FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1887. THE DEAD PREMIER.

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The twenty-eighth day of March, 1887, will be ever associated in the history of the province with two public events of a remarkable character. The one, the occasion of happy congratulation and joyous felicitation at the elevation of a worthy citizen to the high and honorable position of Chief Magistrate; the other an occurrence that appeals directly to the public sympathy, and plunged the people into mourning, "The King is dead! Long live the King!" Almost at the very moment that the oaths of office were administered to Hon. Hugh Nelson, the hew lieutenant-governor, the "passing new lieutenant-governor, the "passin bell" was tolling for the Hon. Wm. SMITHE bell" was tolling for the Hon. Wm. Smithe, the trusted and valued first minister of the crown, who then and there "drifted out upon the unknown sea that rolls round all the world." Before death came there were weeks of intense suffering, which Mr. Smithe bore with fortitude and resignation not unmixed with a hope of ultimate recovery. In his last painful moments his fertile mind was busied with the affairs of state. His chief anxiety was the advancement of busied with the affairs of state. His chief anxiety was the advancement of the country which he loved so well and served so faithfully. His colleagues in the ministry were often summoned to his sick room where matters of import were discussed and arranged. So deep was the interest taken by the dying premier in public matters that, until a very few days before his earthly career closed, he was accessible to many who desired to interview him on matters connected with his department. A good man has fallen. A ble to many who desired to interm on matters connected with his nent. A good han has fallen. A remnent expedition into the Yukon countertle, unselfish soul has gone to try leaves Victoria the beginning of May, ord. A loving and loved husband her, has been torn from a circle Stickeen, Cassiar, and Peace river districts are the most of the Liard down, and the Pelly to its confluence with the Yukon, where Ogilvie, the Dominawn the drapery of the the counter the north branch of department. A good man has fallen. A noble, gentle, unselfish soul has gone to its reward. A loving and loved husband and father, has been torn from a circle who will chemish his memory forever. A valued public servant whose sole thought was to use a favorite figure of with the Yukon, where Ogilvie, the Domspeech, to "push the province on," inion surveyor, joins him. Ogilvie enters has "drawn the drapery of the the country by the Chilcoot inlet and couch about him and laid down to Perrier pass. After the union of the pleasant dreams." A familiar figure has disappeared from the public gaze. A powerful and eloquent voice is stilled. Parall next winter, Dawson returning in the liaments and governments will come and go as the years roll on, and the country peets great results from the expedition, will grow and prosper in the lines laid down by Mr. Smithe and his ministry; but the province will never have a ministry; but the province will never have a minister who will serve it more zealously and less selfishly than our dead friend has done. He held a portfolio in the Elliott government and has been chief commissioner of lands and works since 1883. He was a Consequent in politics. He was

the late Mr. Smithe nearly a quarter of a century ago when he contributed a series of able letters to the press on agricultural and other subjects. Mr. Smithe came to the province in 1862 and settled down and worked placer mines on Grouse and othercreeks. Returning to Somenos in 1864 he prosecuted farming until 1868, when he proceeded to California and joined the editorial staff of the San Francisco Chronicle. After an absence of about eighteen months he returned to his farm, and was elected a member of the first parliament that assembled after confederation. In the second parliament he led the opposition and defeated the then government. He accepted a portfolio in Mr. Elliott's government in 1876. Upon an appeal to the country in 1878 the Elliott government was defeated and Mr. Smithe led the opposition in the new house through four sessions. In 1882 the government of Mr. Beaven went down, and Mr. Smithe's opportunity as first minister came. Calling to his aid strong colleagues he led his party successfully through the difficulties and dangers which beset them in the Settlement Bill," and secured the construction of the island railway and the dry dock and elected a member of the first parliament that assembled after confederation. In the second parliament he led the opposition and defeated the then government. He accopted a portfolio in Mr. Elliotts government in 1876. Upon an appeal to the country in 1878 the Elliott government in 1878. Upon an appeal to the country in 1878 the Elliott government in 1876. Upon an appeal to the country in 1878 the Elliott government in 1876. Upon an appeal to the country in 1878 the Elliott government in 1876. Upon an appeal to the winning point under a full press of five guns and her time was at once taken the highest goal that his adopted province the winning point under a full press of confidence of the country in his integrity sails. In passing the winning vessel fired five guns and her time was at once taken to confidence of the country in his integrity opportunity as first minister came. Calling to his aid strong colleagues he led his party successfully through the difficulties and dangers which beset them in the Settlement Bill, and secured the construction of the island railway and the dry dock and the throwing open of the Dominion government railway belt on the mainland to actual settlers at one dollar an acre. At the general elections last summer Mr. Smithe's government was sustained by the unprecedented majority of 19 to 8 in a house of 27, but the general elections last summer Mr. Smithe's government was sustained by the unprecedented majority of 19 to 8 in a house of 27, but the general elections last summer Mr. Smithe's government was sustained by the unprecedented majority of 19 to 8 in a house of 27, but the general elections last summer Mr. Smithe's government of the deceased will be accorded a public funeral, which will be accorded a public funeral, will be accorded a public funeral, will be accorded to St. James church, where the service be a function at the federal capital. As a political

