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What is true of the municipality applies to the province, the state or the nation. We know of but one national government in which the tendency in the rate of taxation is not upward but downward.

Great Britain, while a free trade country for the effects of all measures for raising revenue clearly revealed, has been forced to seek new sources of raising money to meet the growing demands of government.

In the United States the people have lately had their eyes opened to the truth that they have long been laboring under a scudiously fostered delusion—that under their fiscal system foreigners were paying all their taxes.

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head of Mr. Bowser. We might, but for the fact that it would be re-vamping an old and yet true story, and prove a bore to our readers in the season of political torpor, review the public career of the Attorney-General, paying special to his one outstanding characteristic as a political campaigner who has no regard for truth and honesty, but this is not the time for the season for overhauling records.

What we have to consider now is the repeated blunders of a minister chiefly responsible for the enactment of legislation and for the administration of the laws and of Justice within the province. The case of the Companies Act illustrates. If additional illustration is necessary, first the incompetency of the Attorney-General in the legal advice of the legislature, and second his blustering, blundering determination to enforce the provisions of a law for which he is responsible to the community, although he must be convinced in his own mind, unless mentally impervious to reason or logic, that the consequences of enforcement cannot but be detrimental to the business interests of the Province and the general interests of the people.

We understand the Premier has given an assurance that the provisions of the law will be applied with discretion. That may or may not be accepted as a merited snub to Mr. Bowser, who has twice intimated in imperious terms that the law is upon the statute book and must be enforced. We trust it is an intimation that at last the autocratic gentleman who delights to refer to himself as "the first law officer of the Crown in British Columbia" is to be taken in hand and suitably admonished.

At irregular intervals the attention of Dominion Ministers of the Crown is directed to the alleged "moral" claim of the province to three million five hundred thousand acres of public land in the Peace River country, and an appeal is made that in satisfaction of this alleged moral claim the land in question be transferred from the Dominion to the province. Obviously this periodic agitation is not raised by the Colonist with any idea of benefiting the province. Every one familiar with the methods followed by the provincial government in administering public lands knows that if public interest were the sole object to be served it would be vastly better for the Dominion to retain the Peace River lands. That would be an assurance that when the time comes for their distribution the lands will be allotted to actual settlers.

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ernment believed it could handle the lands better and put settlers upon them more quickly, which would manifestly be in the best interests of the whole country. The provinces agreed to the proposal because it promised them the revenue they required, which could ordinarily only be raised by the sale of their public lands, and to sell the lands would place an embargo upon settlement. The arrangement was therefore in the best interests of the provinces themselves and of the whole Dominion. Yet that bargain has been attacked by the opponents of the government in the two provinces and attempts made to turn it into a "better terms" issue as we have that issue in British Columbia, but fortunately the electors of Saskatchewan and Alberta could not be hoodwinked and deceived as the people of British Columbia have been. However, the point is that a bargain is a bargain whether between communities or individuals, and if contracts are to be broken at the behests of agitators hungry for political power or greedy for their own personal advantages, where would such agitators lead us?

We are not going to argue now whether the contract made by the Macdonald government with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company was a good one or a bad one. We believe, however, that while some of its provisions are indefensible, it has on the whole proved advantageous to both the Dominion and the province. We are told that the Peace River lands are worth almost as much as the total public lands in the Dominion, although the little town has lost much of its native attractiveness through the crowds of tourists who run down to it from San Diego, and other points. There is a bull-fight ring there but no fights were taking place when we arrived.

