Hon. Robert Beaven Convicts Turner Administration of Strangling Responsible Government.

Financial Policy Impossible of Consideration Because No Data Is Fornished to the Public.

Opposition Candidates Heartily Applauded for Their Outspoken Criticism.

The theeting in A.O.U.W. Hall last evening called by Hon. Robert Heaven, and to which all the candidates for the representation of the city had been invited, an invitation, which the governwas attended by a goodly number of electors, among whom straight oppositionists predominated Mr. Beaven made a good address and scored heavily in his exposure of the subversion of responsible government by the Tarrer administration. Messus, Belyea, Stewart and Gregory received hearty applause, and

denunciation of the tactics of those who

have imported personalities into the cam-

paign, and especially that of the opposi-tion candidates being annexationists. Alderman Humphrey was elected to the chair, and in calling the meeting to order expressed thanks for the honor done him, preceeding to read some correspondence which had passed between Mr. Beaven and the candidates in the government interest from which it ap-and Mr. Beaven had only taken that an hour himself, but as it was his meeting, Ald. Humphrey thought Mr. Beaven should be allowed all the time he wanted. He then caled upon Mr. Belyea.

Mr. Belyea, who was well received, introduced himself by endorsing the opin-

ion that Mr. Beaven should be allowed as much time as he required. He then proceeded to express his regret that durproceeded to express his regret that dur-ing the campaign no member of the gov-ernment nor anyone speaking on their behalf had attempted to deal with the subjects involved in the election campaign. The onit attempt approaching any such thing he had heard for the first time on the previous evening from the attorney-general in a speech occupying something over three hours for its deliv ery. Mr. Belyea said that the first point upon which he joined issue with the government was upon their financial policy, than which none was more important. He referred to his close research into the policy pursued by the government, which had resulted in his coming to the conclusion that there was a deficit of \$1,500,sion that there was a denot of \$1,500. 000, of which no account was rendered. He didn't for a moment suggest that the amount mentioned had been wrong-fully made use of; he claimed that the fully made use of; he claimed that the facts proved that the government had been borrowing money to meet the ordinary expenses of carrying on the business of the province. Referring to a campaign document circulated by the government the speaker showed that the amount of \$1,000,000 had been used for the payment of salaries and ordinary expenses in the department of education, but was credited as having been spent in deteloping the province in the shape of public works. The government's wholesale borrowing policy would result disastrously if persisted in, and the time had come when an attempt should be made to reach and maintain a fair Southern, by which it was said that a venue an expenvince would be endangered if such reckless course was continued, and it was well that the province which al-

what was the reason of it? Was it the fault of the government, of the people, or was it the result of natural conditions? For himself, he believed it was due to the fact that the best portion of the island was locked up in the hands of one monopoly. He contrasted the conditions contained in the leases granted by the C.P.R., and pledged himself, should he be returned to power, to do what he could to secure a proper administration of the E. & N. railway lands in the in-

terests of the province.

The meeting being Mr. Beaven's, Mr. Belyea said it might not be good taste to ask for a vote for himself, but he strongly advised his hearers to exercise their franchise in such a way as would result in turning out of office a government which secured office four years ago under false pretences and which had neglected the interests of the island although the canvass was being made on their behalf that it was a victoria government.

Hon. Robert Beaven was then called upon, and said he had been desirous of getting all the candidates together, believing that joint meetings were the hest means of obtaining a true understanding of the situation. He regretted that the members of the government were unable to be present, so that any possibility of the charge that incorrect statements were made micht be removed. It was his opinion that the electorate were fully cognizant of the importance of the issues and referred to the large number of young men who would cast their first votes at this election. He was proud to think that British Columbia showed an example to other countries in allowing the vote for a representative in the legislature to be given to the man and not to his property. He was satisfied that the young men and all others would realise the importance which attached to the easting of their votes.

