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# THE LADYSMITH DAILY LEDGER

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## FRENCH BARON'S HOUSE LIKE FEUDAL FORTRESS

Paris, March 31.—The Matin states that Baron Raoul de Veux has leased part of a house on top of Montmartre, and has fortified the turret of the building, so that it resembles the turret of a battleship.

The Baron was one of the participators in M. Paul Deroulede's conspiracy to overthrow the republic seven years ago. A few months ago he turned his house in the Bois de boulogne into a fortress, which he undermined with vaults large enough to accommodate a small army.

At the Montmartre house the windows are protected with iron curtains, the doors are furnished with heavy iron bars and clamps, the staircase has been narrowed so that only one person at a time can climb it, and the whole place looks as if a siege were anticipated.

The Baron, who leased the place under an assumed name, has superintended the fortifications himself. These are so complete and the strategical position on the hilltop is so commanding that the bellicose Baron could defy the attacks of almost any force of police or even soldiers.

## THE ORION CAUGHT BY SPERM WHALE

Victoria, March 30.—Capt. Sproat Balcom, yesterday received the gratifying news that the Orion gad landed a 100-ton sperm whale at the station at Sechart. This is considered very good news as it is the first sperm whale that has been landed and entirely does away with the contention that there are none so far south.

It is for this class of whales that regular trips are made to the Arctic ocean, vessels remaining away for two years at a time, costing considerable to fit them out for a cruise.

A whale of this size is considered a big catch by those who make the trip to the Arctic. A sperm whale to be taken on this coast is considered by some to be nothing less than marvelous, but that it is a sperm is vouched for by Fisheries Inspector Taylor, who was at the station when the prize was landed.

Capt. Balcom is highly delighted over the catch and maintains that where one is, there are others.

Mr. Geo. Kent, of Vancouver, came over on the S.S. Joan last evening.

## CZAR LEADS THE LIFE OF A HERMIT

St. Petersburg, March 31.—An interesting light is thrown on the Czar's life at his Palace of Tsarskoe Selo in a private letter from an officer of the Imperial Bodyguard, who has been attached to the Czar's entourage for the past two years.

"Ever since 'Red Sunday,'" he writes, "the Czar's existence has been one unending series of anxieties which have told very heavily upon him. Only among his family does he apparently forget the menace of the revolution, threatening news of which reaches him with the merciless regularity of the ticking of a clock. These are, indeed, his only moments of happiness and relaxation from the worries and cares of State, with perhaps the rare exception of a walk or a ride in the park, which, however, has become a very rare occurrence of late.

CONSULTS HIS CABINET

"His Majesty invariably spends almost the entire day and night in his private cabinet, either on consultation with his councillors, whom he often summons to his presence at any hour of the night in order to ask their advice, or in work of projected measures of reform. He writes often for hours at a stretch.

"At other times the sentries placed at his door hear him pacing restlessly up and down the room till the early hours of the morning, waiting anxiously for reports from his representatives in the provinces. At intervals he will despatch a message and then suddenly throwing open the windows gaze out upon the quietness of the night through which his millions of subjects slumber while their unfortunate ruler is still at work.

ABHORS SOCIETY.

"His Majesty," the letter continues, "was never a lover of social functions, but now he appears to abhor society more than ever.

"The Czar himself seems to be the only person at Court who actually realizes the dangers of the present situation, and it is to this fact that the misunderstandings between His Majesty and the Grand Dukes owe their cause. The Czar alone recognizes that a genuine revolution is agitating Russia, and the more closely he notes the symptoms and compares them with those of the French revolution, the more his anxiety appears to increase, and the more often are his noble eyes dimmed with the mists of sorrow."

## ADAMS FOUND 4 BOTTLES "HELL FIRE"

Pocatello, March 29.—Four of the five bottles of Steve Adams' "hell fire" were found this evening, also it was proved that last spring a man working in the old mill found the tin box. He opened one of the bottles and got badly burned. After that he buried the box in a pile of cinders outside. He pointed out the spot in the old mill where they were discovered. It was the exact spot where Adams began digging when taken there to recover the bottles.

Adams left Pocatello this afternoon to return to the penitentiary. The place where he registered here, September 24, 1904, was found.

In his confession to the detectives, Adams said that he had buried a can which had been given to him in Denver by officers of the Western Federation of Miners and which he had been instructed to use against the non-union miners supposed to be enroute between Coeur d'Alenes to Denver.

Gov. Gooding left here last night for his ranch at Gooding. Detectives McPharland and Thiele, Warden Whitney and Guard Robbins left here for Boise yesterday with Adams.

