

EX-COUNCILMAN
IS FOUND DEAD.

Sudden End to the Life of George D. Dean in City Creek Canyon.

WAS EMPLOYED AS TANKMAN.

Spoon and Glass With Mysterious Sediment Discovered in Room May Prove a Clue.

Def. However, Is That Death Was Due to Natural Causes and That It Came in Sleep.

Death came with startling suddenness last night to ex-Councilman Geo. D. Dean of the Second municipal ward. This morning his lifeless body was found at the brick tank in City Creek canyon where he was employed as tankman.

The cause of death is not known, though it is believed that it was due to natural causes and occurred while Dean was sleeping, though a spoon and glass with a mysterious sediment were found in the room. It was a muddy white in color and is being held pending an investigation by the coroner.

BODY BROUGHT DOWN.

The body was brought down the canyon today in the patrol wagon and taken to the home of the deceased, 877 West Second South. An official inquiry into the cause of death has been instituted and arrangements are being made to hold the funeral some time tomorrow. Interment is to be at Mt. Olivet at an hour yet to be decided upon.

FINDING OF BODY.

Capt. C. R. Berry who found the body and to the "News": "Mr. Dean has for some time been employed as night tankman at the brick tank. Last night he came up the canyon early and reported for work at 8 o'clock. The man on duty before that hour was F. C. Peterson. Mr. Peterson tells me that Dean came along singing and happy and was apparently in the best of health. I went to work this morning I noticed something quite unusual. The lanterns were burning in the house. I went to the door and called out laughing that he had better get up and get some sleep so long as the city would soon be without water. I got no reply and thought it was still strange. Then I went to the door and saw a man lying on the floor. I went to him and found he was dead. I covered his body with a blanket and called the police, coroner, undertaker and family.

SPOON AND GLASS.

"I think," continued Captain Berry, "that he died a natural death, but there was one thing I don't understand, and that is the presence in the room of a spoon and glass. The spoon was dark, muddy sediment in them. I am holding them for the coroner. They may contain the remains of a dose of medicine and they may contain something else. Of course it may be poison, but I don't know. An analysis will determine that. I have never seen or known him to take a glass in this manner. I don't know of any kind. Still he may have done so."

BIOGRAPHICAL.

Dean was 62 years of age and a Grand Army veteran, with a membership in the Mexican post of this city. He was born in Massachusetts and had been in the employ of the Rio Grande Railroad company as machinist for 19 years. He served one term in the city council, being elected from the Second municipal ward, and his term expired on the 1st of January last. Then he accepted a position with the American party administration and continued to fill that place when the summons came. His only relative here was an aged wife, who is overwhelmed with grief at the suddenness of his death.

OLD COUNCIL TO MEET.

Hon. F. J. Hewlett, former president of the city council, Dean was a member, has called a meeting of all the members of that body at 4 o'clock this afternoon in the council chamber. At this meeting, arrangements will be made for the funeral and to attend the funeral of Mr. Dean in a body. Resolutions of respect and condolence will be adopted.

THE BJORNSON LECTURE.

Danish and Norwegian Residents Interested in Visit.

The Danish and Norwegian residents of Utah will be greatly interested in the proposed visit to Salt Lake of Erling Bjornson, a son of Bjorn Bjornson, who is more than any other one man responsible for the recent separation of Norway and Sweden. Bjornson is touring America for the purpose of uniting the people of his native country in their support of the home land, and he is now in San Francisco. He comes to Salt Lake May 29, and will lecture in the Assembly hall on the evening of June 2. Following this lecture he will speak also at Provo and Logan, his subject in each case being the "History of Norway," a topic which he treats with a view of showing the reasons for the uniting and again for the separation of the two countries. A committee of local Norwegian residents has charge of the lecture, and is planning a large reception for Mr. Bjornson. President Anthony H. Lund has been invited to preside at the meeting in Salt Lake, and will act as chairman.

TO WED UTAH GIRL.

Bereft Hope to Take Salt Lake Bride to England With Him.

