

DRAWING TOGETHER.

The announcement of the Dominion Finance Minister in the House at Ottawa yesterday that there will be a further increase in the British preference at the end of the present financial year will, we believe, be received with acclaim from one end of Canada to the other.

It has been contended by some that there is no distinction between the policy of the Liberals and that of the Conservatives in regard to trade matters; it is merely a question of leaders, not of principles.

REDISTRIBUTION.

The action of Sir Mackenzie Bowell in moving the six months' bill of the redistribution bill in the Senate means that the Tory leader in the permanent chamber is obeying the commands of the Tory leader in the elective chamber.

There are 29,000 men from the colonies upholding the honor of the Empire in South Africa. This shows how much Oom Paul was out in his calculations when he estimated the utmost Britain could do would be to confront him with 35,000 men on the field of battle.

Mr. Charles Wilson, the elected leader of the British Columbia Conservatives, is in the East, and when asked by a reporter of the Toronto Telegram what he thought of the Victoria business men asking the Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia to end the present unsatisfactory state of political affairs in the province, he said: "Why, I think it is most extraordinary."

There is no doubt something in the contention that the House of Commons should not abrogate its right to deal with its representation. We may explain that it was proposed to hand it over to a non-partisan body on this occasion so that no just claim could be advanced that the matter would not be fairly dealt with.

DROP HYSTERICS.

It is now recognized that the only "constitutional" way of settling our political difficulties in British Columbia is through the ballot box, and we believe all right-thinking men will deprecate the action of the agitators who are endeavoring to get the people together in order that some demagogues may have an opportunity of haranguing the electors and abusing the Lieut.-Governor.

GREAT BRITAIN'S INCREASED PRESTIGE.

It is not too much to say that Lord Roberts is to the military world what the sun is to the world of light. He is not only a great military leader, but a great statesman.

WE'D GET ON OUR KOPJES.

It is not probable that the American people will lose their self-control, on receipt of the fearful news that Great Britain is landing guns at her navy yard in Esquimaut, near the lower end of Vancouver Island.

Mr. Wilson also announced that the Conservatives are bound to have government on Federal party lines in British Columbia. The significance of the award made by the arbitrators in the dispute arising out of the employment of Chinese and Japanese underground can hardly be gauged until the Supreme Court has passed upon the matters referred to it by the arbitration board.

The allegation that the Boers will never submit to British rule is not sustained by the action of the Free States. They appear to have been delighted at the advent of Roberts and the opportunity to return to their homes. They were undoubtedly deceived by their leaders.

A man with Oom Paul's imagination is wasting his time presiding over a Boer republic. The story he has been telling his people about the Russians occupying London proves that his legitimate sphere of labor would be on an American yellow journal.

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DEADWOOD CAMP MINES.

Greenwood, March 17.—Montreal, New York and Spokane capital is not being stunted in the development of the mines of Deadwood camp, three miles from Greenwood City. To-day the correspondent of the Times was out at the camp visiting the properties being opened up.

Another property visited in the same camp was the Buckhorn, owned by the Buckhorn Gold & Copper Mining Company, also of Montreal. This mine is being developed by shaft, which is down 200 feet, and a station is now being cut out before further sinking is resumed.

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are at present somewhat rusty, and that is yet nearer to our border. What would these defenses amount to if 70,000,000 of people decided to walk across the thousands of miles of unguarded and unguarded frontier and establish themselves in the country of 10,000,000.

NOT GOOD GRAMMAR, BUT—

The Khan. I've searched the Scriptures like Kruger does. But this is what puzzles me. No matter how much his Maxims buzz He's in a minority.

"Go to sleep," the old woman says. "And let them fight away." But a fool like them in all my days, I never see, I say.

"Lie over and go to sleep," says she: "Never a bit," says I; "I'll find the reason that these things be, And why these things are why."

"Fight with a man like us!" "Fight with a man like us!" "Fight with a man like us!"

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Description of Properties Now Being Opened Up in the District.

A Smelter for Greenwood-Hopeful Outlook for Boundary Creek.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

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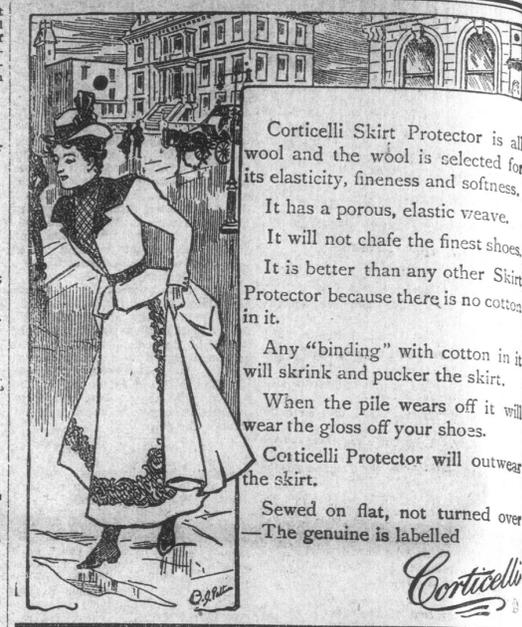
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The Work of Sinking will be continued. The shaft had reached a depth of 72 feet to-day. Superintendent Warrington said that at the 100-foot level, after cutting out the necessary station, a crosscut of the ore body would be made.

Some good looking ore is being taken out from the bottom of the shaft on the St. Lawrence. The ore shows plenty of iron and copper pyrites is coming in freely. The shaft is down 98 feet, all timbered. It is to be continued on down to 150 feet before drifting will be started.

John Mack, of Spokane, is in Greenwood in connection with plans for the resumption of work on the Athelstan claim in the Wellington camp. Nearly two years ago this property was under bond to Loring, Crane & Snodgrass, at that time a mining and engineering firm of Spokane.

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The ex-Governor read the warrant against Powers, charging him with being an accessory to the murder of William Goebel, and asked for the dismissal of the defendant on the ground that the warrant was fatally defective in not alleging that the crime was committed in Franklin County, and that it did not even show the offence to have been committed in Kentucky.

Judge Moore overruled the objection to the form of the warrant. DONT RUN CHANCES by taking whiskey or brandy to settle the stomach or stop a chill. Pain-Killer is hot water sweetened will do you more good. Avoid substitutes, there's but one Pain-Killer, Perry Davis', 25c and 50c.

E. J. Conway and C. F. Erb, of Cheமான, returned from a visit to the South this morning, and are registered at the Victoria.

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