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DIDN'T WANT LAST NAIL

Threat of Completing His Political Coffin Brings McBride to Time

Premier Raves and Rants and Finally Creates Comedy at Own Expense--Wilson Also a Laughing Stock

[Special to The Daily News]

Victoria, March 23.—Premier McBride continued his speech on the second reading of the bill to adjust dyking assessments this afternoon and for an hour and a half stormed and raged at the inconsistency and insincerity of the opposition members, Oliver and Munro.

In the course of his lengthy speech it was only in a most general way that the premier referred to the provisions of the bill. He devoted all his powers of denunciation to the speeches previously delivered by Oliver and Munro, and not content with condemning things they had said, he, with customary disregard of the amenities of parliamentary debate, attributed to them all manner of statements they certainly had not made. These frequent departures from the facts necessitated frequent interruptions by the members misrepresented and consequent withdrawals, which the premier is always ready to make.

There was really nothing in the premier's long speech worthy of note. His charges of insincerity and inconsistency are so familiar that no one now takes any serious note of them. His announcement that the government were prepared to amend the bill in committee was the one feature of interest and fully explained the heated periods that preceded it. It was an amusing coincidence that just previous to making this announcement the premier referred to letters he had received from residents in the dyking districts complaining of the bill under discussion, and he remarked that one of the writers, Mr. Ashwell, had intimated in his letter that this bill would prove to be the last nail in his (McBride's) political coffin. When a moment or two later came the premier's announcement that the bill was to be amended there was an outburst of opposition laughter and applause that was entirely intelligible.

In brief, the premier repudiated in the most emphatic manner the suggestion that the government had been at all actuated in the preparation of the bill by consideration of the interests of land speculators, as opposed to those of bona fide settlers. He characterized as a political "gold brick" Oliver's resolution calling for the withdrawal of the present bill and eloquently dilated upon the honesty and courage displayed by his friend, the chief commissioner of lands and works, in grappling with the subject. He wound up by again promising to amend the bill.

Hawthornthwaite moved the adjournment of the debate.

Hawthornthwaite's bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulations Act was in committee and a new clause was inserted to take the place of those objected to earlier in the session by J. A. Macdonald and McInnes on the grounds that they imposed unwarrantable penalties upon working miners. The new clause makes the penalties in the original act applicable to the provisions of the amending act passed at the last session and after some slight verbal changes, was adopted by the committee, the bill being reported complete.

The bill to amend the Supreme Court Act, introduced by Dr. King, (Cranbrook), passed the committee stage without amendments, although a vigorous effort was made by Bowser to have it discharged and by McInnes to have the security for costs fixed at $500 instead of $200 as provided by the bill.

Bowser's dentistry bill and J. A. Macdonald's bill to amend the Railway Act passed their second reading without debate.

On a question of privilege Hawthornthwaite directed the attention of the attorney general to the bill introduced in the dominion parliament by Ralph Smith, dealing with the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway, clause 2, which he claimed was calculated to prejudice the rights of the province in the matter of taxing the lands of the railway company.

Attorney general Wilson replied that he had already taken steps in the matter and had communicated with the minister of justice at Ottawa.

J. A. Macdonald, leader of the opposition, said he had seen the bill and was of the opinion that it could in no way affect the rights and interests of the province and he would therefore like to know what the attorney general had found in it that justified his writing to the minister of justice.

Attorney general Wilson promptly stated that he had not studied the bill carefully and was not prepared to express an opinion as to any of its provisions. This response elicited from the leader of the opposition the remark that he hoped the attorney general had not written the minister of justice a letter upon a subject about which he confessed entire ignorance. Wilson mumbled some inaudible reply, the members laughed and the incident closed.

Clifford (Skeena), introduced a bill to amend the Provincial Elections Act, by making provision for the officers and crews of British coasting vessels to vote.

The municipal committee met this morning for further consideration of amendments to the Municipal Clauses and Municipal Election Acts, several being adopted and the committee decided to report its recommendations to the house this afternoon. Among the chief amendments adopted this morning were the following:

Permitting district municipalities to raise the rate on wild lands in conformity with the provincial rate.

Extending the qualifications for reeves to tenants of land and premises within a municipality, of an assessed value of not less than one thousand dollars.

A new definition of "householder," viz.: Shall extend to and include every person who holds and occupies a dwelling ,tenement, hotel or boarding house or any part or portion of a dwelling, tenement, hotel or boarding house within a municipality, who has paid directly to the municipality, rates, taxes, or fees of not less than $2 during the current year.

The date of municipal elections is extended one week, or to the third Monday in January.

SEPARATE CHURCH AND STATE

French Deputy Declares Should Be on Independent Basis.

Paris, March 23.—The chamber of deputies today contained the debate on the bill providing for the separation of church and state. Mr. Deschanel (republican, former president of the house), declared the debate was the most important since the revolution, as it concerned the abolition of a religious regime, which had existed for five centuries.

The interference of religion with politics had become intolerable, while the interference of the state with questions of conscience, was equally odious. Therefore the time had come to place each upon a separate and independent basis.

HAVE NO SURVEYS YET

SLOAN QUERIES GOVERNMENT RELATIVE TO G. T. P. PLANS

EARLY CONSTRUCTION IN B. C. TO BE URGED—OTTAWA NEWS

(Special to The Daily News)

Ottawa, March 23.—It has been announced that lieutenant colonel Hesslem of Halifax, has been officially appointed commander, and major Davidson, 8th Royal Rifles, Montreal, adjutant of the Bisley team.

The Canadian manufacturers of the dominion, the millers and other interests, appeared before the railway commission today and protested against the rules for demurrage imposed by railway companies, which they said were all against the manufacturers.

Shipbuilding interests waited on the government today and asked for a bounty of $6 a ton for ten years so as to establish such interests in Canada.

On the 6th of April lord Grey goes to Kingston to inspect the Royal Military college and returns to Ottawa on the 8th. On the 24th lord and lady Grey go to the horse show at Toronto.

In reply to Sloan, in the house, Emmerson, minister of railways and canals, said there was nothing before the department of railways to show that the Grand Trunk Pacific had completed the necessary surveys or any portion thereof, for the building of the trans-continental railway through British Columbia. It was, however, the intention of the government to urge the early construction of that portion of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Fielding, replying to Bickerdike, said there was a large amount of American currency in circulation at par in Canada and he was aware that in the States Canadian silver was taken only at a heavy discount. It was not the intention of the government to, this session, interfere with United States silver, but they hoped to be able to displace that coin in Canada by the substitution of Canadian silver.

Sproule continued the debate today on the autonomy bill. He maintained that the question was provincial rights and should be left to the provinces. The dominion had no right to fetter the west.

WAS GROSS NEGLIGENCE

Coroner's Jury So Finds in Case of New York Tenement Fire.

