the relations between the senate and house very much strained over the election bill which, after much conference, became a law. The new law embodies many important amendments, the principal feature being that it is calculated to secure greater purity in the manner of conducting elections. On the prorogation of parliament Lord Minto spoke in the most congratulatory terms of the buoyant state of the Dominion revenue. He is preparing to leave at an early date for a visit to the Pacific coast from which place he will travel on to the Yukon, accompanied by Sir Henry Joly, lieutenant governor of

British Columbia, and other high officials.

It is rumored that McKenzie and Mann have a well matured plan to capitalize a trans-continental railway with European money, and that accounts for the hurried sailing for England of Sir Charles Tupper, who will endeavor to prevent such capitalization, Sir Charles being financially interested in the Canadian Pacific.

Washington Town Burned.

Pomeroy, Wash., July 20, via Skagway, July 26.—Fire caused by the exploding of a gasoline lamp in a cigar stand here today almost entirely destroyed the town. A number of people were seriously injured in their futile attempts to prevent the wholesale destruction of property. The loss is between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

Queer Tangle.

Dayton, July 13.—Catherine E. Knox has sued her husband, John R. Knox, for a divorce, and the sensation of the season is expected. The wife has secured an order from the court for cost money, and Judge Godman ordered the husband to pay in \$40 at once.

Knox and his wife have been married twice and divorced once. In 1892 they were married, each having been previously married and divorced. In 1897 a divorce was granted the pair, this being January 25. In September following the pair made up and were again married. Last fall a separation resulted, and Mrs. Knox was found one morning in a state of unconsciousness brought about by poison thought to have been used with suicidal intent. The couple have lived in this city for many years, where their peculiar escapades have been interesting. Knox is a barber, and Mrs. Knox is practically an invalid.

To Widen the River.

Washington, July 13.—Permission to widen the Chicago river and introduce necessary changes to modify the current caused by the flow through the drainage canal, is granted the sanitary board in a communication which has been forwarded from Secretary Root, of the war department. The permission carries a provision absolving the government from all expense, but reserves the right of the secretary of war to regulate the discharge through Lockport, or to take whatever steps are needed to prevent damage to navigation and property interests. The sanitary district is likewise held responsible for all damages by reason of the increased flow through the Chicago river.

The liquors are the best to be had, at the Regina.

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WAR GOD KWAN

Requests That the Blood of All Foreigners in China Be Spilled

OTHERWISE TEN PLAGUES WILL COME.

Russia, Germany and France Reach an Understanding.

SHANGHAI IS THREATENED.

Prince Tuan Says Foreigners Must Die—Forts Held by Boxers' Friends.

Berlin, July 20, via Skagway, July 26.—From two different sources it has been learned by the Associated Press that the suspicions of Russia which were aroused by Emperor William's enthusiastic speeches have been allayed, and that Russia, Germany and France have arrived at an understanding by which their interests in China will be mutual and identical. On advice of the Chinese minister, all Chinese are leaving Germany as rapidly as possible.

The admiral of the German squadron has sent an account of the fighting at Tientsin on the 14th in which the citadel and 62 guns were captured by the allied forces.

Regular railroad communication has been established between Tuan and Tientsin. The Russians have repaired the line and now control it as far as Shanghai.

The first Boxer proclamation has been issued. It says: "War God Kwan has desired the blood of all foreigners and unless his desires are gratified and his instructions followed, ten grievous plagues will be visited upon the Boxers and disease will spread among them and all will die."

To Go It Alone.

St. Petersburg, July 20, via Skagway, July 26.—Russia is preparing for a separate campaign in China and will attack Peking from the north. It is not believed by Russians that the allied attack on Peking from the direction of Tientsin will be successful even in time.

Chinese Lies.

London, July 20, via Skagway, July 26.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Express writes that an uprising there is daily feared; that the situation is most hazardous as the town is full of Chinese known to be in sympathy with the Boxers; that all the forts are held by upfriendly Chinese and that it is known that Prince Tuan has issued an edict that the foreigners be massacred.

All reports that foreigners in Peking are still alive and safe are believed to Chinese lies.

Manitoba's Wheat Failure.

Ottawa, Ont., July 13.—The grain crop outlook for Manitoba and the Northwest, for the present year, is anything but reassuring. Drouth has parched the fields throughout the whole fertile west, and all the indications point of a disastrous season in wheat for that section of the Dominion. In that great hard wheat area comprehending the northwestern states, Manitoba and the territories, where there was grown a magnificent crop in 1898, and one scarcely less bountiful in 1899, the

crop statisticians say the yield will fall below half what it was in either of those years.

Late reports tell of sufficient rain having at last fallen to brighten the gloomy prospects in Manitoba, but it has come too late to insure even half an average crop, which seems the utmost now that can be expected from that province.

