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A CONTRAST IN POLICIES.

The Colonist, in its position as an incure the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Esquimalt & struggle now proceeding in Great Bri-Nanaimo Railway. Our contemporary tain? does not point out-which may be a mere inadvertence-that the conveyance which is now condemned by suggestion was the work of a former Conservative government of the province and Conservative government of the Dominion, although it labors hard to transfer the responsibility to the present Liberal government of the Dominion. To point out that at the time the in his generalization to confine his obtransaction took place not only were there Conservative governments in tive members, would also impart a political tinge which we do not wonder the Colonist expresses a desire to avoid. Our contemporary does not say what it would have the present government mora! it draws from the story. It appears to be satisfied with the deduc- ple." tion that property worth sixty millions of dollars passed from the hands of its original owners. Is it going to follow the article predicatory by a demand that the lands be returned now that it realizes the bargain was a bad one?

Might we be permitted to supply a sequel to the Colonist's mournful-tale of prodigality? There is a government in power at Ottawa now which does be just as important an agent in the development of British Columbia as the Canadian Pacific Railway. It will not cost the province a cent in money or an acre in lands save the right of way. Already we are told the provincial treasury has received one million dollars from the sale of city lots at Prince Rupert, the western terminus of the road. The provincial treasurer acknowledges this, and says he expects two or three millions more from the same source. So far from exacting value in lands or otherwise for what it does for the province, the Dominion government has offered bonuses aggregating nearly seven million dollars as inducements to railway builders to construct other lines in the province. The contrast in policies is so marked that we wonder it has escaped the at-

AN INTOLERANT CRITIC.

The interview published in the why a newspaper professing to be Libcurrency to the extremely Conserva-

To be frank with "H. C." we thought teresting in every respect. We did not think either the reporter who prepared den in accordance with the ability of it or the gentleman who authorized it the bearer. The Toronto Globe of a rehad any particular reason to be cent date contains an article which ese laborers. After the election was ashamed of his work.

It was hardly necessary for the Times to point out that with the powhich is read by all sorts and condito say we believe that nearly all the Equality.

sulted as a Liberal by the publication the idle poor at the other are the exin a Liberal journal of the views of tremes of a civilization that cannot

ways of a Liberal newspaper led it man has an honest chance. hrough a wilderness of woe. That was . "That time is at hand in Britain. The only to one side of a question.

A reporter of the Times waited upon Britain. Mr. Will Crooks bears about this formerly distinguished citizen of in his body the marks of the conflict British Columbia and asked for an in- but in his heart is the assurance of terview. That request was courteously triumph. Llody-George, knowing by granted . Would it have been an act of hard experience the injustice of things courtesy on the part of the Times to as they are, has come into the kingdom dependent newspaper of course, has have published the graceful references for such a time as this. Men, like done something worth while in point- of Mr. Ward to the city of Victoria Asquith and Edward Grey will not turn ing out the large number of acres of of to-day as compared with Victoria back. If they did others would rise land which were given away by the of the old days, and the pathetic allus- and reform would go on. The conflict province of British Columbia to pro- ion to the absence of the old familiar is inevitable. The storm centre is not tive jurisdictions of the water comfaces, and to have suppressed his opin- the budget, but the social order. Equalions as to the effect of the political ity will win."

EQUALITY WILL WING

times of great national crises. The authority in question means, we suppose, servation to modern times.

power at Ottawa- and Victoria, and are raising larger sums against possible This proposition has been repeatedly to arise. that British Columbia was represented contingencies than they ever did bedemonstrated in the Legislature, alhas, it appears, had a considerable in the federal sphere by six Conserva- fore. They are obsessed by the idea that their neighbors harbor sinister designs their neighbors harbor sinister designs against their integrity. Hence the governments in the Legislature have has distinct ideas of his own regarding at Ottawa do in the premises or the up to date without imposing tremend- records of the Dominion Parliament to perform certain work, the expedi-

things differently. That government is procuring the construction of another transcontinental railway which will be results of recent electromagnets and the comparation of the city of the commissioner and his assistant, to be appointed as hereinafter providonly fit food for mankind.

nuch the same as that which has reextremities. If the French were not probably be no whit better than that of the Germans.

