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THE DAILY GOLONIST

THE WATERWORKS AGREE-

the city and the B. C. Electric Raii- putation for being 'straight,' but Onway Company for supplying the latter power, Mayor Barnard desires to make it plain that there is a strong financial reason for its having been entered into. The amount involved in the scheme, it carried out, is very large, and it would be useless to go before the ratepayers with a bylaw increasing the city's lia
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could hold the fairs at all without the with a bylaw increasing the city's lia- That is a very excellent epitome of definite and sufficient revenue. He and cial refers to the principles upon which the other members of the council re- it came about as "a straight business a wise precaution to have gone to the could not, deliver the goods he had company and got an agreement before-hand which would make that revenue other, which it claims contributed mapower on the Island besides Goldstream and these are being considered by the company in case the present agreement is not confirmed. In the absence of such agreement, after passing the bylaw, the city might be without the best customer and the only large customer it would have outside of its own consumers. It is true that the agree. a certainty. There are other sources of terially to Ross's defeat. consumers. It is true that the agree the Mayor maintains that it is the pitand it is for the ratepayers to decide to deafs, however, with marine matters which one they prefer. It is a very big question and a very difficult one to handle in the best interests of Vic toria, and the Mayor and council, whether they were right or wrong, undoubt-edly acted in what they considered the best way to conserve those interests. other aids to navigation, such as hydrobest way to conserve those interests.

The money feature of the proposal is a serious one. The liabilities of the city less telegraphy, Dominion steamers, are already very large for the populawe deal elsewhere, is considerable and quirements in the way of public improvements. The Mayor, therefore, thinks that, from a practical point of view, the improvement of the waterin a countrehensive and in a co works system in a comprehensive and such an expedition should be made ing on account of the important object in view. Unfortunately for this pursource of revenue sufficiently large to justify it. Without that definitely in character of a diary, which are very sight the chances of passing a money bylaw providing for the expenditure of at least one million dollars would be slim. Mayor Barnard also justifies the making of a "secret" agreement on the grounds that it was not good policy making of a "secret" agreement on the grounds that it was not good policy to make known the steps that were Leing taken, until the council had the bargain concluded. He claims, too, that the very best bargain possible was made with the company. The fore-made with the company. The fore-made with is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the Candal," which is the nucleus of the Candal, "which is the nucleus of the

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some of the reasons for the defeat of shown that it also provides for a the Ross Government. The Commer-

ment is in the nature of monopoly, THE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE. We are in receipt of the thirtycome under the control of the Department are very numerous and important. steamboat inspection, coasting trade, pilotage, examination of mariners, masteadily growing. There are many re-logical service, etc. The report minute but of little practical value.

however, which does not seem to find The cost of education in Victoria is favor in the eyes of the Admiralty. large, and growing larger all the time. The object of that, of course, would In fact, the rate of increase is such be to give the crew a training in the as to cause apprehension in the minds regular service. The Dominion Government has now 23 steamers in its ser do not say it is too high. The import- vice, besides 13 tugs, the cost of mainauce of education is considered to be taining which is over \$300,000. They

depends upon the point of view the reader takes. The Colonist has expressed its views of the nature of some of the things that are in the curriculum, and while it has its own views on the sublect generally, has no desire to say that the defenders of present day systems are necessarily wrong. They are evidently still strongly in the majority or we should not have the majority or we should not have concentrated on this one. There to call attention to the expense to the community involved. Because the cost is high, however, it ought not to be a ground of objection. The question is whether the results of all this school the interests of the Dominion Exhibi-

going are what they should be; and in tion. There are local interests to convictoria the cost is sufficient to cause the ratepayers to seriously consider that phase of the case. that phase of the case.

WHAT THE ELECTION MEANS.

The Winnipeg Commercial has an editorial on the result of the Ontaric elections which contains some rather meaty observations. It says that it was more than a mere partizan victory for the Conservatives. "Its significance is not so much that the Copservatives won, and the Liberals were defeated, It was the inevitable revolt against grafting and corruption; it was an emphatic declaration by the people of that Province that a Premier must either

when tourists will be most numerous. If, however, all parties could see their way clear to an agreement for united action, the money so saved would go a long way towards making up the network of the money so saved would go a long way towards making up the network of the proposition to the Dominion grant of \$50,000. It is a subject for careful consideration, and should receive such consideration apart from sectional feeling. If we cannot give up wholly for the Dominion Exhibition, for instance, just at a time when tourists will be most numerous. If, however, all parties could see their way clear to an agreement for united action, the money so saved would go a long way towards making up the network of the proposition to the Dominion grant of \$50,000. It is a subject for careful consideration, and should receive such consideration apart from sectional feeling. If we cannot give up wholly for the Dominion Exhibition, for instance, just at a time city and the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, published in yester-day's Colonist, together with Mayor defined in yester-day's Colonist, together wit shall, in that event, be well repaid by the better feeling which will exist as a consequence between the two whom the case was submitted. as a consequence between the two city possesses paramize the sources of v

put down. While G. W. Ross deplorded certain disgraceful irregularities, to use a familiar euphemism, during his trial Society, held at New Westmin-Since the above was written we trial Society, held at New Westminster, the sentiment which prevailed was to request the various local and district associations to forego the Provincial grants and to allow the money to be diverted to the Dominion fair. We understand that the idea was not to hot hold fairs, which would be of material assistance in getting exhibits together, but to waive the Government grant and allow what is usually voted to various districts to go to the Dominion fair. Whether local associations could hold the fairs at all without the money received from the Province is doubtful, and in such circumstances it might be much better to allow some of them at least to go over for one year those of a couple of private against With reference to the article of yes- administration, he claimed his own trial Society, held at New Westminhands were clean. The party organs made great capital of his personal recould hold the fairs at all without the money received from the Province is doubtful, and in such circumstances it might be much better to allow some of them at least to go over for one year alternative.