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born at Matsen, Northumberland, Eugland, on the 30th June, 1842. On the 3rd July, 1873, he married Martha, fourth daughter of A. R. Kier, Esq., Cowichan, who, with a family of one daughter and two sons, is left to mourn his untimely

perior in the province. As a debater was keen, incisive and convincing—in pressing his hearers with his honesty purpose. In politics as in business, was the soul of honor. The writer h seen him leading a forlorn hope of six in a house of twenty-five; and he has seen him flushed with victory fresh from the battlefield. In adversity he was courageous and loyal; in victory he was magnanimous and considerate. Had he chosen to betray his party he might have mained. to betray his party he might have gaine the object of his honorable ambition yea the object of his honorable ambition years before he did. Others grew weak and fell by the wayside or deserted and went over to the enemy; but Wm. Smithe stood loyally by his principles through evil and good report, and finally led his party to victory. It will ever be a source of deep and lasting regret to his friends that just when existence had become pleasant, and he had every reason to believe that he might look forward to many years of honorable prosperity, surrounded by his loving family, he was snatched away. "Such is life!"

Mr. Smithe's last moments mu have been sweetened with the conscious-ness that he left the province—his world—better than he found it; that he had lived to see great national works completed, partly through his agency and efforts, and that he enjoyed the confidence of his fellow-countrymen, who, if polled would unanimously demand that the re mains of the dead premier, in view of heminent services, should be accorded public funeral. public littlerial.

"Oh! why should the spirit of mortal be proud
Like a swift-fleeting meteor, a fast-flying cloud
A flash of the lightning, a break of the wave,
He passeth from life to his rest in the grave."

A dispatch published in another colum states that the Dominion governmen have in view an elaborate scheme for the permanent improvement of our navigation including a marine observatory at some point on the south-west coast of the isla connected with Victoria by telegraph, the object being to report the passing of incoming and outgoing steamers and vessels. This is a subject which we have advocated frequently during the past and present years, and we are glad that at last some definities then is to be taken in the mettor. years, and we are glad that at last some definite step is to be taken in the matter. It is one for congratulation, since from its establishment good results will accrue to every class of the community. Shipowners, pilots and those directly interested in shipping will be thankful for the boon which the department of marine and fisheries proposes to confer upon them

will abolish it altogether.

Skelton, are well off, and live at Tilsonburg, Ont. Supt. Martin saved the body of the young woman from going to Anny protection from American pilots and others as for the information and benefit of the people generally, has so often bearing the legislative council introducing a bill proposition for a conference received from the people generally, has so often bearing the legislative council introducing a bill 287,000.

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avor conferred, it yet must be confessed that the true party of progress and reform will deserve the continued gratitude and upport of the people of this province in riew of the advantages which it will reserve in consequence of the liberal and hompt action of the liberal-conservative government.

AN OUTSIDE OPINION.

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Montreal Witness: It is satisfactory in the extreme to know that the British Columbia legislature has shown itself equal to the emergency that has arisen in the city of Vancouver. However opinions may differ as to the advisability of admitting the Chinese into Canada, there can be no question that, after they have entered the country under established regulations, they are entitled to the full protection of the law. This the provincial authorities—who have never favored the Mongolian immigrants—have determined to give them, and in such a manner as will leave no doubt on the persecutors of these people that the murderous scenes that have disgraced some western towns in the United States will not be permitted in Canada,

THE YUKON COUNTRY.

Canadian Exploring Expedition Start in May

Northern British Columbia and the Grea Yukon Country—The Party in Charge of Dr. Dawson.

BLAKE WILL RETIRE. Notifies His Followers and States th

OTTAWA, March 23.—Your corresp ent, yesterday, was permitted by a Reformer to peruse a copy of a letter which Mr. Blake forwarded to his supporters it the house of commons. It is market Mr. Blake forwarded to his supporters in d the house of commons. It is marked y "most secret and confidential." It commences by stating that he was about leaving the country for a few weeks, and desired, before his departure, to notify his a friends that the arrangements that had hitherto existed regarding the leadership of the opposition would now be at an end, and on the assembling of the house another choice must be made.