THE FIGHT AND AFTER.
Many far-seeing and thoughtful commentators predicted that the prize fight between Jeffries and Johnson, whatever its result, would be followed by the fiercest and bloodiest race riots in the southern states of the American union. These predictions have been fulfilled in a greater degree than was anticipated. The success of the colored man has created something closely approximating a frenzy of exultation on the one hand and maddening exasperation on the other. The dangerous excitement is of course confined principally to the states in which there is a considerable element of colored people. The fight was brought on at an unpropitious season of the year, at a time when patriotism is close to the point of effervescence and the heat of the atmosphere is not soothing to the blood. At such times trifling matters frequently produce racial conflicts. The ignorant masses of both races in the south by common consent chose to nominate the two men who were merely fighting for a large money stake as champions of their respective breeds. They invested the contest with a principle which it had no connection whatever. The colored champion was the better man physically, and the millions of the sons of Ham in the south take the result as evidence of the superiority of the colored race over their white neighbors. The consequence is that a feeling of antagonism has been aroused which will be exceedingly difficult to allay. It is dangerous to the public peace. It has already culminated in bloodshed. And before the hot blood of the sunny south cools the consequence may be the sacrifice of hundreds of human lives. If the ultimate effect should be the placing of a ban upon prize fighting in every state of the union not only in the name of nineteenth century civilization but in the interests of peace and harmony within the boundaries of the republic, that is the only good thing likely to spring from the prize fight between Jack Johnson and Jim Jeffries. In the meantime if Mr. Johnson has any regard for his personal well-being, he will refrain from displaying his puissant personality too conspicuously in the state of his birth and in contiguous states.

HEAT DAMAGES CROPS.
Washington, D. C., July 7.—Unirrigated grain farms in Montana and western portions of the Dakotas are literally laid up as a result of recent hot weather and drought, according to a statement by the reclamation service. The intense heat was accompanied by dry winds that did enormous damage. Irrigated crops in the Northwest are reported in excellent condition.

TORONTO FIRE.
Toronto, July 7.—The wholesale fruit warehouse of White & Company, Front street, was damaged to the extent of \$10,000 by a fire which broke out at 11 o'clock last night.

drove AUTO FIVE THOUSAND MILES

A. E. TODD TALKS OF HIS HONEYMOON TRIP

Went From Los Angeles to Mexico and Back to Seattle Through Pacific States
(From Thursday's Daily.)
After automobilizing from Los Angeles, California, to the Mexican border, and thence north to Seattle in a 30-horsepower car, A. E. Todd returned to Victoria a few days ago, bringing his bride, nee Miss Seabrook, of Los Angeles. To a Times reporter to-day Mr. Todd talked interestingly of his 5,000-mile honeymoon trip.

"Leaving Los Angeles in the car, which I purchased in the Southern California city," said Mr. Todd, "we followed the rough and muddy coast road to San Diego. There had been several washouts a few days before we were over the road, but we came through without mishap. From San Diego we took the dusty road over the plains to Tia Juana, the little hamlet on the border of Lower California, Mexico. Here we met with the true Mexican type of the cities further north as chicle and cheese. The uniformed customs officials, the sombreroed vaqueros and the curio stores made our visit interesting, although the little town has lost much of its native attractiveness through the crowds of tourists who run down to it from San Diego, and other points. There is a bull-fight ring there but no fights were taking place when we arrived.

"Coming north we made a leisurely trip around Southern California, visiting Riverside, San Bernardino, Orange, Bellingham and St. John street, Belleville and Menzies street, Blanchard and Broughton street, Yates and Camosun street, Yates and Fort street, Piguard street, King's road and Graham street, Hill and Rose street, Market and Rose street, Hillside avenue and Pleasant street, Hillside avenue and Rock Bay street, David and Turner street, David and Bridge street, Bay and Bridge street, Bay and Pleasant street, Garbally road and Victoria road, Gorge road and Manchester road, Gorge road and Washington road, Burnside road and Emma street, Burnside road and Alvin street, Burnside road and 100 feet northwest of Douglas street, Douglas and Baker street (at brickyard), Douglas 100 feet north of Market.