## EXHIBITION DONATIONS

New Westminster, March 31.—His worship the mayor has received a letter from His Grace the Duke of Norfolk, enclosing a cheque for two pounds as a donation toward the New Westminster exhibition. The other donations already to hand include a cheque from the C.P.R. for $200 and another from Mr. James Dunsmuir for $50.

The secretary of the board of directors of the Royal Columbian Hospital, Mayor Keary, has already started canvassing to secure $25,000 for a new hospital building. He has already been successful in landing a donation of $500. The money has been promised and the name of the donor will be given later.

## COWARDLY ASSAULT

Midway, B.C., March 31.—E.H. Eldridge, a druggist of Midway, was shot three times last evening about 10 o'clock, just after he had left his store. His assailant is unknown. The shots were supposed to be for E. C. Mowe, manager of the Eastern Townships Bank at Midway, who some four months ago prevented his bank from being held up, and wounded one of the burglars. It is thought that feelings of revenge actuated the cowardly assault. Mr. Eldridge is reported this afternoon to be in a critical condition. Great excitement prevails in Midway over this brutal assault.

Mrs. Fred Bland returned on the noon train from Victoria, where she has been visiting friends for the past week.

## PARSON WAS TOO GAY

St. John, N.B., March 30.—Rev. W A Taylor, Baptist clergyman, charged with conduct unbecoming a minister, was expelled from membership of the Coburg Street Church last night. Mr. Taylor came to St. John about three months ago armed with apparently good credentials from Baptist Churches in United States, and was engaged to supply a vacant pulpit in Leinster Street Baptist Church. As a preacher, he gave satisfaction, but shortly after arrival here, rumors began to accumulate regarding his antecedents and worldly conduct. Among other things, he was accused of drinking and telling improper stories at club dinners.

April 26th, the anniversary of the birth of Oddfellowship on the continent, is to be fittingly observed by the members of the order in Ladysmith.

## MAN TURNED TO STONE FOR FIFTY YEARS

Geneva, March 31.—There has just died at the hospital of Ueberlingen, on the borders of Lake Constance, in Switzerland, a stone man. His name was Brend. He was afflicted with the very rare disease known as "myositis ossificans."

The extraordinary feature of this disease is that ossification gradually sets in in all the muscles and tissues of the body, the disease invariably ending in death.

Brend was 66 years of age. He was the son of a well-to-do farmer of Baden-Baden. He was first afflicted with the disease at the age of 17. His feet first became hard and almost as heavy as stone. Gradually the dread disease rose and ultimately reached his chest, hardening the lungs. Up to a few years ago Brend was able to read and write, but he had to give up this occupation when his arms and legs became afflicted, and he was no longer able ta move them. The tissues of his throat were petrified, but he has been able to speak, though his voice assumed a curious metallic sound.

Although obliged to remain riveted ed the best of humor and was fond ed the best of humorand was fond of making jokes. He was known throughout the district as the petrified man.

The petrification ended by reaching the brain, and Brend has just died, after nearly fifty years of suffering.

A RELIGIOUS BOYCOTT.

A Pitiable Narrative Concerning a Church of England Vicar.

The strange and unhappy state of affairs which exists at Stoke Lyne, in Oxfordshire, has been brought to light through the tragedy which occurred just over a week ago at the local vicarage. The vicar's daughter, a clever girl of 11 it will be remembered, committed suicide by taking poison, and at the inquest her father, the Rev. William Bryant, declared that the boycotting to which he had been subjected by his parishioners had preyed upon the child's mind and caused her to take her life. The coroner refused to accept Mr. Bryant's statement as evidence, and in consequence, the vicar, as stated in a letter sent to the Daily Graphic a few days ago, has communicated with the home office with a view to a further inquiry.

The position at Stoke Lyne appear to be far worse than may be imagined from the inquest reports. Mr. Bryant was appointed vicar of the parish in 1892, and in 1897 differences seem to have arisen between him and some of his leading people. The strained relations grew worse, until about two years ago, Mr. Bryant found himself with one supporter—his little daughter. Sunday after Sunday has passed, festival has succeded fast, and Mr. Bryant has gone on conducting his services in a church empty but for his little girl and an occasional stranger. He is without choir and organist, has to act as his own bell-ringer, and can find no one even to clean the building. In March, 1904, the use of the school room was refused to the vicar by a meeting of the managers. On Sunday the vicar conducted the service as usual, but there was no one present to join him, the sad incident at the vicarage having deprived him of his only follower.—London Daily Graphic.