With regard to the above, telegraphed to the Winnipeg Sun (Independent), it has already been intimated that Mr. Blake would, as usual, on the re-assembling of

would, as usual, on the re-assembling of Parliament pro forma, place his resigna-tion in the hands of his followers, so as too in the hands of his followers, so as to permit another choice to be made if they thought desirable to do so. But the words, "Another choice must be made," dicate a final decision to retire.

THE GREAT YACHT RACE.

THE TABLES TURNED. nor Swinetord Secures an Appro

of \$25,000 for Alaska. In conversation with a reporter of

In conversation with a reporter of the Pioneer Press, of St. Paul, Minn., Gov. A. P. Swineford, of Alaska, said he went to Washington to procure an appropriation of \$500,000 for the development of the territory. He found several persons in charge of the appropriations influenced against it by statements made by the Alaska Commercial company, who are opposed to any development or immigration. He, however, secured an appropriation of \$250,000 for year by the actual control of the con opposed to any development or immigra-tion. He, however, secured an appropria-tion of \$25,000 for use by the schools and Indian police. The appointment of John McCafferty as collector of customs was withdrawn, the governor being opposed to it. McCafferty is believed to be the sus-pected No. 1 of the Phenix Park mur-derers. Arthur Delaney was appointed in his stead. Lieut. Nichols, who went to Washington to make it hot for Swine-ford, is now awaiting courtmartial. rd, is now awaiting courtmartial.

CANADA'S IRON DEPOSITS.

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NEW YORK. March 12.-An imp ron combination is to be formed here which aims at nothing short of owning and controlling all the known valuable ron deposits of Canada, now being ascerned to be the richest iron country tamed to be the richest iron country in the world. The Central Ontario railway, which runs from Trenton, on Lake On-tario through the centre of Canada, and all iron interests connected with it, are to form part of this scheme. The road is to be one hundred and fifty miles through the heart of the iron district to a junction with the Canadian Passie with the Canadian Passie with the the heart of the iron district to a junction with the Canadian Pacific railway at Lake Nipissing. The capital of the company is to be ten millions more, two-thirds of which are already pledged. The syndicate, it is said, will own more than a hundred different properties at various points in Canada, and the mineral developed even greater than that on Lake Superior, it is predicted. Among the principal movers in the matter are Senator Payne, Stevenson, Burke, S. J. Ritchie, all of Ohio; James McLaren, of Ottawa; Erastus Wiman, A. B. Boardman and other prominent parties in New York.

BLAIR SNUBS

swick's Legislative Council-

ent parties in New York.

He Passes Calmly to His Rest a 4:07 P. M. Yesterday, unded by His Sorrowing Family and Friends.

At 4:07 Monday afternoom, Hon. William Smithe, premier of British Columbia, surrounded by his family and friends, passed peacefully to his rest. His death was not unexpected, though up to a few days ago hopes were entertained that he might recover. The deceased had been in midifferent health for the last eighteen in midifferent health for the last eighteen in midifferent health. In the first part of September, however, he took an excursion to the Kootenay district, and returned after an absence of a month with his health re-established, when he at once got into harness, and engaged in the trying work of his department with indefatigable zeal. Through persistent application to business his health again became undermined, and shortly before the house assembled he was taken scriously ill, and has been an invalid ever since. He had so far regained his strength that on opening day on the 24th January he appeared in this accustomed seat as leader of the government, but looking unlike his former self. Once again on the 24th February, and for the last time, he took his seat in the house. His entrance that day was the signal for enthusiastic applause from government and opposition benches, an evidence of the high esteem in which he was held by all, and their gratification at again seeing him among them. He remained in the house but a short time and then returned to his home. He continued to become worse, and it was at first decided that he should take a faip to Southern California, as it was thought a change of air would be beneficial. This project, however, was abandoned, as the sea-voyage was dreaded, and the honorable gentlemen was conveyed by a special train on the 12th of March to the Hermitage, the residence of his brother-in-law at Somenos. Here the air was warmer and for a short time he continued to improve. Dr. McSwain was called in and he recommended a return to Victoria, on the 16th of March, which was done, and the premier and his family became the guest of Hon. John Robson, provincial secretary, at whose re

During his last hours he was surrounded by his sorrowing family and friends. He was rational to the latest moment and took an affectionate farewell of his wife and children. He expressed his thorough resignation to the will of Providence, and stated that he had made his peace with God, and died in the firm hope of a remewed and glorious life hereafter. His spiritual adviser was the Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, who was at his bedside during his late moments. During his illness his medical attendants were Hon. Dr. Helmcken, and Drs. Powell, Davie and McSwain. His devoted wife was constant in her attendance upon the deceased day and night, and all that loying care and science could do was gladly, done, but the angel of Death had claimed him for his own. He leaves a wife and three children, one daughter and two sons, the youngest

one daughter and two sons, the younges of whom is four years,
And so peacefully and calmly passe away a generous soul. He had reached

bubt turn out en masse to show the real esteem in which their late men as held in the district of Cowichan.

