The Colonist.

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THE LATE CHIEF JUSTICE DAVIE.

Although it has been known for some time that Theodore Davie, late Chief Justice of British Columbia, had a very fragile hold upon life, the news of his death vesterday morning was none the less a great shock to the community, as it will be to thousands of people throughout the province. Theodore Davie had many friends, for he possessed the faculty of attracting men strongly to him. His nature was one that was apt to run to extremes. He fought his political battles with energy, and if he never fully acquired the art of being suaviter in modo while fortiter in re, his great ability and unfailing loyalty gained him the respect of his opponents no less than of his friends. He was a man of strong itdividuality, and would have left the impress of his mind upon any country, if his lot had been cast in it.

tireless industry. He possessed what is called a legal mind, combined with a bountiful stock of strong common sense and an intimate knowledge of men. Appointed to the bench when in the very prime of life, so far as years went, it seemed as though there was before him a long career of usefulness. British Columbia has not so many men of learning and ability who are at the same time closely in touch with Western conditions of life, that there was not a universal feeling of satisfaction that he had ac- SPAIN AND THE UNITED STATES. cepted a place upon the bench. We do not think it at all extravagant to sav that of all the members of the British Columbia bar, he was at the time of his appointment the best fitted for the responsible position of Chief Justice, nor does it reflect in any way upon the gentlemen from amongst whom his successor must be chosen, to say that it will be extremely difficult to fill his

To those who for the last decade and more have taken an active part in the public affairs of the province, his death will be a great personal bereavement, for they all knew him well and respected him highly. It has removed from the public life of British Columbia one of the strongest minds that ever took part in it. To him more perhaps than to any one else is due the present political complexion of the province, for he was one of those men who are unable to touch anything without leaving a lasting impression upon it. His last labor, the consolidation of the provincial statutes, was monumental, and it is a noteworthy incident that his death occurred so soon after the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor had given his work the force of law.

In his private and personal intercourse the deceased gentlemen made many friends. He was one of those who do not stop to measure what they do when an appeal comes to them for aid. "His hand was always in his pocket when any one needed help," said one who cept in thankful hearts of his many acts Great Britain, the United States has not knew him well. There is no record exof kindness done in secret. He was a a friend in Europe, while there are man of enterprise and if he had selected a field of labor giving greater oppor-tunities than the law would there also monarchy is allied with the royal house something might occur to cause a rupture ignorance of the practice of legislative of representative shall conclude to pass tunities than the law would there also of Austria. France has throughout in Europe, but the danger point has bodies that is positively grotesque. the bill, it will be time enough then for

For his children and those who were tied to him by the bonds of relationship occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur that will curb Anglo-Saxon suprethere is much public sympathy; but occur the sympathy is the sympathy in the sympathy is the sympathy not equal to that of the province, which Kaiser has designs in South America, with any of her neighbors. We are no they sought to defeat an amendment on has to mourn the cutting off of a career only fairly begun, and one which promised to be fruitful of great good.

THE MINERAL PRO-DUCT OF CANADA.

The total mineral output of Canada in 1897 is estimated by the Geological Survey at \$28,789,173, of which \$13,996,234 reprethe first place with \$6,190,000, with silver next, \$3,322,905. Copper is down for \$1,501,660, lead for \$1,398,853, nickel for \$1,399,176, iron ore \$178,716, platinum \$6,600, and mercury \$324. Among nonmetallic products, coal leads with \$7,286,-227, with building material second, \$3,-600,000, and petroleum third with \$1,-