News was brought down by the Cassiar to Vancouver on Thursday of the wholesale destruction of herring roe by Siwashes at many points on the coast. The matter has assumed such large proportions that several of the passengers expressed the opinion that it was high time for the authorities to interefere. The plan adopted by the Indians is simple enough. They put up a net work of small fir boughs as far out as they can at low water. When the tide is high the herring come in behind this, and think it is a safe place to deposit their roe. The fish eggs cling to the fir branches and the Siwashes go out again when the tide is low and bring in a few million herring eggs, which they look upon as a delicacy.

It is expected that the annual report of the minister of mines for the year ending December 31, 1905 will be issued many weeks earlier than usually has been the case. The copy for the report is in the hands of the King's printer and work is progressing in printing the same. The department of mines has had such a call for the pamphlet on Windy Arm that it has been exhausted. This preliminary report will be embodied, with illustrations in the annual report.

## MILITIA MAY BE CALLED OUT

Winnipeg, Man., March 30.—A strike was inaugurated on the street railway this morning. The company tried to operate eight old cars on Main street with non-union men, but this afternoon all the cars were put out of commission by mobs and several of them were badly wrecked. The rioting started just before nine o'clock, when a loaded soap drag broke down on the street car track on main street, in front of the city hall. It took two dozen police constables to hold the crowd in check. Hooting and yelling was indulged in freely and mud throwing was the order of the day. Several windows in two cars were broken. If the strike lasts the international union will supply 150 automobiles for the use of the strikers, who will charge five cents, the same rate as on the street cars.

Five hundred special police are being sworn in, and if necessary the militia will be called out in order to protect the street railway company's cars, when they again attempt to operate.

It is understood that the company is willing to yield to several minor points to the union, but on the question of an increased wage and recognition of the union, it will likely fight the men to a finish. These are really the great and only issues with the men.

It is stated on the best authority, that the directorate of the company has received instructions from William Mackenzie, president of the company, not to concede the demands of the men regarding the wage advance and recognition of the union under any circumstances.

One of the grievances on the part of the motormen not hitherto published is the neglect on the part of the company to provide sand boxes on the cars. It is claimed, with apparent reason, that many accidents could be prevented, if the company would provide these appliances, which the men have been asking for since two years ago.

## SEIZED OPIUM ON C.P.R. TRAIN

Seattle, March 31.—Fifty pounds of opium was seized last night on the arrival of the Canadian Pacific train from Vancouver. This is the first attempt at smuggling that has been discovered for three months and shows that the extreme methods used to break up established gangs, which have been adopted by Chief Inspector Frank Loftus, are successful.

The opium which was seized was found underneath the seats of the day car. Evidently those who were bringing in the contraband were frightened and hurriedly left it, intending to secure the stuff when the train was pushed into the sidings to be made up for the next trip.

## PRINCE ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT AT COWICHAN

Provincial Constable Cassidy, who returned from Duncans at noon today, where he had been in company with five other Provincial Police, acting as guards for H.R.H. Prince Arthur, states that every minute spent on the lake by the Royal party, rain fell, and while the fish were plentiful, the bad weather rather spoiled what would otherwise have been excellent sport.

Prince Arthur, however, landed 9 fair-sized trout, and expressed himself as highly pleased with his luck, it being, he said, the largest catch he had ever made.

The journey back from the lake to Duncans, was made on the stage by the Prince, the weather being considered too inclement for a trip on the river, and His Highness preferring the stage to an automobile.

The other members of the Royal fishing party were also lucky on the water, and some very handsome baskets were brought back.

The party left by special train last evening for Victoria, where they embarked on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver, passing Plumper's Pass at eight o'clock this morning.

## NANAIMO

G. G. Garrette of the Pringle Stock Company returned yesterday from Cumberland where he has been arranging for a week's stay of the Company.

CHALLENGE.

We, the Bowery football team, hereby challenge the Nanaimo intermediates to a game of association football on Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. rain or shine on the Caledonian grounds.

The following is the score made by the boys in the fourth series of shoot for trophies:

| | Hdcp. | T't |
|---|---|---|
| D. Sutherland | 5 | 29 |
| C. Caldwell | 0 | 29 |
| M. Watson | 3 | 25 |
| G. Adam | 3 | 24 |
| T. Grant | 1 | 23 |
| B. Shaw | 1 | 22 |
| A. Dean | 3 | 22 |
| C. Hodgson | 6 | 22 |
| C. Handlen | 4 | 22 |
| J. Neave | 3 | 22 |
| C. Wilcox | 5 | 20 |
| A. Waddington | 0 | 20 |
| A. Keen | 6 | 17 |
| C. Sutherland | 2 | 17 |

The baseball game between the clerks and the blacksmiths and machinists combined, employed by the Western Fuel Company will take place tomorrow morning on the Caledonian grounds at 10:30 sharp.