HON. HUGH NELSON

Sworn In as Lieutenant-Gov. British Columbia on Monday. It is understood that Hon, Hugh N who on Friday received his comm as lieutenant governor of this p will be sworn in by Sir M C. J., at the supreme conference afternoon at three o'clock.

LATEST CANADIAN NEWS. cy Cullings from Eastern Canada E changes Personal, Political, General and Interesting Notes.

ONTARIO.

The death of Venerable dward Lindsay Ellwood, M.A., arch eacon of Huron, took place at the rec ory, Goderich, on the evening of March at. The immediate cause of his deat The immediate cause was an attack of paralysis, but he habeen in feeble health for some time. The venerable gentleman was a native of Cork.

The commissioners for Niagara Falls
Park have presented to the Ontario govrark have presented to the Ontario government a supplemental report, containing their valuation of the properties proposed to be expropristed for park purposes. The total amount awarded is \$402,867, against \$290,569 offered by the commissioners, the difference between the two amounts being \$103,298.

The Mail says that the election of Mr. Carill concentration in Parket Purpose.

Carrill, conservative, in East Bruce, is void, as when elected he held an office under the Crown. A new writ will be ssued at once.

A little girl, six years old, daughter. John Doreen, Shannonville, was drowned in the Salmon river March 6th. She wa

coasting from the high bank on to the ice through which the sled broke. The body was recovered.

Detroit News: The body of Hatting Hillis was brought in from the ponthouse at Detroit and taken to Bleke's morgue. Her's was a peculiarly sad case. In 1884 she married at Hamilton, Ont., against her parents' wishes. Last year her husband deserted her in Buffalo. She followed him to Detroit and he did to Learn the second of the s owed him to Detroit, and he fled to In dianapolis. Hattie tried to earn a living. Sickness forced her to go to the county house, where last week she gave birth to a baby. Her first boy is eighteen months

The heartless parents named ton, are well off, and live at Tilson, Ont. Supt. Martin saved the body he young woman from going to An

England next month.

It is expected the question of railway disallowance in Manitoba will be discussed by the cabinet at an early date.

Dishas crockery store, St. Themas, was damaged by fire. Loss \$8,000, insurance \$7,000.

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The requisition for the extradition of the Italian, Trimarco, from Winnipeg jail has been made by the government.

Wm. Kyle, who was convicted of forgery at Toronto some months age, and whose sentence was postponed pending the decision of the full court, has had his the decision of the full court, has had his conviction affirmed and will be sentenced.

Mrs. James Farley, a widow lady about 57 years of age, committed suicide at Toronto by hanging herself in her house. The rope was tied to the barmisters, and she had adjusted the noose round her neck and swung herself over. Her husband died about two months ago, and she has been very despondent since then.

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A portion of the Canadian Pacific bridge being constructed over the Nation river at Chesterville, weighing three tons, fell 25 feet to the ice. Thomas Harris was buried in the snow, and was almost smotheried in the snow, and was almost smotheried before rescued. He is badly bruised about the head and chest; Richard Bradley had his foot smashed; Asma Merkley's head is bruised; Wm. Williams, foreman, had his head and face cut and bruised. Traffic receipts of the Canadian Pacific for the week ending the 7th were \$121,1000, a decrease of \$11,000 compared with the same week last year.

The department of agriculture has commenced the distribution of the commensed the distribution of the county with Rayside in the last provincial election and was defeated, for an alleged scandalous attack on him.

The report of the Niagara Falls park commission has been presented to the legislature. It is understood that the scheme will be put through this session. A great struggle is anticipated when the question of the abolition of the Upper Canada college comes up. It is now rume ored that Mr. Water's resolution to abolish the college will be withdrawn, and the government will introduce a new scheme which they are reported to be formulating.

A writ for libel was issued at the instance of John McLay, late registrar of Bruce, claiming \$40,000 danages from the county council of Bruce for publishing alleged libelous statements against him.

Russell Jay, formerly of Delhi, was killed at Es

killed at Essex Centre by the bursting of a saw.

The money lenders of Owen Sound were somewhat alarmed when it was discovered that they had in their possession a large number of forged notes. It appears that a blacksmith named Alex. Hamilton, of the village of Kilsyth, has been engaged some time back in forging notes on well-to-do farmers in the township of Derby. Several of them fell due, when it was found, to the astonishment of the holders, that they were well executed forgeries. Enquiries around town soon elicited the information that many firms in town are the holders of these notes, varying from the holders of these notes, varying from one to five hundred dollars each. It is estimated that Hamilton has disposed of about \$5,000 worth of these notes. Ham ilton left for parts unknown and so far no clue can be found as to the probable di clue can be found as to the probable direction he went. Hamilton acted as treasurér for a Presbyterian concert and tea
meeting at Kilsyth, at which about \$110
was realized. This fund, it is said, he
conveniently managed to take with him.
Sam' Osborne, the well known agent,
has skipped out from Toronto. His indebtedness is placed at \$5,000, the best
portion of which has been made good by
his friends who endorsed his notes.