products during the year is nearly \$6,- privateers, for neither that country nor sia, Spain and France on the other. 000,000, or about 74 per cent. The the United States is a party to the treaty What part Germany would play in such greatest, and as the department truly forbidding privateering. We fear that an event is doubtful. The Kaiser might supply before bringing down all the govobserves, the most significant increase laid in ashes in the early days of ants have exhausted themselves and be said. The government is under no and gold, namely 125 per cent. We the war. But it is not for this alone that then put in force his cherished policy of obligation to introduce its measures first. quote the report. An the gold product we would dread the opening shot. It is universal empire, or something as near The practice is growing of passing supply ing districts of the Dominion show grati-fyingincreases, although by far the largest hardly possible that the two nations akin to it as any nation can hope to en- at as early a day in the session as pospart is due to the discovery of rich pla- would be permitted to continue the joy. The only comforting feature of the sible, and it is no longer recognized as part is due to the discovery of rich pla-cer claims in the Yukon country, and to struggle alone. For a long time past outlook is that such a war as seems imcer claims in the rukon country, and to the second among the nations of the increased output of Trail Creek and there has been among the nations of minent would be so appalling that no opposition point of view to refuse to vote the increased output of Iran Creek and other districts in British Columbia. The Europe a profound jealousy of statesman would think of precipitating the estimates. Suppose the opposition other districts in British Columbia. The English-speaking world. As a it unless every other solution had been could succeed in blocking supply withnormer ammounted to about 2% millions and the latter to nearly \$1,000,000. Need-

brought out. creased 61.2 per cent. and the value 93.7 draw supplies from the United States, creased 61.2 per cent, and the value 95.1 the rebellion would have long ago been The Semi-Werkly Colorest leads, well as the opposition. The governe quite fally discussed,

a 73.4 per cent. increase in amount, is at an end. But that is all past and THE ESTIMATES credited with a gain of only 54.6 in value. gone. If war comes British sympathy 22.3 per cent in volume and 6.7 in value. is the slightest reason to believe that products of Canada advanced during the prevent it. We have our own quarrels

British Columbia.

It is interesting to note the change in the relative position of the different products as compared with the aggrewill be even more remarkable.

A report was in circulation in Seattle on Sunday that Spain was about to declare war against the United States. It McKinley had determined to refuse absolutely. While this demand has been withdrawn, we can easily believe the converted on over again, and if by the committee on the estimates, the converted on the converted on the estimates, the converted on the been withdrawn, we can easily believe any accident there should be something the government might have had some the government might have had some that Spain may not wait very long be-said calling for reply, the Premier can ground for claiming that it had been taken by surprise. Still more, it would fore precipitating hostilities. She has nothing to gain and much to lose by waiting. It must be clear to everyone that a collision will come sooner or later, and the longer it is delayed the better prepared will the United States This is a question that many people are which it could not make any concession

reasons why Spain should receive aid

the outset it is very likely they would ly lost by reason of recent events. meet with more than one serious disaster. They have some good ships and tury may end with the world in the they cannot perform the impossible, and atical how the powers will be grouped, it would be impossible for them to de- but we venture the suggestion that The increase in the output of metallic Spain would doubtless commission many and Italy will be on one side, with Rus-

less to say the estimated product of the question of the hour is between the peo-Yukon does not include what gold has ple who speak English and are governed the hands of Russia. If that power is ask for a dissolution in order that the Yukon does not include what gold has by the English common law and everybeen mined in the Klondike and not by the English common law and everywilling to forego its claims in the Orient, public service might be carried on, it The three copper producing provinces two elements is inevitable. It will be which event it ought not to be difficult house was elected to call it together to The three copper producing provinces one in which the fittest will survive. Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia one in which the fittest will survive. Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia We are by no means in sympathy with all show gratifying increases, the total We are by no means in sympathy with United States and Spain. We observe sible for an opposition by means of subscribe to his views. and show grantlying increases, the total amounting to 41.6 per cent. over 1896 the course pursued by the United States that the London Daily News, while takand 46.9 in value, showing that copper towards Spain. It has been needlessly and 46.9 in value, snowing that copper are stated and advanced in price during the year. The irritating. If a right attitude had been Spain, holds the same view as the Collegislature came to an end by statutory the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway increase in value is even more strongly taken three years ago and it was renmarked in lead, the quantity having in-

The only decrease is in iron ore, namely will be with our neighbors, and if there the increase in the cheaper coal of Nova strength between the Anglo-Saxon and Scotia did not quite compensate for the the rest of the world, Brother Jonathan decrease in the more costly coal of will not have to keep up his end of the struggle alone.