Responsible government enjoyed in the province is something of which we have reason to be proud, as also is the municipal system and the free non-sectarian educational system, Hospitals, asylums, and all those accessories necessary to a country which was at to live in were also enjoyed in this comlive in were also enjoyed in this comparatively new country, but yet with all our undeveloped resources there was much to be done by any government. Should he be again elected to legislate for the province he should endeavor to encourage the opening up of new agricultural districts and mining regions. He was not an alarmist on the subject of the indebtedness of the province, but thought that, although owing to the absence of the proper figures, the exact

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perhaps his hearers would not be surrised to know we do not have responsible government, but that was the fact, as was proven by Premier Turner's manifesto. Quoting from that ment the speaker showed that although the alien labor act had been passed by the consent and aid of the government the Lieutenant-Governor had seen fit upon his own responsibility to withhold his consent. That was striking at the keystone of responsible government; it was recognized that a government assume and are responsible for the acts of the Lieutenant Governor, and if they would not assume that responsibility they had only the alternative of resigning; and if the Lieutenant-Governor could not find someone to form a ministry which would endorse his acts, he must resign. What was the good of the people electing representatives if the Lieutenant-Governor could decide on the his own responsibility to withhold his assent from the legislation passed by those representatives. The position was a

most extraordinary one, and the speaker regretted that Hon, Mr. Turner was not present to explain it.

Referring to railways, Mr. Beaven said he had for years in the house and elsewhere maintained that if aid was given to railways in land or in cash the government should retain an interest in such railways, and his voice would be raised in that direction. He had never understood why the five men-

road and the statement had been mide that under that charter the government were prepared to grant more and than the E. & N. railway got. He pointed out that the Clements road was to run from Esquimalt to Seymour Narrows, and the promoters, which included Mr. Turner hamself, Mr. Earle, and others, were required under the charter to Thut up a cash deposit of some thousands of dollars as a guarantee. They failed to do that and the charter lapsed, but that was the principle followed at that time;

the promoters were required to put up ninister of the crown had made a large sum of money, the result would have been that instead of a deficit there would have been a surplus in the ex-

was well that the province, which although now prosperous, might yet see dark days, should hold in reserve its credit in the markets of the world until such time as occasion arose to make use of it.

Dealing with the railway policy, Mr. Belyea crystallized into a few trenchant sentences the charges made by him at previous meetings as to the result of the policy which had resulted in the pampering of the huge monopoly on the mainland of the C.P.R., and dwelt with considerable force upon the failure of the government to avail themselves of the oppertunity of affording Victoria competition in railway rates, first by the V. V. & E., and seeond by the Kettle River railway.

Mr. Belyea then referred to the stagnation which had existed on the Island during the last ten years, and asked what was the reason of it? Was it the fault of the government, of the people, or was it the result of natural conditions? For himself, he believed it was due to the daim credit for the run of salmon on the Fraser river. Mineral deposits in Cariboo had created Victoria, and those mineral deposits in other districts had attracted population and caused the development of the country. The government, in stead of assisting, had retarded the progress of the constitute of the country. The government, in stead of assisting, had retarded the progress of the veriest bags of wind.

Mr. Beaven said that the ministers, except during the stiring of the legislature and before a general election, are the idlest men in the country. Ho one goes to the parliament buildings, do you find them the chances are that after the elections, should the elections be foolish enough to again seturn them, very few of the minimum that it is bearers will be thate.

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Mr. Alexander Stewart was the next speaker, and dealt at length with the obnoxious \$200 deposit required from candidates for election and the motigage fax, which Mr. Turner had voted for and at Duncans had admitted the dual nature of. Workingmen registation had even opposed by two of the government candidates in the city-Messrs. Turner and Remicken.

Mr. Helmcken said four years ago in the Victoria Theatre that he was not afraid to tackle a mechanic's lien act and would make it "stick," but everybody knew that nothing could be done by any mechanic towards collecting his wages under that act. It was "fishy" that the government, just at election time, should be advancing the wages of the men employed to \$2.50 and their hours reduced from 10 to 9. Then the likes of the government compelling men employed at the parliament

act. It was "fishy" that the government, just at election time, should be advancing the wages of the men employed to \$2.50 and their hours reduced from 10 to 9. Then the kien of the government compelling men employed at the parliament grounds to buy their own picks and shovels was also commented upon, and also the attempt to shelve the secret ballot act. The extravagance of the government and the railway policy were condemned in conclusion, and Mr. Stewart was warmly applanded when he sai down.