The following is the line up of the machinists and blacksmiths.....

Pitcher—G. Fisher.
Catcher—H. Boyce.
1st Base—R. Ramsay.
2nd Base—W. Steele.
3rdBase—E. Escott.
Short stop—R. Benton.
Left field—D. Reid.
Right field—W. Adam.
Centre Field—J. Rixon.
Spare men—J. Booth, B. Westwood and J. McGregor.

## SEIZURE OF EMERSON'S LOGS

Five and three quarter million feet of cedar logs, belonging to Mr. J. S. Emerson of this city have been seized by the Provincial government says Thursday's Province. The wholesale gathering in of logs the like of which never occurred in British Columbia before, was the result of the cruise of the tug Chehalis, which sailed north from this port on Friday afternoon last with Timber Officer Murray, Provincial Constable Munro and a number of deputies on board.

Mr. Emerson was officially notified today that his logs to the amount mentioned has been seized. This afternoon Mr. Emerson made a formal demand on the government for the release of the logs, and, needless to say, met with refusal. Mr. Emerson declares that tomorrow the fun will commence, for he intends to start immediate action in the courts to recover the logs which he states have been illegally seized. A writ is promised tomorrow. The seizures were made because of the intention of Mr. Emerson to export the logs. He does not deny that intention.

The tug Chehalis reached port from the North at 6:30 o'clock last night with the news of the seizures, Timber Officer Murray and Constable Munro came back on the tug, but the deputies are scattered along the coast from Secret Cove to Drury inlet, in charge of the booms, which have been seized.

Leaving here last Friday afternoon, the Chehalis made a quick run to Secret Cove, where she found the tug Scalion, stormbound, with a boom of a million and a quarter feet which was intended for export. A man was dropped off the Chehalis and placed in charge of the boom.

The tug then raced for the Ragged Islands, where she found a quarter of a million feet more of Emerson's logs. These were also impounded. Port Harvey was the next port to call, and half a million feet of logs were gathered in there.

At Port Harvey word was received that the tug Le Roi of Vancouver was on her way south with a boom containing 750,000 feet of Emerson's logs destined for export. It was then a case of turn around and run south again, for the Le Roi had passed the Chehalis, unseen. All day Sunday the chase was kept up and finally the Le Roi and the quarry were overtaken at Port Neville. Seizure was promptly affected, and a man placed on the Le Roi with orders to take the boom to Ragged Island and store it there in company with the one already seized at that point.

From Port Neville the Chehalis started North again to round up anybooms which might be lying at Broughton Island or in Drury inlet. The party found 3,000,000 feet of logs in standing booms at Broughton Island and Drury Inlet, and attached the whole lot. All the seized logs were cedar, and it is asserted that 90 per cent of the material was of such a quality that it could not be sold in this market for the cost of taking it out of the woods. But it would bring a good price in Puget Sound. The Government party fell in with a large amount of fir intended for the sawmills at Nanaimo, but none of these were interfered with.

Owing to the uncertainty of the government men securing food and shelter in the North all the deputies left in charge of the booms were furnished with tents and plenty of food. The Government's action in connection with the timber seizure did not tend to popularize the officials with the men in charge of the stores and supplies at the Emerson camps and it is hardly likely any food or shelter could have been purchased at those places hence the precaution to provide for the comfort of the deputies by independent means.

## 11 OPERATORS WORKING IN 'PHONE OFFICE

SanFrancisco, March 29—A new factor is to be projected into the telephone strike at Vancouver by the confederated union labor of this city. Eleven operators now working in the Vancouver office of the B. C. Telephone Company are known to be present and past employees of a Seattle Telephone Company which is seeking a franchise here. The company is to be notified that unless the girls are withdrawn from Vancouver, union labor will oppose its application.

Union headquarters here are fully posted on the progress of the strike and it is known that 22 outside operators have been brought in as follows Seattle 11, Everett 3, Victoria 5, Nanaimo 3.

## LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE

New Westminster, Mar. 31.—At the annual meeting of the Lord's Day alliance, held last evening, the Rev. R. Lennie was elected president and Mr. A. P. Halliday secretary treasurer, the pastors of the various city churches being elected vice-presidents as is customary. Mr. Lennie's report of the work of the past year and on the financial standing of the local branch was regarded as very satisfactory and its adoption was moved by the Rev. Mr. Barraclough, seconded by Rev. J. Henderson. Several most interesting addresses were delivered including one on "The Relations of the Weekly Rest Day to Civic Righteousness" by Rev. M. L. Russ, D.D. Mr. J. MacKenzie occupied the chair at the meeting and the attendance was good.

