

of the big courthouse on Georgia street.

Mr. H. H. Stevens, M. P., is trying to get the government to head off any appeal the Hindus can get before the courts. He wants the Hindu steamer towed out beyond Canadian jurisdiction where the Japanese can take charge of her and work her back to Hongkong.

"I am trying to get the government to strengthen Malcolm Reid's hand in getting them out before the courts have time to deal with them," said Mr. Stevens at noon today. "It appears, however, that it is not possible to invoke the section of the act which provides for action independently of the courts. I have heard today, however, that the Hindus have paid up their charter, and the owners can not therefore go away voluntarily until a new bunch of charter money comes due."

Proceedings in Court.

The battleground of the Komagata Maru Hindus was transferred to the courts this morning, when motion was made for a mandamus to compel the immigration authorities to bring down their ruling in the case of Wazir Singh. R. K. MacDonald appeared on behalf of Wazir Singh, and W. H. B. Lawton, for the immigration department. An Inspector Reid has not yet been served with papers in connection with the case, and as sufficient time has not been given to counsel to prepare affidavits it was agreed that the motion should stand over until tomorrow for argument. In the meantime efforts will be made to serve notice on Inspector Reid and to prepare the affidavits. The section of the immigration act under which the applicants are basing their claim for the order of mandamus, reads:

"At the conclusion of the court of enquiry the board shall immediately give their decision."

In the case of Wazir Singh, the board heard the evidence ten days ago, but has not yet given its decision and does not intend to give any until all the cases in the Komagata Maru had been heard. The argument tomorrow will be conducted by Mr. J. Vazir Singh for the Hindus and Mr. W. H. B. Lawton, M. P., for the immigration department. The proceedings today were before Mr. Justice Murphy, who is the judge in chambers for this month.

Public Meeting Tuesday.

Mayor Baxter has been asked to call a meeting of the citizens to discuss the Komagata Maru situation. It is probable that the meeting will be held on Tuesday night, following the departure of the Japanese cruisers, which are expected to leave on Tuesday morning. It has been thought better not to have any such meeting until after the warships have gone.

"I have been told that a proposal to get up a subscription for the purpose of chartering tugs to tow the Komagata Maru out of the harbor will be made at the meeting," declared Mr. James Carnahan this morning. Mr. Carnahan is one of the citizens responsible for the proposed public meeting.

The mayor this afternoon issued an official notice that the mass meeting would be held in Dominion Hall tomorrow night.

Ottawa Hears of It.

Ottawa, June 21.—The government is in receipt of a long telegram from Mr. H. H. Stevens, member for Vancouver, in which fear is expressed of a serious riot in the city in the event of the Hindus on board the Komagata Maru being allowed to land as the result of an unfavorable finding being given by the court against Malcolm Reid's action as immigration officer.

Mr. Stevens fears that the citizens of Vancouver will resist the landing of the Hindus in such an event to the extent of bloodshed.

Mr. Stevens is very anxious to get rid of the Hindus to the extent of having them towed out of the harbor and turned over to a Japanese guard beyond the three-mile limit. Mr. Stevens asks that the department give complete backing to Malcolm Reid in his efforts to get the Hindus out in view of the possibility of at least a long delay, if the matter gets into the courts.

Mr. Stevens also asks that section 23 of the act be invoked to give the officials power to override any order the court may make. It is stated that the last proposal is not possible from a legal standpoint.

In the absence of Hon. Dr. Roche, minister of the interior, in Manitoba, Hon. C. J. Doherty has been acting minister. He also left for Quebec today and the Prime Minister has to take charge, there not being sufficient ministers at Ottawa to form a cabinet.

lice, and south Vancouver will be without any municipal government until next January. This was the startling statement made by Mr. R. W. Hannington, counsel for the municipality, this morning in argument before Mr. Justice Murphy.

Mr. Hannington argued the matter out in this way, using the celebrated case of Messrs. Perry and Morley and the City of Victoria three years ago as legal authority. If the voters' list is set aside on the ground that it has been improperly compiled, then not only will Reeve Kerr's election become void but also the elections of the aldermen who were elected on the same voters' list. Before an election could be held a new voters' list would have to be prepared. Before a new voters' list could be prepared for use before January, a special bill would have to be put through the Provincial Legislature, authorizing a voters' list to be prepared. The Legislature is no longer in session and is not due to meet again until after next January. Therefore South Vancouver would be left without a reeve or council until next January.

Gold Could Not Sit.

"It means not only that Mr. Gold will be unable to sit in the reeve's chair which he covets so much, it means that there will be a state of chaos in the South Vancouver Municipality until next January," said Mr. Hannington.