Colonel Gregory thought that the issues of the campaign were large enough to remove it uninecessary to descend into personalities. He despised those who called the whole opposition annexationists; he was first as loyal as any member of the government or the editor of the Colonist he served under the flag and was ready to fing the triplet of the exposed the action of the government in depriving the workingmen employed by the Sayward mill of their wages when they could easily have secured, as the limits were under mortgage to one of the banks. This contemptible treatment of workingmen so aroused Mr. Gregory's indignation that words failed film in the attempt to characterize it. The government had not paid these men their wages, but now, in election year, they put in the attempt fo characterize it. The government had not paid these men their wages, but now, in election year, they put in the attempt fo characterize it. The government had not paid these men their wages, but now, in election year, they put in the attempt for characterize it. The government had not paid these men their wages, but now, in election year, they put in the attempt for characterize it. The government had not paid these men their wages, but now, on a principle for foot and vehicular traffic across the gorge, as required of them, and the fact that the bridge now existing is closed to bedestrians every night was referred to, and the audience cheered Mr. Gregory's denunciation of the railway company's action in that respect. Cries of "shame" greeted the

indebtedness could not be definitely ascertained, he believed that under proper management progress could be made in spite of a somewhat large indebtedness. He would like to see something done to develop the mining interests of the island and advocated the sending out of exploring parties, as was done in former years.

Regarding the northwestern portion of the provincial mainland he blamed the government for dilatoriness in failing to open up a road from the Stikine river to Teslin lake. Upon that matter he joined issue with the government. Why they had not opened up that road passed his comprehension; it had been urged upon them last year and in previous years, and hnd it been done Victoria's ed his comprehension; it had been urged upon them last year and in previous years, and hnd it been done Victoria's own election in Coniox and that of the financial condition to what they are the only people who could build a wagon road was ridiculous.

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A vote of thanks to the chairman con-cluded the proceedings, and the audience dispersed.

EBERTS HECKLED.

The Attorney-General Has a Warm Half Hour at Cedar Hill.

A meeting of the electors of Cedar Hill was held last night in the schoolroom, Mr. Andrew Strachan being elected to the chair The meeting had been called by Mr. Yates, the opposition candidate, and was actended by about a hundred voters, Hoir D. M. Eberts being present

by invitation of new bad that Mr. Yates in opening said that Mr. Eberts had told one of the electors at Samich that he would have an opportunity of discussing the Chinese question of another meeting. The elector followed him to Mr. Eberts's meeting at Tol. this schoolhouse, when the attorney-general told him if he wished to talk to him in hall. Mr. Yates regretted that such a remark had been made by our represent. remark had been made by our represent-ative, and had decided, in order to give every elector an opportunity of addressing any remarks to either of the eardidates, to limit his own speech in the first instance to half an hour and those of Mr. Eherts to one hour, and other speakers, if any, to half an hour. Mr. hates then proceeded to deal with the firuncial condition drawing attention to the continual deficits year after year.

As to the railway policy, he pointed out that there were great difficulties in the way of the province owning its own railways, and those difficulties were becomways, and those difficulties were becom-ing greater year by year, due in a great measure to the railway policy of the government fostering that gigantic mone-poly, the C.P.R. He anticipated the rehad never understood why the five men who constitute the executive council could not handle railway matters as well as other matters. The province should retain a control of such roads.

Regarding the E. & N. railway a good deal had been said about the Clements road and the statement had been said about the Clements. to or were leased and operated by the C.P.R., with two exceptions—the Ki-R. S. and the Corbin railway. He then

invited the attorney-general to explain the working of and the benefits to beiderived from the farmers' cheap money bill, an invitation which it may be stated here Mr. Eberts studiously avoided awail Mr. Yates then referred to the action

of the attorney-general and every mem-ber of the government with reference to Mr. Forster's secret ballot act, in en-deavoring to kill the bill, pointing out that when he had drawn attention to the a cash guarantee.