Lady Macdonald's second and concluding article appears in the current number

ing article appears in the current number of the March Magazine, and a special to the Mail says: "The narrative is read with great interest throughout England. of the March Magazine, and the Mail says: "The narrative is rea with great interest throughout Englan Astonishment is expressed at the intrep courage of the premier's wife."

The election of mayor of Brampton

The election of mayor of Branpton i room of Milner, deceased, resulted in the return of F. Campbell, editor of the Conservator, by acclamation.

The Grainen will case at London is which Alonzo Grannen brought action the upset his father's will, which bequeather. upset his father's will, which bequeathed property valued at \$25,000 to Bishop Walsh, has been heard. After the evidence, which showed that Father Jiernan had used influence in favor of the church and against the plaintiff, and it was admitted unwillingly, the chancellor adjourned the court for an hour to permit the settlement of the case. At the experiment of the time Mr. Osler, Q. C., announced that an agreement had been nced that an agreement had

James Iredale, who was arrested

eached whereby the will would be de-lared void, and the plaintiff was acknow-dged to be sole heir, the estate, except-ng \$2,000 to Bishop Walsh, going to the ex-Director Sterling, and Mr. aintiff and the charges of fraud, misco act, etc., to be withdrawn. Two Providence (Rhode Island) whisky the revitedness (Rinder Islam) which yet excives, named Barnes, were paid and somely to leave that place, and go to pronto and start a livery stable. It is leged they committed perjury before awing and the case was put into the ends of a private detective agency, man named Reynolds was appointed to add with the man and he was arrested for

A man named Reynolds was appointed to shadow them, and he was arrested for blackmailing them. Marked money was found on him.

While a number of young men were enjoying themselves coasting on one of the hills in Ameliasburg, one of the sleighs became unmanageable, and, striking a stump, instantly killed Byron Bush, son of Lewis Bush, of Rossmere.

Mr. Dawson, of Toronto, aged 65, fell into the chute at Hamilton's elevator, and was smothered to death. The private banking firm of McLellan & Co, have suspended temporarily in consequence of the failure of the Maritime Bank. The election took place in Northumberland on the 22nd inst., to fill a vacance in the New Brunswick assembly. Joh P. Burchill, government, was elected by majority of 94.

About a year ago an attempt was mad

was smothered to death.

Joseph Braun and his wife, who ran
the Delmonico restaurant, Adelaide
treet, Toronto, have quietly crossed the
border, leaving numerous creditors beind, chief among them being M. Mcconnell, Nerlich & Co., and Baron Von to deprecate Canadian Pacific authoritie by sending out damaging reports from Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto simultan Counell, Nerlich & Co., and Baron Von Heimrod. Braun formerly kept a well-known road house near the Woodbine race track. Mrs. Braun was well known as a daring driver of fleet roadsters. It is believed the Brauns are in Buffalo.

Wim. Kyle, merchant, Toronto, was some time ago found guilty of forgery, but the case was reserved for the full court on a point of law. Judgment has been given affirming the conviction. Kyle will be sentenced at the next assizes.

The Law Society passed an order suspending the Hem. William MacDougal for non-payment of yearly dues as a solicitor. The order, however, will not issue until further orders. prominent Canadians are implicated that some surprising arrests are about the control of the con

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES. Freight Conductor C. Farrell, whil

The settlers and residents of the Pe river, Athabasca district, are about to petition the lieutenant-governor for repre-sentation in the Northwest council. The Northwest contingent of members whether liberal or conservative, will leadinged to sit on the opposition benche as the last of the government seats have

thereof, except those specially permitted to retire with rank, are removed from the list of officers of the active militia.

The United States Express company recently lost its suit against the notorious "Clutch" Donohue for \$20,000, which "Clutch" Donohue for \$30,000, which they alleged he had stolen from them at Susquehanna, Pa., and put into an hotel at Fort Eric. The Common Plea Divisional Court at Toronto granted the company a new trial. "Clutch" is doing seven years at Kingston for a Canadian job. A special committee of the Dominic

alliance has been appointed to draft a prohibitory bill to be submitted at the con ing session.

Next session an application will be made fer a charter to build a railway from Berlin to a point on the Canadian Pacific in either Waterloe or Wellington county says Winnipeg is far enough north form. Colonel Scott has resigned the comm in either Waterloe or Wellington county extending southward to a point in Brant county, and northward to a point on Lake Huron and Georgian Bay, and making connection with existing railways.