OBSTRUCTION BEGINS.

government to yield to them.

when the debate is resumed, until they refers to the opposition: meet it when closing the debate.

IS WAR AT HAND?

be. The despatches say that President asking, and there is only too much reato to the opposition demands, without such support of this line of policy. The gov-McKinley has an option upon every war son to believe it may be answered in the a loss of prestige as would have practice ernment of the United States will find vessel now building in Europe and affirmative. Simultaneously with the of the house almost as completely as the available for purchase. If Spain de- growing tension between the United result of the elections will indicate that erced into surrendering what is equivaclares war soon, these options will be States and Spain, for which no one can it has lost the confidence of the constituworthless, because the ships could not see a peaceful solution, comes the anbe delivered, as it would be a violation nouncement that Russia is pushing mat-Orient upon the two other powers.

They would succeed in the end, but at in the Orient which she has undoubted-Present indications are that the cen-

their sailors will fight well, but throes of a great conflict. It is problemfend their whole seaboard. Moreover Great Britain, the United States, Japan more than one sea coast city would be deem it policy to wait until the combat- ernment measures, there is something to we can see the key to the situation is in confidence, and the government should body else. The struggle between these there will be no hostilities there, in would be necessary the moment a new ing no stock in European alliances with debate on supply until the life of the

The News-Advertiser thinks it auto-Nickel shows an increase of 17.7 in other nations will seize upon the opportunity to propose important measures to a summand 17.7 in value. It thus apamount and 17.7 in value. It thus ap- tunity to break down the innuence of pears that with the exception of gold, the republic in the Western Hemipears that with the exception of gold, the republic in the Western Hemi-the value of which is permanent, and sphere, we may be very sure that the the value of which is permanent, and sphere, we may be very surface out to silver, the value of the several metallic arm of Britain will be stretched out to Speech from the Throne that it will protect the government propose to take in reprevent it. We have our own quarrels pose schemes of great magnitude, and with our neighbors and the blood gets pose schemes of great magnitude, and gard to the redistribution bill, but can with our neighbors and the blood gets practically deciding the policy of the see no reason why the opposition should country for years to come, before the coal shipments due to the fact that but if we are approaching a trial of the electors can have any oppor- insisted upon at this stage. It can play tunity of expressing their opinion on no part in the determining how much such matters. The opposition takes money shall be voted for the public serdirect issue on such autocratic and dangerous methods." This observation is made apropos of the declared attempt of turns upon the day when the measure the opposition to oppose the passage of is introduced into the house, and if the The threatened obstructionist pro- supply until the redistribution measure gate. Thus in 1896 the coal output was gramme of the opposition began yester- has been brought down. This is cer- an attempt to force the government to 31.94 per cent, of the whole, whereas in day, when Mr. Sword was put up to talk against time. It was not a very edifying position. The passage of supply has which business will be brought forward, came second in 1896 and was 15.72 per spectacle, and the member for Dewdney nothing whatever to do with the meas- the responsibility of doing so will rest cent. of the whole; gold was second in was evidently ill at ease in the discharge ures foreshadowed in the speech and so 1897 being 21.50 per cent. of the whole, of his thankless task. The people will much dreaded by the Vancouver paper, instead of being third as in 1896, build-reckon the performance thus inaugurated and if redistribution had been dealt WE take no stock in curiew laws.