Had the policy of retaining control been followed in the case of the B. C. Southern, by which it was said that a show he had done nothing of the sort. Mr. Yates admitted that the records the house did not show any vote because the attempt to kill it was made in committee of the whole, and no votes take in committee are shown in the but he proved from the files of the Think that every member of the government had voted in favor of Mr. Smith's me tion that the chairman leave the chair, a motion which, if carried, would have killed the bill. He added that Messrs. killed the bill. He added that messioned the helmcken and Braden, the only two government members who voted in favor of the bill, had corroborated the statement which appeared in the Times. Mr. which appeared in the Times. Mr. Eberts did not refer to this matter either

in his reply...
The dual character of the mortrage tax was next touched upon, Mr. Yates saying that the government's excuse for maintaining it was simply that they didn't know how to raise sufficient revenue in any other manner. The subver-sion of responsible government by the action of the administration in regard to the alien labor bill was mentioned and the abuses of the present system of road work were pointed out. Mr. Yates concluding an able address by thanking his hearers for the good hearing, and promised if elected to represent their views and not necessarily his own, and with that end in view should deem it a part his duty to call the electors together and ascertain their views on different matters proof to the holding of each session and that at the end of each session he would appear before them and them an account of his steward-

Mr. Eberts followed with an epitome of the speech already delivered by him three times in the district, and at the conclusion was severely beckled by Mr. William Grant as to the proper method of assessing lands. He then had to stand the cross-examination of Mr. George Deans with reference to the \$6,000 allowance in the supplementary estimates for tuberculosis prevention. Mr. Eberts sail that this sum would be fairly divided between those who had suffered, but did not know whether the cattle killed had been valued at the time of their slaughter or not, and could not give any reason why \$6,000 kad ed as a blessing, as they will destroy the een hit upon as the amount needed. Mr. Eberts gave no satisfactory answer either to the question why, if the claims of those whose animals had been killed were just, that they had not been paid three years ago when the losses were sustained. The attorney-general and wearied the audience into open ex-

that if all the railways which Mr. Eberts said were going to be built out s said were going to be built out and sand flys rendered the journey any thing but pleasant. The Canadian troops H, Turner's statement in the house that the anticipated \$1.000,000 would be paid out of the loan bill could not possibly be correct. He also pointed out that Mr. James Dunsmuir was thoroughly in accord with the system of appointing road commissioners which had been refused by Mr. Eberts for the past three years. that Mr. James Dansmuir was thoroughly in accord with the system of appointing road commissioners which had been refused by Mr. Eberts for the past three years.

Mr. James Grant showed Mr. Eberts's record since 1891, proving that the attempt of the content of t orney-general's influence had been con-tantly directed to defeating anti-Conese legislation and against everything which tended to the benefit of the work-

nonopolistic concerns. Mr. Yates wound up the meeting with a short address in reply to Mr. Eberts, and the audience dispersed amid applause for the opposition candidate.

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## ALASKAN NEWS

The Canadian Customs Port Removed to Lake Linderman—Drowning at the White Horse.

An Accident to the River Steamer Willie Irving-A Prospector Murdered.

According to news received on the steamer Farallon, which arrived last night from Lynn canal with about one hundred pasengers, the Canadian customs officials have retired from the summit to Lake Linderman, the post being moved back on Thursday last. Among the passengers were George Langley and Private Ware, of the N.W.M.P., who are returning from the White Horse rapids, where the former, who is known better by his sobriquet of "Happy George," acted as pilot. Langley has made several trips to the interior with his dog train, which he brought down with him, the last trip being made in February last Langley says many February last. Langley says many stories of drownings have reached the coast, but notwithstanding but five deaths have occurred. The most recent accident occurred two weeks ago. A negro named Field, who hails from Seattle, was drowned while assisting a party to navigate the rapids in a host. craft was upset and all thrown into the water with their outfits. All rescaped water with fheir outfits. All rescaped save Field, who was caught in a swift part of the current, carried beyond the reach, of those who attempted his rescue, and drowned. On Jane 4th two San Francisco men, whose names Langley could not remember, were drowned. Langley says the steamers Goddard and Orn should be back at the White Horse era, now from Dawson. The Ora will carry the mail, which will in all probability anyive here on the next downward. bility arrive here on the next downward steamer. Langley, and Private Ware tell, of, an accident to the stern wheel steamer Willie Irving, she having pounded a big hole in her hull by being washed inst the rocks in attempting to run White Horse rapids about two weeks She was beached and is being re-