New York, March 23.—The tenement house commission is censured; Mrs. Celia C. Leiner, the lessee of the house is declared guilty of gross negligence and the tenement house law is found to have been violated, is the verdict of a coroner's jury today which completed an investigation of the Allen street tenement house fire, in which 20 lives were lost about a week ago.

The jury reports that it was unable to ascertain the cause of the fire. Immediately after the verdict was reached, the coroner ordered the arrest of Mrs. Leiner, and also caused the detention of Mrs. Belzinsky, the janitress of the house, as a witness. The charge of negligence against Mrs. Leiner was based upon the allegation that the trap door leading to the roof of the building was kept locked. The tenement house commission is censured for not properly inspecting the conditions of the premises and for permitting the door to the roof to remain fastened. After the fire was extinguished, a heap of bodies was found on the floor beneath the firmly fastened skylight, where they had fallen and died after vainly attempting to escape to the roof.

BAD TASTE ON PALATE

Russian Writer With Bitter Recollections of Defeat Tells Why

Intelligence Department No Good--Railway Inadequate, Officers Incompetent--Soldiers Urge Surrender

St. Petersburg, March 24—(12.15 a.m.)—The Novoe Vremya today publishes a remarkable despatch from a correspondent in the field, who with the bitter taste of defeat still on his palate, discusses the causes of Russian reverses, contrasts the spirit in which Russia and Japan are conducting the war and with sorrow and disheartenment, arraigns the elements in Russia who are nourishing their propaganda on defeats in the far east by "scattering in the very hour of defeat," according to the correspondent, "broadcast among the heart-sick, retreating soldiers, proclamations urging them to cease fighting and surrender." The despatch continues:

"Not even the enemy has sent us such proclamations but has confined himself to throwing into our lines telegrams from the former mentioned agencies about disorders in Russia.

"Put yourself in the place of the soldiers and officers who, returning from Mukden, heartsore from want of success, have received from the distant home proclamations with advice of that tenor."

Setting aside the factors of a temporary nature, the correspondent enumerates four main causes for misfortune:

"First—Failure to establish before the war an adequate intelligence department in Manchuria, or to make other preparations greatly contrasted with Japanese activity in that direction.

"Second—Russia is dependent upon a single railway while the Japanese have many bases, with the possibility of establishing new ones at any point on the coast.

"Third—The deficiency of many officers, whose mistakes of execution brings to naught the mose carefully thought out plans of the commander, or whose technical education has not kept pace with the artillery they are required to handle.

"Fourth—That victory rests, not with the army, but with the nation."

The correspondent pictures the patriotism, devotion, and love for victory of the Japanese and continuing says:

"On the other side is a nation where part of the people misunderstand the meaning of this war, or are even not inimical to taking advantage of distressing times to attain more liberty. The need of greater liberty is undoubted, but is it not possible to press the campaign after the war?

"The country is entirely occupied with internal affairs and disorders, turning its attention to the army only occasionally after an unsuccessful operation, and then only to pour out a flood of discouragement or abuse or to send a palliative to the retreating forces in a heap of revolutionary proclamations."

In concluding the correspondent pleads for a few words of encouragement and acknowledgement that the 90,000 who fell around Mukden are not unappreciated sacrifices, so that others in dying may bless the fatherland for which they fell.

NOT A RUSSIAN ESCAPED

ENTIRE DETACHMENT CAUGHT IN GAP AND SLAIN.

TERRIBLE AFFRAY REPORTED AS TAKING PLACE AT MUKDEN

Gunshu Pass, March 23.—General Linevitch, the new commander in chief of the army, today received the members of his staff.

Reports persist of Japanese turning movements on both flanks of the Russian army.

Chinese state that the Japanese have recruited many Chinese bandits and probably they are now able to count a superiority in cavalry as well as in infantry.

The branch of the Russo-Chinese bank has removed to Harbin after an attack on the bank office, in which two of the guards were wounded with cobble stones.

Captured Japanese report that a terrible affray took place in the streets of Mukden on March 10th, when a big detachment of Russians, the last to leave the city, were entrapped by Chinese bandits and a few Japanese soldiers, who closed the city gates and blocked the narrow streets. According to the report which is not confirmed, not a Russian escaped. Field marshal Oyama has communicated to general Linevitch the news that the entire Rusian medical staff, which remained in Mukden after the evacuation, is uninjured and well.

SUICIDE BY TWO ROUTES

Syracuse, N. Y., March 23.—Miss Arlie Waters, 30 years old, a trained nurse, living in this city, was found dead in a hotel room at Fabius, N. Y., today. She had used chloroform and carbolic acid. She left a will she had made just before taking her life.

DON'T SURPRISE WASHINGTON

Renewal of Peace Sentiment Had Been Discounted There.

Washington, March 23.—The sudden growth of the sentiment in Russian official circles in favor of peace, is not at all surprising to the official here, because it is in line with the predictions of the American embassy at St. Petersburg, when last heard from on this subject. In fact, it was gathered that the obstacle in the way of the beginning of negotiations to that end was to be found rather in the jealousies of European powers outside of Russia than in the czar's own court. It is believed now, however, that the great financial interests of London, Berlin and Paris, looking to their own salvation, and the security of their enormous Russian loans, have risen above national lines, and that to the exertion of their powerful influence is due the present promise of peace in the near future.

SOUNDS OMINOUS

Immediate Envelopment of Of Vladivostock Imminent

St. Petersburg, March 23.—It is announced here that all the women have been ordered to leave Vladivostock.

LATEST OBJECTIONS MET

TRUSTEE R. J. STEEL EXPOSES INCONSISTENCY

DISCUSSES FINANCIAL FEATURES OF PLAN FOR SHOOL

R. J. Steele decided last evening to express his views on the city's requirements in the way of school accommodation. Mr. Steel said: "I thought the ground had been fairly well covered by the statement issued by the board of trustees, and the arguments advanced by other trustees. But the question is absorbing public attention and if I contribute anything that will prevent further misunderstanding, I am quite ready to make the attempt.

"I was not a member of the board last fall when the question of a new building became urgent. Even then I took an interest in the subject as every citizen is bound to do. I may say that I am as firmly convinced as any of the other trustees that the only way in which we can fulfill our trust is by recommending the construction of a satisfactory school building at once.

"One form of opposition that I have encountered strikes me as peculiar. Apparently every one agrees that the city needs a new school building, and that the request for one in another year would be entirely reasonable. Now I would like very much to know why a project that will be quite reasonable a year from now is utterly unjustifiable now?

"If all the arguments that have been brought forward against the proposal, by those who presume to speak for the city council, are sincere, what will be the position a year from now? We shall have a brick fire hall in course of construction, we shall be extending the tramway system, spending money on the exhibition and possibly on other worthy objects. How much money will then be available for the building of a school? And yet even the authors of the objections I have referred to, admit that at that time a demand for a new school will be quite proper and reasonable.

"Now that is certainly not a frank statement of the reasons urged against the school board's plan. I don't care to suggest motives for the opposition; I cannot see any motives for it.