Information has been received that Peter McLaren, the Carleton Place lumber king, has disposed of his timber limits on the Mississippi and Otter rivers, the mills and lumber to Mr. Edwards, M. P., of Russell County, for \$800,000. of the 95th battalion and the president of the Manitoba conservative associated

the original members of the shock ex-change.

About fifty-tailoresses met at Toront to discuss the question of wages and or ganization. Representatives from the Knights of Lallyr

ecided to meet next week to form them-

A lively newspaper correspondence i going on between Mr. William Harrison who bought Maritime Bank stock from self. The former declares that M numser. The former declares that M Sterling, as a director, had a knowledge the bank's condition and fraudulently u loaded the stock on him. Mr. Sterli says he made no representations to Mi Harrison calculated to leave a wrong im pression. Mr. Harrison says Mr. Ster ling's statement is false, and declares tha he will not pay the note which Mr. Ster ing holds for the stock, and will export the whole affair in court.

The election took place in Northun

ottawa, Montreal and Toronto simultan-eously. The detectives have been on the look out ever since, and have just dis-covered a new conspiracy with a similar object. It is understood that a number of prominent Canadians are implicated,

Freight Conductor C. Farrell, while that that the state of the state o

Toronto for stealing registered letters, has been discharged, the crown offering no evidence.

New military regulations say that when a corps is disbanded and removed from the list of active militia, the officers

Winnipeg salvationists are prepari for a big three days' celebration on t return of Commissioner Coombs from t west, who will probably have to aband his Pacific trip for the present owing the blockade.

Toung, the Winnipeg drug clerk who started with Mr. McArthur to find the north pole, has returned disgusted, but Mr. McArthur continued on. Mr. Young

n consequence of having been appoint ollector of customs.

The survivors of the first Red river e pedition contemplate holding a reu shortly.

Mr. Hugh Sutherland will again and in connection with Hudson's bay

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for these priests are fond of their glassmoke much, and seem to be fond dancing. Indeed, many of our damsels irm that for grace and elegance the by Zama Cueca, after a few more lesson given by them, the aforesaid damsels. I has been said that these priests were for erly officers in the army, but this unot vouch for. We wish, however, warn our new-comers that hitherto we have had no religious dissensions amon us, and we ask:—Is it expedient for the us, and we ask.—Is it expedient for energy priests to be so earnest in attempting to make proselytes of our fairest senoritas. In contrast to the priests are the three thousand men and their wives. The mel are very boorish, the women exceeding masculine. Both are inordinately fond costrong waters, (pintando colorada estrong waters, (pintando colorada) strong waters, (pintando colorada ciudad,) but withal they have the makin of good citizens and are a great acquisition. They have not made as great progress in tilling the land, as their cog

progress in timing the land, as their cog-nomen would imply, but must be remem-bered that they, have been men of war from their youth up. They have no chil-dren, at least they brought none with them. They seem to be provided with sufficient money to enable them to live till our grateful soil shall repay, them for their labor. Their priests are notable who. till our grateful soil shall repay them for their labor. Their priests are probably the almoners of admiring friends in the land of the czar. We reject the figures of the Yankee editor of the Magdalena Meteor and scoff at the assertions of that far-from-truth badly-printed attempt as journalism. How can that prying one know the amount of money spent in drink and tobacco by the Tillers? Moreover we think he goes outside the limits of legitimate journalism when he asserts, that the Corregidor should enquire how the priests obtain this money. when he asserts that the Corregidor should enquire how the priests obtain this money. We congratulate citizen K. on the new building by which he has embellished the city. The Tillers will doubtless follow him to his new house "The Bower of Bliss" (La Glorieta de la Gloria,) and we strongly recommend our fellow citizens to try the new morning draught the Tiller's Delight, (Delicia del Labrador) Senor K's latest invention, which they will find grateful, comforting and soothing. We wish that we were spared the task of chronicling the many disagreements of the Tillers and their wives. It is quite a new sight in our erstwhile quiet city to witness comubial differences settled by that form of sighting peculiar to the countrymen of that neverto-be-forgotten son of perdition the pirate Drake, called "manipulating the digits." (pelear a punadas,) but candour compels us to add that we view these quarrels with no very great disfavor, sceing that the husband is often fain to sue for peace. Nor is it seemly that the wife should insist on drinking as much as her husband. We can also pardon the occasional heavy libetions of the priests on the support of the priests of the proper of the priests of the priest of the priest of the priests of the priest of the priests of the prie

can also pardon the occasional heavy libations of the priests on what we thought were Feast-days, but which we find to be the auniversaries of Russian

otherwise respected townsman, viz:—Resolved that we hope the Russian ships will keep away from Victoria. As was very successfully pointed out by the chairman all must say "Aye," since the only amendment would bear the meaning expressive of the hope of a visit from the Russian ships.