P. E. McCann another passenger halling from the Dalton trail, was part owner in a rich hydraulic property on the Doce-de-ask river, about thirty miles Doce-de-ask river, about thirty miles from Dalton's post, which has just been disposed of to a syndicate. He brings news of the drowning of Albert Beliount a young German, who fell from log bridging the Clan-hena river. There were also a contingent of disappointed miners from the Copper river mining district on the Farallon, they hav-

ing caught the steamer at Juneau, for which port they took passage from Valres on the steamer Wolcott. Several of the party have been in as far as the Tazlina river, one of the tributaries of the Copper river. They say the country is undoubtedly a rich one, but it is too difficult of access. One of their number reports the killing of a prospector, whose name he was unable to learn, by Indians near the mouth of the Klawesen river. The unfortunate man was washing the gravel there when he was fired on from the bushes behind and instantly

killed.

According to a Dyea paper the indians on the Dalton trail have sworn to take the life of Jack Dalton, claiming that he has made them many promises which he has never kept. Last week an Indian named Charley took a shot at Dalfon, but fortunately missed him, and it was found necessary to call out the soldlers to prevent the Indians from succeeding in their bloody work. The Indian Charley was arrested and sent to dian Charley was arrested and sent to at the manse solemnized the marriage Juneau, and this has aroused the savage of Mr. Charles A. Post to Miss Nellie an hour on the general policy of the Harbor, and the white freighters are py couple will make their home on Section of the present government's inability to govern, gave way to Colonel Gregory, who spoke for an hour on the general policy of the Turner administration, being repeatedly py couple will make their home on Section 1. vainly trying to have Jack Dalton settle ond street.

with the Indians.

The work is being hurried along on the Skagway railway. Five miles have been built. There are 885 men working on the road.

of the Canadian Development Co. on Teslin lake. A party of fifteen went up for that company under the leadership of Mr. Donnolly, and experienced considerable, hardship in making their way through to Teslin lake. For about twenty-five miles the party cut out a how the standard of pack mules for the Hudson Bay Constor use of the Hudson ty-five miles the party cut out a new trail (Teslin trail, about eight feet in width, which is much superior to the one formerly used. Notwithstanding the difficulties of the Glenora route, Mr. Niehol says there is no doubt in his mind that it is much su-perior to any other, and that had prompt perior to any other, and that had prompt measures been taken to construct a good wagon road (which he regards as an easy matter) the Stikine route would have been the leading inlet to the Klondike country. As it is many of the uniners at Glenora are starting in for Danse lake in Cassiar, and a number have taken steamer to St. Michaels having secured transportation for their baggage for ten cents a pound right through to Dawson. About thirty men are now employed on the Teslin end of the frail and the feeling is previously that a larger force will be put on to complete a wagon road to the lake.

road to the lake.

The Canadian Development Company have had a sawnill running for nearly two months on the shores of Teslin. Their new steamer Anglian was launched on the 16th of last month, and is by this time plowing her way to Dawson. She is a staunch vessel, about 85 feet in length, and would have on her first voyage about 200 miners. Her purser is Arthur Langley, brother of Sergt, Langley of the provincial police force, and Capt. Yorke, of Glasgow, who was in he city a few weeks ago, interviewing the government regarding a grant to the wagon road, will also be an officer. Forest fires are raging on the shores moss and give the grass a chance to grow. For most of the distance on the trail there is ample food for hors Mules make the best pack mimals the hard trails, but are restless in the bogs. Herds of cattle and sheep are being driven in, the former being exceeded his time by nearly an hour ployed as pack animals. On the journey out the party met the nurses and Faith Fenton going in. They had one horse pressions of impatience.

Fenton going in. They had one horse and each took her turn in the saddle.

The Westminster Sun says that James Tribune, on The Westminster Sun says that James James

The presence of armies of mosquitoes

are making good progress, and Mr. Don-

Steamer Oscar will leave this evening for Saturna island to bring stone for use in the Weiler building.

LOCAL NEWS. Glerrings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

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(From Tuesday's Dally.) -The council of the board of trade met this afternoon at 4 o'clock, the principal business being the making of preliminary arrangements for the annual couple left the same evening on al meeting, to be held on Friday, the to Seattle and other cities of the

Messrs. G. L. Lennox, of Nelson, J. M. Scott, of Revelstoke, and P. E. Martin, of Kaslo, were this morning called and admitted by the benchers of the law society. They were afterwards presented by Sir Henry Crease and sworn in by Mr. Justice Drake.