## INDIANS RISKED LIVES TO RESCUE JAPS

A dozen Indians, trained canoemen had their courage tested and risked their lives a week ago at Port Essington, in the saving of a lone Japanese fisherman.

The latter had been upriver, and his boat, a flat-bottomed skiff, had turned over. The Japanese was being carried out to sea by tide and wind at a rate of ten miles an hour. The people on shore could see the man swinging his arms about as he tried to keep warmth in his body, while standing on the up-turned bottom of the boat.

The sea was heavy and it was taking a big chance, but a crew of six Indians in a canoe started out on the work of rescue. Further down another band of Indians saw the attempt made by their plucky fellows, but did not believe the first party could make the rescue. So a second canoe with six men aboard started out. The first party however, reached the Japanese first and managed to lift him off the boat. The latter was abandoned to its fate. The Indians, after a great deal of trouble, succeeded in reaching shore safe and sound, but it was a close shave for the first boat. The Japanese would undoubtedly soon have perished with hunger had he not been rescued.

## LADYSMITH ANGLERS FISH AT COWICHAN

The following wire was received from Cowichan by a resident of this city last evening:

Pat—Sport good; if you will come tomorrow, I will postpone my departure for the mainland.

"A."

There being no work in the mine today, five or six anglers of this city left on the morning train for "down the line." They all had large baskets, but exactly why they took them is a mystery. The suggestion that they were to be used to bring back the fish in was rejected by the crowd of bystanders at the station. The only suggestion that seemed at all possible was that the followers of Isaac Walton, carried in those baskets their lunches.

Among the fishermen who left on the nine o'clock train this morning, were, Messrs. Fletcher, Carroll, T. Dodd, T. Powell and T. McMillan.

Just before going to press, The Ledger received a wire from Cowichan to the effect that while shooting the rapids in the Indian canoe, the Siwash who was manipulating the little craft, capsized the same, and the occupants were precipitated into the water.

Friends of one of the occupants, (the white one) of the canoe happened to be on the banks of the river near by, and hauled the two ashore, and were rewarded by witnessing a fistic encounter, the participants being the two ex-boatmen. The man, who the correspondent learns, was called by his friends "Pattie," or something like it, was the winner.

Pattie's friends says this cold bath is the result of trying to be in the fashion by canoeing a rapid river.

*Note—The above is not altogether credited at this office. Sometimes fishermen are given to exaggerating. Also, when out together, their memories are not good, and they may be under the impression that today and not tomorrow is April 1st.

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## Thirteen French Miners Are Entombed---Endure Unspeakable Hardships

Lenz, France, March 30—The disaster at the Courrieres coal mines had a startling sequel today wine thirteen miners were taken out alive after having endured unspeakable horrors during twenty days of their entombment. The story as far as has been told discloses that they lived many days on horse meat in a stench from scores of the corpses of their dead fellow workmen. The presence of human flesh would speedily have fired the starving men to resort to the last desperate extremity if their rescue had not occurred. The survivors are sturdy young miners from seventeen to twenty-five years of age, except their leader, Henri Nemi, who is thirty eight years old. Although by reason of the terrible effects of their experience being emaciated, their rescue caused nervous lucidity during which they greeted their relatives and graphically detailed their sufferings. The doctors then enforce quiet upon them, fearing the results of fever and poisoning from their having eaten decayed horse flesh. There were touching scenes as wives and mothers greeted those whom they had long given up as lost. Crowds besieged the hospitals. The rescue of these thirteen men roused the hope in many families that others are alive and the relatives of those whose bodies have not been recovered demanded that efforts be redoubled to bring out any possible survivors.

There is a report that in addition to the thirteen men who were brought out of the mine today, there were five others who came with them almost to the bottom of the pit, but were unable to come further on account of their exhaustion.

The total number of men missing after the catastrophe was 1,252. The bodies recovered approximately numbered 500 and those unaccounted for approximately 700.

The engineers explain that smouldering timbers prevented them from exploring remote passages of the mine, where it is thought there could be survivors. The mine owners also assert that the strike of miners reduced the number of rescuers available.

Many engineers and scientists agree that all in the mine must have died long ago. Engineer Laur, however, dissents, asserting that the salvage work has been deplorably inefficient and he believes that scores died of exhaustion on account of the poor work of the salvage companies.

The rescued men are being kept in semidarkness. Doctor Lutiers, who is in charge of the patients says that eating decomposed horse produces ptomaine poisoning from which the men are suffering.

Lenz, France, March 19.—Fourteen of the 12900 miners who were entombed in the coal mines at Courrieres 20 days ago were taken from the mine alive and well today. They had lived on hay found in one of the underground stables and morsels of food which they took into the mine with them nearly three weeks ago. All attempts to rescue the entombed men had been abandoned more than two weeks or weeks ago.