When Bereft Hope, who is engaged in organizing a \$25,000,000 railroad and light company in this city, returns to England, he will take with him something more than the experience and memory of Salt Lake. Accompanying him will be his future wife. The prospective bride is Miss Marie Josephine Welles, a young woman, 18 years of age, pretty and accomplished. The marriage is to follow a brief acquaintance but one that is reported to have been romantic from the first. Miss Welles was formerly an attaché of Mr. Hope's local staff and a stenographer by occupation.

LIVERY OWNERS
TO PUT UP PRICES.

Cost of Hay and Oats Results In an Agreement.

BIG ADVANCES ARE MADE.

Nothing in Funerals as Undertakers Get Twenty Per Cent and Drivers Must Be Paid.

The continued high prices of hay and oats has resulted in an agreement between the Salt Lake livery owners to put up prices, to make up for the increased cost of fodder. So the cost of boarding a horse is now \$22.50 instead of \$20, and \$25 per box stall, with an additional \$2 for an extra rig. The price of carriage hire for calls, weddings, and society functions have not been increased, but prices for funerals have been advanced \$1 and \$2 for week days, according to the distance, and in addition to this another dollar is added for Sunday funerals.

The liverymen explain that the almost unprecedented long winter has resulted in a correspondingly unprecedented consumption of hay, as it has been necessary to feed it out to stock, and hay has been sent from here to Montana to place out the winter there; something that never happened before. The liverymen said alfalfa might be fed to draft teams, or where horses were not required to go faster than a walk, but it would not do at all for carriage horses. The new hay will not be harvested until July, so that it may not reach this market much before August, so the stringency of the market is likely to continue. Then there has been another cause for the unprecedented consumption, in the demand from railway building contractors and canal construction camps. But, this strenuous demand will be the means of an increased hay acreage this year; and if it is to be true, as is asserted in some quarters that the winter has been a series of years to be long and severe, grovers will make preparations accordingly, and another winter will find the market well supplied with good strong hay. The severe winter just past has also been the means of a rise in oats to a top notch price, so that the liverymen have been experiencing a strenuous time of it.

Said one of them this morning, to a "News" reporter: "We are obliged, in order to live, to advance prices; and there is this feature to be also considered, we have to pay undertakers 20 per cent, and give the drivers six bits each, so you see there is not much of anything in funerals for us at past prices."

ROOT WILL REORGANIZE THE CONSULAR SERVICE.

Chicago, May 19.—A dispatch to the Record Herald from Washington says: Secy. Root intends to undertake reorganization of the consular service as soon as the new law for that purpose goes into effect on the first of July, and so far as it will permit he will apply the merit system to all promotions. In the original bill submitted by him to Congress it was provided that all appointments should be made to the lowest grade, as in the army and navy, after an examination to determine the qualifications of the applicant, and that all vacancies in the upper grades should be filled by the promotion of those who had shown the highest degree of usefulness and efficiency. Neither the senators nor the representatives would permit this, because the consular service is about all that is left for them to reward local politicians. It was also provided that the vision and also another of equal importance, which gave the secretary of state power to transfer consuls from one place to another, according to his judgment of their fitness, and the requirements of the service. Therefore, under the new law, as it is present, whenever a transfer is made a new nomination must be sent up to the senate for confirmation.

LOPEZ, THE SCULPTOR, DEAD.

New York, May 19.—Charles Albert Lopez, the sculptor, died yesterday at a hospital, where he underwent an operation a week ago. The physicians say that death was due to heart disease.

Mr. Lopez only recently arrived in this country from Paris, where he had completed the working models for the works of Mr. Lopez, who is now in Philadelphia. He was born at Matamoros, Mexico, in October, 1869, and came to this city when a youth. At the St. Louis World's fair the works of Mr. Lopez won the gold medal and his groups exhibited at the Charleston and Pan-American exhibitions received recognition. Mr. Lopez was married in 1898 to Miss Marion Keen of this city, who survives him. She is abroad. Mr. Lopez was a member of the council of the New York Sculptors' society, an associate of the national academy of design, the society of American artists, the architectural league and of the National Arts club.