-Arthur Campbell, the man, who jumped from the E. & N. railway bridge on Friday afternoon and was rescued from drowning by E. C. Terrillois reported on inquiry this afternoon to be but little better. The fall was a serious one, and the man, it is feared, will have a slow and tedious recovery.

-On Friday evening last Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Mr. Thomas Renfrew and Miss Elizabeth Higginson Willis, at the manse, 248
Cook street. The bridegroom was supported by Mr. J. C. Renfrew and the bride by Miss Lizzie Lapsley. Mr. and Mrs. Renfrew will reside in Victoria.

—A double wedding took place last right in the parlors of the Dominion hotel, when two of the young men of Port Angeles were united in marriage to Port Angeles were united in marriage to the ladies of their choice from the same place. The contracting parties, accompanied by a few friends, came over on the City of Nanaimo and the ceremony took place at 5 o'clock in the evening, Rev. Percival Jenns officiating. The contracting parties were C. Dippold and Miss Ella Fillon, and Wm. Filion and Miss Alma Filion, the latter couple being cousins. The party returned home the same evening by the City of Nanaimo.

-During the month of June there were -During the month of June there were 1752 books issued from the public library, the average issue per day being 67. Twenty-four new members were enrolled and the greatest number of books issued in one day was 115. Late additions to the library are "Oliver Twist." Social Kaleidescope (25 figures)," "Canadian Men' and Women of the Time." "Auld Licht Hylls," "The Western Australian Mail Christmas Number." "Naval Defence of Canada," "How Shall We Keep Sunday," and the following reports: Postmaster-General's, 1897; Dairymen's Association, B. C., 1896-97, Minister of Mines, B. C., 1897, and Lands and Works, B. C., 1897.

(From Wednesday's Dally.) -The council of the Board of Trade met yesterday afternoon and drafted the report to be submitted at the annual meeting of the board to be held July 15th. The reception of the visiting press associations from Wisconsin and Minnesota will be arranged by President Kirk and Mayor Redfern.

A couple of Indians, both of the Nit-—A couple of Indians, both of the Nitnat tribe, and rejoicing in the same name of Charley, came before Police Magistrate Macrae this morning charged with the same offence, that of drunkenness, and received the same punishment, hamely, \$5 fine or 12 days' impusonment, the costs in one case being \$1 and in the other \$1.50. Charley No. 2 holds the bronze medal of the Royal Humane Society for brayery in saying life. mane Society for bravery in saving life

(From Thursday's Daily.) +Three hundred and ninety-three passengers, mostly homecoming Victorians from Seattle, arrived on the City of Kingston this morning.

U. W. hall, has contracted with Miss Ollie Holden of Louisville, Kentucky, who is the only lady faster for 30 days,

Sergeant Major Elliott has been entertaining the people of Spokane in mounted sword contests. With a sword against a lance Elliott lost by two points to three, but sword against sword he won from Sergeant Esmond by nine to six notwithstanding two nasty falls from his horse

At the usual fortnightly meeting of the Frades and Labor Council last night after routine business had been disposed of the preparation of questions to be submitted to candidates for legislative honers was taken up and concluded, The list appears in another column.

Court Vancouver, A.O.F., has elected the following officers for the ensuing term, and they will be installed at the castleton; C.R., C. Hall; S.C.R., J. Randolph; Sec., S. Wilson; Treas, W. Hall; S.W., W. Wriglesworth; J.W., S. McCann; S.B., W. J. Gowen; J.B., A. Sheather

-A meeting of the Victoria marksmen who intend taking part in the annual matches of the B.C. Rifle Association at Central Park range, Vanyouver, will be held in the Drill Hall on Friday, the Sth July, at 8:30 p.m.! The questions of transportation, formation of a camp, etc., will come up. The chair will be taken by Major Williams at 8:30 sharp. Marksmen from H.M. Navy, B.D. and R. M. A. are cordially invited to attend.

