## The Colonist.

MONDAY, MARCH 1, 1897.

MR. SWORD'S RESOLUTION. Apart from the merits of Mr Sword's

resolution to compel companies asking unwise, and decidedly un-British. If ada, but says: was considered. Resolutions simply declaring abstract principles are not oustomary in British legislatures, except under two conditions. If the government proposes to introduce a measure, it is customary in large legislative bodies to of enterprise and put a handless of enterprise and put a handle enterprise and put a handle enterprise and put a handle enterp introduced to give effect to it. This is the manner in which, for example, the Canadian Pacific subsidy was brought before parliament. In smaller legislatures the the house on the principles involved in are never introduced except they pass a bill in the words of Mr. Sword's the present trade relations of the two tive dictum or expression of opinion, and Dominion parliament to put a duty on British parliament or legislature cannot protection to domestic labor. bind itself by any declaration. Blackstone lays this down as an elementary principle of constitutional law. He says that if parliament should, as it has done in times past, declare that an act never should be repealed, it might instanter pass another act repealing it. There is absolutely no limit to the legislative power of parliament, and the same remark applies to provincial legislatures within the constitutional limits of their powers. Therefore Mr. Sword's resolution, if it had passed, would not bind,

but would simply embarrass the house. The other condition, under which resolutions declaring a line of policy, may

are in the position which was perhaps else. We believe it well to exercise a close oversight over the granting of franchises, but not hands of either the private bills committee or the house. The hostility which some gentlemen evince to companies seeking franchises is surprising. The Opposition has been in haste to put itself in the position of hostility to enterprise and of undue friendliness to San Francisco, almost two-thirds comes from a transcontinental "I want to give men of money" this Province, whence it follows so as to form a transcontinental of the summer of 1897 seemed to be the cheapness with which such supplies from Alderta. On the wish to have the Crow's Nest Pass appeared in this paper yesterday that the wish to have the Crow's Nest Pass appeared in this paper yesterday that there will be an election next summer, that is, in the summer of 1897. So far autherities. If, however, they can finance their projects without such assistance need there will be an election next summer, that is, in the summer of 1897. So far as the Colonist knows there will not be.

The fact was that yesterday was so fine to make at least a start in the direction of building a line to Penticton or some of line to be looked for this year from the Federal and their that is that no assistance

An objection to the resolution is that plished anything. It is easy to talk them all. Leaving out the matter of a tory subject to the competition from prospect of being compelled to come un-Did any of the gentlemen who talk about this sort of thing try what they call "hawking around" a franchise, or as they would do well to try it and see how The wages paid in British Columbia highly profitable a performance it is. | mines are: Mr. Huff said the first thing to be demon- Foremen ......\$120.00 per month. strated is the necessity for a public work but he is wrong. A project may

Province does not want the money of want to buy if they can avoid it. men who have honestly tried and yet failed to carry out their plans.

A CRITIC AT SEA.

The Spokane Chronicle very severely for franchises to make deposits sufficient condemns "the sort of lunacy now to secure the carrying out of the objects rampant in the District of Columbia" to secure the carrying out of the objects rampant in the District of Columbia at all into was "a holy war" was referred not to the bearing quartz leads and rich placers. aimed at, such a method of procedure is which is erecting a trocha against Can-

need it most.

while the legislature could, of course, proposition looking to interruption of resolution, it would be a mere legisla- countries was a suggestion to ask the

CANADIAN COMPETITION.

coal, it follows that any observations line and with ultimately such Canadian made as to the advantage of cheaper connections as will give a competing An objection to the resolution is that it is not one that governs any legislative round facts of the actual facts of the are differences of opinion as to how this canadian rabies. His latest is over an make merchandise of it, or to supply body in the world. The history of all case? Simply this, that the rates of result can best be reached, but on the idea that Canada may be the basis of an great enterprises bears us out in saying wages paid in British Columbia mines general proposition there is a pretty attack on the United States. The good that if the promoters had been com- run from 25 to 75 per cent. higher than close approach to unanimity. There are, old man need not worry. Canada has pelled to put up a forfeit as a condition in Washington mines. We have before however, some who would be quite con- no present use for the United States, and on which a franchise would be granted, us a list of wages paid in a Washington tent to see the southern portion of the his grey hairs need not be brought by most of them could never have accom- mine, which we take as a fair sample of Province become Canadian Pacific terri- sorrow to the grave by the immediate

