

SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

Mr. Robertson, principal of Vancouver High School, has been appointed to succeed Dr. Pope as superintendent of education.

Mr. Stramberg has been a resident of the province for many years, and during his occupancy of the principalship of New Westminster High School he has made a record for himself that would be very hard to beat in all Canada.

Over and above all this, Mr. Stramberg is known as a man who has given deep and earnest study to the science of didactics; education in its various branches has been with him a passion, the ruling passion in fact, for the better part of his lifetime.

THE CABINET COUNCIL.

Opposition papers may excite themselves to a dangerous degree (to themselves) over the fact that a cabinet council has been held elsewhere than in the capital for the first time, but in reality there is more sentiment than sincerity in the alarm thus expressed.

THE FISHERY REGULATIONS.

In dealing with the new fishery regulation this morning, the Colonist has made a serious mistake that may, if not corrected, cause a good deal of trouble to persons interested in the fishery business.

The fisheries regulations, printed elsewhere to-day, provide that each boat must have one licensed fisherman on board and one boat-puller.

The inference that will be drawn by ninety-nine out of a hundred people from that reading of the regulations will be that Indians do not require to have a license.

Those regulations have been drawn up with the utmost care by the minister of marine and fisheries, assisted by the best authorities on the subject in the East and on the Coast, and they have been framed so as to do the greatest good to the greatest number.

A drunken man threw a stone into the carriage in which Queen Marguerite was riding in Rome on Saturday.

PRESS OPINIONS.

It was reported recently in one of two newspapers that Mr. Sifton had started in his Perth speech that the tariff was a dead issue, and as the report of Mr. Sifton's speech was fragmentary no one could judge with any line of argument was.

There only remains the internal policy of the administration which will be challenged by the tariff, the bulk of which is a tariff for revenue only, then that issue is buried as between the two parties.

The government may be relied on to remove further taxes where there is room for it and when it is possible.

Private advices from Spokane state that the Arlington has been sold for \$200,000. This property was \$18,000 in debt.

Mines and Mining.

Slocan, Mineral Flots.

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