Profiting by the present experience, and in view of preventing, if possible, future disasters from drouth, the Manitoba government will inquire into the utility of such mechanical devices as are employed in certain European countries for the purpose of superinducing rain at unfavorable periods, and for the prevention of hailstorms. Where so much dependence is placed upon the wheat crop a failure or even partial failure is a serious misfortune to the country. Had such an unfavorable season occurred a few years ago, when there was no reserve of wheat in the farmers' barns or in the elevators to meet it, the result would have been disastrous to western agriculture and to all the industries and commercial activities dependent upon the crops.

Many Canadians Killed.

Ottawa, Ont., July 13.—The latest advices from the first Canadian contingent in South Africa to the militia department here show that out of over a thousand rank and file in that battalion landed at Cape Town, there are now about 400 only fit for field duty. Fully 60 per cent of the total number have been killed or wounded in battle, or laid aside by disease. This is a record with which the annals of the British army presents few parallels.

Writing to the postmaster general of Canada in respect to the workings of the Canadian postal service established by him at the seat of war, Col. Otter, commanding the first contingent, in his letter of May 12, adds: "Presuming that you will be glad to learn of our condition and circumstances, I venture to increase the length of my note by referring to them. The regiment, though in good spirits, is woefully depleted in numbers by death, wounds and sickness; and, where we had upon landing in South Africa 1040 stalwart men of all ranks, we cannot muster today 600 effectives. No regiment in the army had harder work, or, I think I am safe in saying, more fighting. How such has been performed it is not for me to say, but must leave the verdict in the hands of the authorities and the public to determine."

W. P. R. R. to Issue Book.

Trevor Cory, an old time newspaper man of San Francisco, is a recent arrival on the Victorian. He is engaged in compiling the official guide book for townsites of the White Pass & Yukon Route. The work will be published by the railroad company in an immense edition and distributed all over the country. It will be magnificently illustrated and will contain all the information which the tourist or prospective traveler may desire.

Mr. Cory has letters of introduction to our leading people from the heads of the different departments of the W. P. & Y. R.

Much Heavy Machinery.

Every one of the larger steamers now plying on the upper river has a number of large boilers aboard each time she arrives in Dawson from above. Much of this machinery is sufficiently heavy to supply power for a saw mill, but the greater portion of it will be used to operate thawing machines. Demonstration has conclusively proved that the results of operating heavy machinery are much more satisfactory, and but little more expensive than is the operating of smaller machinery. In a number of cases it will be necessary to wait until snow falls before the heavy boilers can be taken out to the creeks.

Short orders served right. The Holhorn

Best Canadian rye at the Regina.

BOARD OF TRADE

Held Lengthy and Tedious Session Last Night at Which

MUCH PRIVATE OPINION WAS AILED.

Proposed Reception of Governor-General Fully Discussed.

MR. WADE'S FEW REMARKS.

Was Stated That Large Companies Will Test Legality of Tax Ordinance—Corporation Favored.

The meeting of the Board of Trade last evening was lengthy and tedious to the majority of those present, as much time was consumed in the discussion of subjects, perhaps not altogether foreign to the issues before the board, but little enough to the point to lead, for the most part, nowhere but into a bewildering maze of more talk which had no perceptible end in view excepting the elucidation of the private opinions of individuals. The principal matters before the board, or at least those which consumed the most time, were the arrangements proposed for the board's part in the reception of the governor general and party, and the attitude of the board toward the present assessments.

The committee having the last named matter in hand was unable to make any report owing to the fact that one of the members was out of town, another had been too busy to give the matter his attention and Mr. Wade, who was chairman of the committee and present at the meeting had only heard of the matter that afternoon, consequently could hardly be expected to make any report. He suggested, however, that inasmuch as the matter which the committee was asked to deal with was one that should have been dealt with months since, and that in his opinion, little could be done at this late day more than to watch the results of the present assessments and tax levy and report from time to time its observations. It was not proposed that the board should test the legality of the tax levy or assessment, but it was well understood that many of the larger companies would do so.

The committee on organization had not been able to make a written report of its findings, owing to the inability of the members to find the time to get together and work on it. The committee reported unanimously, however in favor of immediate incorporation. The report, which was verbal, was referred back to the committee with instructions to carry out its original work, and draft the articles of incorporation.

The matter of the approaching visit of the governor general was taken up, and discussed at great length. To present addresses and petitions or not to present addresses and petitions, that was the question; also whether such addresses or petitions would be received or not. After much debate on the subject it was decided that the chair should appoint today a committee to deal with the matter.

The meeting was then adjourned.

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A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY.

Parliament has again adjourned. During the entire session which has continued since the early spring, the question of Yukon reform has been before the house in various forms and phases but without result of serious importance. The single concession which has been granted, the order for the election of two members on the Yukon council was obtained under what may be termed duress. Had the citizens committee acted with less energy and confined its addresses to ministers of the government it is quite probable that no action would have been taken even with respect to the election of members on the council. In communicating with the governor general direct, the committee acted with much wisdom, as events have amply demonstrated. When the matter, by his direction, was referred to parliament prompt action resulted.