The sudden appearance of the imprisoned men caused stupefacation. A gang of salvors had just completed their night's work, when they were startled to see a group of miners terribly haggard and exhausted appear from a remote part of pit number two. The strongest of the party stated that they had broken out of a distant gallery where they had been entombed since the disaster. When the rescued men had been taken to the surface they were unable to see owing to the dazzling daylight. The men were able to talk sensibly enough, feebly. They all asked for news of relatives or friends and wished to go to their homes immediately but were taken to the hospital instead. Large crowds visited the mines later in the hope of hearing further news. It is said that others of the entombed miners are alive and about to be brought out, but nothing further is heard. One of the men rescued today, a man named Nemi said that for the last eight days the party ate bark of the timbering of the mine. Later they found the decomposed body of a horse which they cut up and ate with hay. The survivors broke up portions of the decomposed horsemeat. Nenie, who was the first of the miners who escaped, graphically described their imprisonment as follows: "After the explosion I stumbled over many bodies while seeking refuge from gas. For eight days we had provisions, then they gave out.

"We continued to grope among the bodies seeking an outlet from our prison but were forced back time after time. We found some hay which we ate and two days after we found a dead horse which we cut up and ate with hay and bark We suffered most from want of water. Finally we became desperate and separated into three parties and communicated with each other by shots.

"Last night we felt a draft of fresh air which finally guided us to an opening."

The doctors have forbidden the survivors to do any further talking. Nemie's father arrived at the hospital soon after the rescue became known and a touching scene followed. Crowds of people surrounded the hospital where the escaped men are being treated.


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atty D. H. DAVIS.

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# PERRY'S RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED BY U. M. W.

## Miners Will Be Allowed to Sign Scale Wherever it is Offered--This Means That Many Men Will Continue Work

Indianapolis, March 30—The National convention of the United mine Workers this afternoon at 3 p. m adopted a resolution offered by President Perry, of the Illinois miners, permitting the miners to sign the 1903 wage scale wherever it is offered by the operators.

Indianapolis, March 30—A meeting of the presidents and secretaries of the miners of the anthracite districts was held this afternoon at the national headquarters of the United Mine Workers with President Mitchell presiding. The following telegram was sent to Philadelphia to President Baer of the anthracite operators. "Telegram received, committee appointed Shamokin convention December 14, representing mine workers in anthracite region, wired you last night proposing meeting of joint committee appointed on Feb. 15 and pending adjustment of differences have instructed that, inasmuch as that after April 1 there will be no contract or agreement between anthracite miners and operators, men necessary to run pumps and preserve properties to continue work We are now awaiting response to our suggestion for joint meeting on Tuesday.

(Signed) JOHN MITCHELL, Chairman."

Indianapolis, March 30—The national convention of the United Mine Workers of America adjourned sine die at 5. p.m.

New York, March 30—The anthracite operators decided today to meet the miners' committee in this city at ten a.m. on Tuesday, as suggested by John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers for a further conference on the wage scale in the anthracite coal fields. It had been reported today that the operators would refuse, because the miners were ordered to strike, but late today a telegram from George F. Baer, chairman of the operators' committee to President Mitchell accepting another conference was made public in New York.

Mr. Baer's message follows:

"Philadelphia, March 30.

"John Mitchell, Indianapolis.

"Although your order to quit work pending negotiations is most extraordinary, the delay in meeting having been yours, and not ours, nevertheless we will meet your committee as requested.

(Signed) Geo. F. Baer."

The message was in reply to the following message which Mr. Baer received from Mr. Mitchell earlier in the day:

"Indianapolis, March, 30,

"G. F. Baer, Philadelphia,

"If agreeable to you, a meeting of joint sub committee will be held in New York at ten o'clock Tuesday, April 3rd., for the purpose of considering the wage scale in the anthracite fields.

(Signed) John Mitchell."

After receiving this message Mr. Baer inquired of Mitchell whether the miners would quit work on Monday, and after he received word from Mr. Mitchell that it was true he agreed to meet the miners' committee on Tuesday.

Indianapolis, March 30—In closing, Mr. Mitchell said: "Let me make this declaration so plain that there can be no misunderstanding, just so soon as I fail to have the confidence and sincere respect of the miners, not only a to my personal integrity, but also as to my judgement as to what is best for them, then I ask you men to relieve me of my responsibility.

"Gentlemen, I think this resolution is the best we can adopt."

Following a recess, the convention resumed discussion of the resolution offered by H. C. Perry, President of the Illinois miners, allowing miners to sign the 1903 schedule whereever it is offered by the operators.