CASH ABOUT \$60,000.

Money Contributions For San Francisco Reached That Figure.

It is estimated that the cash contributions for the San Francisco sufferers, reported through Salt Lake, will approximate if they do not exceed \$60,000. In addition to the \$11,384.57 accounted for in the report of the general relief committee as published in another column of this issue of the Deseret News, the \$10,000 given by the "Mormon" Church, the \$14,987 given by the Oregon Short Line employees, and the fund of the Tribune, which is considerably over the \$3,000 mark, say nothing of sundry contributions that individuals have not publicly reported.

Are The Palmy Days Of The Silver King Gone?

Great Regret at the Thought That This Mighty Wealth Producer, Which Has Done So Much For Salt Lake, And Which Has Paid More Than \$10,000,000 in Dividends, Has Passed Its Zenith Forever.

The recent behavior of Silver King stock is only one more demonstration of the fact that there comes an end to the palmy days of all mines. Properties which may be considered to be valued at millions of dollars today, must in time depreciate, for, like the drawing of wheat out of a bin, the daily drain upon the ore reserves will eventually deplete them. Thus, the best of properties becomes in time a worked out mine, and it passes into history—becomes a has been.

While there is not the slightest doubt that the Silver King mine has yet a long lease of life and that it will continue to be an important producer from the camp of Park City for a good many years to come, yet the indications point very strongly that this great

producer, which has paid out to its shareholders during its existence more than \$10,000,000, has seen its palmy days and that it must follow the road of the illustrious Ontario, which has a record of having paid more than \$14,000,000 in dividends, when it ceased to be rated as one of the great mines of the country. The Crescent and Daly were also once reckoned as big mines in Park City, and the day was when the Daly West was classed as a much greater mine than it is today.

The stock of the Silver King company once sold on the market as high as \$80 a share, while today \$25 was bid for it and \$30 asked; the stock of the Ontario company in the days when silver was worth \$1.25 per ounce, sold at a figure many times higher than it is worth now; in fact there is practically no market for it at the present time.

Daly West once sold up to around \$60 a share, but such inroads have been made on its richer ore bodies that its present market value is around \$16 or \$17 a share.

But the fortunate thing for Park City, as well as other camps, is that new mines are constantly being developed to take the place of those that have begun to wane. During the past year the Daly King and Little Bell have made notable advances and the best opinion is that they have not yet reached the zenith of their greatness.

If it shall prove true, as many conservative mining and business men believe, that the Silver King has passed its zenith forever, and that hereafter it will produce ores and values far less than heretofore, there will be much regret in Utah and Salt Lake, for which this splendid mine has done so much.

DOTTED WITH
FOREST FIRES.

A Stretch of Territory Over 250 Miles Long and Many Wide In Michigan.

MANY TOWNS ARE WIPED OUT.

Hundreds Rendered Homeless—Rails Are Twisted From Intense Heat.

Marquette, Mich., May 19.—A stretch of territory over 250 miles in length, reaching from Newberry, on the east, to Bessemer, Mich., on the west, and north and south between the shore line of the Lake Superior and the southern boundary of the upper peninsula, is dotted with forest fires.

Settlements and farm houses have been wiped out, timber lands destroyed and hundreds of persons rendered homeless. It is impossible to estimate the financial loss, but figured on the basis of local conditions it is probable that hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of property has been destroyed. The loss in the immediate vicinity of Marquette is over \$50,000, involving only the destruction of personal property and not including devastations of timber lands or damage to railroad property.

The town of Quinnesec and several hamlets in Menominee range are reported wiped out. Northwest of Marquette the town of Birch, where the Northern Lumber company has fully \$500,000 worth of property, was threatened with destruction, and men were sent from here by special train to fight the flames.

Because of the destruction of telegraph poles, wireless down in all directions and communication by that means is impossible. Unless rain falls soon much more havoc will be wrought as the woods are very dry.