"The power plant has been provided for by the issue of debentures to the amount of $150,000. The issue of another $40,000 will still leave a considerable margin, still within the limit of the city's borrowing power.

Mayor Houston has stated that the power plant debentures are practically sold. All that is now required to complete the deal is a change of date from 1903 to 1905. Permission to make that change has been obtained from the legislature. It is inconceivable that the lieutenant governor should refuse to sign the bill. Therefore the change of date is secure, and it follows that the sale of the debentures is certain.

"Now, all I ask of the school board's critics is that they give us the real reasons for their opposition. Obviously the power plant can have nothing to do with it. Nor can I believe that anyone would seriously propose that the interests of the schools should be subordinated to extension of the street car line, especially anyone who admits that in a year a new school will be a necessity.

"I don't think there is any profit in further discussing the possibility of patching the furnace, the foundations, and the walls of the old buildings. Mayor Houston himself admitted the folly of any such course in his first interview with Dr. Arthur. All that he asked then was that we get along the best way we could for a while longer. But that was before his announcement that the debentures were practically sold.

"That reduces the grounds of objection to the project to one, that it will increase taxes. Well, that is admitted, but it will also make the city a more desirable place of residence, and indirectly increase the revenue. Every improvement has that effect. I don't think any citizen who cares anything for the welfare of the city will refuse or neglect to vote for the relatively trifling increase in taxation when the purpose is the erection of a decent school."

HIGHWAYMEN ESCAPE.

Three Hard Characters Break Out of Fort Francis Jail.

Winnipeg, March 23.—Two desperate highwaymen, Rogers and Horton, who held up and assaulted and robbed three Finns Saturday night, escaped jail at Fort Francis this morning by twisting the bars of their cell with a piece of an iron bed. They started east on a railway velocipede and the police started after them on a similar conveyance, armed with Winchesters and determined to hunt them down.

ENDERBY ELECTION.

Enderby, B. C., March 23.—Today's election resulted: George Bell, mayor; Smith, Kenny, Bradley, Evans elected councillors.

The mayor-elect, George Bell, is well known in Nelson, having for a number of years been manager of the Bell Trading company.

MAY RETIRE TO SIBERIA

Prospect of Russia Being Driven Out of Manchuria the Latest

Possibility of Army Being Isolated Too Serious to be Thought of--As St. Petersburg Views Situation

St. Petersburg, March 24.—(12.45 a.m.)—The possibility that if the Russian army should be unable to hold the lower line of the Sungari river at Chunchiatsu, it may be compelled to retreat not only to Harbin but also further westward along the railroad, abandoning to the Japanese northern Manchuria and the Russian maritime Amur provinces as well, is the latest startling news from the front.

The strategic weakness of general Linevitch's position as he fell back northward is made clear by a Gunshu despatch to the Associated Press in which it is pointed out that unless Chunchiatsu and Sungari lines, a scant hundred miles below Harbin, can be held, it will be difficult to maintain a position further back before Harbin, where, with the front of the army paralleling the railroad, the practicability of a turning movement to complete communications and isolate the army 6000 miles from home, is too serious for Russian consideration.

In view of this possibility the despatch alluded to, suggests the advisability of immediately providing Vladivostock with war muitions and supplies for a two year siege. The correspondent estimates the number of reinforcements needed to give general Linevitch the requisite superiority in force at 200,000. That such a despatch should have been permitted to pass the censor at the present time is significant, and if general Linevitch has communicated a similar estimate of the situation to emperor Nicholas, it may account for his majesty's increased disposition to listen to peace councils and open negotiations before the Japanese establish themselves on Russian soil. With Manchuria entirely abandoned to the Japanese and only Vladivostock left, it is realized that Russia will be practically at Japan's mercy in the matter of peace terms.

It can now be definitely stated that the decision to appoint grand duke Nicholas Nicholaievitch to the supreme command in the far east was reconsidered because the outlook at the front does not warrant the risk of compromising the prestige of a member of the imperial family. Military authorities here believe that unless general Linevitch is sure of his ability to hold the lower Sungari line, he will risk his whole army if he fortifies and concentrates there, as, if he should be defeated, his lines of retreat lie on two sides of a triangle, the third side of which is open to the enemy's advance.

At the general staff office, the view that general Linevitch may be compelled to abandon Harbin and retire toward lake Baikal, leaving Vladivostock to its fate, is regarded as almost unwarranted by anything that is officially known there, it being pointed out that field marshal Oyama will have a long and laborious task to bring up an army of 300,000 to 400,000 men. Meanwhile Russian reinforcements are arriving at Harbin at the rate of 1200 men per day. Nevertheless, it is significant that there is now a well marked peace party at the war office.

The successful conclusion of the internal loan of $100,000 at the price of 96, comes as a gleam of sunshine in an othewise cloudy situation.

The internal situation in Russia is a source of continued aprehension . In the south of Russia, workingmen and peasants already are joinging hands and from the Caucasus, Poland and other quarters, encounters between discontented workers and the police, with fatal consequences, are reported.

PRESSES SAN DOMINGO

ONE RESULT OF U. S. SENATE'S ACTION ON DOMINICAN TREATY

BELGIUM SAID TO HAVE DEMANDED HER POUND OF FLESH

Washington, March 23—In the absence of the Belgian minister, baron Moncheur, in New York, nothing is known at the Belgian legation regarding the reference of president Morales in the despatches from San Domingo, published today, to the Belgian claims, which the president says are being pressed. Several days ago baron Moncheur received from his government a cablegram asking if any investigation was made by an American commission into the Dominican situation. It is supposed that in view of the senate's refusal to deal with the the Dominican matter, the Belgian government feels it is forced to pursue its own course. Other European powers, also, while willing to await negotiations of the United States secretary of state, regard the attitude of the senate as so opposed to the course of the government, that they fear they will be obliged to act individually on the question.

The state department officials, however, have by no means abandoned the treaty, and United States secretary of war Taft and acting secretary Adee have been in conference and in communication with senator Cullom, chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations, respecting the procurement of information and the collection of facts and figures, which it is expected will go far towards removing any doubts as to the merits of the treaty.

Not only is this work being conducted in Washington but Prof. J. H. Hollander, secretary of the treasury of Porto Rico, has been selected by president Roosevelt to go to San Domingo, make a thorough study of the financial conditions, and report to him personally before congress opens again. It is hoped that when the other creditor powers become fully aware of the intention of the executive to press the treaty at the next session of the senate and to employ the intervening period of time in collecting information, they may be disposed to refrain from forcing the issue now.

HOLLAND HAS GRIEVANCE

Is Latest Nation to Make Demands of Venezuela.

New York, March 23.—A Willemstad, Curacoa despatch to the Herald explains that Holland's demand against Venezuela grows out of the seizure of several sailors who are Dutch subjects.