This fact gives added importance to the visit about to be paid by his excellency to this city. A splendid opportunity will be afforded to place before the highest executive authority in Canada a statement of all grievances for which redress is sought.

It must not be said that the governor general of Canada came into Dawson and found no reason for belief that general dissatisfaction with existing legislation prevails. We believe we are safe in saying that every government organ throughout Canada is anxiously hoping that such will prove to be the case. A report of that kind would be published under glaring headlines in every paper which supports the present government with the hope of proving thereby that dissatisfaction has been entirely stamped out.

It is most important, therefore, that full advantage be taken of the opportunity soon to be presented of bringing to the attention of his excellency, the governor general a complete and exhaustive statement of the injurious conditions from which we suffer. That statement should be made so broad and complete as to leave no room for doubt of its meaning and given no excuse for the cry later on that Lord Minto found no reasons for believing dissatisfaction to exist in the Yukon territory.

We note with satisfaction that the Board of Trade has already taken the matter in hand as the representative body of the business and mining interests of the community.

We would suggest the propriety of a union of the Board of Trade and the citizens' committee upon this particular matter. Both bodies have addressed the government at various times respecting the affairs of the territory and there would in all probability be no disagreement between the two as to the nature of the proposed address to be laid before the governor general.

A committee of the Board of Trade acting in conjunction with the citizens' committee would be representative of the entire community and doubtless their deliberations and findings would meet public approbation. Previous experience has proven that petitions and memorials addressed to the minister of the interior and even to the premier meet with little ceremony, and usually are pigeon-holed immediately upon receipt, and never again brought into the light of day.

A splendid opportunity is now before us to have our wants made known to a

higher authority than either of the two named above, and under the most favorable circumstances. We trust that the utmost advantage will be taken of the opportunity.

LOOKS LIKE A SCHEME.

It is remarkable what queer things happen in this benighted Yukon valley. For instance the matter of local representation on the Yukon council has all manner of queer incidents in connection with it. Two years ago, or thereabouts representation was authorized by an order in council at Ottawa. By virtue of various and sundry maneuvers, too numerous to recapitulate, the measure was not placed in effect and the irresponsible, appointee council has had full swing. Now, as a result of long-continued and persistent demands, it has been ordered that the election take place. But the Yukon council must pass the necessary ordinance governing the procedure of election, and the Yukon council at the present time is not in working order. The machinery is out of gear, some of the parts are missing—accidentally, of course—and it will be impossible to get the machine in working order for several months. This is the position taken by the legal adviser of the council, whose mandate is regarded by his associates in about the same light as the faithful Mussulman looks upon the inspired words of the Koran.

If there is not a deliberate and pre-conceived plan involved in the situation to again postpone as long as possible a realization of the popular demand for representation, it must at least be said that the thing bears all the earmarks of such a scheme.

The introduction of the inverted siphon for transferring water from one locality for sluicing purposes in another is a distinct advance along the line of improved mining methods. The introduction of such devices which cost money to institute must be taken as a guarantee of faith on the part of investors in the permanence of the country and the richness of its resources.

There is no longer any doubt about the extreme gravity of the situation in China. The powers appear to be helpless to do anything for the relief of Pekin until their armies are reinforced, while even now it may be too late to prevent atrocities without parallel since the time of the Indian mutiny. If the report that all the foreigners in Pekin have been massacred turns out to be true then all hesitation as to what should be done with China will vanish, for the public opinion of the world will sustain the nations in placing it beyond the power of the empress and those responsible with her for the present uprising to inflict more outrages upon mankind. The cause of or the excuse for the insurrection is now lost sight of; the one object must be to put it down, making a settlement afterwards.—Victoria Times.

As Seen by a Visitor.

The following letter appeared in the Skagway Alaskan, having been written by a man who was here en route to Nome:

Dawson City, V. T., July 7.—The far-famed city of Dawson today presents an appearance in marked contradistinction to that which she previously enjoyed when money flowed like water over bars and cards tables and in dance halls, and every miner dumped his well-filled poke with the easy grace of a millionaire.

Today one finds a very neat and substantially built little city of perhaps 4000 people, the streets filled with lazy dogs and idle men wandering aimlessly up and down with no apparent object. Now and then a dog team passes by attached to a laundry, milk, sodawater or garbage wagon. This is the common mode of light transportation used here.

Stepping into a saloon you see two or three men standing at the bar, and a few boosters and chubbers playing at the card table of a sleepy dealer. The arrival of a boat creates some little stir, as nearly everybody goes to see who comes and get the news of the outside world. As a matter of fact, Dawson the world renowned home of banana kings and glittering Monte Carlos, has lost its brilliant and roseate hue of yore and must now be relegated to her own class—a common, every day town. To be sure, the mines are yielding more, doubly more than previously, but they are owned and controlled by men who are not of the high-rolling

class, or have served their time in that line and gotten over the first great shock to their nervous systems when they suddenly came to realize they were wealthy, and live now settled down to an everyday moderately temperate life.