President Mitchell read a copy of the action taken by the anthracite committee, and its telegram to President Baer. He also read the telegram he had sent to President Roosevelt, maintaining that fifty per cent of the tonnage in the central district was willing to pay the 1903 scale.

Speaking of the Perry resolution, he again appealed to the miners that it be adopted. He said he would have made some changes if he had been writing it, but he was certain the best interests of the miners organization demanded its passage.

President Mitchell said all the delegates who were instructed must vote their instructions. He said he thought he had a right to assume authority under great emergency, and added: "And if I am going to continue in this movement, and then I say that under public and under great emergencies I shall continue, even without your consent, to do what I believe to be the best for you and best for my country."

There were cries of "question," from all over the house. On motion nearly the whole convention moved to close the debate and the Perry motion was adopted by a large majority, not more than one hundred delegates voting against it.

Indianapolis, March 30—Vice-president Lewis referred to the appeal made to President Roosevelt by some of the operators for an arbitration commission. It was customary, he said, that both parties agree before an arbitration committee was named, and certain lines of investigation always were specially set forth. This had not been done by those who proposed such an investigation.

Referring to the fact that one or two operators in Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, and Indiana had agreed to sign the scale and were asking that their miners be allowed by the general organization to go to work, Mr. Lewis said the history of the anion was filled with strike failures due to allowing men to work in some of the fields while others were on strike. He said he believed the miners were working not for Ohio, Illinois, Indiana or Western Pennsylvania, but for every mining district in the United States, including the anthracite regions.


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Calcutta, March 30.—During a discussion of the budget of the enormous expenditure demanded by Lord Kitchener, commander-in-chief of the British forces in India, which many speakers declared to be unnecessary, "now that the strength of Russia is broken," the Earl of Minto, Viceroy said he hoped India would never be deceived into false security. He added:

"I cannot agree that Russia's reverses have minimized the dangers on the frontiers for all time. I am afraid that we shall be much more impelled to consider the effect those reverses will have on the pride of the high-spirited race. In fact Russia will feel compelled to recover her lost prestige, and the price now paid for our army is a premium for the insurance of India.

## C. & N. RY. WILL RUN TO VANCOUVER

Vancouver, March 30—That the Canadian Northern Railway will not build west of Edmonton, and that this railway will find its Pacific coast outlet in Vancouver by means of Hill extensions through British Columbia and across the Rockies into Edmonton is indicated by recent events in railway circles on this coast.

Many things now point to the ultimate connection of the V., W. &Y. Railway Company that is quietly making preparations to build north from this city toward Fort George. A connection with Edmonton would place the Canadian Northern in a position to reach Vancouver and Seattle over the Hill system without the necessity of building the line through to the coast.

### SLAIN BY HER BABY BOY.

Sandpoint, Idaho, March 29.—Mrs. Myrtle Nelson, aged 35 years, wife of Charles Nelson, was accidentally killed this morning at 11 o'clock by her 4 year old son, Keith.

The boy picked up a 22 calibre hammerless rifle that a brother had laid down, and pointing it at his mother, pulled the trigger. The ball penetrated the right temple, entering the brain.

The fatality has cast a gloom over the community, as the late Mrs. Nelson was highly esteemed. The entire family is prostrated with grief.

The body will be taken to Wapaka, Wis., tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Nelson and the children will accompany the remains. Undertaker Hunt, acting as coroner, has decided that an inquest is not necessary.

### LOVE AND LAUNDERING.

The Korean mother, anxious to secure her daughter's successful marriage, makes certain that the young woman becomes a good laundress for ability in this direction counts for more than beauty with the Korean swain. He does not even demand that his wife should be more than a fairly good cook, but she must be able to keep fresh and spotless the linen garments which everyone, from prince to peasant wears.

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### PRISONERS ESCAPE.

Seattle, March 29.—F. Foval, W. Livingstone, R. Tracey and James Dunn, city jail prisoners, escaped this morning by prizing down the iron bars in their cells and climbing to the roof through the skylight. Dunn is an ex-convict and a dangerous criminal. This is the third escape of the kind made in the last year.

### ESQUIMAUST DEFENCES.

Lieut.-Colonel R. W. Rutherford, arrived in Vancouver on the train from the east on Thursday, having come from Ottawa in connection with the taking over of the Esquimault defences. Mr. Rutherford, who went over to Victoria, on the Princess Victoria, stated he would make a detailed examination of them and report to the minister of militia at Ottawa. He was unable to state just when the defences will be taken over or when they will be manned.


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Mr. Russell Simpson returned from Nanaimo on the morning train.