HEMMED IN BY FIRES.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 19.—An evening Wisconsin special from Wausaukee says: Wausaukee, Marinette county, is hemmed in by forest fires which are slowly creeping up to the city on the north and south. Millions of feet of lumber are burned. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

At Cedarville, a town four miles south of this city, forest fires have destroyed many cars of lumber and big kilns filled with cedar. A fierce wind is blowing sparks and burning embers for miles. All trains are being held here, as the rails are twisted from the intense heat.

The Bird & Wells Lumber company has evacuated its camps in the higher sections of its camps are totally destroyed. The losses of Bird, H. H. Chist, Moss Wallow and many other logging companies are steadily growing.

Three miles south of this place another fire is raging. The flames are sweeping through slashings and forest. The flames in some places are 30 feet high. All trains are being held here for the great loss and the fire sweeps everything clean.

THOUSANDS HOMELESS.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 19.—An evening Wisconsin special from Escanaba, Mich., says: The forest fires in northern Michigan have almost wiped blank an area of 100 miles. Six thousand people are homeless, it is estimated.

Up to the present the situation may be epitomized as follows: Quinnesec—Population, 200, every house and huge piles of logs burned. Alvoite—Population 400, boardinghouses and huge piles of logs burned. Quinnesec—Population 100, destroyed, all residents homeless. Cornell—All but one store burned, 300 people homeless.

Northland—Mill and six houses burned, many of the 600 population homeless and without food. Ansoine—Mining town, houses and lumber mill burned, boardinghouses destroyed and all but a few of 300 people homeless.

Felth—Branch Northwestern railway, all bridges burned and scores of homes destroyed in that section, covering 10 square miles, are homeless. It is feared there was loss of life here.

Northland branch, Escanaba and Lake Superior railway—5,000,000 feet of cut logs burned, bridges down and tied up completely, perhaps for weeks. Three trainloads of homeless people have already arrived in Escanaba. Thousands of others are believed to be homeless and suffering from want of food, clothing and other necessities. Arrangements for aid and offers to give assistance are reaching this city from lower Michigan and Wisconsin, which must bear a large share of fire losses, directly or indirectly the result of this forest fires.

MRS. DAVIS BETTER.

New York, May 19.—Mrs. Jefferson Davis was reported as greatly improved today, and it was said that she had spent the most comfortable night since she became seriously ill. The family is now hopeful of a complete recovery.

FATAL ACCIDENT
ON S. P. ROAD.

Boiler of Engine Exploded Killing Engineer and Fireman.

PASSENGERS NOT INJURED.

The Victims Were L. F. Zimmerman And Mark S. Irwin, Both of Ogden—Details Are Meager.

(Special to the "News.")

Ogden, May 19.—The engineer and fireman on Southern Pacific engine 2402 were instantly killed at Cedar siding, Nev., early this morning. The boiler of the engine blew up. The dead are: Engineer L. F. Zimmerman, Ogden, Fireman Mark S. Irwin, Ogden.

The locomotive was pulling the second section of passenger train No. 6 at the time of the accident and was passing Cedar siding, 158 miles west of Ogden and six miles west of Wells, when, without warning, the accident occurred. So great was the force of the explosion that the boiler was blown completely from the trucks, and striking against a telegraph pole, wrecked the wires and rendered them useless for the time being.

Details of the wreck are meager, but it is understood that none of the passengers was hurt, as the engine trucks, frame and tender, did not leave the track.

An engine was secured from Wells, and the remains were brought into Ogden this morning. Engineer Zimmerman was 37 years of age and resided at 251 Taylor avenue, West Ogden. He leaves a wife and five children.

Fireman Irwin was 22 years old, and the son of Edwin Irwin and wife, who reside on west Twelfth street, Marriott ward, Ogden.

BINGHAM JUNCTION
BUILDING BURNED

Fire Breaks Out in the Night And Threatens Business District.

BUCKET BRIGADE AT WORK.