These men were of the crew of a small sailing vessel suspected of smuggling arms for Venezuelan revolutionists and their vessel was chased by a Venezuelan gunboat and was overhauled and the crew carried to the mainland and imprisoned. It is asserted that they were in Dutch waters when taken. News of the affair did not reach the Dutch authorities at Willemstad till a couple of months ago when the imprisoned men smuggled out a letter to friends here.

NEGOTIATE JAP LOAN

Said to Be For $150,000,000 and Will Be Anglo-American.

London, March 23.—Negotiations for a new Japanese loan are proceeding but are still unconcluded. The principals concerned decline to furnish details until the full terms are settled upon. The amount of the loan is variously estimated upto $150,000,000. Special security, the revenue of the tobacco monopoly amounting to $15,000,000 is suggested. If is understood that the union will be largely Anglo-American, with minor participation on the part of continental houses.

MANY PEASANTS SLAIN

DISTURBANCES PUT DOWN IN GOOD OLD FASHIONED WAY.

RUSSIAN TROOPS FIRE ON FARMERS—SCORE PERISH

Kutno, Russian Poland, March 23.—Ten peasants were killed and 50 wounded at Limenta, March 21, as the result of the shooting by infantry sent to quell disturbances in a crowd of peasants from Benignowa, who proceeded to Lamenta to induce the farm laborers to strike and rioting occurred. The chief of police with a company of soldiers went to the scene and the troops fired two volleys at the peasants, killing ten on the spot and wounding 50. The latter were brought in carts to the hospital here, where seven men and one woman subsequently died. Eleven others are dying. Kutno is situated 70 miles west of Warsaw. It has a population of about 10,000.

INJURIES PROVED FATAL.

Rundquist, Victim of Granby Mines Accident, Succumbs.

(Special to The Daily News)

Phoenix, March 23.—John Rundquist, the man who was seriously injured Tuesday morning in No. 3 tunnel of the Granby mines, by being caught between the bumper of the electric motor and a heavy steel ore car, and whose leg was amputated the same morning at the Phoenix general hospital, in the hope of saving his life, lingered until last evening at 8 o'clock, when he passed away. The funeral will be held probably next Saturday.

Rundquist was unmarried, came here about a year ago from Michigan, and was recently acting as a mucker boss at the Granby mines, up to the time of the accident. He has a sister in California and a brother somewhere in Michigan or Wisconsin, who have been notified. It was seemingly his own fault that the fatality occurred, as men are specially provided to handle the heavy mine ore trains.

FRENCH AND GREEKS SCRAP

Marines and Sailors Have an Hour's Set to—Eight Killed.

Marseilles, March 23.—The steamer Yangtse, which arrived here today reports that when she touched at Candia, island of Crete, recently, a serious outbreak occurred between 15 French sailors and 20 Greek marines. The fight lasted an hour and six Greeks and two Frenchmen were killed. An investigation is in progress but no political significance it attached to the affair.

HER CREDIT WANES.

Russia Pays Dear For Loan Raised From Her Own People.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—A preliminary contract was signed today with a number of Russian banks for the issue of $75,000,000 of the proposed internal loan of $100,000,000. The bonds bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, and are redeemable in fifty years. The issue price is 96.

NEW NIAGARA BRIDGE.

Albany, N. Y., March 23.—The Niagara Frontier Bridge company has been incorporated to construct a bridge across Niagara river, between Niagara Falls and Lewiston for electric and steam cars, vehicles and pedestrians.

SUICIDE END OF DISGRACE

Ymir Arson Case Leads to Sad Death of Wife of Accused Atkinson

Shunned by Former Friends, Unfortunate Woman While Laboring Under Mental Strain Drowns Herself

(Special to The Daily News)

Ymir, March 23.—Mrs. T. H. Atkinson of Ymir, wife of the local druggist who awaits trial on a charge of arson, committed suicide by drowning herself in the Ymir reservoir this afternoon while laboring under great mental strain. The body was recovered at 7.45 o'clock this evening.

Today at dinner with her husband and child Mrs. Atkinson was apparently in the best of spirits. Atkinson returned to his store shortly after 1 o'clock. Mrs. Atkinson at once called her eight year old girl, Gladys and took off her rings before the child, and placed them in a chamois skin bag, saying:

"Gladys in case anything happens to mamma, wear these around your neck."

When Atkinson returned at 5 o'clock for supper he could not find his wife. A number of friends who engaged in a search for her found tracks leading back from the house to the reservoir about a quarter of a mile away.

A shawl was floating on the surface, and beneath the water lay the body.

Mrs. Atkinson's health has not been good since the arson case was brought against her husband and few women of the town had anything to do with her. Being a woman of high spirits this greatly depressed her and she was laboring under a severe mental strain when she committed the act.

Atkinson when informed was crazed with grief. Being passionately fond of his wife, he went into a swoon and a doctor was called who was obliged to give him a sleeping draught.

When taken from the water the mouth of the dead woman was frothy and white, and the clothing about the breast was dishevelled, indicating poison was taken before the plunge into the water. The body was fully dressed.

CANNOT STOP GAMBLING

NEW YORKERS CAN'T PLAY IN TOWN WILL GO TO SEA.

SHIP CHARTERED TO PLAY RACES. GET RESULTS BY WIRELESS.

New York, March 23.—If the persons who have chartered the ship Mount Desert to use her as a floating gambling resort outside the state's jurisdiction, as has been reported, they will meet with no opposition from the authorities. This statement was made by captain Seeley of the Federal Steamboat inspection service. He said that the Mount Desert had fulfilled the requirements of the law in every respect and that it was no affair of his as to what purpose she was used under the circumstances.

It is said to be the intention of those who have chartered the Mount Desert to take on board persons desirous of wagering money on the horse races, run outside the three mile limit to which the courts jurisdiction extends and sell pools on races at Washington, New Orleans and other tracks. It is said that the results from the tracks will be communicated to the steamer by wireless telegraphy.

Tickets for today's cruise were put on sale at the Bowery during the forenoon. The sale was public and the ticket agent frequently announced to the crowd which stood around that no gambling would be permitted, as the boat will be run as a straight pool room. He said that all stateroom doors would be kept open, and that no games of chance of any sort would be permitted. The police captain commanding the harbor squadron said today that he could guarantee only that there would be no violation of the law inside the three mile limit.

INSURRECTION IMMINENT

JIMINEZ PARTY THREATENS TO START ANOTHER REVOLUTION

SANTO DOMINGO'S TROUBLES SEEM TO GROW APACE.

San Domingo, Republic of Santo Domingo, March 23.—It is rumored that at a meeting of the Jiminiz party it was resolved to telegraph to the followers of the former aspirant to the presidency at Monte Crito to prepare for a struggle. The situation, although at present quiet, is very critical. The government is taking precautions to meet coming events. The Belgian minister here has filed a strong protest against delay in the settlement of his government's financial claims and a demand for prompt acceptance by San Domingo in the matter. The minister will leave here tomorrow for Havana.