> Washington wages are: Foreman......\$75.00 per month.

be of the greatest necessity, but until In regard to freight from the British the treatment that the Sultan is receivyou can convince a capitalist that it will Columbia mines to San Francisco it is a ing at the hands of certain public men pay, he will not put a dollar in it. fact that the average cost is about 25 in Great Britain. The other side of the trip around the world was intended sim-Philanthropic considerations are very cents a ton higher than from the Sound case has been presented by Rev. Dr. Mc- ply to fool Europe and keep the diplolovely, but possess no marketable value. ports. Thus the Washington coal mines Coll in one of the reviews. He takes the matists of that country from watching The truth of the matter is that it is have already the protection afforded position that the Mussulman press of Russian intrigue too closely. This is usually the energetic promoter, the by lower wages and lower freights, India does not reflect Mohammedan probably the invention of some ingeniman who "knows a good thing when he and yet British Columbia can opinion in that country, and says that our scribe, who was at a loss for a good sees it," the tireless, pushing, energetic sell nearly two tons to their one in the in point of fact the Mussulmans of the story. Any Machiavellian trickery laid sees it," the tireless, pushing, energetic man, who studies out a local situation, masters all the details, goes into the money markets with his project and convinces the very conservative men who hold the purse-strings of the financial world that he has a meritorious pro
sell nearly two tons to their one in the great Eastern dependency are profoundly indifferent to the fate of the Sultan.

"Bring me my glass," commanded the great Eastern dependency are profoundly indifferent to the fate of the Sultan.

The Columbian thinks it would be well." The faithful lieutenant brought objects for the government to give the unquestioned." What our contemporary is congratulating itself upon is, there so for as to deny him the title of Salvas. cial world that he has a meritorious pro- is congratulating itself upon is, there- so far as to deny him the title of Sultan for a miner's licence. We do not think ject, that builds up the country. If we fore, that the Washington mine owners or to send a representative to his Court. many prospectors object to the licence, wait in British Columbia until the fin- can get 75 cents more per ton for their The Moors allude to him simply as the and only quote our contemporary's obancial men of London or Toronto or inferior coal in San Francisco. That the Sheik of Constantinopie. The Line in Sheik of ancial men of London or Toronto or inferior coal in San Francisco. That the any other place come out here and tramp duty will increase the output of that according to both sects of Mohammedan-which public matters are discussed by "They say it calms the mind to let the eye rest on the distant horizon." tunities for investment, our resources a fact that the shipments of British Col- and the Shiahs hold that he must be of will go for a long time undeveloped. The umbia coal to San Francisco did not in- the family of the prophet. The Turkish province owes much, and will owe still crease because of the abolition of the Sultan, Selim I, usurped the title in ley for the prospect of a duty on ores more to "promoters." Guard franchises duty and they presumably will not de- 1512, and his successors have since and hopes he will keep on until he gets closely, provide for their early forfeiture crease because of its reimposition. The claimed it; but there have been other them as high as Lookout Mountain. if not utilized, grant no extensions, ex- only effect will be that the San Francisco Khalifs, and it may be said that since

entirely right when he said that the the Washington coal which they do not Mohammedans, no matter of what na-

test the sense of the house by resolution.

This gives full opportunity for a discussion of the principle involved. When sich norther protecting that will force it to barriers is so good a thing it might be seek investment anywhere except in the sich and bearings ment and bearings the resolution has been carried a bill is development of the new districts that well for both countries to try their hands coterie, who control the Mussulman is some reason in what it says about Who has been stuffing our esteemed ber, Canadian ores and Canadian labor