The yield this year is conservatively estimated at between thirty and thirty-five millions, exact figures being impossible to obtain on account of the obnoxious and unjust royalty of ten per cent, which must come out of all yields.
DR. B. F. WHITING.

The Last Man Shaved.

There were five of us hunting and fishing in the Queensland bush when one rainy day a stranger appeared. He said he was a tramp barber, and as none of us had been shaved for a fortnight we gave him half a day's work.

About four hours after he had left us a band of six men rode up and the leader inquired if we had seen a tall, roughly dressed man pass that way. We told him of the barber, and he looked from man to man and exclaimed: "Good gracious, but you are all freshly shaved!"

"Yes, we gave the barber a job."
"And he shaved each one of you?"
"He did, and did it well."
"Boys, do you hear that?" shouted the man as he turned to his companions. "What of it?" asked one of our party.
"Why, he went insane yesterday and cut a man's throat in his barber's chair over at Unadilla, and we're after him to put him in an asylum."

They rode away at a gallop and next morning returned to our camp with the man, who had been captured, after a hard fight and was tied on his horse. He seemed to remember us when he was given a drink of water, and as he handed the cup back he quietly observed:

"I say, gentlemen, please excuse me. I meant to finish off the last man who got shaved, but I got to thinking of something else, and it slipped my mind."—Cape Times.

Remembered His Wife.

A Lebanon man tells the following for a fact: One day a Linn county farmer bought a banana at his store, the first one he had ever eaten. After finishing it he threw the peel on the floor. After gazing at it a moment he picked it up and wrapped it in a piece of paper and remarked:
"Guess I'll take that home to my wife and let her see what a banana looks like. She never seed one."
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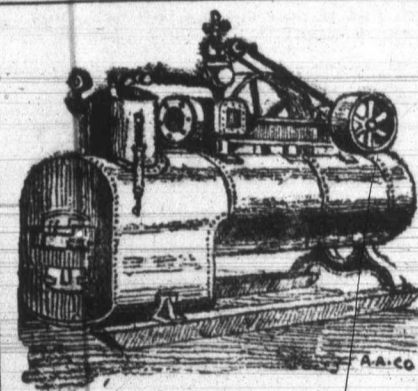
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"Remote, unfriendly, melancholy, slow," is the region between Taku (at the mouth of the sinuous Peiho) and the far-famed capital of the Celestial Empire. For the first 27 miles it is particularly depressing, constituting as it does, from the coast of the Tientsin, one vast mud flat, unrelieved by tree or hillock. From the great treaty port of the north of China to Peking itself, a distance of 80 miles, the land is fairly well cultivated, but the only objects on the landscape between the various villages are the kral-shaped tombs of the Chinese, who bury their dead in meadow or garden, quite regardless of locality. In the pre-railway days, there were three methods of traveling from the coast to the capital—the first by boat, the second by cart and the third on horseback. Usually the first part of the journey, as far as Tientsin, could be performed by water, provided the vessel drew no more than eleven feet of water. But even vessels of small tonnage, under the best pilotage, would get hopelessly stuck in the mud. Some plucky passengers would then ride to Tientsin, purchasing a straight-necked, badly broken-in pony in the nearest village, and having run the gauntlet of curious eyes in the towns en route, would send down flat-bottomed craft to relieve the vessel of her cargo, and so enable her to float again.

In the old days a fairly reliable service of springless carts could be obtained between Tientsin and Peking, but no traveler with any regard for his bones would ever tempt Providence by riding in them. With every revolution of the wheels they threatened to dislocate every bone in the body, and had they been known to inquisition days they would have furnished the grand inquisitor with a matchless instrument of torture. Drawn by two mules, these carts reached Peking in two days. After passing Yang-tsun, which is 60 li, or about 20 miles from Tientsin, the road and the present railway part company, the former trending to the east of Nan-hai-dsy, the emperor's great hunting ground, and the railway to the west. The only towns in which the traveler by road could hope to obtain refreshment for man and beast were Yang-tsun, Ho-hsi-wu (40 miles from Tientsin), and Ma-ton (about 50 miles from Tientsin). From the latter village to Peking is a distance of 27 miles, the direct road running through the village of Hsin-ho, an almost impassable route in some seasons, owing to heavy inundations. These occur in the autumn, and then it is necessary to take a more circuitous route through the village of Chan-chin-wau, a place which is of especial interest at the present moment, in consequence of its having been the spot where the last stand was made by the Chinese army prior to entry of the allied troops into the capital in 1860.