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Whilst the general manager of the Grand Trunk Pacific was unable to induce the provincial government to accede to his demands for an enormous grant of land to ensure early construction of the British Columbia portion of the new transcontinental railway, it appears from a report in the Victoria Colonist that Mr. Morse was not wasting his time during his long sojourn at the capital.

The Colonist announces that Mr. Morse closed a contract whereby some 17,000 acres of valuable coal lands, situate in the Telqua valley, about sixty miles from Hazelton, were transferred to a company subsidiary to the Grand Trunk Pacific.

The deal was negotiated through Forbes George Vernon, a former chief commissioner of this province, who is said to have been the chief owner of the lands in question.

It is to be hoped some steps will be taken by the legislature to ascertain how such an enormous block of admittedly valuable coal lands passed out of the control of the government and into the hands of speculators of the type of Forbes George Vernon.

It is not so long since that the provincial conservative party formulated a policy declaring for the conservation of the coal lands of the province. Here we find an enormous area of coal lands situate in a practically unoccupied portion of the province, being disposed of to a railway corporation by a notorious land speculator; lands which should have been reserved from occupation for several years to come and then only disposed of by the government under conditions that would have ensured a liberal return to the province.

EDITORIAL NOTES

It was natural of course that insurance men at the coast should note the disorganized state of the local fire brigade, and the letter published today shows how the matter is regarded. The writer says that his attention was drawn to the matter through the statements appearing in The Daily News and from private sources. He goes on to add that trouble is frequently caused by the mayor and council improperly interfering with the chief of the brigade in the exercise of his duties and many residents of this city will thoroughly agree with the writer's statement. The plea that the maladministration of the fire brigade should be kept secret by the press, for fear of raising a scare, is such a foolish one that it hardly deserves notice. The disorganization of the brigade from whatever source is too important a matter to pass over in silence, and ratepayers whose property is endangered would have a reasonable ground of complaint, if the matter was not placed clearly before them. Insurance men would in any event take good care to ascertain the facts if no statement was published, and when a series of blunders is made by civic rulers regarding the supervision of the fire brigade, as occurred recently here, it is the positive duty of the press to insist that the faults be remedied and that a different policy be adopted for the future.

So far at least, there has not been any serious criticism of the school trustees' program as embodied in the new school building by-law to be submitted to the ratepayers of this city next Tuesday. The members of the school board were elected by the people to administer the school affairs of Nelson, and in the discharge of what they deem their plain duty, they have appealed to the ratepayers for the necessary funds to erect a proper school building, one which will be a credit to the city and which will take away the reproach now existing, that of all the cities in British Columbia Nelson has easily the worst and poorest building accommodation for her school children. Up to the present time no good reason has been shown why the trustees' request should not be granted and the board is confident that the by-law will be approved by the ratepayers next Tuesday.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier in moving the second reading of the autonomy bill has adopted an amendment to the educational clause practically leaving the schools question as it now exists in the territories. Apparently this position has been accepted by the government supporters in the house, and an end of the matter has been reached. As the Winnipeg Free Press said last week: "This agitation will do harm every day that it lasts; it will embitter the relations between the provinces and between the Catholics and the Protestants, while its effects upon the development of the west cannot but be injurious. The sooner it is stopped the better for all parties. It can be stopped in only one way, by the passage of a measure which will simply continue the privileges at present enjoyed by the minorities in the territories. Any proposition to give more or less means years of political turmoil and sectarian strife with inevitable business stagnation. The legal competency of the dominion parliament to continue the existing conditions may safely be assumed; if the Dominion exceeds its powers in passing such legislation the courts can be trusted to throw it out as ultra vires. The plain duty before the dominion government is to amend the educational clause in the manner suggested, and then to put the Northwest bills through parliament with the least possible delay." The policy urged by the Free Press is the one which has been followed.

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GRAND FORKS JUBILANT

RECEIVED WORD OF SUBSIDY FOR A R.R. TO FRANKLIN CAMP.

PROVIDENCE HOTEL HAS LICENSE REVOKED—NEWS NOTES.

(Special to The Daily News)

Grand Forks, March 23—Word reached here last evening that the granting of a $5000 subsidy to the North Fork railway to Franklin Camp had passed the government railway caucus and as a result the entire town is jubilant.

The city liquor license board held an adjourned meeting yesterday and according to previous notice passed a resolution cancelling the saloon license for the Providence hotel. It is however understood that a hotel license can be granted to the hotel on application being made, the cancellation of this license being due to difference arising between the interested parties. The members of the licensing board are mayor Hammar and alderman McCallum.

Lequime and Powers, lumbermen of this place who have a sub-contract for cutting railway ties for the C. P. R. have just about completed their contract . These ties are for immediate use on the railway near Grand Forks.

Judge and Mrs. Leamy are visiting friends in Greenwood and are expected back home the end of this week.

CONFER ON VENEZUELA.

American Ambassador and Delcasse Discuss Situation.

Paris, March 23.—United States ambassador Porter today conferred with foreign minister Delcasse relative to the Franco-Venezuelan situation, and it was disclosed that the French government considers that the emergency of the situation has been entirely relieved, as the result of the indefinite postponement of the decision of the Caracas court, in the case of the French Cable company. The authorities here share in the belief concerning the hopelessness of the present regime in Venezuela and are inclined to the view that sooner or later some enlightened means may have to be adopted to ensure respect for foreign interests in Venezuela.

MAY GET EIGHT HOURS

Pennsylvania Coal Miners May Not Have to Strike.

Scranton, Pa., March 23.—It was given out officially here today by the operators that they would agree to an eight hour work day for the mine employes if an eight hour day is demanded by the union. A condition to be imposed is that all underground mine workers are to report for work at a certain hour to be agreed upon and that no employe shall be hoisted to the surface until eight hours has elapsed.

THE LAST RITES.

Public Funeral Over Bodies of Brockton Disaster Victims.

Brockton, Mass., March 23.—Public funeral services were held today over the remains of those who lost their lives on Monday in the explosion and fire which created the greatest calamity in the history of the city and one of the greatest New England ever has known. Twenty thousand of Brockton's inhabitants who worked in the great shoe factories of the city joined today in public manifestation of sorrow. Sixty factories closed their doors. General business as far as possible was suspended. Street cars did not run during the funeral services and traffic on the streets was almost entirely stopped. Everywhere flags were at half mast and buildings draped.

Three public funeral services were arranged for the afternoon, one at the city theatre and another at the congregational church and the third at St. Paul's Episcopal church.

TO COERCE TURKEY.

Germany Sends Peremptory Note to Sublime Porte.

Paris, March 23)—The Temps this afternoon, printed a despatch from Constantinople announcing that the German ambassador has presented a note to the Porte, which is said to be a veto upon Turkey placing eventual orders for arms in France with menaces of serious consequences if the note is disregarded. The Ottoman cabinet, it is added, is seriously embarrassed, and indignant at the dictatorial conditions of Germany. The French ambassador continues the negotiations for the purpose of securing a large arms order for France.