contemporary, and wherewith has it been are such obstacles to American prosperity be secured by following their advice, it comes to selling it to other people that stuffed? The legislature of our Province that they must be barred from the coun- but he assures the British public that is another story. practice is usually to test the sense of has been in session for a few weeks, but try or admitted only on terms which are these journalists only speak for themthere has not been so much as the cross- intended to be prohibitory, probably it selves and not for their sixty million a bill either on the motion for a second ing of a "t" or the dotting of an "i" in will not be impossible to discover lines fellow religionists in India. reading or in committee on a motion the direction referred to by the Chron- upon which the Dominion can enact the to read the bill section by icle. No member, either on the govern- same sort of legislation It is a poor section. Substantive resolutions, like ment or the opposition side, has made sort of business for two countries, with that contracts for labor made out of explosion of one package would cause that brought forward by Mr. Sword, even a remark, much less a speech, so many commercial interests in com- British Columbia are good in this prov- the explosion of other packages anywhich will bear a construction so as to mon, to be pursuing a cat-and-dog polince now. All that the section in the where in the vicinity. are to be followed by a definite bill mean what our contemporary thinks is icy; but if our neighbors want it, we Master and Servants Act on this subject dealing with the same subject. Now being done here. In fact the only ought to endeavor to accommodate them.

THE CROW'S NEST PASS ROAD.

would not estop the house from incorpor- ore, which "died a bornin'." And even members of the cabinet as to the policy jority of the house did not, it is true; temporary in saying that there will be ating a company the very next minute this was not intended as an unfriendly in regard to the construction of the but surely it is impossible to make any ladies present. without requiring any such condition as demonstration against our neighbors, Crow's Nest Pass railway may or may proposition plainer. is contemplated by the resolution. A but simply as a moderate measure of not have a foundation in fact. When Mr. Blair was out on the Coast he made The Seattle Post-Intelligencer says it has throughout the discussion appeared Province were opened as Kootenay is is evident that the two great industries to favor the construction of the line by this number would be more than doubis probable, our contemporary says, that alternative the construction of the work at a rate which will surpass even the ber and that the McKinley tariff on C.F.R. The reason of this differs in Washington in the decade ending 1890. on record where an armistice preceded a coal, 75 cents a ton, will be restored. different localities. In Kootenay the These changes will, in its opinion, pro- people want to see the Crow's Nest Pass duce "a wonderful improvement in the road made a competing line, and though condition of those industries." The they realize that the Eastern connection lenged the scientific world to prove that reason for this expectation is the im- in the Dominion would be over the rails the moon revolves on its axis. The oragined cheapness of production of coal of the C.P.R. for the present, they look dinarily received theory is that it rotates duties may be temporarily crippling, but be properly introduced need not now be and lumber in Canada as compared with to the American roads, especially the once for every time it revolves around ultimately it will inure to the advantage Referring first to the matter of coal, could be readily effected, to give them a our contemporary is under a singular competing route to the East. In a short fact it makes no difference whether the not wholly nor in larger part consumed misapprehension as to the facts of the time the lease of the roads from Calgary moon rotates on an axis or not; but if it in that country, nor are those from Mexcase. Its reference is confined to the to Edmonton, and Calgary to McLeod, is demonstrable that it does not the case. Its reference is confined to the to Edmonton, and Calgary to McLeod, is demonstrable that it does not, the coal market in San Francisco, where it which the C.P.B. now holds, will expire tells us 992,674 tons of foreign coal were and it is hoped that these lines would used last year against 384,482 tons of operate on an independent basis, by Washington coal. The reason for the which means Kootenay would have the mittee or the house. The hostility which greater demand of foreign coal is alleged choice of two routes by which to get pense of the Colonist when it asks if it specifies is supplied in a paragraph that the Columbia river will do now remaining to be the cheapness with which such supplies from Alberta. On the Coast is to understand from a paragraph that friend of the workingman, Mr. Forster. English and Australian coal as it able majority of the people of British already at hand. We are not surprised other point in the Okanagon country. This is very praiseworthy, but we have does of the Washington article. Columbia desire very greatly to see a that the Times detected the error for Vancouver World. generally observed that men of money Two-thirds of the San Francisco railway constructed across the Province surely this to the Opposition is "the do not need to have chances made for importation being of British Columbia south of the present transcontinental winter of their discontent."