DEPUTY SHERIFF IS SENTENCED TO DEATH
Convicted of Murder in Connection With Lynching of Prisoner in Washington
Canyon City, Ore., July 7.—Deputy Sheriff Joseph Cassidy, who with four other men was convicted of having lynched Ollie Snyder, a man whom Cassidy was taking back to Heppner, was charged with murder, is under sentence to be hanged on September 2nd. He will be taken to the Oregon penitentiary at Salem to-morrow.

"I noticed on the trip that automobiles are treated with much more consideration in the States than in British Columbia. The rules of the road are enforced in the cities and even in the crowded streets of Los Angeles there are no such things as the marked contrast with Victoria, where the public does not seem to take kindly to automobiles and where accidents are often nearly brought about by the most glaring of the rules of the roads by pedestrians and by the drivers of horse vehicles. I feel safe in saying that it is easier to drive a car at Heppner, Cassidy, who has a reputation as a sure shot gun man, was detailed to capture him. He hunted the fugitive all over eastern and central Oregon during the winter until he finally caught him near Canyon City. With his prisoner, Cassidy started back to Heppner. Meanwhile friends of Green organized a party, overtook the officer and Snyder was lynched. Then his body was studded with bullets. Evidence at the trial indicated that Cassidy assisted in the summary execution of his prisoner.

TURNED BACK BY U. S. IMMIGRATION OFFICER
Guelph, Ont., July 7.—John Brohman, of Chicago, was in the city yesterday on a very peculiar errand. Two months ago his sister and brother, aged 14 and 9 respectively, left their home in Chicago to visit friends in Guelph. As they expected to stay some time, they did not get return tickets. A few weeks ago they started on the return trip but got only as far as Port Huron, where the immigration official told them they could not enter the United States. The children were kept in a hotel at Port Huron at their own expense, and the next day sent back to Guelph. Their brother arrived yesterday and secured a letter from Mayor Hastings stating the facts of the case. Armed with this he expects to be able to pilot the belated young travellers over the border.

BERNIER SAILS FOR ARTIC.
(From the Times.)
Quebec, July 7.—Capt. J. E. Bernier with a crew of 37 men sailed to-day on the government steamer Arctic for northern regions. It is expected that the expedition will be away for two

MORE HYDRANTS THROUGHOUT CITY

Large List of New Fire Fighting Equipment in Various Parts of Town

(From Thursday's Daily.)
With the growth of Victoria it has become necessary to extend the fire fighting equipment of the city, and at the last meeting of the board of fire wardens it was decided to install additional hydrants as follows: Davie and Cowan avenue, Davie and Oak Bay avenue, Hulton and Leighton road, Duchess and Leighton road, Richmond road and Oak Bay avenue, Richmond avenue 800 feet west of Oak Bay avenue, Rockland avenue 900 feet east of St. Charles street, Rockland avenue west gate of Government House, St. Charles street 800 feet south of Rockland avenue, Fairford road and Robertson street, Bushby and Adelaide street, Moss and George street, Moss and May street, Moss and Richardson street, Linden avenue and Fairford road, Linden avenue and Fort street, Linden avenue and May street, Linden avenue and Oscar street, Foul Bay road 100 feet east of Alderman Langley's residence, Foul Bay road and Crescent street, Lillian and Mills street, Lillian and Fairford road, Cook and Olliphant street, Cook and Pendergast street, Vancouver and Humboldt street, Vancouver and McClure street, Blanchard and Humboldt street, Blanchard and Douglas street, Douglas and Michigan street, Government and Elliott street, Government and Dallas street, Simcoe and Clarence street, Niagara and Boyd street, Niagara and St. Lawrence street, Kingston and St. Lawrence street, Montreal and Ontario street, Montreal and Cross street, Belleville and St. John street, Belleville and Menzies street, Blanchard and Broughton street, Yates and Camosun street, Yates and Fort street, Piguard street, King's road and Graham street, Hill and Rose street, Market and Rose street, Hillside avenue and Pleasant street, Hillside avenue and Rock Bay street, David and Turner street, David and Bridge street, Bay and Bridge street, Bay and Pleasant street, Garbally road and Victoria road, Gorge road and Manchester road, Gorge road and Washington road, Burnside road and Emma street, Burnside road and Alvin street, Burnside road and 100 feet northwest of Douglas street, Douglas and Baker street (at brickyard), Douglas 100 feet north of Market.