WILL PAY PANAMA.

Hay Tells Foreign Bondholders Can't Withhold Payments.

London, March 23.—The council of foreign bondholders today gave out the correspondence between United States secretary Hay and lord Avebury regarding Panama. Mr. Hay in a letter to lord Avebury dated February 10th, says the United States cannot withhold further payments to Panama until the settlement of Panama's share in Colombo's debt is shared. Mr. Hay said that the council of foreign bondholders are not citizens of the United States and cannot claim the assistance of the American government.

OHIO RIVER ON RAMPAGE

Pomeroy, Ohio, March 23.—The high water has caused a practical suspension of railroad and street car service here. The water has entered buildings along the river front and some merchants will be forced to move out. The river is rising two inches an hour.

A CHICAGO ALDERMAN OWES HIS ELECTION TO CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY

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Harold Nelson, an actor who may always be relied upon to give dramatic portrayals of merit, is returning here with his latest production, "Paul Kauvar." This is one of the strongest plays ever written dealing with the thrilling incidents of the French revolution. No one can fail to be interested in the plot or fail to sympathize with the hero or heroine, or await the denouement with feelings of anxiety. The part of Paul Kauvar, painter and patriot, well suits Mr. Nelson, and in it he has made the success of his stage career. His manager, C. P. Walker, has given him a very strong supporting company, and has also without regard to expense, equipped the new production with effective scenery and costuming. A splendid production may be expected when "Paul Kauvar" is produced here on Tuesday, March 28.

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THAT IS PRESENT POSITION OF RUSSIAN ARMY IN MANCHURIA

DANGER OF HAVING LINE OF COMMUNICATION CUT GROWS.

Gunshu Pass, March 23.—The Japanese are following the Russian rear guard, which is moving north from Santoupu at the rate of eight and a half miles a day. On both flanks, the Japanese are operating a wide turning movement, but the strength of the flanking forces have not been definitely ascertained.

A number of places along the railroad between Santoupu and Gunshu pass, there are broken hills with steep sides and gorges, at the bottom, where stubborn resistance might be made, but it is doubtful whether general Linevitch will make a stand before he reaches the Sungari river, and Chantgia. Unless he is able to hold the line of the river, the Russian's position will be so weak that they will be compelled to retire back of Harbin into Siberia.

The Russian front parellels the railroad where the danger of a severance of the whole line of communication constantly grows greater. While the army is still far from Siberia and with the Chinese Eastern railroad behind it, the danger to the Siberian railroad is only from raiding parties and Chinese bandits, and in that the comparatively few railroad guards are insufficient to protect the bridges. But once the army falls back behind the Sungari river communication with the far away base will be terribly jeopardized, not by the small number of guards, but by the army which will be required to protect the railroad. The prospect of the isolation of Vladivostock must also be met, and it is urgently necessary to supply the garrison with provisions and ammunition, not for a few months, but for two years. Two hundred thousand reinforcements from Russia are now necessary to make it possible for the Russians to meet the Japanese on anything like even terms.

CHANGE OF PROGRAM

Committee of Success Club Discuss plans For the Season

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Success club that ended early yesterday morning, several important changes were decided upon.

A. L. McKillop's lecture on "Faith and Science" was set for Wednesday evening, March 29th. On being informed later Mr. McKillop consented.

A week later Rev. J. T. Ferguson will lecture on Thomas Carlyle. It is proposed to have a debate follow this lecture.

The dramatic committee was relieved and F. Starkey, P. McL. Ferin and A. H. Coppen elected in its place, with power to add to their numbers. A proposal to give a Mayday entertainment was favorably discussed and will probably be adopted later. Many other matters were discussed, including a rearrangement of financial relations.

CRANBROOK NEWS NOTES

(Special to The Daily News)

Cranbrook, March 23—Senator and Mrs. G. G. King have left for Ottawa, after having spent a month with their sons. The senator is largely interested in lumber and will do all in his power towards the duty on lumber.

Dr. King, M.L.A. returned to Victoria on Tuesday via the Great Northern.

Property is moving very rapidly. W. E. Worden has purchased the block next the Manitoba hotel. The figure is not known, but it is understood to be one of the best deals ever made in town.

With the opening of spring the lumber business is opening up in good shape and everything points to the biggest cut in the history of the vicinity. The East Kootenay Lumber company will have all their mills running in a short time and expect to double their cut.

Winnipeg parties are installing a sawmill east of Fort Steele junction.

Baker is the name of the new postoffice east of Cranbrook. It is the headquarters of the Standard Lumber company and is named for V. Hyde Baker, the father of Cranbrook.

Cranbrook is to have a real live automobile. Paul Handley is putting it in for livery purposes.

James Parks, formerly of the West Kootenay Lumber company, is in town in connection with lumber interests.

PRICE OF INEFFICIENCY

NELSON REFUSED CO-INSURANCE BY FIRE UNDERWRITERS

SECRETARY GILBERT CITICIZES FIRE DEPARTMENT

A letter has been received by a local agent from the secretary of the Mainland Board of Fre Underwriters, in reply to a request that the co-insurance privileges be extended to Nelson. The letter shows that the writer has learned from many quarters of the unsatisfactory condition of the city's fire fighting forces.

As the letter is official, it affords an opportunity to citizens to learn in a definite way how the city suffers by continued tampering with the fire department.

Following is the text of the letter:

"Gentlemen—In reply to your favor of the 16th instant, would advise that reduction in rate has never been allowed for application of the co-insurance clause in Nelson. The only way that the companies can benefit by its use is in cities where the protection afforded by water supply and fire department justifies an expectation of partial instead of total loss. After reading the article headed 'No Firemen, House Burns,' in the issue of The Nelson Daily News under date of March 16th, we hardly think the companies are prepared to apply the co-insurance clause to Nelson.

"In addition to the paper we are also in receipt of a private report regarding this matter, but as there are usually two sides to a question we should like to hear the other side and are writing the council for their version of the peculiarities in the undoubted existing conditions. Heretofore, from the writer's knowledge after personal investigation, one great trouble has been in the mayor and council not being satisfied to have a general supervision over the fire department, but want to dictate in detail to their expert, the chief, whom they employed to carry out these details in his own way. In fact there have been times when different factions in the council have tried to run the department in various ways at the same time. As long as this condition of affairs exist there will be discord and inefficient work.

"This office will investigate the subject as far as possible by correspondence and would appreciate a line from you on the subject. In fact, we think it would not be amiss for the Nelson agents, as a whole, to investigate this matter fully, and in an unprejudiced way for the benefit of the companies they represent, submitting a report to this office that could be placed before the companies interested.

"Thanking you in anticipation for any consideration you will give this subject, we beg to remain, yours truly,

"CHAS. R. GILBERT, Secretary.