The old order, much to the disgust of the more conservative native, has lately given way to the new. The vigorous railway policy inaugurated by Li Hung Chang, and carried out in the face of untold difficulties by Mr. C. Kinder, has rendered the journey now one of comparative ease. From Tangku, a village situated about a mile from the forts which were destroyed lately, a single track line runs to Tientsin, with two stations on the way. From there to the capital it is a double line. The station and distances from Tientsin are as follows:

Yang-tsun	17.88
Tofah	31.09
Lan-fang	40.40
Anting	53.64
Huang-tsun	64.47
Fengtai	88
Ma-kia-pu	80.00

The most important piece of engineering work on the line is the bridge which crosses the Pei-Ho at Yang-tsun, and this station is one of great importance, as the line's workshops, second only in size to those at Tangshan, on the Shan-hai-quan line, are situated there. There can be very little doubt that both the bridge and the workshops are destroyed. From this point the railway takes a northwesterly and not a northerly direction, as most of the maps recently published have shown it. The mistake has been due to the fact that copies have, in a number of instances, been made of an old war office map, published 1859, showing a projected line, which has since been abandoned. From Nan-hai-dsy to the capital there

are no thickly congested districts, the country being dotted with small farms while from the stations lying to the west of Nan-hai-dsy park, the western hills of Pe-chi-li are plainly visible, forming the first break in the landscape from the coast. The terminus of the line, Mia-kia-pu, is near the southern and principal entrance to Peking, known as the Yung-ting-men gate. A huge pagoda surmounts the wall at this point, the embrasures of which are filled in with panels painted to represent cannon; while in the chambers of the pagoda are several old field pieces in a hopelessly rusty condition. In the hands of modern troops the city would be almost impregnable. The walls, which have a stone foundation, are 50 feet thick at the base, 30 feet thick at the summit and about 40 feet high. They are defended by massive buttresses at intervals of 300 yards, and there are nine gateways, of enormous size, leading into the city. Each gate has on the outside a square enceinte, in which a somewhat smaller tower stands opposite to the gate tower. The total circumference of Peking is about 20 1/2 miles, and the area about 25 square miles.

High Officials Coming.

Gov. Gen. Minto, of Canada, and Lieut.-Gov. Jolly, of British Columbia, are expected to arrive in Skagway soon on their way to the Yukon basin on a visit. The news of their coming is given by S. M. Irwin, general traffic manager of the railroad, who has just returned from a trip to the south.

The British revenue cutter Quadra will bring the party to this port. Just what the itinerary of the distinguished visitors is to be has not been learned.—Alaskan.

(Gov. Ogilvie has received telegraphic information that the governor general will leave Victoria on August 4th for this place via Skagway, expecting to reach here on the 11th. Gov. Ogilvie will go up the river and meet his guests at the summit of White pass, the international boundary line. While his excellency and traveling associate is here it is proposed to quarter them in the large residence now occupied by Maj. Wood, the incumbent having agreed to temporarily vacate the house.)

A Dummy Telephone.

Edward Lauterbach was at one time president of the New York county Republican committee. While holding this office Mr. Lauterbach, one of the busiest and most prosperous lawyers in the metropolis, was overrun with applicants for political places. Their perseverance would have driven a less wily man to the bad, but Mr. Lauterbach rigged up a dummy telephone, of which this is the first written description. The wire was grounded, and secrets poured into its receiver were as safe as if spoken in a tomb without witnesses.

A man would come into Mr. Lauterbach's office and query him thus: "How about that job in the appraiser's office, Mr. President?" "Let me see, your name is—" "Jones—Thomas J. Jones of the Ninth district." "Oh, yes! I remember perfectly. Haven't you heard from that yet?" "Not a word."

Ring, went the dummy telephone bell, and the following single handed dialogue between Mr. Lauterbach and himself took place:

"Hello, Central! Give me the Republican county committee. Is that you, Mr. Manchester? I'm Lauterbach. All right. How about that job in the appraiser's office for Jones of the Ninth? Eh? More delay? I'm surprised. I told you I wanted that fixed up a month ago. Get it at once. Well, it is time. What's that? You think there is something better in view if Mr. Jones can wait? That's good. You will write to him about it? All right. Don't let any more delays occur. Mr. Jones is one of our best men, and we can't afford to keep him waiting. I'll ask him to call down and see you next week about it. Goodby." Ten minutes after Jones of the Ninth left the office, his chest inflated with honest pride, while Secretary Manchester was reading a hastily written note from the president and was wondering whether the supply of plums would hold out until all the hungry patriots had their fill.—Saturday Evening Post.

Favors Great Britain.

Ottawa, Ont., July 13.—July 1 there went into force in the Dominion the 33 1-3 per cent reduction in duties in favor of goods exported to Canada from Great Britain, being the products of that country. There is considerable uncertainty as to what the effect will be. Generally, it can be said that the previous preferences, first of 12 1/2 per cent, then of 25 per cent of the duties, had no apparent influence either on the import trade or home industries of Canada. While they were in operation the imports from Great Britain in-

creased at a rate less in proportion than those from some other countries which did not enjoy the benefit of the preference, and at a rate less than that of the total volume of imports. The inference consequently prevailed among business men that the preference was ineffective of its advertised purpose, and the pointing out of this condition has probably been the cause for the present increase in the preferential tariff. The increase, however, does not occur at the most favorable time for such experiments.