Great Britain is in the throes of an epoch-making political struggle, due to the necessity of raising a larger revenue for naval purposes. The governing it to me false. On the eve of the last provincial election he declared he last provincial election he declared he ment in power has seized the opportunity to bring about practically a revolution in the hitherto accepted system of that a contract had been entered into the city council this evening, and there concisely, and yet powerfully, portrays the situation. It says:

"The Budget is only an incident. Dislitical views of Mr. Ward it had no cussion of land taxes touches only one and some British Columbia corporations, sympathy whatever. As most of our point in the problem. Protection or readers are aware, possibly in the case | Free Trade is a phase of a far larger of some of them not without a severe controversy. Lloyd-George, the Libtrial of their patience, we are as regu- erals and the Labor men are not the lar in our onsets against just such cause of the struggle; they are merely opinions as the sun is in his daily voices giving utterance for the mojourneys. But we do not consider it ment to the passion and the hope that our duty as publishers of a newspaper stir in the heart of the nation. The conflict was inevitable. Its beginnings tions of people, holding divers political lay far back in the history of Britain's opinions, to suppress the views of our evolution into freedom. It is the ageopponents. We may even go so far as long struggle of Privilege against

the many have been born to toil and "H. C." seems to think he was in- want. The idle rich at the one end and Mr. Ward. We are thankful to say endure, A century ago Burns saw the gett took place Thursday afternoon at we have the best of reasons for believ- tragedy of unemployment, when, for 2.30 o'clock from the family residence, ing that very few of our readers are the sake of wife and offspring, the West road, South Saanich. The Rev. Mr. Ward was for many years a reis doomed because it is unjust. To-day to pay their last respects to one of the putable and honored citizen of British as never before in a thousand years most popular residents in that district ment that a line of railway is to be built putable and honored citizen of British as never before in a thousand years most popular residents in that district

times. The circles in which he moved other man's brow. A nation with a were Tory-and if the stories told of million paupers hovelled and hustled the early days are to be credited for a together in the city slums, and with a Liberal to lift his head in the midst of half-dozen landlords holding millions that perverse generation was to run of acres of land for sheep and rabbits a grave risk of having it cracked. and red deer-that nation in God's Even the courts were on the side of world can have not peace but a sword the dominant and only party, and the until justice is done and the honest

the natural outcome of the spirit of present distress may wear the guise of intolerance which will incline its ear the day of the sword, but out of the coming confusion will emerge a new

ORIENTAL IMMIGRATION.

If it were a fact that only the earnest determination of the McBride govern-An authority rises to remark that ment stands between British Columbia taxation is higher to-day in almost and an opening of the gates to a flood every nation in the world than it ever of Orientals, then the case of this pro- responsible for the execution of all was at any period in history, even in vince is perilous indeed. The attitude work of a mechanical nature in respect of the Conservative party of British Raymur, the commissioner, is agree-Columbia towards Oriental immigra- ale to this suggestion to a degree, h tion is the attitude of the Conservative all his powers as water commissioner There is no doubt that the powers party of Canada upon the question, and this is just where friction is likely though the supporters of Canservative amount of experience in the adminis maintenance of great armies and the cunningly endeavored to conceal their engineering problems in co. creation of powerful fleets. Such insti- real sentiments by talking in favor of therewith. As matters stand at the city tutions cannot be maintained and kept exclusion and voting against it. The commissioner, may order Mr. Bryson ous burdens upon "the common peo- when the Tory party was in control of ency of going on with which may not it and of the provincial legislature ever appeal to Mr. Bryson. The latter is Europe, whose eyes are jealously fixed known, the most that could be exacted cannot be entirely set aside. That Mr upon each other. The imposition of a from the party in power up to the year Raymur must resist any attempt which small tax upon tea when the founda- 1896 was a tax of \$50 per head upon might be made to relieve him of a contions of that great nation were being Chinese. Following the retirement of siderable amount of the responsibility laid was the ostensible cause of a rethe governments led by Sir John Macthe governments led by Sir John Macthe governments led by Sir John Macthose who have studied certain clauses bellion against constituted authority. donald, Sir J. J. C. Abbott, Sir J. S. D. appearing in the Victoria Waterworks Yet the American people submit with- Thompson, Sir Mackenzle Bowell and Act. These clauses read as follows: tions, the more and the higher the the effect of absolutely excluding ed, may and shall have power to detaxes they are compelled to pay the Hindus and practically excluding Jap- sign, construct, purchase, improve, better they like it. A magnificent rev- anese The provincial legislature has hold and generally maintain, manage nue extravagantly spent they consider evidence of their unparalleled resources to the presence of Orientals, but, parand wealth. They have declared a fiscal, ticularly under the latest regime, its thereto in the city of Victoria and parts war against the whole world, which is effective actions have invariably been costing them more than the war of the it conflict with its professed intentions. The "slickness" of the Attorney-Gencouncil of Victoria who shall have the burdens of the people. And she is him, as our readers doubtless remem- commissioner shall not be a mer sumption of horse and dog meat. They measure declaring the immigration of sary to enable him to build the water of course declared to be a "clerical any of the said works from time to France has not yet been reduced to error," but subsequent developments time as the said comm time being may see fit. such extremities. But the taxation is lent color to the charge that the "mis-Mr. Gotoh, the Japanese who had a decide Wellington Colliery Company to supupon the whole the most thrifty and rly these concerns with a small army meet with the approval of a correspon- a condition due to the provision which and a profitable one, we may be surehas put the people in possession of the of Mr. Bowser's legal firm. The wily land of the country, there case would Jap knew the quarter in which his afhad absolute proof in his possession meeting of the streets committee taxation. It purposes adjusting the bur- between the Grand Trunk Pacific Rail- is a likelihood that it will be amendway Company and a certain contractor e over and the McBride government was city engineer. in power as a result of that sensational charge, the fact was established that | MUCH ACTIVITY UP there was a contract between Gotoh but the corporations in question were the institutions we have already mentioned and not the G. T. P. The fact C. P. R. and American Securiwas further developed that Mr. Bowser must have got what he called his in formation from his own client Gotoh and that he must have known when making his sensational charge that he was lending his name and authority to a deliberate untruth. The Attorney-General has never opened his mouth in a serious attempt to meet these