Mis Dolleson, of Nanaimo, came down on the morning train.

The Spinsters! The Spinsters! The Spinsters! Where? In the Opera House tonight.

Mrs. F. J. Stephenson, of Victoria was visiting Mrs. Wm. Hunter, her sister, yesterday, and returned home on the morning train.

Mr. F. W. Greaves went up to Nanaimo on the noon train.

Nearly two hours thorough enjoyment and pure fun at the Spinsters' Convention tonight in the Opera House. Don't miss it.

Mrs. A. J. McMurtrie went up to Nanaimo at noon.

Provincial Constable Cassidy who has been on duty at Duncans during Prince Arthur's visit, returned at noon.

Mr. Geo. Fletcher, of Nanaimo was in the city this morning.

Mr. Booth, C.P.R. telegraph operator, of Nanaimo, and who has been doing special work at Duncans, passed through on the North bound train today.

The members of the Ladysmith Intermediate football team, accompanied by their nicknames and a number of friends and yards upon yards of variegated colored ribbons, left on the morning train for Victoria, at which place they play the Centrals this afternoon.

Mr. Geo. Gillespie, of Messrs. Walters & Akenhead's, journeyed down to Victoria with the footballers this morning. Mr. M. Cole was also among those who will raise a cheer for the local boys in their struggle at the capital city.

OPERA HOUSE TO-NIGHT.

The Spinsters' Convention, which takes place tonight in the Opera House, promises to be very good, and it is hoped that a large audience will greet the ladies from Nanaimo. On March 6th, they appeared in Nanaimo, and the Herald, of March 7, says:

"That the Spinsters' Convention, which took place last night in the Opera House, was an unqualified success, was amply shown by the large house which greeted the curtain's rise and the frequent rounds of applause which were accorded the various members of the cast for the able manner in which they acquitted themselves in their various roles.

"As will be judged by the title of the piece, the entertainment last evening was provided by a number of young ladies of the city, enacting what was most likely to take place at a gathering of Spinsters, at which each and every one, were, as it were, dying for a man's love and at which ways and means are discussed of securing life partners for each and every member of the society.

The ladies last night, who were members of the Young Ladies' Single Blessedness Debating Society opened the evening's entertainment by a march across the front of the stage two by two, en route to the Convention Hall. Bursts of laughter and applause greeted each pair as they made their appearance from behind the scenes, dressed in old-fashioned costumes of olden days.

"After the delegates were all comfortably seated, the convention was called to order, and the roll called, to which each one present answered by a catchy rhyme or terse remark.

"After speeches had been made by the various delegates, re the question of Woman's rights, and the claims to an equal position with man, the entertainment closed with each member of the society striving to recover lost youth and beauty through the aid of the professor's most wonderful invention.

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# SPORT

ASSOCIATION.

The following letter by F. Harvey, referee of the Ladysmith—Victoria United match, played last Saturday and relating to that game, appeared in the Victoria Times. It will be of interest to local sports:

To the Sporting Editor:—My attention has been drawn to your notice of the football match between Victoria United and Ladysmith, played on the Oak Bay grounds last Saturday which I had the honor of refereeing. I beg that in justice to me you will see fit to publish the following facts:

The second goal was secured from a penalty given by me because of Thompson handling the ball within the penalty area.

The third goal was to my certain knowledge two feet through the uprights when cleared.

The fourth goal was not off-side, Sanderson having three men behind him when ball was last played.

Having answered seratim the claims of the Victoria United players, I would further draw your attention to the baiting to which I was subjected both by the supporters and players of the Victoria United club. During the progress of the game I was the butt for rude remarks and loudly shouted invendoes. This culminated in one of the players, Thomson, using obscene language to me, unfit for publication, for which I ordered him off the field. He subsequently paraded the ground, informing the general public that he had told Harvey what he thought of him. Thomson's very discreditable action as above related was furthered by another player, Schwengers, who informed me "I was a dirty bartender" both giving me at the same time the unsolicited information that I need not, owing to my refereeing, ever look to them for a job. Perhaps I may, in conclusion be permitted to add that should I ever be in the unfortunate position of requiring a job it certainly would not occur to me, even as a last resource, to apply to such "sports" for one. Sir, in conclusion, I think that it is only right and just to the Garrison team, who are shortly leaving these shores, that they have justly earned the premier position as champions of Vancouver island, a title which appears to be greatly coveted by the Victoria United, and earned by no unfair refereeing, as I am sorry to say Victoria United would have the people to believe. It is with little wonder that the Garrison should see in print again the weakness of their old rivals, quibbling over the decisions of the referee, now that they have met their Waterloo at the hands of a superior team.

F. HARVEY.

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