practically to admit that it was defeated. In any case, it could scarcely have found ally shown that it had lost the confidence

of neutrality for a foreign government to ters to a crisis in Asia. We are not discovering what this extract means. In Harnsborough wishes the United States permit either of the belligerents to pur- greatly surprised at this, because with view of the fact that the first "it" in to take. He in substance proposes that chase ships in its territory. One report the United States engaged in protecting the first sentence means the opposition, the United States congress shall make had it that the expected declaration her own frontier, the best possible op- one is warranted in assuming that the laws for Canada. This would not be would come to-day; but as Spain has portunity will be afforded the Czar's first "it" in the second sentence means possible in any other country, for only two torpedo boats about ready to sail government to pursue an aggressive the opposition also. The second "it" in the United States does the legislative from England, she is not likely to do policy in China. In spite of the pre- in the second sentence doubtless refers body undertake to manage the diploanything to prevent them from leaving posterous assertions of some of the to the "position," and by all matic relations of the nation. United States papers, there is little the rules of language the third "it" The news that a Spanish loan has been doubt that in the event of war for in the sentence also means the The news that a Spanish loan has been added in Berlin is not reassuring. We supremacy in Asia the United States "position." The third sentence also bill passed by the United States senate are by no means convinced that the would, if need should arise, be found co- deals with an "it," and leaves the in regard to bonding privileges at Wran-Madrid authorities will lack altogether operating with Great Britain and Japan. reader in doubt as to what particular gel, and partly because the people of for moral support, at least, in the event War with Spain would keep the United "it" is intended. Apart from the fear- Victoria seem to have grown tired of of war with the United States. Except States busy, and thus throw the onus of ful and wonderful construction of the meetings. Moreover one action of the maintaining the existing statue in the extract, it is senseless. To suggest that the government would claim to be taken There is reason to dread a general by surprise at an amendment to the mofrom more than one power. The Spanish war. Hitherto the fear has been that tion to go into supply is to display an of Austria. France has throughout in Europe, but the danger point has maintained a very friendly attitude shifted. There seems to be no cause to When the government move the house the people of Victoria to place themmaintained a very irientity attitude sinted. There seems to be no cause to towards her southern neighbor. Gerexpect an outbreak there. France has into supply it practically challenges the selves on record on the subject. This is, many is quite willing to have anything for the present abandoned her cry for opposition to make any attack that may at least, how the matter presents itself occur that will curp Angio-Saxon supre. revenge, and Germany shows no dismacy in the Western Hemisphere. The position just at present to pick a quarrel make laughing stocks of themselves if the proposed meeting in charge is to go which will not be advanced if the United longer harassed by a dread that diplothed by a dread that diplothed longer harassed by a dread that diplothed longe States is about to give the Monroe macy may be unequal to the preserva- amendment dealt with a matter which they feel. doctrine a new meaning by driving the tien of the peace in Europe. Not so in had been referred to in the speech. We Spaniards bag and baggage out of Cuba. Asia. Here the danger is acute and we assume the second sentence in the ex-While war would be of some commer-doubt if it will be possible to avoid a tract means that if the opposition had how it is possible for the war clouds cial advantage to Canada and the whole collision of interests here. Beyond any British Empire, if it were confined to question, the British government has so the original belligerents, we most earn- far been successful in holding Russia in government would have withdrawn its past foretelling. The American papers estly hope that it can be avoided, al- check; but the latter power is not likely motion. Certainly this would be a are counting the cost of a war, and the though it is hoping against hope to think to submit tamely to such a repulse and practical admission of defeat, and most moderate estimates are in hunsents metallic and \$14,592,939 not metallic products. Of the metallic, gold takes bors could hardly fail to suffer severally secured to take active steps to bors could hardly fail to suffer severally secured to take active steps to ing if the apposition would have besit. bors could hardly fail to suffer severely. secure something in lieu of the prestige ing if the opposition would have hesitated a moment to defeat the government guesses and for more likely to be imgovernment; but we fancy that we will tion, than that of any other nation.

a desire to be the cause of much anxiety to Mr. Semlin and his friends.