> campaign discredited in advance? -The funeral of the late John Slug-

COMMISSIONER AND ENGINEER

NEW SYSTEM IN WATER DEPARTMENT

Council Has Difficulty in Framing Resolution to Meet the Situation.

(From Monday's Daily.) One of the important matters to be considered at this evening's meeting of the city council is the question of defining just what shall be the respecmissioner and the city engineer, or rather, the assistant engineer, for it is the latter official who is to attend to the matter of all outside work in connection with the waterworks department.

The situation is somewhat compliof the opinion that it would be in the is indisposed to consent to be shorn of

council of Victoria, who shall have looking for new resources of revenue eral's conduct is a matter of notoriety. power to remove and appoint from time and devising schemes, for increasing. One act in particular introduced by to time; provided always that the so successful in her quest that in order ber well—the case was too conspicuous to avoid taxes a very large portion of the public—while purporting to be a the population has resorted to the concannot afford to buy the flesh of ani- Asiatics to be illegal, actually declared works hereinafter mentioned, and to mals which are usually considered the such immigration to be legal. This was improve, secure, maintain and enlarge

excessive there also, and the cause is take" was one of deliberate intention. commissioner to examine, consider and duced the Germans to such unwonted contract with the C. P. R. and the means contemplated by this act with a some water for the use of its inhabi-Times with Mr. Robert Ward does not the most prosperous nation in the world, of Japanese laborers, was the client- tants; and also to provide, build or

fairs would be most effectively handled. have passed two motions, attempting He knew the value of having "a friend to define what shall be the respective at court." The Attorney-General has duties and responsibilities of the water regard to the administration of the affairs of the department, but it is not clear that either will meet the situe last provincial election he declared he tion. The resolution passed at the Friday evening last will come before d from its present form, as some of for a supply of fifty thousand Japan- the aldermen are of the opinion that

AT COWICHAN LAKE

ties Co. Both Have Surveyors in Field.

Victorians who have recently visited Cowichan Lake say that there is greatactivity in that section of the Island in year. Imports total \$173,200,432, an innnection with the enterprise being charges, although repeatedly challeng- launched by the American Securities Co., people like to hear both sides of a question in order that they may form their opinions upon it understandingly and rights on the one side and the peril of specific and the p intelligently. We make a practice of Socialism on the other, things as they that the question of the immigration McGregor, of this city, who have the board of railway commissioners, and The deceased was born in Tyrone, reporting everything the Premier of are cannot remain. By no desert of of Orientals may be revived as an issue contract for the delimitation of the this province says in public, although theirs the few have been born to idlein the pending provincial elections. Are established camps on the shore of the boundaries of the timber tract, have Canada Gazette. It became effective of Mr. and Mrs. William Johnston. his political views and ours are as far ness and luxury. By no fault of theirs not any statements it may make at lake. Large quantities of supplies have of 25 cents a seat for forty miles or Colwood. any hour during the progress of the campaign discredited in advance? and it is the evident intention to keep them in the field just as long as weather conditions will permit. There is naturally great jubilation among the people who are already located in that section of the Island, and there have been several pro-Island, and there have been several property transfers since the news of the coming winter, the first of which will River, but before going far decided to so narrow in their conceptions of the haggard out-of-work only 'begs a broresponsibilities of a public journal as ther of the earth to give him leave to
the correspondent the sake of wife and offspring, the haggard out-of-work only 'begs a bromade touching reference to the Christian character of the deceased. The

