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ANOTHER INSTANCE.

Our Ottawa dispatches to-day indicate that Solicitor-General Curran is likely to be appointed chief justice of the superior court of Quebec, in succession to Sir Francis Johnson.

SALISBURY AND THE TURK.

The Turkish situation does not seem to improve very much, and is still rather full of disagreeable possibilities.

EXPLANATIONS WANTED.

Between the sweeping condemnation of the Saturday Review and the unreserved laudation of the Victoria Colonist, the truth as to the Lillooet and Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Fields Co. may possibly be found.

British Columbia wants, above everything else, capital and men of experience to develop its mineral resources.

Justified, or that the directors, of whom there are several now in Victoria, are unable to refute its damaging statements.

POWERS ABUSED.

"A Native," whose letter on the Lillooet, Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Fields Company appeared in yesterday's Times, is the latest person to find out that some papers are published by cliques for cliques, and in the interest of cliques generally.

IS IT EQUITABLE?

It is about time that the equity of the provincial revenue tax, as at present enforced, was pronounced upon by the courts.

The Times was pleased to learn from the morning paper that the provincial government, through Mr. Speaker, has admitted the necessity, when publicity is to be obtained, of advertising in all the newspapers in the province.

We reproduce to-day the Montreal Witness's report of Mr. Laurier's meeting at Morrisburg, the first of his Ontario tour.

A letter received from Fort Steele informs us that the color line would be sharply drawn in that remote community were the views of the town constable to prevail.

Montreal Witness:—The deficit in the Dominion finances is not as great as was estimated by about half a million, but it is by far the greatest in the history of Canada, amounting to \$4,079,532.

ment increased the expenditure last year by nearly half a million dollars over the preceding year.

"BRITISH COLUMBIA FIRST."

To the Editor: Over the above anonymous signature was here in yesterday's Colonist a most displeasing statement of political rancor, in which, assassin-like, the writer stabs a political opponent because he is the owner of a paper in which the editor very properly in course of his bounden duty to the general public criticises a mining scheme which he regards as a "wild cat."

A company was formed with a capital of £50,000, to purchase and work certain mines, more particularly the Lillooet gravel benches.

In the letter of B. C. F., under "on-consideration the writer," who is the chief object of the company? Simply to acquire and develop mining properties in this province, and especially in those sections denoted by its name.

The question of the province, forwarding bona fide mining is its specialty, and it is manifestly sheer folly to accuse the paper of running down or writing tirades against Mr. Barnard's company.

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H. J. ROBERTSON.

—L. H. De Friese and Mrs. De Friese, of New York, are guests at the Diarist. Mr. De Friese is a member of the legal firm of Steele, De Friese & Dickson, who are interested in the British Pacific railway.

ROYAL Baking Powder has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.

FRUIT GROWING.

Dr. Powell Lays Some Facts Concerning it Before the People of England.

Particulars of the Mode of Operation, Market Prospects, and So Forth.

The following letter on fruit-growing in British Columbia from Dr. Powell appeared in a recent issue of the London Standard:

Sir:—The numerous letters addressed to me by readers of the Standard touching one part of the communication you were good enough to insert for me in your columns urge me to venture still further to trespass upon your kindness by replying to them in a more formal manner.

With regard to the particular subjects under discussion—"Fruit Growing and Fruit Drying"—they appear to me, in the various inquiries published, and your own excellent resume, to have been pretty well threshed out.

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But I must crave your kind indulgence for having already taken up too much of your valuable space.

A VETERAN IN THE LATE WAR

Cured of Fluttering of the Heart and Smothering Spells by Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart—It Always Relieves in Thirty Minutes, and Thus Saves Thousands of Lives.

Mr. H. H. Musselman, member of the G. R. R. Weissport, Pa., writes: "I have used two bottles of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart and have been entirely cured of palpitation or fluttering of the heart and smothering spells."

the marketing of fruits is discussed, and essays read—in fact, everything connected with the growth and sale of the produce is warmly debated and brought to notice.

The cost of land, as may be supposed, varies in respect of the locality, the soil, the numerous considerations; whether it be improved land or otherwise, or in proximity to good markets, etc.

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A MONSTER IN MAN'S FORM.

Jens Nelson, Manager of an Orphanage, Inhumanly Abuses His Trust.

The whole Norwegian population of the South coast has been revolted by the discovery of an unnatural crime committed by one of its leading citizens against a pretty motherless girl.

Little Constantia Johnson, at the time of her death, was a Norwegian orphan, and was committed to the care of the manager of the orphanage, who was Jens Nelson.

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