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PULLMAN COMPANY SEEKING INJUNCTION

Declares Reduction of Rates for Berths Will Cause Enormous Loss
Chicago, July 7.—Declaring that the reduction of Pullman rates would cause an annual loss of \$116,000 between Seattle and St. Paul alone and proportionate losses between other cities, Attorney Fernald, for the Pullman company, in the United States circuit court, argued for a re-hearing of the suit for an injunction prohibiting the Interstate Commerce Commission from reducing the rates.

CANADIAN APPEALS.

LONDON, July 7.—Sir Elzevir Tascheran, who registered here yesterday, was sworn in as privy councillor, and take his seat on the judicial committee, which yesterday began the hearing of Canadian appeals. The continued absence of Sir Robert Finlay, who is at The Hague, makes it impossible to defer a re-hearing of the case to-day. Mr. Fernald declared that the enormous loss the company would sustain is equivalent to confiscation.

INNER HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS

Due to the representations and activity of the Inner Harbor Association, these disabilities have been removed by the federal government and to-day, for the first time in the history of the port, there is a clear channel from the mills to the open ocean, and the lumber company has seized upon the first possible moment to inaugurate a foreign trade in the leading home industry of the port.

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RAINBOW HERE IN SEPTEMBER

ENLISTMENT OF MEN WILL COMMENCE

Over Thirty Cadets to Attend Naval College at Halifax This Year

(Special to the Times)
Ottawa, July 7.—The naval Halifax opens in October in quarters. Between thirty cadets will be accommodated year pending the building of a college. The enlistment of men is shortly so as to have men join the vessels on arrival at Victoria. The Rainbow is expected to Pacific coast in September England at the end of the year.

RUSHING WORK ON

THE Y. M. C. A. BUILDING
Intended to Have New Section Ready for Occupancy November 15

(From Thursday's Daily)
Although the retaining wall basement of the new Y. M. C. A. building has been constructed, the work still has a considerable amount to do before they can get to work which must be completed by November 15th. The basement floor, on which the base work to be done by including the regular winter classes, is not yet finished. J. L. Skeene, the contractor, announces that he will rush to completion as fast as possible. The retaining wall and the floor will be completed by the end of the month. The work will be finished by the boys to renew their efforts looking forward eagerly to the regular winter classes. The payments from those subscribed to the building fund are being collected. The third is collected. The boys of the association into camp at Shoal water, where they will be held for a few days. The work will be finished by the boys to renew their efforts looking forward eagerly to the regular winter classes. The payments from those subscribed to the building fund are being collected. The third is collected. The boys of the association into camp at Shoal water, where they will be held for a few days. The work will be finished by the boys to renew their efforts looking forward eagerly to the regular winter classes.

ALBERTA ATTRACTS SETTLERS FROM

More Farmers Will Come to Washington Next Year
Provincial Exhibition
Calgary, July 7.—The Provincial Exhibition, which is to be held at the University of Alberta, is attracting a large number of settlers from the United States. The exhibition is expected to be a great success, and will be a valuable asset to the province.

FUNERAL OF GOULD

Ottawa, July 6.—The funeral of Frank Gouldthrie, superintendent of the printing bureau, who was killed by jumping into the Ottawa river, was held this morning. The funeral was attended by a large number of friends.

CANADA WINS THE MACKINON

(Special to the Times)
Blaisy, July 7.—Canada has won the Mackinon cup by a score of 1-0. The competition is open to twelve men. The Canadian team won last year. It is said that the curling varies with its fitness. The more it curls, the better it is.