By Heroic Effort It Prevents Spread Of Fire and Confines Loss to One Structure.

(Special to the "News.")

Bingham Junction, May 19.—A fire broke out here at 1:45 o'clock this morning which for a time threatened to end disastrously for the business section of Bingham. The alarm was quickly spread, and despite the fact that the hour was when most residents were asleep in their homes, a generous turnout responded, and men went to work with buckets, wet sacks and axes, and fought the fire for two hours.

It was finally put out about 4 o'clock this morning, and through heroic work it was confined to the building in which it broke out. Three places of business were in the building, and they were all destroyed. They were the "Green Bar" saloon, a restaurant owned by Mrs. Hill, and a barber shop conducted by J. McDonald.

The loss by the fire will amount to several thousand dollars.

COUNTESS CASTELLANE

Will Return to America to Visit Her Sister, Helen Gould.

New York, May 19.—A cable dispatch to the World from Paris says: Countess Boni de Castellane confirmed yesterday the report that she expected to return to America within a few months with her sister, Miss Helen Gould.

The confirmation was authorized by Mr. Geley of counsel for the countess. The countess says that, of course, she cannot leave France until her suit for divorce has been completed, but that as soon as the case comes to an end she will leave for New York. She has gone on a short yachting cruise with a party of her friends.

THIRTEEN MONTHS
FOR UTAH LAWYER.

Judge Marshall Imposes That Penalty on Ex-Member of Legislature.

SENTENCE IS ON TWO COUNTS.

Offense Consisted in Sending Lewd And Obscene Literature Through The United States Mail.

Judge Marshall of the Federal court today passed sentence on R. B. Shepard, lawyer, book-dealer and ex-member of the Utah Legislature, for sending lewd and obscene literature through the United States mails. The penalty inflicted was 13 months on each of two counts. The sentences, however, ran concurrently.

A NOTORIOUS CASE.

The case has been a notorious one for months. Much of it has been of that character that it could only be referred to in general terms. The forenoon, being the time for the passing of sentence the court room was filled with prominent lawyers and friends of the accused. All listened with rapt attention to the proceedings and there was an almost death-like stillness when Judge Marshall spoke the words that told the fate of Mr. Shepard.

THE PENALTY.

The penalty imposed was, as stated, 13 months on each count. The maximum penalty under the law is five years imprisonment, or a fine of \$5,000, or both, in the discretion of the court. There is no minimum penalty fixed by the statutes so it will be seen that the defendant did not fare so badly at the hands of the court as some of his friends had feared.

NEW TRIAL DENIED.

A motion for a new trial was strongly argued by S. P. Armstrong, one of the counsel for the defendant. The court overruled the motion after which Judge C. W. Powers spoke for the accused. He spoke briefly, but earnestly and eloquently, asking that leniency be shown to Mr. Shepard for the character he had had all his life. If deserving of punishment, Judge Powers thought that his client had already received all the chastisement that he merited.

SHEPARD WAS COOL.

The sentence mentioned was then pronounced by Judge Marshall. While apparently feeling lonely the situation, Mr. Shepard did not display visible emotion, and shortly after the words of the court had been uttered that fixed the penalty for the offense of which the accused had been pronounced guilty, the latter left the building in company with his attorneys and a number of friends.

WILL APPEAL.

Counsel for Mr. Shepard state that they will appeal the case to the higher court. They have 10 days in which to make good their appeal. The situation of the case will go to the supreme court, the defendant in the meantime being at liberty on the bond as it now stands.

EMMA LUCY GATES HOME.

Well Known Singer Arrives to Spend Summer Vacation in Utah.

Miss Emma Lucy Gates arrived from the east this morning and will remain in Salt Lake for the next several months, spending her summer vacation. She has had an arduous winter's study in New York, having devoted herself to vocalism under Madam Ashforth and to French and Italian under special teachers. Her work under Madam Ashforth has been of the finishing nature and she has perfected herself in several grand opera roles. She remained in New York after her instructor left for Europe in order to sing for Wolfson, and for an agent of Hammerstein, and in Chicago she sang for the representative of Madam Sembrich. All gave her unstinted praise and she received an offer to enter professional life next fall. As she has not yet made up her mind, however, as to her future action, she will return no answer until she has conferred with her parents and her advisers here.