GRAIN AND STOCKS

Further Decline in Prices—Wheat Falling (As Received by Sharp & Irvine)

In the stock market yesterday nearly every stock on the board touched a lower figure than it did the day before. It now looks as though liquidation had run its course and that there would be an improvement in the market in the next few days, although dealers do not look for any big advance. At 11 o'clock some slight support seemed to be given to the market and there was a rally in all stocks. Sugar opened at 140 1-2, sold down to 13 79-8 and closed at 141. Amalgamated copper, opened at 78, dropped to 77 1-2 and advanced to 78 1-4; New York houses advise the purchase of this stock around the present figures. St. Paul opened at 179, sold down to 178 3-8 and closed at 180 1-8. U. P. opened at 128, advanced to 128 7-8, sold down to 127 and closed at 128 5-8. L. & N. opened at 140 1-8 and closed at 140 1-2. C.P.R. opened at 147 1-2, sold down to 147 and closed at 147 1-2; this stock held better yesterday than any other stock on the board, losing only $1-2 per share on the break. Atchison was also another strong feature, opening at 88 1-4, and advancing to 88 7-8 and closing at that figure. Brokers now consider that there has been a turn in the market and that stocks will advance in the next few days, but suggest short sales being put out on any good rally.

There was a wild and feverish opening in the grain market, May wheat opening from 113 7-8 to 113 1-4, the opening price being the highest point of the day. This option sold down to 111 3-4 and then rallied to 113, closing at 112 7-8. July wheat opened at 91 1-4, sold down to 90 3-8 and closed at 90 3-4. Corn was narrow and there was but little speculation in it.

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"The lake can never be kept open by a boat. The ice on it is often over a foot thick. What is needed is the completion of the railroad line.

"The Handy mine, a mile and a half from Gerrard, will have a 300 foot tunnel in by the 1st of May. The John L at Tenfoot, four miles away, has 200 feet of tunnel in already and by May 1st will begin putting in another 1000 feet. Last Thursday free gold was discovered in the tunnel."

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PREFERS SPEEDY TRIAL

"RED" M'LEOD TO BE TRIED TODAY AT KASLO FOR BURGLARY

BRIEF INTERVAL FROM PRELIMINARY TO FINAL HEARING

"Red" McLeod was committed for trial by police magistrate F. E. Archer at Kaslo Wednesday morning. Yesterday morning before his honor judge Forin in chambers his counsel elected for speedy trial. He will be tried at Kaslo before judge Forin. Within 48 hours of his appearance before the police magistrate he will be found guilty or acquitted. As a time record this surpasses anything in the legal history of the province.

"Red" McLeod was arrested in Kaslo on a charge of breaking into the house of Mrs. Flint, with intent to commit burglary. He pleaded not guilty and retained P. E. Wilson to defend him. The magistrate considered the evidence against him sufficient to warrant a committal for trial. He was brought down to Nelson Wednesday evening by chief constable Bullock-Webster.

Yesterday morning P. E. Wilson made application before judge Forin in chambers for a speedy trial, and today was set.

Judge Forin, P. E. Wilson, the accused and chief constable Bullock-Webster go to Kaslo this morning for the trial. C. W. McAnn, K.C. has been retained to conduct the case for the crown.

QUESTION ARMOUR MANAGER

Taking Testimony in Beef Trust Investigation

Chicago, March 23—R. C. Howe, general manager of the Armour packing plant at Omaha was a witness today before the federal grand jury investigating the alleged beef trust. Three hundred witnesses have been called, but not more than 50 it is said, will be asked to testify.

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Dated at Greenwood, B. C. the 20th day of March, A.D., 1905.

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NOTICE

All person concerned are hereby given notice that the folowing Summons was issued on the 24th day of February, A.D., 1905

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN CHAMBERS

IN THE MATTER of the Land Registry Act and Amendments thereto.

AND IN THE MATTER OF Registered Plan No. 735, Registered in the Land Registry Office at Nelson, B. C., being a plan of West Fernie Townsite of Provincial Lot 5455 in East Kootenay District.

Let all parties concerned attend the Judge in Chambers at the Court House in the City of Nelson, in the province of British Columbia, on Monday, the 27th day of February, A.D., 1905, on the hearing of an application on the part of the Elk Lumber and Manufacturing Company, Limited, for an Order that the above registered Plan No. 735, registered in the Land Title Office of Nelson, British Columbia, being a plan of West Fernie Townsite of Provincial Lot 5455 in East Kootenay District of British Columbia, be amended so as to close Wilson street, shown on said Plan between McLeod avenue and McDonald avenue; and also to close all that part of McDonald avenue east of a point 66 feet east of that point where the West side line of Lot 2, in Block 2, as shown upon the said Plan, intersects the Northerly Boundary of said McDonald avenue; and also to close all that part of McLeod avenue east of the point where the Easterly side line of Wilson street intersects the said McLeod avenue; and also to open up a new street to be called Mill street between McDonald avenue and McLeod avenue, of a width of 66 feet, being the most westerly 66 feet of Lot 2, in Block 2, as shown on the said Plan 735; and for an order for such other changes incidental to the above named changes as may be necessary to be made in the said Plan 735.

Dated this 24th day of February, A.D., 1905.

"GORDON HUNTER," C.J.

This summons was taken out by James O'Shea of the firm of Taylor & O'Shea, agents for Messrs. Ross & Alexander, solicitors for the Applicant.

The affidavit of S. S. Taylor sworn on the 24th day of February, A.D., 1905, and the affidavit of William R. Ross, sworn on the 23rd day of January, A.D., 1905, and filed herein with Exhibits thereto annexed; the consent dated the 23rd day of January, A.D., 1905, of Fred G. Waters and others will be read in support of the above application.

To all parties concerned.

Nelson, Feb. 25, 1904, Registry Supreme Court.

Special Leave, C.C.D., D.R.
B.C. Law Stamps 30 cents.
S.C., B.C., C.C.D., D.R., L.S.
Nelson, February 25, 1905, Registry Supreme Court.

And the following Order was made by the Honourable Mr. Justice Duff on the 27th day of February, A.D., 1905.

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AND UPON reading the affidavit of S. S. Taylor, sworn on the 24th day of February, A.D., 1905, and the affidavit of Wm. R. Ross, sworn on the 23rd day of January, A.D., 1905, and filed herewith with Exhibits thereto attached; the Consent, dated the 23rd day of January, A.D., 1905 of Fred G. Waters and others; AND UPON hearing S. S. Taylor, K.C., of counsel for the said Applicants.