ment has at least as good a right as the AND REDISTRIBUTION. opposition to suppose that it represents public opinion, and as good a right also The News-Advertiser thinks it auto-cratic and dangerous for the government terest, and it is absurd for the opposi-

vice, for it does not even indirectly involve the question of taxation. Nothing opposition thinks well to waste time in on the left of the Speaker.

ing material having fallen to the third at its true value. Its sole purpose is to with, we cannot see how the duty of the They are an effort on the part of legis-As a lawyer and a judge the deceased place at 12.50 per cent.; silver kept the gentleman displayed great powers and place at 12.50 per cent.; silver kept the embarrass the government, the hope of government to introduce and carry out latures to take the place of parents in fourth place and formed a larger per- the opposition being that by much talk- its policy for the development of the bringing up children. There is nothing centage of the whole than in 1896, hav- ing they can succeed in compelling the province would be in any way altered. criminal in being out of doors late in the ing been 11.54 per cent. in 1897 against government to bring in the redistribu
We have read with considerable at
evening, and it is wrong to subject young 9.50 per cent. in 1896. Copper advanced tion bill. No one knows better tention, in fact have read through sev- boys and girls to interference at the in 1897 above nickel and petroleum, than the members of the Oppo- eral times, our contemporary's article of hands of the police, when they are dowhich preceded it in 1896, and lead took sition that the introduction of March 6th on this subject, and must con- ing nothing that is either physically the place held by petroleum. The that bill will not make the slightest fess to an utter inability to understand harmful or morally wrong. There are difference upon the passage of supply, its meaning. In view of the practice of in every community a lot of restless products are making themselves felt. but they feel that a technical success our contemporary to designate as "stu-people, who are forever tinkering at When the story of 1898 is told the change will have been gained if they can get the pid" any one who does not agree with social customs. They would regulate what it is pleased to call its reasoning, the number of times a man might sneeze If the government will take the advice we make an extract from the article. if they knew how. It is very true that of the Colonist in this matter it will let The reference is to the notice given by in every village, town or city

the opposition members talk themselves the opposition of resisting supply until a lot of mischievous youngsters out without saying a syllable in reply, the redistribution bill had been brought make nuisances of themselves after and will keep the house in session, down. The "it" in the first sentence nightfall; but it ought to be possible to keep these in order without subjecting was said that the Spanish government have all spoken. If anything new were Had it postponed giving any intima- well-behaved children to the indignity had demanded the peremptory recall of being brought out, we would not advise tion of its intentions until the Minister of police interference, and the majority Consul-General Lee, and that President such a course, but there will almost cer- of Finance had made his budget speech, of children are well-behaved, no matter that the what a few pessimists may think on the

WE are glad to know that the Dominion government does not propose to have been put in such a position that to have withdrawn from it would have been building an all-Canadian road to the Yukon by any action which the United States may take. Very properly Sir Charles Tupper has taken a position in that our people do not propose to be co-We do not suppose that any country We invite some one to assist us in ever took such an attitude as Senator

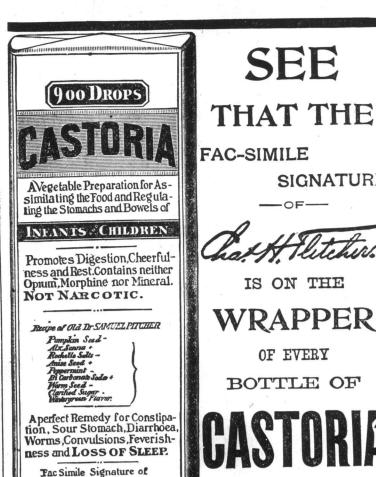
WE are not sure that it is good policy to call a public meeting to discuss the promoters of the meeting, though inspired by laudable intentions, seems premature, because the measure is not yet law and never may be. If the house on with it, we hope the people will turn