ELEVATOR BOY HURT.

Youth Employed at Knutsford Hotel Receives Broken Leg.

Charles Block, aged 20, an elevator boy at the Knutsford hotel, caught his right leg between the fourth floor and the case at 6 p. m. today, as he was about to bring a guest down stairs, and broke the bone above the knee. The guest rescued the boy, stopped the elevator and summoned help. Dr. Niles was called in and the sufferer sent to the Holy Cross hospital, where his injuries were attended to. He is doing as well as could be expected.

PARTIAL AMNESTY
DECREE NOT ISSUED

Czar's Failure to Promulgate it Caused Disappointment And Misgivings.

REACTIONARIES ARE ACTIVE.

Columns of Protests From Their Organization Appear in Official Messenger.

St. Petersburg, May 19.—Although it was already certain last night that the partial amnesty decree with which it was thought for a few days the emperor would signalize his birthday, would not be promulgated today, nevertheless its failure to appear caused popular disappointment and misgivings. This was more pronounced as the Official Messenger continued to bring, side by side with the usual batch of promotions and decorations issued on such occasions, two columns of protests from reactionary organizations, inspired by Gen. Trepoff's secret circular to the governors, instructing them to have "The Black Hundred" organizations immediately dispatch to the emperor protests against amnesty, the abolition of the death penalty and concessions to parliament.

President Mourmisseff was present at the gala luncheon, at the Alexandra palace, at Peterhof today in connection with his majesty's birthday, but he cannot present the address in reply to the speech from the throne except at an audience formally granted for that purpose. It is hardly possible, however, that he can avoid an informal discussion of the situation with members of the court.

KING INAUGURATES

SIMPLON TUNNEL.

Domodossola, Italy, May 19.—The Simplon tunnel was inaugurated here today by King Victor Emmanuel, who left here at 10:35 a. m. for Brigone on the Swiss side of the mountain. The royal train passed through the 12 miles of tunnel drawn by a steam engine, the electric motors (not being ready). On reaching the middle of the tunnel at a height of 2,200 feet above the sea level, the king was heard to exclaim: "It is a cyclopean work, the result of half a century of study, seven years of work and the expenditure of nearly \$15,000,000."

At Brigone, the king, who was accompanied by President Mourmisseff, the minister of public works and a large number of other officials, was received by the president of the Swiss republic and the members of the federal council, the national council and the council of state and other officials to the number of about 500. In the speeches which followed the meeting of the king and the president, the satisfaction was expressed at the opening of the tunnel, which was completed as far as piercing the mountain was concerned, last February.

GAVE HIM BOTH BARRELS.

Thomas Harris Shoots Down George McWhorter.

Chicago, May 19.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Chillicothe Ill., says: George McWhorter, a wealthy grain merchant of this town, yesterday was fatally wounded by Thomas Harris, also a wealthy merchant, who fired at him with both barrels of a shotgun, while he was passing along the street. This is the second attempt on the life of McWhorter. The first being made on Wednesday night, when McWhorter and Harris' wife were discovered in McWhorter's office by the angry husband, and the former was stabbed. After yesterday's attack, McWhorter was carried to his home and attended by physicians. Harris gave himself up to the authorities. He has instituted a suit for divorce from his wife, who has disappeared.

Mrs. McWhorter and her daughter are prominent socially, and the affair has caused a great sensation. McWhorter is a Mason and a prominent politician. He is an alderman and candidate for mayor.

ANNIE SORENSON DEAD.

Bright and Popular Young Woman Passes to Great Beyond.

Miss Annie Sorenson, who for several years was a popular employee of Z. C. M. L., passed to the great beyond this morning after an illness of several months. Long trouble was the primary cause of the young woman's untimely death. She was the daughter of the late Martin and Annie Sorenson. She was 27 years of age and resided in the Seventh ward practically all her life. Miss Sorenson was of a bright and sunny disposition and was extremely popular among her many friends.