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THE E. & N. RAILWAY.

The people of Victoria are intensely interested in the negotiations now going on for the acquisitions of the E. & N. Railway by the C. P. R. Co. There is nothing new to state in addition to what appeared in yesterday's issue the Coloniet. The situation involves the Coloniet of the state of

the success of Victoria and the Island of Vancouver. That the company will use every effort to direct travel thitherward and to assist in every way possible in the development of the industries of the Island becomes a matter of certainty. The Grand Trunk Pacific or the Canadian Northern is something in the future, the possibilities of which are more or less uncertain. The C. P. R. is a present fact and a success. The old adage that a bird in the success. made with the company. The foregoing is, we think, a fair statement in a general way of the Mayor's position, regarding which there seems to be a good deal of faisconception, and which, in justice to him, should be made plain.

LOCAL COST OF EDUCATION.

The foregoing ada," which is the nucleus of the Candan Trunk Pacific and and when the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern Railway come to four automatic quick-firing guns. It is understood to be the intention that this vessel should make a cruise to the West Indies during the winter, and, if possible, have her attached to the North America squadron, something, however, which does not seem to find MUNICIPAL BOOKKEEPING AND OTHER MATTERS.

Mr. A. R. Tregent, secretary of the Vancouver Property Owners' Association, in yesterday's Colonist had something to say about a system of municipal bookkeeping. Without reference to his particular recommendation many as to the result of it all well on the same in the case elements in its sections in scenarior in the sections in scenarior of the sufficient to justify the core. Whether that the true or too is a matter each that the true or too is a matter or the true or too

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It will be noticed that the net decrease in the population during the year has been 255, a discrepancy of 249 as compared with the net decrease of 9 in the natural increase, which is explained by the fact that the new agent for the Northwest coast agency, British Colum-bia, has deducted 231 from the aggre-gate of the population in his agency as a result of his success in securing a more accurate census than appears to have been taken by his predecessor for some time past, which reduces the discrepancy to 18, attributable to fluctuation.

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tion of the diseases referred to. As a consequence the comparative sanitary state of the Indians at this stage during any given year, resolves itself very much into a question as to whether atmospheric conditions during the winter and the spring have been favorable or otherwise for the development of the diseases enumerated. The unusual severity of last winter affected the general heatth detrimentally, and increased the death rate, but so far as the future preservation of the race is concerned the hopeful feature is that the baneful effects were largely confined to bands which have not yet come under the influence of improved food, dress, dwellings, personal habits, etc., etc., which are so greafly allevinting, if not eradicating, the main cause of excessive mortality.

Despite the unfavorable season, it is encouraging to observe that in every Province excepting that of British Columbia, the birth has exceeded the death rate, and of the 109 deaths in excess of births in the excepted Province & occurred in the West Coast agency, and the majority are directly attributable to the determined obstinacy with which these particular Indians cling to their potlaches, and in connection therewith congregate and errowd together in a manner which produces the most unsanitary conditions.

As ameliorating circumstances con-

As ameliorating circumstances continue to improve and to extend, and as the excessive mortality among infants disappears through the discouragement of premature marriages and the education of the mothers, there seems no reason to doubt that the Indian population, which for some years past has been fully holding its own numerically, will enter upon a distinct and permanent era of increase.

TOO DEEP FOR WORDS.

The middle-aged man who resided in the tall white house with the green blinds simply sat and looked and looked and looked at the middle-aged wife of his bosom, and she sat and looked and looked at him. Neither said a word.

She-had painstakingly planted his liver pills, and he in turn had taken her sweet peas. peas.
There really wasn't anything to say.

Extracting sunbeams from cucumbe Extracting suabeams from encumbers is a pleasing occupation, and the comfort taken out of the situation in Ontario is as follows: "Sir Robert Wal-pole's administration lasted twenty-one years (1721-42), Lord Liverpool's fifteen (1812-27). In Canada the Macdonald-Abbott-Thompson-Bowell-Tupper administration lasted eighteen years (1878-96), the Blake-Mowat-Hardy-Ross, thirty-two. It's the record



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Appointed Guide-Mr. Appointed Guide—Mr., pier of this city has just i munication from the milit at Ottawa, appointing h for this part of the milital Guides are an auxiliary to the regular militia, a duty to supply the intel ment with all necessary examing the country, roads garding the country, roads they are stationed. Mr ritory extends from her and the appointment of this extensive territory been given to a more rel -Cumberland News.

Chinatown Celebrates-householder living within Chiratown may be preparative beauty sleep from a for a period of six or state Celestial New Year commenced. The Chinese been granted the permitinght hideous in consona honored custom of affright devils, and for once in the feel that they are get back for their capitation sides the right to work in the country of the fore Chinese accounts, of courseured up in preparation ing over of the leaf; the ling odoriferously in the good; the oiled paper har Taoist prayers float to breeze; the good-luck paper offerings to the "fung bad unseen spirits are shefore the doors of Chine With their "glad raimen would make a Siwash drand visiting eards like unserters of cermine paper. would make a Siwasa draud visiting cards like u posters of carmine pape are visiting, and eating tof their friends. "Kor which is how the Chine New Year," is heard on Chinatown has forgotte week.

(From Saturday's Appropriate Badge—A but highly appropriate t struck for the use of t tumbia lumber delegates consists of a piece of about four inches long wide, and in front is a sof a bundle of shingles v "We only ask fair play scribed."

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