STRANGE things happen nowadays, but by such tactics, if there had been the mensely exceeded than to prove excesleast reason to suppose that they could sive. Incidentally it may be mentioned be successfully worked. The third sen- that the full war strength of the Spanish tence implies that the opposition is army is stated by the New York Herald desirous of saving the prestige of the to be greater, in proportion to populabe pardoned if we decline to believe such That is to say, Spain is prepared to enroll and mobilize more than a million men, and the Herald thinks this would On the general proposition of passing be very far from being a mere army on

> THE news received from the Stikine iver is very gratifying. The large force of men on the ground will soon make a road through the snow belt, and after that there will be good travelling for four or five weeks all the way from the mouth of the river to Glenora. Intending Yukoners will doubtless take advantage of this to push through in great numbers.

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MR. WILLIAMS' resolution relating to such a course could be justified? The had supposed the action of the governgovernment has rights in this matter as ment in that matter had already been





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LOOKS BAD FOR

Discussion of Cuban Af Feeling for Speedy

Florida Raises a Nev Proposed Quarant U. S. Warship

London, March 5.-Now opportunity for reflection h lowed by a temporary cess patriotic and bellicose state since the wreck of the Mair the chief features of the despatches from the United lishmen are beginning to depth of the pro-Cuban fe United States. With this t ful element here cordially although they still believe t quiry will absolve Spain plicity in the disaster. An impression almost an

conviction prevails that pu will compel the government ted States to acknowledge th belligerents and to intervene

The Spectator believes that ington and Madrid "expect desiring it," that both are rapidly as they can, and that cogitating upon possible Spain with France and F America with Japan, which Philippine islands, could of American fleet at a few hou Russia permitted.

The consul-general of Si sponsible for a curious adv which appeared in London realling upon Spanish deserter and youths who have not yet for military service, to come sulate and acquaint themselv important imperial decree concerning them. Thus far

been no response.

Operators on the stock excinclined to leave American alone until the crisis is settle burned their fingers during week and although there is no to the final outcome it is f struggle will cause the trad United States to suffer.

MADRID, March 5.—Referrir rumors of the possibility of was the United States and Spain parcial says that the Spanish ment "is allowing itself to be halarmist statements in the Majoreign press." It quotes a min said yesterday the pessimist the Spanish papers were "but of the sensational Yankee press

Washington, March 5.—The promise of a new and unwell velopment of the Maine affair the end may lead up to an issue the government of the Unite and the state of Florida, if the of the state endorse the stand the local officials at Key West.

The latter have informed The latter have informed Sicard that on the first of nex they propose to enforce the stantine law against all craft arriv antine law against all craft arrivicuos, as a measure of pragainst the introduction of low fever. The notice is that the law will be appetent the naval vessels and in view serious interruptions, which inte with the free movements of his would cause, Admiral Sicard has ed the facts to the navy departs. Naval officials cannot tolers Naval officials cannot tolers equanimitz the stoppage of su as the Mangrove and Fern on trands of mercy, nor delays that sult in the prosecution of the the wreckers engaged on the hull, and in the work of the

inquiry.
The President himself proba communicate with the gov communicate with the govern Florida with a view of securing a ment of the law so far as it is to apply it to naval vessels, the speediest manner of deal the case, although it may be state the national government neve cognised the right of any local a to stop its vessels in case the ments were deemed necessary.

Wholesale Grocery Burner TORONTO, March 5.—(Special) in the grocery department of M Co. did damage to the amount 000. The band of the Forty Highlanders loses to the extent on its musical instruments a

SOLDIERS FOR YUKO Canadian Permanent Corps Have
For Usefulness Opened to Ti

OTTAWA, March 7.-Major E Winnipeg, will command a co from the permanent corps to be the Yukon as soon as it is outfi provisioned.

The government has decided this detachment instead of from the Mounted Police of R Edmonton district. It is probable that from one to two hundred men and officers selected from the permanent cor

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