Bros., has changed hands, and at Duntoil.' That condition cannot survive. It attendance of friends who turned out can there is a miniature boom in real

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Tuesday, thanks to many arrivals this week-end we are able to make a feature of stylish See them before you make your final choice. We detail a few:

SMART TAILOR-MADE SUITS, in myrtle green Venetian cloth. The 44 in. coat is semitight, finished with a roll collar of black watered silk, turned back cuffs to match, large NOBBY CHEVIOT SUIT, in French grey, fancy self striped, 44 in. coat, semi-tight; finished front and back with rows of small tabs of cloth and small jet buttons, fastens with large

iet buttons, full pleated skirt with panel front. Price STYLISH BROADCLOTH SUIT in taupe grey. This is a very handsome model. It is cut to give effect to the broad welt seams which are turned under, trimmed with large cut jet buttons and straps of the cloth at the collar and also at the waist. Skirt is gored, trimmed with more tabs and jet buttons. Price......\$37.50 ATTRACTIVE VENETIAN SUIT in mulberry shade, of self stripe. The coat is almost full length. From a little below the waist line a strap runs around the back, almost meeting again in front, below which the skirt falls in pleats. Above the coat presents the appearance of the ordinary tailor made. The skirt is similar to the coat, giving the fashionable

pockets at each side give occasion for a display of small cut jet buttons, larger ones to

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TRADE INCREASE

SEPTEMBER FIGURES

For First Six Months of Fiscal mains to this city. Year Increase of Fortythree Millions.

rease of seven millions over last year, the kind which has occurred in the For the first half of the fiscal year the Yukon since the big rush in 1898. The total trade was \$304,390,000, an increase deceased was one of the largest priof forty-three millions, compared with vate operators and was an active prosthe corresponding six months of last pector and miner. crease of thirty-one millions. The trade Johnston was in Port Essington and figures now reach the record mark of was at once communicated with. He

-A new parlor-car tariff relative to the place. the E. & N. has been approved by the and forwarded to Victoria for burial published in the current number of the Ireland, and was the third eptember 15th, and provides for a fee formerly of Gorge road, but now of less, and 25 cents per seat for anything between 40 and 80 miles. As the whole length of the railway is only 80 miles | fields in the North. On their arrival the maximum charge is 50 cents.

be held on the last Friday in the month | go to Dawson to find out the latest will be a smoking one to suit the methods of mining. Some time after smokers, and other kinds of pleasant this the late Mr. Johnston located his evenings will be held at short inter-vals. All members of the football teams, killed. Columbia. He was an old-timer in Victoria, and, like a good many of that ilk, he became mentally saturated with Toryism. But at that he was he a new social order in which no man with Toryism. But at that he was shall eat bread by the sweat of an-

MET DEATH IN NORTH.

Brought From Yukon for Interment. (From Monday's Daily.)

ly killed in the North on September MOST GRATIFYING 10th, arrived in this city yesterday afternoon. John G. Johnston, brother of the deceased, accompanied the re-

The late Mr. Johnston was working on his mining claim on Quartz Creek, and was sluicing out when a big bank of gravel overhead slid down and buried him. Before any aid could be Ottawa, Oct. 18.—Canada's trade for got the man was dead, having been september totalled \$56,601,000, an in-

> At the time of the accident Mr. J immediately left for the scene of the accident, and in a week's time was at

He accompanied his brother and L Madigan from here in 1898 for the new at Skagway they started out with a dog train, loaded with provisions, ove -The Esquimalt Athletic Club is the White Pass to Bennett. Here they

-In a political article appearing in Friday's Times an error occurred. Body of Christopher C. Johnston The sentence, "The railway policy which Mr. Oliver outlined in his speech at Victoria on Tuesday evening last has met with hearty approval through-The remains of the late Christopher out the country, and in particular it Charles Johnston, who was accidentalver," should have read "with the people of Vancouver Island."

An ostrich's egg, which weighs three pounds, is equal in bulk to about thirty hens' eggs, and is amply sufficient to pro-

try called Avon.

BORN. CULLIN-At Victoria, B. C., on Friday, October 15th, the wife of Capt. H. J. Rous Cullin, bursar of the University School, of a daughter.

DIED. HASSARD-In this city, on the 14th inst. at the Jubilee Hospital, William Has-sard, aged 73 years, a native of Ire-land.

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