onth. A law was passed that all China en must prove that they were employed work of actual production, otherwis ney would be employed on public works could leave the island. Some of the ealthy Chinese went to San Francisco at as they were not permitted to lan they returned. On refusal to show that their labors produced either food or raitheir labors produced either food of the ment they were cast for imprisonment, but on being informed that the prison regulations, anent the wearing of short hair, would be rigidly enforced, they agreed to join the Children, and we all

reed to join the Unitaren, and we have how loyally they exerted them CHAPTER V. The Children of Gibeon cost but little,

ances of shoulder props, rigged m a way with only Chinamen can do.

The prisoners in the penitentiaries were the prisoners in the prisoners in the penitentiaries were the take part in constructing the fortifications. There was brisk emulation between them at and the Chinese, a good day's work giving, for its reward, beer to the whites and opium to the Chinese.

Eventually the guns were mounted, though experience has since proved that the grouping of the guns was unsatisfactory. For as the position of a gun is algorithm of the prisoners were no placed that should an enemy's shell miss them it was bound to find a billet in Victoria or Eaquimalt. In More especially must we speak of the folly of placing the heavy artillery on Deadman's island, since the dockyard was exactly in the line of fire of projectiles thrown at it. And this in spite of the axiom laid down in the artillery manuals, axiom laid down in the artiflery manual to wit, that artillery must be placed far as possible from habitations.

bilibations of the priests on thought were Feast-days, but which we find to be the anniversaries of Russian battles.

CHAPTER III.

Turn we now to events nearer home, without egotism we may assert that it was the enterprise of this journal which enabled us to announce to the people of Victoria that war was declared between England and Russia, even while our contemporary journals were strongly asserting that there would be no war. Who does not remember the large and influential meeting of citizens, the mayor presiding? We finding their occupations gone, cheerfully did not think we had met for a puerile

bulk of the ground mimes in position, people began to breathe more freely, and as no Russian ships had appeared, to hope that the land would have rest, a fond thing vainly imagined.

CHAPTER VI. About a fortnight before the declara-tion of war a large Russian sailing ship had arrived at Magdalena with a cargo of 2,500 tons of the best Welsh coal, greatly to the surprise of the Tillers. Their sur-

CHAPTER VIII.

Our readers will remember that we that the Swiss can hardly be considered a markine nation. Our correspondent in-formed us that they had put in for food and water and also because of defective machinery. Also we printed accounts of these ships acting in a piratical manner by demanding money at the various settle-ments on the island and, when this was refused hurriers have and destractive

ments on the island and, when this was refused, burning houses and destroying all kinds of property.

Every hour produced news of wide-spread destruction; eventually Captain Lewis, of the light-house cruiser Douglas, brought word of being chased by ships flying the Russian flag, while engaged in removing the buyes and beacons in the various channels. This was off Malcolm Point. The people in the Douglas were surprised at escaping so easily as the Russian ships seemed specially built for speed. Here we may mention that our patriotic vice-consul at Magdalena had made good his boast of curtailing the speed of the The Children of Gibeon cost but little, since those who were British subjects residents was subjects refood, and those who were not got \$38 a month and their food, paying \$30 a month and their food, paying the Russian flag, while engaged in removing the buoys and beacons in the surprised at escaping so easily as the Russian ships seemed at escaping so easily as the Russian ships seemed specially built for speed. Here we may mention that our patriotic tiec-consul at Magdalena had made good their efforts; we shall not quickly forget at a very high prise. This should have

Hearty good wishes followed the Gorger and her consorts as they steamed past Victoria in quest of the Russian gorger and her consorts as they past Victoria in quest of the Russian sourges. The crews had exactly the same feelings of exhilaration as those of the ships which left San Francisco. Were it not that we were anxious to keep strictly to the course we have laid off, -viz, to correctly chronicle only the events of this sad time, we might be tempted to deviate into a psychological discussion on the subject of Beer as being the main spring of glory. We might attempt to show as our Saxon forefathers were prompted to heroid deeds as a sure road to the attainment of their Heaven, where they could eternally swill been, so now their descendants are animated, in battle, by the thought of unitary the same strength of the same should be so in the near future, as the reprize money the more beer. We might enlarge the essay and enquire as to the prospects of say some new phase of the same prospects of say some say the same prospects of say some say the same prospects of say some say the same prospects of say some new phase of Spiritualism in which the medium shall preach a Higher State containing, fundamentally the above mentioned article of mentally, the above mentioned article of the Saxon faith. We might prophesy a rapid spread of such a faith among our soldiers and sailors, since few of them could resist the blandishments of an ever-filled free cask. tally, the above mentioned article

(Continued on Page Four.) Be pleasant and kind to those around you. The man who stirs his cup with an icicle spoils the tea and chills his own Weekly Colo

FRIDAY, APRIL 1. From the Daily Colonist, Ma LOCAL AND PROVIN

Supt. Roycraft and Sheriff offices have been removed for ing to Mr. A. J. Langley's Langley alley.

