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THE KING.

Mr. Haldane has set people talking all over the United Kingdom. He said substantially that the King gave his ministers the benefit of his advice. There has been considerable of an uproar over this and some people have asked if England is returning to the days of the Stuarts. It is surprising how the British people can work themselves up into a semi-panic about nothing, when there is no great question demanding consideration. A notion has grown up in some quarters that tion demanding consideration. A notation demanding consideration d in an enormous increase in this country's shipping business. With such a feet, Canada would hold the blue ribbon of the Atlantic, for no line running into New York would be able to compare with it in point of time, nor surpass it in accommodation.

Several prominent financiers, when case at present, he is a very wise, very tactful and widely-experienced man, his influence is altogether too valuable to be set aside because of man, his influence is altogether too valuable to be set aside because of an imaginary fear that we are returning to days of absolutism. King Edward is a constitutional monarch. He probably understands the rights, privileges and duties of his position quite as well as any one else, and he is not at all likely to go a star further than as well as any one else, and he is not at all likely to go a step further than his duty to his fellow countrymen requires him to. If he has strong views tupon any subject, it seems to us that he would be false to his kingly office if he falled to impress them upon his ministers. If they are unable to agree with him, either he must yield or his with him, either he must yield or his making of the ocean line. No other rallway company is at present of the people of Victoria to have the Canadian Pacific take hold of the All-Red line, as the result would unquestionably be the making of this port, or Esquimalt, the terminus of the ocean line. No other rallway company is at present ministers must resign and allow him other railway company is at present to find ministers who will undertake in a position to handle the business, to justify his course to Parliament, although it does not necessarily follow

central Emigration Board is an organization with offices at 70 Temple Chambers, London. The president is the Duke of Sutherland; the Chairman is Sir Clement Kinioch-Cooke, take treasurer Sir William Chance, Bart, and the secretary Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is Lord Hindip Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is an electron Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is an electron Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is an electron Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is an electron Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is an electron Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is an electron Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is an electron Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is an electron Mr. P. Stewart Hamilton. Associated prominently with the Board is a section of the present device of the Prominently with the Board is a section of the Promine and Order and Mr. a grant of land so that a certain amount of agricultural knowledge might be imparted to these boys, together with their regular education."

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The new issue of \$22,000,000 of new stock by the Canadian Pacific is causing a good deal of talk in financial circles, not only in this country, but in the United States and England, and there is much a ulation as to the uses to which the money will be not In this connection an interest. put. In this connection an interest-ing rumor comes from England to the effect that the money is to be used for the specific purpose of so strength-ening the company's fleets on the At-lantic and the Pacific as to bring into

will be radically revised, both as re-gards the time to be occupied in the carriage of mails, and in the amount Carriage of mails, and in the amount of the subsidy to be paid. The British government is convinced that this time could be cut down considerably, and any new contract will likely call for much faster ships. Indeed there is talk of the C. P. R. building four new ships for the Atlantic service exceeding by five thousand tone apiece exceeding by five thousand tone apiece any boat at present sailing to Canadian ports, and with a speed of from 23 to 25 knots an nour. This would be transferred to the Pacific-Orient route, and supplemented by two more vessels

Three months 25 Three months 25 and supplemented by two more vessels of the same size, so as to establish a fortnightly service instead of a monthly one with China and Japan. It is anderstood, according to some infor-mation received from London, that no important consideration in connecthat

Several prominent financiers, when

spoken to about the matter this morning, expressed the hope that the ru-

to justify his course to Parliament, which is the court of last resort, the popular voice finding expression in the House of Commons. We think those people who are alarmed at the influence of the King are needlessly disturbed.

although it does not necessarily follow that a railway company must do so. It will be several years before the Grand Trunk Pacific or the Canadian Northern can be in the field for transplantation on the part doubtedly be a disposition on the part of the Canadian Parliament to force

The following from the Montreal Witness deals with a subject that comes very closely home to Victorians:

The new issue of \$24,000,000 of new stock by the Canadian Pacific is causing a good deal of talk in financial circles, not only in this country, but in the United States and England, bitions of that empire, but if the mil-lions of India should become con-vinced that the time has come for vinced that the time has come for them to shake off British control, the whole of Asia would soon be aflame. Some writer, speaking of the repeated invasion of India, said that the people bowed their heads before the ening the company's fleets on the Atlantic and the Pacific as to bring into actual being the fast All-Red route, about which there has been so much talk lately—a development which would have the effect of rendering superfluous the proposed steamship line via Blacksod bay.

According to the story there is a probability of the British government renewing the contract with the C.P.R. for the carriage of mails to the Orient, which contract expires in April next, If this is done, however, the terms invasion of India, said that the people bowed their heads before the tempest and raised them when the storm had passed. It appears to have been the fate of India to be governed by a dominating race, and the control of the country by the British is only the culmination of a long series of foreign rulers, although none of those that preceded us have stood in precisely the same attitude towards the country. But a change has come about in India as a consequence of British rule. Although the natives of the land have been slow to avail themselves of

the opportunities afforded them, there has of recent years been a marked development of a desire for home rule. It is confined to a relatively small part. lem should be complicated by incidents occurring in other parts of the Empire, and we hope that so far as Canada is converned, everything that can be done will be done to prevent needless friction from arising. Canadians must bear some of the responsibilities as well as enjoy the advantages of their Imperial connection, and while the Colonist is no more in favor of Hindu immigration now than it ever was, it urges that care be taken not to create the impression in the minds of the needle of Hindustan that minds of the people of Hindustan that we are hostile to them. The first step to preventing difficulty is to stop the influx of Hindus, and this is surely not beyond the ingenuity of those, who have control of the policy of Can-ada.

