

The Colonist. FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1893.

A SUGGESTION.

We trust that the civic authorities and the leading men in the community will not neglect to use their influence to prevail upon the Admiral to have a naval demonstration of a sham fight while the war ships are in port.

AN UNREASONABLE DEMAND.

The bricklayers will find that they have made a mistake in insisting upon their objection to the inspectors chosen by the City Council and the Board of School Trustees.

Let it be admitted that the workmen have the power to restrict the choice of the employer in one respect, and it will have to be allowed that they have as good a right to restrict it in other respects.

It must be evident to the bricklayers themselves that the man who is getting the work done has the right to oversee it himself, or to employ anyone in whom he has confidence to oversee it for him.

Then who is to guarantee that the practical bricklayer would make a good inspector. A bricklayer may be a capital workman but a very poor inspector.

The reader will be able to form some idea of the proceedings of this very peculiar congress and of what apparently incongruous elements it is composed, when he learns who were the speakers at one of last week's meetings.

WHAT NEXT?

Mr. Gladstone's position is being discussed both at home and abroad. There are some who say that the proper thing for him to do is to accept the challenge virtually made by the House of Lords and appeal, with the least possible delay, to the people.

But it is evident that Mr. Gladstone has no intention of trying to obtain the sanction of the people to his policy. It is clearly his intention to hold on to power as long as he can, whether he has the nation on his side or not.

THE RIGHT THING WRONGLY DONE.

The bricklayers did right when they declared their strike off, but they made a mistake in not admitting that they had taken stand on untenable ground.

It is pretty clear now that the Queen does not intend to call upon Mr. Gladstone for his resignation. Her Majesty is too wise to give him an opportunity of posing before the nation as a martyr.

A MIXED ASSEMBLY.

The Parliament of Religions lately in session in Chicago, was, as an assemblage, perfectly unique and its proceedings are most interesting to all men and women who are seriously inclined, whether they are what is commonly called religious or not.

They have done this and more. They have been beaten but by one team in the East, and that the champion team. In the contests with the Capitals and the Shamrocks, there is good reason to believe that the shortness of the time limits only prevented their scoring victories in both cases.

THE MIDWINTER FAIR.

The promoters of the California Midwinter Fair deserve the greatest credit for their energy, their pluck and their enterprise. The idea of having a fair in midwinter was an original one, and when it was mooted it was very coldly received.

The fair is to be an international one and it is planned on an extensive scale. It goes without saying that to get it up in anything like adequate proportions and in a creditable style will require a great deal of money.

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OUR BOYS.

Victoria has good reason to be proud of its lacrosse team. It has been successful in the East beyond the most sanguine expectations of its friends.

A GREAT WORK.

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As now established, the constitution opens with a solemn declaration of allegiance to the doctrines of the Church of England, and to the authority of the Holy Scriptures, the basis of the constitution, one conserving the powers and rights of Diocesan Synods, the other leaving the system of Provincial Synods and the creation of Archdioceses in connection therewith, and in a last clause, the following:

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

(Special to the Colonist.)

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