The signs on the commercial horizon point to the possibility of change. A serious crop shortage in one part of the Dominion is in view. In Great Britain the drain caused by the war in South Africa is beginning to show its effects. The occasion is not one when a disturbing factor should be introduced, and the increase in the British preference may be said to reduce the protective duty on cotton and wollen fabrics and clothing, blankets, cloths, etc., from 35 to 23 1-3 per cent, on plain cotton fabric from 25 to 16 2-3 per cent, on builders' hardware and cutlery and on crockery from 30 to 20 per cent, and on other articles in proportion.

If trade continues active, and the present range of prices is generally maintained, the result may be inappreciable. Should there be a relapse, however, and trans-Atlantic producers be driven to seek markets at any price, as they have been driven before, the effects will be so marked as to create a condition that will quickly put an end to tariff experiment in Canada that is not defensible from a business standpoint, that was sprung upon this country as a political surprise, and that has, so far, escaped criticism largely because it had so little effect.

Teddy's Dutch.

Mr. Te Roller, of the S.-Y. T. Co., brings the Nugget the following incident concerning Theodore Roosevelt. Mr. Te Roller speaks the fatherland tongue very aptly himself, and recited the verse which appears below for the benefit of the Nugget editorial staff in a manner which was much appreciated.

The clipping is from the Chicago Tribune and describes a visit of Gov. Roosevelt to the Rev. Moerdyke's church in Chicago, in which, by the way, Mr. Te Roller was baptized.

"The governor had a pleasant word for everybody, especially the children, with whom he talked at length," says the Tribune.

"Well, here is a whitehead," he said as one boy passed. "I have two tow-heads at home."

"Do you speak Dutch?" Dr. Moerdyke asked. "Many of our people speak the language."

"Some, but not a great deal. I know many old rhymes."

"I suppose you remember 'Trippe, trappe, troontjes?'"

"I never have forgotten that," and he repeated:

Trippe, trappe, troontjes!
De varkens in de bootjes,
De koetjes in de klaver,
De paardjes in de haver.

The older men in the room could not restrain their delight. One slapped the governor across the shoulders and shouted, "Good!" Others joined in the cry.

The line, "Trippe, trappe, troontjes" is Holland nonsense, for which there is no translation—much like "Hickory, dickory, dock." The rest of the verse tells that the pigs are in the beans, the cows are in the clover, and the horses are in the oat field. It is one of the most popular of Dutch nursery rhymes and one of the oldest, having been recited in Holland for several centuries.

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CONCERNING THE ELECTION.

Yukon Council Is Still Master of the Situation.

Legal Adviser Clement Explains the Situation and Tells How Matters Stand—And There You Are.

Dawson is in much the same position concerning the coming elections as that occupied by a creditor and a slow paying debtor. The former is never sure of but one thing. He always knows he has something coming. In other words, the promised election has a string on it. While the order telegraphed and received by Commissioner Ogilvie yesterday was the result of a bona fide act of parliament, and takes effect on the 13th of next month, it cannot be made operative until the preliminary arrangements have been made by the Yukon council, and when the council will hold another meeting is a question shrouded in the haziest of uncertain conjectures. This is because it takes four of the present board of six to form a quorum, and only three are here. It may be the most natural thing in the world that Gold Commissioner Senkler should take a two months' holiday just at this particular time, but those are not lacking who are unkind enough to say that there is other purpose in his absence than the one assigned.

Legal Adviser Clement yesterday stated that under the terms of the act providing for the election of two local members to the council, the preliminaries for the election had to be arranged by the council. "Mr. Senkler is gone now, on a two months' vacation," said Mr. Clement, "and cannot be expected to return here earlier than the 15th of September. Consequently no election can take place till after his return, or that of Judge Dugas, because one or the other will have to be here before a quorum of the council can be had. There is just one other chance. If word is received from Ottawa stating that the commission of Major Perry has been revoked, then the council will consist of five instead of six members, and three instead of four will constitute a quorum. In that case, Commissioners Ogilvie, Girouard and myself could hold a meeting."

Altogether the outlook for an election in the immediate future, as seemed reasonable to expect at the first glance at yesterday's telegram, is not one whit brighter than before the receipt of the telegram, and the many noble gentlemen who are seeking a chance to sacrifice themselves for their country's good, seem to be face to face with another heart-breaking delay.

Where is the Freight?

A recent arrival in Dawson from the outside was heard to ask a few days ago: "What has become of all the freight that was piled up at Skagway and Whitehorse a few weeks ago, and which is now reported as having all been cleared up and carried to this place?"

The gentleman further remarked that since his arrival here he has been unable to locate this vast amount of freight as the warehouses are still practically empty. The stranger has evidently yet to learn that Dawson has a large number of warehouses which are not on the water front. There is probably not a town her size on the North American continent that has one-half the warehouse capacity of Dawson, and by the time a few thousand tons of freight are scattered around there is but little of it to be seen at any one particular place, and yet it is here and will be needed before the long winter is over.

Hundreds of tons of freight are being hauled from Dawson to the various creeks every week, the roads being as good now as they ever get, except when covered with snow.