-The City Transfer Co. and the Pa cific Transfer Co. are rivals, although their stables are on the same street and ferred to the distinguished service opposite to one another. This rivalry is the order by Mr. Smith in the shared by the drivers of the respective Lodge and to the zeal and efficient companies, and it led two of them into a scrimmage this morning which will be aired in the police court. The two men, Fred Wilkinson and Arthur Kent, the latter representing the Pacific Co., had a dispute in attempting to secure the baggage of a passenger coming off the City of Kingston. Blows are said to take place in Columbia lodge next Western Col baggage of a passenger coming off the feelingly, replication bave been exchanged, and the result is that a case of assault will come before police magistrate Macrae to-morrow.

already intimated their intention of being present. The Courts in Port Townsend, Seattle and Tacoma are now arranging for a steamer, and have assured the local Courts that a large number of the brothers and friends as well will attend. Wagner's First Regiment band will ac- York from Liverpool.

company the excursionists from that city. The local committee meets to mor row night at the Foresters' Hall, Gov ernment street, to complete array

—A quiet wedding was celebrated Tuesday by Rev. Father Nicolaye at the Bishop's Palace, when Mr. Alex. Lipsky and Miss Lizzie Earl were made man and wife. The newly to Seattle and other cities of the Sound

-The marriage occurred at the manse yesterday afternoon of William Bryan and Miss Margaret A. Hill, of Seattle The ceremony, which took place o'clock, was performed by Rev. Campbell. The newly married left on the City of Kingston this morn. ing for their home in Seattle

## ROUTED AT ALBERN

Colonel Gregory Makes a Forced March to Huff's Citadel and Captures It.

Overwhelmed by the Opposition Attack, the Government Defenders Call' a Halt.

Leaving Victoria yesterday morning on the north bound train, arriving at Wellington shortly after noon, thence road fifty-six miles across country Alberni, facing the government nomin in what was supposed to be an interested position in his own stronghold and rout-ing his forces, driving back to Wellington in the early hours of the morning and by train to Victoria again, arriving at noon to-day. That is a sur the good work accomplished by the Opposition candidates in the Colonel E. B. Gregory, and is one of which any man would have good reason to be proud. Nearly 270 miles in twenty. seven hours, a great portion of it over roads such as those enjoyed in an out lying district, would be more than suffi eient to deter many men from under-taking the trip. And when the object of the trip is taken into consideration, and the success achieved in destroying the flimsy arguments of the spouters, the performance deserves to be remembered as one reflecting credit upon

the gallant colonel. The meeting to attend which the jour ney was made, was held in Huff's hall, and was the largest of any kind ever held in Alberni, the large majority of those present being in favor of the Opp sition, as was amply evidenced by the applause of Col. Gregory's address at their subsequent conduct in leaving the hall in a body as a protest against the arbitrary ruling of the chaîrman and as an expression of their desire to hear the truth about the railway policy of the Dr. Watson presided, Mr. John Grant

occupied three-quarters of an hour in labored defence on the government, Mr G. E. Powell spoke on the same side.

Mr. Huff, who was received, listene to, and who retired in almost dead lence, occupied ten minutes only, which was apparently ample for all he had say. And then Mr. Neill, the Opposi-tion candidate, was given a perfect ova-tion, the audience, which comprised several ladies, cheering for several minutes. As a testimony to his popularity among the disfranchised portion of the residents of Alberni, the ladies, he was the reci pient of a shower of beautiful flowers, which Mr. Neill gracefully acknowledged. Waiving his right to occupy his portion of the time, Mr. Neill after a few minutes' trenchant exiticism of the present At the expiration of the time decided upon by the engineers of the meeting. Mr Gregory was called down by the chairman. Being anxious to speak upon the railway policy, a subject in which the people present were deeply interested, the colonel asked to be allowed a further ten

arraignment of the railway policy, an cheered him enthusiastically, the meeting until long after the half dozen people in Huff's hall had extin-guished their lights and retired to seek in sleep forgetfulness of their discomfiture.

It was an opposition victory gaine by the people who thus voiced their con-demnation of Turnerism and demonstrated the certainty of Mr. Neill's triumphant return.

WITH THE ODDFELLOWS. New Officers Columbia Lodge-A Well-Deserved Compliment.

