

The Colonist.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1893. A GOOD BEGINNING.

It is encouraging to see that the taxpayers of this city are taking a lively interest in civic affairs. It is evident to all that those matters are at present very badly managed. It is equally clear that the city is already suffering, and that it will suffer to a greater and more alarming extent, if a reform is not speedily brought about.

The taxpayers of Victoria, if they have an enlightened regard for their own interests, will exert themselves energetically and make some sacrifices to place the city's affairs in good hands. They will be the greatest losers if their city ceases to be attractive and comes to be regarded as an undesirable place to live in.

Improvements, such improvements as have been commenced and projected, will, if made without needless delay, be profitable to the citizens, even from a money point of view, to say nothing of the increased comfort and improved health of the citizens which must result from their completion.

Those in Canada who advocate a tariff for revenue alone must be prepared to pay direct taxes. When every duty that protects goods of home production is taken off, and even when heavy duties are imposed on foreign commodities which are different from those produced at home, such as tea, sugar, spices, wines, etc., sufficient revenue cannot be raised to meet all the requirements of government.

In ordinary times it is about 2 1/2 per cent. in time of war or special expenditure it rises to 5 per cent. and even higher. There is often laid by Liberal orators on the trouble and vexation of customs dues, as if the collection of income tax were a perfectly easy matter.

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TAOUMA, Nov. 24.—Robert Ramsey, a former resident of Tacoma, was with Lord Somerset's hunting party in the Canadian Rocky mountains this summer. Somerset has returned to England and will write a book. Ramsey, who is now in Tacoma, says: "We suffered great hardships while living on horseflesh. After being driven to the starvation point we killed one of our horses and fed the men before the fire. It didn't taste so bad, under the circumstances."

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At the last moment the Provisional Government declares they have no further objection, but are certain they will be able to maintain peace. Just before the Alameda sailed from Honolulu for San Francisco the Honolulu Commercial Advertiser issued an extra edition containing a dispatch dated Washington City, Nov. 23, which had been published in an Auckland, N.Z. paper on November 4, received in Honolulu by the Alameda. This dispatch stated that President Cleveland was preparing a message to congress advising the restoration of the monarchy in Hawaii. Minister Willis, upon being shown this dispatch, refused to say anything in regard to it. The belief seems general in Honolulu that the dispatch is unfounded.

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