She was taken ill about a year ago and the management of Z. C. M. L. sent her to California in the hope that the balmy climate would restore her usual good health. For a time she seemed to get better but there was a change for the worse recently which resulted as stated.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Ninth ward meetinghouse. The remains will be at the residence of B. F. Thornberg, 378 east Fifth South street tomorrow night at 11 a. m. until 1 p. m., where friends of the deceased may see her countenance for the last time.

SALT LAKE TURNED OVER.

Beach and Railroad Now in Hands of New Owners—Transferred Today.

The formal transfer of the Salt Lake & Los Angeles railway and the Salt Lake Beach company took place today. The new owners held a meeting this morning and elected the following officers for the two companies.

SALT LAKE & LOS ANGELES RY.

N. W. Clayton, president and director, C. W. Nibley, vice president and director, J. E. Langford, treasurer and director, J. A. Clayton, secretary, I. O. Nibley, director.

SALT LAKE BEACH CO.

C. W. Nibley, president and director, N. W. Clayton, vice president and director, J. E. Langford, treasurer and director, J. O. Nibley, director, Jacob Moritz, director.

SUFFRAGISTS MAKE
OUT THEIR CASE.

So Premier Campbell-Bannerman Told Deputation That Waited On Him.

THEIR "MINIMUM DEMANDS."

One Woman Menacingly Declared They Were Ready to Sacrifice Their Lives.

When He Said It Would Not Be Many Years Before Demand Would be Granted, He Was Hissed.

London, May 19.—Escorted by 40 members of parliament, nearly 400 women suffragists representing organizations from all parts of the country, interviewed Premier Campbell-Bannerman at the foreign office today and presented their claims that women be allowed to vote. Only eight members of the numerous deputations were allowed to speak and in accordance with a previous arrangement each speaker was limited to five minutes. But in the aggregate of 40 minutes the premier heard about all there was to hear in favor of woman suffrage. The immediate grant of the woman's rights was the unanimous demand of the speakers some of whom presented to the premier their "minimum demands," claiming that immediate legislation bestowing on women the right to vote was necessary and declaring that a promise to take the matter up at the next session of parliament would not satisfy them.

One speaker menacingly declared that the women were prepared to sacrifice their lives in behalf of their demands.

The premier smiled upon the strangely assorted gathering of women, including as it did ladies of title side by side with factory employes, and said he sympathized with the object of the deputation, but asked his visitors to be patient until the government became more united in favor of the extension of the franchise to women. The cause, he said, had made enormous strides of late years. Personally he believed that women were as well qualified as men and perhaps better to exercise the right with least the victim of the deputation, and in his opinion, the deputation had made out a conclusive and irrefutable case.

Speaking for the others, however, as well as himself, the premier pointed out that it was necessary to achieve patience. Only harm would result if, because of his own sympathies and convictions he gave a pledge regarding the time and method of achieving the object they had in view. No party of government was entirely united on the subject. He warned the women against indiscreet action, which, he said, probably would check the liberalizing policy he intended to follow. He advised them to leave the matter confidently to the growing strength of their cause.

The premier concluded with saying that he believed it would not be many years before the desired change was brought about. This reference to "years" was met with a roar from the members of the deputation who, left the foreign office evidently greatly dissatisfied.

The arrival of the deputation at the foreign office was a scene of a demonstration, contingents of women from various localities marching, with banners flying and bands playing to the Victoria memorial statue, accompanied by an interested crowd of onlookers, the women marched to the foreign office.

ZON'S WATCH TOWER.

First Structure Erected by Dowie Has Been Pulled Down.

Chicago, May 19.—Zion's watch tower, the first structure erected by John A. Dowie in the city he founded, has been torn down. The lumber is being used to repair sidewalks.

The structure was 100 feet high and was 20 feet square at the base. It stood in the center of Shil