The amount of freight which will arrive in Dawson by the time navigation closes will be as great, if not greater than the amount received in any previous year. But the indications now are that there will be fully as many or more people here to consume the supply as there were last winter; for when the quarantine ban is removed from Nome there is no doubt but that thousands will come here in quest of business and employment who have been disappointed in Nome and who are unwilling to return to their homes in the States without first having made an effort at least to recoup their depleted exchequer in a country where gold is known to exist in such large quantities as in the Klondike.

Should the ban against Nome not be raised until too late in the season for people to catch the steamers up the

river, Dawson's population during the coming winter will be the smallest in her history and not over one-half what it was even last winter, as few people will leave the outside with Dawson or the Klondike as their original destination until there is a very radical change in the existing laws by which the country is governed. There is nothing they can get by coming; yet, if permitted to do so thousands will be driven up the river from Nome by force of circumstances.

Ask the Water Company.

A matter which is of vital interest to every person in Dawson is that of the supply of water for everyday purposes during the coming winter. Will the present water company make an effort to supply the city, or will the pipes be left where they are now, on top of the ground, to freeze up with the first approach of winter, leaving Dawson to rely on the Yukon for her winter's supply of water as was the case last year? AQUA PURA.

River News.

The Victorian arrived last night at 9 o'clock from Whitehorse. She is followed by the Zealandian which is expected today, carrying a large consignment of through mail.

The Victorian brought the following passengers: A. J. Bricline, Mrs. J. W. Raymond, Miss Phyllis Osborne, Mrs. Osborne, Mrs. W. Swanburg, Mrs. W. Purdy, W. G. Purdy, jr., Mrs. Hoff D. Garin, jr., Mrs. Sadie Sprout, Trevor Corry and F. A. McKenzie. Mr. Corry speaks very highly of the courteous treatment accorded the passengers on the trip by the officers of the steamer, and being a knight of the quill will probably embody his impressions of steamboating on the Yukon in his forthcoming book.

Seattle No. 3, with barge in tow, sailed last night for St. Michael. She had but a few passengers.

The next boat expected by the S. Y. T. Co. is the Campbell. She is now on the way up with a barge in tow.

The steamer Nora will arrive today and if she can be inspected immediately will sail on her return to Whitehorse tomorrow.

The Flora has left Whitehorse and is coming down the river at full tilt. She is billed to sail for the Stewart river Saturday on a week's excursion to the head of navigation. A large party has booked for the trip. J. E. McAlpine of Dominon, will send up a party. It is understood he has some valuable interests in that district.

The Eldorado is due today and will sail Saturday.

Rumors are rife of a fierce rate war which is in effect at Whitehorse, passage being sold, it is said, for Dawson first-class for \$15. If such is proved to be the case lively times are expected at this point as the C. D. Co. will refuse freight to boats making a cut, consequently they will be free to slash rates at both ends. The blockade of freight is a thing of the past, as Whitehorse is now entirely clear. This probably accounts for the cut in passenger rates by boats which have made a traffic agreement with the C. D. Co., they not getting the freight to haul which they anticipated.

The Hannah sails tonight for St. Michael. She is at her berth in front of the A. C. Co.'s store.

For a Horse Pound.

Action is being taken today relative to the enforcement of an existing ordinance which forbids the running at large of horses in the city of Dawson. As a number of complaints about loose horses breaking up sidewalks and eating up grocery stores and fruit stands have recently been lodged with Sergeant Wilson, he at last laid the matter before the authorities with the result that the enforcement of the ordinance will probably date from tomorrow or the next day.

Inverted Siphons.

Jos. McGillivray has placed in operation an inverted siphon on the property of the Anglo-Klondike, Ltd. By means of the siphon which consists of 2500 feet of 11-inch steel pipe, a strong head of water is conveyed from Queen's gulch to the company's property on Fox gulch, which is on the opposite side of Bonanza creek. There is also in process of construction a second siphon 1800 feet long extending along Boulder creek and across to Fox gulch. In conjunction with the latter, two miles of ditch have been constructed. The survey for the work was made by Rufus Buck, the well-known civil engineer. The theory of the inverted siphon was first placed in actual use by Mr. McGillivray during the days of gold mining in California.

Fresh Meats.

The Eldorado Meat Market & Trading Co. is located on the corner of Second street and Second avenue. Nellie Cashman is managing the enterprise.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

It was a motley crowd of French half-breeds that was before Magistrate Rutledge this morning on the charge of having been drunk and disorderly at 1:30 o'clock this morning on the corner of Third avenue and Mission street, where they were found by Constable Mallet and taken to the guardhouse. The names of the trio are Peter Pott, Chas. Acklin and — Blondeau. As one of the three is deaf, and the other two do not speak the English language, the trials were conducted with considerable difficulty, an interpreter being necessary. They all three denied being drunk, one of them submitting for the court's consideration that, at Dawson prices, they did not have sufficient money to get drunk. In each case a fine of \$5 and costs or 20 days at hard labor was imposed. They were all returned to the guardhouse.