"I am not concerned with the results. I am only concerned in seeing that the law is carried out. The results will have to be left to the Legislature," said Mr. Justice Murphy.

In the Perry and Morley case at Victoria, Mr. Hannington pointed out that the Legislature happened to be in session at the time and it appointed a commission to take charge of the affairs of the city of Victoria until such time as a special bill had been put through the House, a new voters' list prepared and a new municipal election held.

The statement in regard to the dis-governing of the Butte, Vancouver municipality was made in the course of an application for further and better particulars of matters alleged in Mr. Edward Gold's petition.

Mr. C. M. Woodworth, counsel for Mr. Gold, had previously furnished the particulars of fourteen alleged cases of impersonation, intimidation and duplicate voting, and Mr. Hannington asked that the names and particulars of all the declarations attacked be given. "Mr. Woodworth told us that there were 700 or 800 of these. I find out that there are by actual count 2080 of these. I examined 184 and found them all to be, in my opinion, perfectly good declarations. I want to know which of the 2080 are to be attacked," said Mr. Hannington.

Nearly All Bad, He Says.

"I examined about 300 and I found all but 15 of them to be bad," retorted Mr. Woodworth. "Not one of them stated whether the property was in South Vancouver. They just have the lot and block number and do not say whether they are in Timbuctoo or Chinese Tartary. We attack them all." Mr. Justice Murphy ordered that Mr. Woodworth must deliver by Wednesday evening a list of all the names he wishes to attack, together with a description of the property and the ward of the voter.

"And," he added, "I shall not force Mr. Hannington on to trial on Monday next if he can show me that he had not had proper time to prepare for trial."

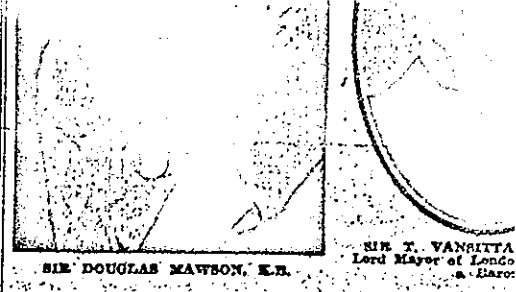
If the issues raised by the election petition are not tried on Monday they can not be tried until early in September, owing to the legal vacation intervening.

RECOVERY OF DEAD NUMBER 181 AT MINE

Fifty Bodies Found In One Tunnel by Rescuers at Hillcrest.

Hillcrest, Alta., June 22.—Discovery by rescuers of fifty bodies in one of the tunnels of mine number 20 of the Hillcrest Collieries Limited, today brought up to 181 the total of recovered dead at the mine, wrecked by an explosion Friday.

Eighty gravediggers worked all day in the little mountainside cemetery just outside the village, and by night it is expected the greater part of the



SIR DOUGLAS MAWSON, K.C.

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Lord Mayor of London

MINERS SECEDE; FORM NEW UNION

Butte, Mont., Organization Is Disrupted by Labor Troubles.

Five Thousand Men Attend Meeting — Federation Makes Threat.

Butte, Mont., June 22.—Seceders of the Western Federation of Miners today launched an independent miners' union, rejecting peace overtures of President Charles H. Moyer, and associates and electing as temporary president M. McDonald.

There is little hope of compromising the two factions and with the issues sharply drawn, an open breach is expected within a few days. Federation officials threaten to import miners to fulfill their contracts with the operators.

The regulars of the Butte local, the Western Federation of Miners, under the leadership of Charles H. Moyer, president of the federation, obtained from the present officers of the local union and the recently elected officers who are to take office in July, their resignation hoping to save the Butte local from being disrupted.

The mass meeting was attended by five thousand miners. All voting was done by acclamation, the officers addressing the assembly through megaphones.

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Vancouver Island to Continue Fight to Los

Nanaimo, B. C., June 22.—Not officially made public on reliable authority of Vancouver Island, a year, have voted by 1250 to continue the strike. The action of the voting by so large a number of men high in the counts is to be because the sentiment that the international union will soon stop money, and are anxious to call the strike off, with the part of the men who United Mine Workers, let itself down easy, paid relief as long as continued.

Although having voted the strike a big majority feel confident that they will be received from India effect that relief money stopped, in which case at once collapse, as they feel that they have been let down by the international union, and find it impossible to continue the strike outside financial assistance.

Supreme Court
Washington, June 22.—Court today recessed without announcing de Taft withdrawal of his grandfather clause case, while grain reshipping oral other cases.

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