Last night the regular meeting of Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I.O.O.F., was held, when the following officers were installed by Grand Master Anton Henderson of this city: J.P.G., J. S. Smith: N.G., Jos. Phillips; V.G., Chas. W. Jenkinson, Treas., Geo. S. Fox; R.S., R. W. Joseph Danes: Cond., Phil. R. Smith: O.G., W. H. Huxtable; I.G., Chas. Mankley: R.S.S. Sam. Reid: J.S.S. A. Minkler; R.S.S. Sam. Reid; L.S.S. Edwards; R.S.N.G., J.H. Meldrum; S.N.G., George E. Smith; R.S.V.G. B. McNeill; L.S.V.G.; A. Galbraith. After the business of installation ever on which the Grand Master assisted by the Grand Warden, P. Dempster, and Grand Secretary, Davie, refreshments were served general good time passed in speed making songs, etc. Then followed the presentation of anyery handsome con bination oak writing and book ca one of the oldest and most zeal cers in the craft in the city. Master in making the presentation Lodge and to the zeal and efficient had displayed during his occupanthe different chairs of the loca The time he had devoted in attention the sick brethren was especially

Bark J. D. Peters has sailed from Comox with 1,500 tons of coal for the Arc The Ancient Order of Foresters are already assured of a large attendance at their re-union in this city on July 23rd.

The Courts in Manaimo and Wellington have chartered a special train for that day, and will attend in full force Vancouver craftsmen have arranged special rates with the C.P.N. Co. having securates with the C.P.N. Co. having securates with the Terminal and Royal cities have already intimated their intention of being not where he can reach them, but drifted away in the ice flocs or crushed.

Steamer Numidian has arrived at Mon-treal, and the steamer Majestic at New

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To arms! Vote early. Strike for liberty! The ballot is secret. Workingmen, do you Remember the Britis Out with the Mongol Down with the friend Let us act like men; serfs!

Donald Graham has East Yale. J. D. Prentice has S East Lillooet. Kellie will snow W velstoke riding. Wells and Baillie East Kootenay. Mark your ballots yea and Stewart.

A note for the "big for more Don't relax your eff overthrow of Turneris It is now a straight. Remember you hav Hans Helgesen an

Kinchant are winners The "citizens" ' ticke the funniest feature A vote for a govern equivalent to saying Chinese. Electors, if you vote candidate you are lich

smites you. J. J. Mackay, Ser West Yale, will have his deposit. James Martin, Fr. Green and J. M. Kein West Kootenay.

That change the pe-umbia have been tall last 15 years is now A vote for the "b mission that you ha by the eloquence of Dunsmuir employe high pressure these simply awful, you l

were dethroned. It may be taken for rights of the Songhe will be preserved ever to stay at home. If your neighbor clined to go to the p hack. He will get poll and can then vot ballot is secret.

Hon. G. B. Marti the premier's addre other evening. Mar blamed for this. H ating circumstances Mr. C. E. Pooley

tle trip on the tug L day evening. Even been pressed into continued triumph Price Ellison, the date, came down to Tuesday and re

Fairview, where he held a joint meeting reports from differen tricts are most ence ham's return.—Bou A number of lar, the words—in Chir course—"Home and and Prosperity," and and Always," have prominent corner in

what does this mea

four" please rise an A Golden paper s Baker was passing south of Windermer called at the home His exuberance of I lady of the house, her whether he con her at Victoria or creation she thought en leave of his sen 'Dear me! What's lady was not suffici Colonel's way to rejust started out paign and had to b leavor to induce pe

If Premier Turne honestly believe tha the confidence of the vince, why did they to secure the defea ballot, bill? This every elector should before he marks hi next. The advanta are known to ever dant apon his labor should ask himself ed the Turner gover prive him of his inquisitive officials s of finding out which for? If the secret measure Premier I leaguest should be position to it. and opposed it in so is no official record , is the best possi cousidered the bill a of the electors ashamed to oppose which granted the e lumbia the secret to by Thomas Forster ty. Premier Turne were afraid to opposecond reading would be recorded legislature. Instea nier Turner waited ed the committee Smith moved "that the chair" withou The members who motion for the purrocret ballot bill Smith, Mutter, Ba Adams, Pooley, Eb Hunter—12. Ever by this vote declare to giving the ele Those who voted

e: Messrs. H were: Messrs. ler, Macpherson.