> think the weight of public opinion in the Province is against it. INDIA AND THE SULTAN.

ments in favor of this view, but we

Outside men.... 2.25 to 2.50 per day. don Times speaking of the dissatisfaction line to work in Canada, in order to find and after that everything would be easy; Pickers ...... 2.00 to 2.50 per day. that is alleged to exist among the Mus- out whether the Corliss law is founded sulman population of India because of on good policy. cept on excellent cause shown; but do consumers, who have given abundant not put a block in the way of enterprise proof of their determination to have by limiting the promotion of public British Columbia coal if they can get it, hold this high office. The Khalif was

in the case of failure. Mr. Turner was have to, and also 75 cents a ton more for and religious character among finitely announce its intention to retain tionality. He alone could proctaim "a most prosperous places in the world. In regard to lumber the fact is that holy war." There are numerous historipractically no lumber is shipped from cal incidents which show that the power this province to California. During the of the Sultan in this respect is not con- North Fork of the Kettle river drains a last five years a few cargoes have gone ceded by the doctors of Islam. Perhaps district that has never been prospected thither from British Columbia ports, but the most conspicuous was that of the outside of an area of twenty miles, the calculations of our lumbermen. Sultan, but to the doctors of Mohamme- We will begin to learn something about As to competition in the markets of the dan law in Delhi, who decided that it this province after a while. the resolution had passed, no one, not even the mover, would have been bound by it for a single moment. The house toria, we feel almost prond of our prints.

And yet, with all due regard for the complains, we fancy that is more due to the fact that Canadian logs are admitted by it for a single moment. The house toria, we feel almost prond of our prints.

Middle West, of which the Seattle paper complains, we fancy that is more due to the fact that Canadian logs are admitted by it for a single moment. The house toria, we feel almost prond of our prints. by it for a single moment. The house could have reversed it when the first bill species of political clams. The men in the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the District of Columbia are indeed do-however, congress is of the opinion that the Dis

at it. If Canadian coal, Canadian lum- press, is to persuade the British govern- every man being entitled to what water ment that the safety of India can only he needs for his own purposes, but when

WE must remind the Nanaimo Mail Woolwich, and it has been found that the provided was that in an action in this Province on such contracts it should not men have announced their intention of be necessary to prove what the law is taking their wives to see the fight bewhere this contract was made. Does our tween Fitzsimmons and Corbett; but The reported disagreement among contemporary grasp the point? A ma- we do not see that this warrants a con-

THE Rossland Miner says that the reno secret of his opinion that the road ports of the various railways indicate that be welcomed by that island. All right. ought to be built as a government work. there will be an influx of 100,000 people in- Just tow the island up north and anchor On the other hand the Toronto Globe to this Province this year. If the whole it off Cape Breton. of the State of Washington, coal mining the Canadian Pacific. In this Province led. Let the Dominion and the Provinand lumber cutting, are to receive ade- public opinion favors the plan which cial governments unite in a policy of de- childish exhibitions grown-up men can quate protection under the new tariff. It Mr. Blair is said to support, or as an velopment and our population will grow \$2 per thousand will be imposed on lum- by a new company independent of the phenomenal growth of the State of

> Dr. Stephen Emmens, an astronomer the earth, and thus always presents the of British Columbia mining industries. same face to this planet. As a matter of send to the United States smelters are Newtonian theory will get a severe ahock.

THE Times makes a point at the ex-

EVERY now and then Bre'r Dana of general superintendent, we find that the American lines. There are some argu- der the flag of the Dominion.

It is calculated to give one a rather contemptuous idea of the calibre of a porations submitting to no control newspaper to find it, like the San Fran- ald. cisco Chronicle, making an effort to ascertain whether more Canadians go The Colonist printed a few weeks ago certain whether more Canadians go
The action of the government in restatement summarized from the Lor a statement summarized from the Lon- States than Americans cross the same awaited in the West, and will result in

Ir is now alleged that Li Hung Chang's

THE Trail Creek News blesses McKin-

works to men who have money to risk will have to pay 75 cents a ton more for in the way of a deposit, to be forfeited it, which they are ready to do if they on all questions of a civil if the Imperial government would de-Indianapolis Journal.

THE Grand Forks Miner says the

CORDITE, the new explosive, is pretty dangerous stuff. A test has been made by the officers of the royal arsenal at

A NUMBER of prominent Nevada public

A Nova Scotian, who resides in Cuba, says that a Canadian protectorate would

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WHAT WILL THEY DO? WATER RIGHTS.

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BAILWAYS AND COMMERCE. Commerce in this country has to cope with too many restrictions without being placed at the mercy of railway corowning no responsibility.—Calgary Her-

Mr. Laurier and his colleagues gaining or losing many friends. - Lethbridge

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"Did I understand you to say that you are unmarried, madame?" asked the law-yer, who was cross-examining a Chicago woman. "I do not know what you undertood me to say," replied the witness, but that is what I said. I have been unnarried four times."—Pittsburg Chronic Celegraph.