The case of Corinne B. Gray, mention of whose grievances was made in our issue of two days ago, which was to have been heard this afternoon, has been continued until the first day of August. In the meantime, having provided good and sufficient bond, Corinne is basking at her own sweet will in the sunlight of heaven.

BRIEF MENTION.

Henry Ridley, esq., has gone on a visit to his old home in Eastern Canada.

A number of persons interested at Jack Wade left for that place in a small boat this morning.

M. J. Heney, the W. P. & V. contractor, will arrive here in a few days with all his freight and passenger sleighs which he will endeavor to dispose of in this place.

Mrs. C. Noble, who for the past two years has presided over the destinies of the Nugget messhouse, will leave tomorrow for Dominion creek where she will spend a well-earned vacation of a month with the family of Mr. Ed. Hering.

Territorial Court.

The case of H. Nipping, accused of stealing gold dust at the cleanup on the claim of Wm. Northup on Bonanza creek, where the accused was a lay on at the time of the alleged theft. The complaint charges that the accused at one time extracted three handfuls of dust from the can in which the dust was carried from the cleanup to the cabin. That at another time he held out a cleanup for some time, making restitution at last under the advice of his present counsel, Attorney White; this amount, or what was said to be the amount was \$137.60.

Mr. Northup was the first witness called and testified that on May 13 no report was made by the accused of his cleanup up of that date, but on May 18 what purported to be the cleanup, consisting of \$137.60 was tendered by the accused and his counsel, but that the amount had not been received as the cleanup up of the 13, but merely as gold from the cleanup.

On the 14th the witness was present at the finish of the rocker cleanup which was turned over to him by the accused who refused to accompany him to the cabin and witness the division and receive his portion. Witness weighed and divided the cleanup, taking to the accused his part of it. Witness was not sure that he had received all the other cleanups. When questioned regarding the amount of dust a man can pick up in a handful, the witness thought the accused would be able to pick up about \$200. He had laid information against the accused on May 15, and after the preliminary hearing on May 18th was when the \$137.60 had been returned.

For about two months prior to this time the witness had been trying to buy the lay. Mr. James, the partner in the lay with the accused, had told the witness that there had been two other rocker cleanups within the two weeks prior to the arrest of which the witness had no account.

The next witness called was Mr. Crawford, superintendent of mining operations for Mr. Northup. He had seen the accused rocking on the morning of the 13th, and had later examined the rocker and found that a cleanup had been made.

On the tenth witness had seen a cleanup of the sluice boxes, and had seen accused take the dust towards Mr. Northup's cabin.

Wandering in Dreamland.

The young woman's mind was probably away off in the land of cut on the bias and yokes and flarings and plaitings and applique and ruffles and things like that, whatever they may mean.

Anyhow, when she got on an up town Ninth street car the other afternoon, she drearily opened her pocketbook when the conductor came around for her fare, stuck a gloved finger and thumb into one of the compartments of the same, extracted a couple of foulard samples, and, with that faraway expression still in her eyes, handed them to the conductor. The conductor was a middle aged man. He smiled and waited for the young woman to come out of her trance. But she held the foulard samples

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 "Yes, they're pretty, miss," he said, "and I'd like to get my wife a dress off that piece on top, but she's"—
 The young woman blushed like a red hot stove lid, dug into another compartment of her pocketbook for a car ticket, and she looked real embarrassed when the brutal male persons across the car aisle grinned, so she did—Washington Post.

Rumors From Shanghai.
 London, July 1.—Pekin is still silent and there is nobody but believes the worst has happened. It is taken for granted that all the powers have exhausted every means to get direct news from their legations, and the fact that their efforts have been vain leaves but one interpretation.
 The Chinese representative in Berlin denies the statement that Li Hung Chang has sent to him a hopeful telegram. He says that, on the contrary, no direct telegram has been received by him from Li Hung Chang for some time past. The day's news is again restricted to the usual crop of untrustworthy Shanghai rumors, the most serious of which is reported by the correspondent of the Express to the effect that Europeans are directing Chinese military operations.

The correspondent asserts that Capt. Bailey, of R. M. S. Aurora, saw a man in European garb directing the Chinese artillery operations outside of Tientsin. Foreign refugees from Tientsin openly accuse a European official, whose name the Express correspondent suppresses, and Col. von Hanneken, who was formerly employed to drill the Chinese troops, or being parties to a plot to procure the escape of Gen. Chang and themselves from Tientsin before the bombardment, leaving the other for signers to their fate.

To Recover Manila Duties.
 Portland, July 13.—Portland exporters who have made shipments to the Philippine islands, have decided to institute proceedings against the United States government for the recovery of duties paid at Manila. As soon as the papers are prepared, the case will be filed in the court of claims at Washington, and if the decision is adverse to the claimants, an appeal will be taken to the supreme court of the United States. The claim amounts to about \$10,000.

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