IT IS ORDERED that this application stand adjourned until Tuesday, the 9th day of May, A.D., 1905, at the hour of 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon, then, or so soon as counsel can be heard, to come on for hearing before the presiding Judge in Chambers, at the Court House in the City of Nelson, British Columbia.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicants be at liberty to serve the summons herein and a copy of this Order upon all parties owning, occupying or claiming any right, title or interest in any lot or portion of lot in Blocks 1, 2, and 3 of the said Townsite of West Fernie, as mapped on the said Plan No. 735, by serving, personally, or as may be hereafter ordered, all registered owners of lots in said Blocks one (1) and two (2) with a copy of the summons and of this Order and by publishing a short notice of the said summons together with a copy of this Order for thirty (30) days in the "Fernie Free Press," a newspaper published and printed in the City of Fernie, Province of British Columbia, and in "The Daily News," a newspaper printed and published in the City of Nelson, Province of British Columbia; and such service so affected shall be good and sufficient service of the said summons and of this Order upon each and all of the said parties owning, occupying or claiming any right, title or interest in any lot or portion of a lot in the said Blocks 1, 2 and 3.

Leave to all parties to apply.

"LYMAN P. DUFF," J.

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NELSON'S NEWS OF THE DAY

Fred Ritchie of Rossland, mining and timber magnate, came in from Sandon last night and is at the Hume.

The annual meeting of the Nelson conservative union will be held in the board of trade rooms this evening at 8:30.

Miss Findley of Victoria, who has been in Nelson on a visit to Mrs. McIntyre, Mill street, returned to the coast last evening.

A mid-Lent dance will be given in about a fortnight by a committee of young men. The use of the Success club hall has been secured.

In spite of the threatening weather the Association football players turned out in force yesterday afternoon and put in a good practice.

Wherever two or three are gathered together in Nelson this week, it is safe betting that the topic of conversation is the school bylaw.

The many friends of Mrs. William Blakemore will be pleased to learn that at latest reports she was resting easily. The operation was successfully performed yesterday morning.

Mrs. H. A. Small arrived from Vancouver last night and proceeded at once to the hospital where Mr. Small is quartered. Mr. Small was better yesterday and seems on the road to recovery. Mrs. Small will stay at the Hume.

At the regular meeting of the Sons of England last evening a letter was read from Mrs. Florence Duck, thanking the order for kindness and courtesy, and acknowledging the receipt of money for sick benefit, funeral benefit and insurance.

Membership tickets for the Nelson cricket club are out. The necessary equipment has been ordered from Toronto by telegram and is expected to arrive in a few days. The first match will be between the president, judge Forin, and the vice-president, Fred Starkey. It will probably be arranged for Good Friday.

Attention was drawn in these columns yesterday to the fact that no staking can be legally done on the C. & W. reserved lands until three months after the publication of the lifting of the reserve in the B. C. Gazette, and in a newspaper circulating in the district. It was stated that staking could be commenced at once but it is understood that the land department has ruled otherwise and the lands in question will not be open for staking purposes for some time yet. The exact date will be announced later.

Charles Cameron, rancher of Falls creek, yesterday received a telegram from Toronto announcing the death in that city of his father, Charles Cameron, one of the oldest and best known residents of Collingwood, Ontario. Mr. Cameron was 70 years of age. His death was very sudden and unexpected, his son having received a letter from him only last Monday, when the writer spoke of an approaching visit to Toronto. Mr. Cameron of Falls creek, will take a trip to the east very shortly when he has arranged his affairs here.

WILL HELP LEGISLATURE

REFERENDUM OF W. F. M. TAKEN BEFORE EACH SESSION

FRANK PHILLIPS NEW PRESIDENT—MEET NEXT AT PHOENIX

The closing sessions of the annual convention of district No. 6 of the Western Federation of Miners, were held in Miners' union hall yesterday afternoon and evening. Officers were elected, the place of the next annual meeting was determined, and reports of all committees were received and acted upon. The most important development was the decision to take part in future provincial legislation to the extent of taking a vote of the members of the federation on the proposed legislation before each session of the legislature of British Columbia.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President Frank Phillips, Nelson; vice-president, W. B. McIsaac, Ymir; secretary-treasurer, A. Shilland, Sandon.

Phoenix, Moyie, Kamloops, Rossland and Nelson extended invitations for the next annual convention. On a series of ballots the invitation of Phoenix was accepted.

A grievance reported between two local unions was referred for settlement to a committee consisting of the president, secretary, a delegate from each union concerned, and a fifth member to be elected by the other four.

It was decided that as the present session of the provincial legislature is already far advanced, no action would be taken this year in respect of its work. But in future each session will be anticipated by the executive committee, which will submit to a referendum vote of the district of the Federation, all legislation which shall be deemed advisable. The result of the vote will then be brought to the attention of the government in time to permit of the drafting of bills embodying the decisions.

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NELSON—R. C. Burton, Cranbrook; A McGill, Eholt.

QUEENS—C. Cameron, Falls creek; S. B. Avery, Moyie; F. R. Newman, Eholt.

TREMONT—T. Russell, Sandon; C. E. Pierce, F. J. Peterson, Spokane; G. McLean, Ymir.

LAKEVIEW—A. Kenny, J. Lacey, Rossland; F. Follett, Cranbrook.

WAR BREAKS OUT

Chamberlain and Balfour Openly Hostile on Fiscal Question

London, March 23—Open war has been declared between Joseph Chamberlain and Mr. Balfour over the fiscal question. Despite the attitude of Mr. Balfour and the government in refusing to sanction an effort to compel lord Hugh Cecil to resign the parliamentary seat for Greenwich, Mr. Chamberlain has written a letter claiming that he has a majority of the unionists with him, and approving of the selection of a protectionist candidate to contest lord Hugh Cecil's seat at the next general election.

AN INFALLIBLE SIGN

Geese go North so Spring Has Come in Saskatchewan

Rosthern, Sask., March 23—Spring has opened. Flocks of wild geese have passed north during the last few days. Seeding has commenced in many parts of the district and will be general in a week or so. The land is in good condition. Settlers are arriving daily.

GRIER TOOK GAS ROUTE

Toronto, March 23—Georgt Grier, an insurance agent, about 60 years of age, was found dead in bed in his room, Darcy street, yesterday with the gas turned on, and all the vents of the room stuffed up. It was a case of suicide.

GOUI NCABINET FORMED

Quebec, March 23—Hon. Lomer Gouin completed his cabinet this morning and all the members were sworn in with the exception of Hon. A. Tessier, the new minister of agriculture, who is speaker of the legislature, and cannot resign that position until the house meets this afternoon .

HELD FIRST CAUCUS

Toronto, March 23—The Whitney government held its first caucus this morning and elected Dr. Preston, member for North Lanark, as chief whip and A. Mahaffy, member for Muskoka, assistant whip.

SEEDING IN MANITOBA

Birtle, March 23—Patterson Bros., large farmers, commenced seeding today. It was showery all day, a heavy rain falling last night.

LAKE AND RAIL RATES FIXED

Minneapolis, March 23.—The railroads have announced the lake and rail rates on mill products for the season. These rates will go into effect as son as navigation opens on the lakes and will enable Minnesota millers to ship their flour to the Atlantic coast four or five cents a barrel cheaper than they can at present. Mill feed will go 40 cents a ton cheaper.

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