Stella—He has the manners of a bear. Ella—Puts both arms around you, does he?—New York Sunday Journal.

Mistress-That was a very nice letter of Patrick's offering you marriage, Mary. What shall I say in reply for you? "Tell him, mum, if you plaze, that when I get my wages raised next month, mum, I'll begin to save for the wedding things."-London Tid-Bits.

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OTICE is hereby given that two months efter date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissio-er of Land and Works for permission to purchase 160 acres more or less of unsurege i land herein described, on the east shore of Rivers Inlet, about 1½ (one and a half) miles more or less south of Good Hope cannery: commencing at a stake planted on the southcommencing at a stake planted on the sout east corner marked "J.", running east chains; running north 40 chains; running we 40 chains; and back to the place of commencent

nent.
Dated the 12th day of February, 1897.
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works fer permission to purchase the following land situate on the south side of Browning Passage, Clayoquot Sound, viz:—Commencing at a stake marked "N. W. Corner, C. F. & T. Co." thence south 40 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence enoth 40 chains, thence control of commencement for 80 chains more or less, thence following the shore line back to point of commencement to 780 chains more or less.

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THE COLONIST,

The Tension Between. Spain Approaches Point.

Consul-General Lee Language as to 'Indignities

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.the Sun says: "Havana The Spaniards are wildly e Consul General Lee and the The report was circulate ing that American w coming to Havana b Consul General Lee, and th of the volunteers was so in report that fearing a demo Marquis of Ahumada calle unteers in the city and a that the report was absolut that General Lee in inve-truth of Mr. Ruit death, or structions from the state of Washington, given in a fr

able spirit.
Whether the efforts of and in general of all the S ities, to prevent a conflict cessful cannot be foretoid. mains that the Spanish merchants openly say that ican warships enter the ba they will attack the American and by their own acts and war upon the United State Printed addresses, "I iards," are circulating I appeals are made to their teers during the last war. an invitation to repeat scenes of 1869, 1871 and 1

large number of murders

ted in this city. The Havana correspon Times says: "General I ing his cou.se in connec arrest of Americans, says: orders from Washington obey instructions from The department authorize a certain way and I carry I came here unprejudice mined to form my opin came directly under my "From the moment blood began to boil, and i much longer and am force all the indignities heap countrymen without reliterally all boil away. our flag upon the streets. murdered, robbed and im-indignities are heaped up and every atrocity conc Spaniard to put on America upon us.'

FISHERY PROTE

Washington, Feb. 24.has sent to congress a repo missioners appointed und 1892 to examine into tion, and recommend the of protecting the fish contiguous waters of the and Canada. The report inous, containing corres tween the two government upon the subject of the covers exhaustively all the fisheries of the great other international water

The two commissioner bun, representing the Uni William Walkeham, repre Britain, submit a separ recommendations in regaries from the Atlantic to the They were unable in each more than general eaving the matter of deta reach more than gen

by further and more com "Our observations," dearly demonstrated clearly of attempting of the fishs any of the fishs discussed by a rigid code owing to their constant character and condition therefore urge in the therefore that a permanent join to be composed of compete provided, which shall be the direct supervision of and shall be empowered vestigations and modify

circumstances require. The commission say no ulations can be properly except by the licensing a of fishermen as a basis o character and amount of ploved in each locality. They also say much o between fishermen, espec gion of the great lakes, hi by a misconception of th a misconception of the the intervening water a being widespread that be mile limit the waters are suggest the expediency of of the great lakes, showing

line, and the distribution ing the fishermen. The commission consi following five fisheries w the agreement entered in 1892: The mackerel fish lantic coast and the Gul rence; Passamaquoddy b the St. John rivers, Lake Memphrema part of the St. Lawrence of Great Lakes, Rainy Woods and Rainy river, Fraser river, Gulf of Sound and Straits of Sar All these waters except two commissioners.

THE FATE OF A

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., out of a family of twelve a railroad crossing Heights, this afternoon and six children were ki the other three children injured, and the other tw

ly hurt. The Woodwards, for t lived seven miles out in t were coming to Cha father, W. J. Woodward, town. They failed to no