A despatch from Ottawa yes hat it was ten degrees below morning with four or five feet the ground. What a contr Mesers. Dunsmuir & Sons ye ceived a beautifully lithograph and a bronze medal for the pillar of coal from the Wel

at the Colonial and Means. Haslem & Lees, of t saw mills, says the Nanaimo have received a boom of 269. logs. On Monday the mill sta force, and the enterprising pro now, prepared to fill all orders-

The steamer Barbara Bosco has been on Laing's ways for able time, was launched yester has received a thorough over is now better fitted than ever No less than \$125 in fines w

vesterday against vagrants, an nestableminable type. The polarity of Summoning them. as in nearly every case they fa and leave the country, thus gaol of a great expense. True, States has to suffer for this bu

Mr. Hayes of the B. C. Expany, who arrived from the imdays ago, says that genuine a ther has arrived in that part ince and the whole coun were greatly exaggerated, as loes not think it will exceed Lacrosse.

A meeting of the lacrose piacity will abortly be held for to for re-organizing the club for season. Several players from have arrived since last yea anxious to join and see the spup on the coast. Vancouver a club and it is understood the abortly be formed by the yo New Westminster. Before lon will deathless he as ropular in the coast. will doubtless be as popular vince as in the eastern par

There will be no sitting court to-day out of respect to premier. Mr. Johnson, before the court yesterday, paid a to his memory, and said ha that all public offices would be did not want to be behind in respect. He had known the able gentleman for a great and would be did not want to be belind in respect. able gentleman for a great rand would miss him very u country had sustained a great was always faithful to his charge Life on the Rail.

A passenger who arrived over Pacific the other day, and w attempted to come by the Ca Northern roads, but was preve tirst by snow and on the s the Canadian line is head and above the others. He arrived when he was stopped by the Returning to Winnipeg, the C funded his Pullman fare, his defraved and a ticket nurchas funded his Pullman fare, his defrayed, and a ticket purchas over the Northern. Arriving; heard of the washout, but the pelled him to go on to Bisms only expense defrayed was the having to pay for his meals an St. Paul to Bismarck. Retur Paul, he went down to Omaha ed Portland by the Oregon branch of the U. P. This is h of the U. P. This the many opinions expressed the C. P. R.'s courteous tres

leagured passengers, and their winter will prove a better ad-for them than any other they n Especially to colonist car pas their course been highly though all were provided for A Fish Story.

A young man well known to ing fraternity of this city, went on Sunday last, and as usual lent luck, making a catch of sinny tribe. When returning Burnaide road he was accosted who asked him for a ride into young man refused, as he alrebig load. Determined to get friend ran after the buggy and friend ran after the buggy that the basket with its contents, to a hotel near by. The years to a hotel near by. basket with its contents, whit to a hotel near by. The your into town all unconscious of the had been perpetrated upon smacking his lips over visions fried trout. When he came to place, imagine his surprise whethat the fish were gone. The your for some time for anythis swearing, and finding that the help him to recover his fish, his mind to return to the hotok or by crook get them be the attempt. In the meantin petrator of the joke had arrivand going to the place where usually puts up, found he was so he forthwith took the basand left them at the residence comfitted young man. Charlis the name of the sportsman, the hotel on Burnside road, as used the following dialogue: "Say ——, did, you steal "No, by Jove, I didn't." "Yes you did, and I want derstand that I won't be fool this way any more."

this way any more."
"Oh, shut up, and take a d
A smile flitted over the face
lord as he said this, for he, to

fun.

After that drink came and other, and so on, until the dissected to leave the fisher, about starting for home agrespied a farmer's house near the say," said the landlord, stole those fish that feller over pointing to the house. say, sand the landlord, stole those fish that feller over pointing to the house.

"I believe you are right," and forthwith he proceeded or a, whom he routed out of was nearly 10 o'clock.

"I tell you I didn't steal said the farmer, in answer trut to him, "neither do I know about them."

"Yes, he does," whisperre joker, the landlord.

But Mr. landlord was not this own way, for several farming the wind, got hostile and said break his head if he did not go did so, and that right quickly the others.

When Charlie got home hi ready for him, and his surprive when he saw a large dish with fattest trout being brought in Explanations followed, and he will watch the rear of his closely when he has good luck got at the trout "all the sar no "heel-taps."