In view of the prominent and res

score and tenth milestone on Christ-

If the role of Britain's great men be viewed from a proper perspective, Morley would possibly prove to be the only "double first." Indeed, possibly history will prove that he is the only "double first" since the time of Burke, having raised himself to the front rank alike both in literature and statesmanship.

It has been only a few weeks since the most pronounced evidence of his attainments in the latter sphere were given when the world's newspapers printed his ringing and far sighted speech on India, which alone succeed-ed in raising the present government several notches in the estimation even of its many enemies, while it proved the despair of those members of the Opposition who wished to answer it in the Commons. But it has been thirty odd years since Morley's works on Burke and Voltaire won for him an

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comment until we have more information as to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's position, as he may define it in the House of Commons. For the present we shall only say that if he is correctly reported in the Mail and Empire a parting in the ways has come so far as he and his supporters from this province are concerned.

At the time the editorial was written, we did not have before us a report of the speech in which the language was said to have been used. We had only the extract from the Mail and Empire. Up to that 'time we had supposed that the federal Premier

had supposed that the federal Premier had only declared his dissent from the views of the people of this province, not his contempt for him then. The words attributed to him by the Mail and Empire were so astonishing, that we left the way open for explanation, and we are very glad to have it on authority that cannot be

So far as Mr. McBride is concerned

the report of the speech published in the Ottawa Free Press, and we venture to think that any one ought to feel justified in looking to the home organ of the Dominion government when seeking to learn what the Pre-mier of Canada said upon a vital public question. There has been no misquotation of Sir Wilfrid, as far as the Colonist and Mr. McBride are con-cerned, but there certainly has been gross misreporting so far as the Free Oriental question our only aim been to reach the best possible con clusion, and, if we can, to contribut something to the solution of an issue which in our humble judgment is of paramount importance. We have de clined to treat it from a party stand point, and we are quite as well pleas ed as any one else to know that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has made a public declaration that he feels bound to respect the opinions of the people British Columbia in respect to it. V treated the quotation from the and Empire as we did in the hope that it would secure from the federal Premier an exact definition of his attitude towards the people province, and this has now been se

As was to be expected, the Victoria Times indulges in characteristic coarseness, in its reference to this subject. There was no attempt on the part of the Colonist and Mr. Mc Bride to "garble" the remarks of Si Wilfrid Laurier. This paper and the provincial Premier quoted from re-putable periodicals, one of them a Liberal and the other a Conservative

This is a step in the right direction, and now that it has been taken, per-haps it is not unreasonable to hope that the government will go a step fur-

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Application for the

porary receivership the circuit court in without delay. Mr. Stickney in add holders dwelt upon th tions in America. notes that matured The decision of the

ee met with the appr holders. After the r Stickney said to a re "The Chicago Gr tunately has no mortg lot of notes which n time of financial depr ally the case, and co not pay them."

Mr. Stickney will re ed States by the ed States by the M leaves Liverpool next St. Paul, Minn., Jan

born this afternoo Stickney and C. A. Paul, receivers for appointed attorneys
The appointment
lowed the inability to meet obligations 1908, and the fail extension of the ob a result of the boile last fall is given a for the financial stra It was also pointed ceedings this after the last three years spent \$19,000,000 on The petition for a filed on behalf of the the financial comm Humird, of Minn Meyer, of New York mings and Alexander Britain. Stile W. Burr, of

as attorney of reciplaints, and Frank Paul, made a stater of the condition of grounds on which a asked.

As soon as the pe plaints had been file filed on behalf of the tors, who met this a ship precedings.

In answer for the receivership, Mr. Ke capital of the fluid consisted of four clatwo of which need the receivership or the receivership pr are the preferred "A ture stock, each of fifty per cent of mortgage bonds.

The preferences of es of stock are secure to the Manhattan York. There will

payment of these uary 15, said Mr. Further outlining the road. Mr. Kelle Western owes \$10,6 falling due within the of which notes to \$545,000 have gone sum, exceeding \$10, Kellogg, is part of spent by the Great last ten years in retrieved the amount of £50 these will be due of the amount of £50 these will be due of the spent of the there will be due January notes ag sterling. The total gations due during 1 Mr. Kellogg said Western, which is a tion, owns in fee, lines of railroad in owns terminal leas St. Paul to Minneap In addition, the owns all the stock

the Mason city and road, a line about for long. This line is r The Great Wester, of the Wisconsin, M clifc, which is bonde \$5,815,000, and of the Western, capitalized Mr. Kellogg pointed the law of most of t the Great Western might secure an at properties, thus wred preventing it from gations to the publi Primarily on this sibility that it might from performing its common carrier, Ju sued an order for the the receiver. He alditional ground, the judgment of \$70,000, been secured against

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