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British politics have a habit of becoming very dramatic. Of course interest in drama depends upon the size of the issue at stake, and as the present issue verges on civil war it is natural that the whole empire should be aroused.

The question of Home Rule seems to be almost lost sight of in the face of a larger issue. It seems now to be largely a question of whether the army or the commons shall be supreme, and the British people are hardly likely to favor the former.

The resignation of several British general on the eve of their being ordered to Ulster is a very serious matter. It shows that the army is not the machine it was in the past, ready to carry out its orders without a question. It is possible, too, that there may be politics at the bottom of it, and any siding of the army with either political party would be fraught with serious consequences.

The question of Home Rule has so many phases to it that it is impossible at this distance to give an opinion on it. Indeed it appears like a case of "being damned if you do and damned if you don't." The fact that so many outstanding men have favored it carries a great deal of weight with the majority of people. The recent offer by the government to make it optional with Ulster whether or not they enter the scheme seems to be fair to all concerned. The outcome of the whole matter will be watched with a great deal of interest.

According to recent de-

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cisions of the courts this land staking which has been going on promiscuously throughout the province for the last number of years is illegal. Mr. Justice MacDonald made this ruling at Victoria recently, an order of the Supreme Court found to be a rather strange anomaly that the attorneygeneral has been countenancing a system that the courts of Canada have declared to be illegal.

The land act specifies that only one section shall be purchased by any one man. The speculators got around that, however, by securing powers of attorney whereby one man after all controls the purchases of hundreds of people. Bowser knew that this was being done, and it is very likely that he shared in its profits. Such practice is plainly against the spirit of the act, and now that the courts have given a decision it is likely to open up a rather nasty prob-

In the first place, it will jeopardize a large portion of that thirteen millions which is owing the government on land. They cannot now collect the money as the courts have decided that the land act has been violated. In the next! place, it will seriously affect the title to those lands since they were secured under false representation.

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of Canada. It will thus be Map showing the latest agitation for secession from the province of Ontario. There has been an agitation for a long district to the province of Manitoba, but this has been steadily blocked by the authorities at Toronto. It may work out that the whole of northern and upper Ontario ferent basis. will eventually be made into a new province.

> grabbers to continue their nefarious game.

been in the government pay in visit in the town. violation of law were allowed shall get only one section has of the district are: been twisted around so that do with a government that disrespects the law of the land?

Dairies in Saskatchewan

The government of Saskatcheto pass another "enabling act wan has just completed a series that will legalize this breach of dairy meetings held at towns yards at the divisional point at of the law and enable the land along the line of the Grand Endako. Trunk Pacific in that province, and as a direct result of these meetings a pronounced stimulation in dairy industries is looked for this summer. Commencing the new work along the P. G. E. on February 2, two cars left Regina, one a sleeping car for the accommodation of the lecturers, and the other a day coach fitted up with a platform to serve as a considerable amount of work to lecture hall. For over a month do at Fort Fraser on the yards meetings were held every week after the railway is through. day, and as a rule there was an They have also a big steam afternoon and an evening meet- shovel cut to make on the ling at each point before the cars were moved on to the next station. Reports from all stations indicate a remarkable success for these meetings.

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RAILWAY CONTRACTORS SCATTER AS WORK NEARS COMPLETION

MEN WHO STARTED AT RUPERT AND WENT THROUGH TO FORT FRASER PLAYED IMPORTANT PART IN DISTRICT

on the construction of the west- around this cut. ern division of the G. T. P. and for some time. who have become well known figures in this town and in the tract on the P. G. He is assodistrict, are now beginning to ciated with Burns & Jordan. gather around the head offices of Foley, Welch and Stewart here for the last time. The Grand Trunk Pacific is so nearly completed, so far as this end is con- work, but expect to start in on cerned, that there are only two the P. G. E. in a very short time. or three contractors left on the job, and they are what one might say, just cleaning up. To all intents and purposes the road is finished, and already the country is undergoing the process of readjustment made mecessary by the removal of the construction camps and the excellent market they made for all farm produce. While in the district the contractors were all good sports and were willing to take a chance on a mining proposition, a coal deal or a land deal. Many made considerable money on these side time to join the White River lines, but now that they are gone the money heretofore so easily obtained will have to come from another direction. A new population must come in and all lines of business conducted on a dif-

The district will miss these men, not only from a business ? standpoint, but socially as well. The same bunch started with the first work out of Prince Rupert | and continued with the main This whole question, how-contractors right through to ever, should open the minds Fort Fraser. They were well of the people to the manner in known and were looked upon as which their government is be- part of the life of the district. ing conducted. There is no Fortunately some of these men respect for law and no attempt have made successful investmade at its enforcement. At ments in this immediate district the last session two members and their interests will remain of the government who had here and frequently they will

Among the contractors who to take their seats through an have taken such a prominent enabling act. A land act part in the construction of the which specifies that one man railway and in the development

A. L. McHugh, who finished one man can get a thousand. his work some time ago and has What are the people going to since devoted his attention to mining interests.

Capt. McLeod has retired and has gone back to the farm in ? Ontario.

Norman McLeod will probably go on to the P. G. E.

Hugh McLeod has still a large! amount of work to do on the

M. Sheedy will take an extend-

R. E. Paget is now holidaying in the east. He will likely be on Stewart Bros. have not yet ue- 3 cided upon their future move-

Bostrom & Green have still a



The contractors who have been grade. A shoo fly has been built

Freeburg & Stone, who have

contracting with Foley, Welch & Stewart for nearly twenty years, have just finished their last

A. McDougall is building the vards at Prince Rupert. Duncan Ross will spend the

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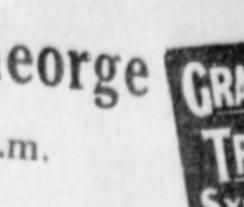
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