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THE BRITISH PACIFIC

George, of Vancouver, States His Views. A Proposal Now Before the Govern-

ment- Public Meeting at

Vancouver.

Mr. Rithet in Reply to Mr. St.

The correspondence, published below printed in the Vancouver World of Mr. St. George apparently turnay an expression of opinion from Rithet for publication previous to blic meeting held to discuss this

other questions: victoria, B. C., Feb. 20, 1896.
George, Esq., Vancouver:

—I received this morning your resterday's date and am much you for calling attention to the lich is to be held in reference in Pacific railway.

ich is to be held in reference sh Pacific rallway. Sh Pacific rall e province have become anvenportance to the development t of the Province, and at the neighboring districts. It n, when some of the outside members ioned it at a meeting in the theatre, it was received with great favor. In that time the proposition was not in a shape as to make it a practicable and the consideration. Negotiations

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st meeting of the legislature,
r commencing actual constructended to the first of May of
In the interval negotiations carried on, and have reached that Mr. C. N. Armstrong is presenting the London syndi-re prepared to proceed with representing the and are prepared to proceed within certains which have been understood to factory to the public, so far as the aid to be asked for is concerned, proposition being now before the ment, I feel that I am not at liberty will be a great mistake for the ancouver, or any other section ancover, or any other section ince, to assume that the terms should not be granted, or such come within the means of the r would in any way injure or oasly affect its financial stand-

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a nature that should commend the public generally in British
It has been framed in such a
fix definitely the liability of the
fix definitely that liability come ithin its possibilities, and should ny opinion, interfere with its re-ties towards the other sections of nee. It should, if carried out, en-province to derive sufficient adenue from the districts to be ately affected, in opening them up lement and development afrom the s far as Cariboo, which is recogniz-being, and is likely to prove not ne most extensive agricultural and portion of British Columbia portion of British Columbia, but est in mineral wealth, and which reached in two or three years at that the benefits from the road almost immediate. This I think acknowledge is of immense imto the province, when I quote ment which appeared in the pubatement which appeared in the pub-nts a few days ago, that the amount mey paid out in freights alone, from oft to Cariboo, last year amounted 00 000. Under other conditions you readily grant the traffic would be

ing the construction of the road withperiod named, you will also I think e see that a very considerable di-evenue will be obtainable, in the revenue tax from the men im-employed upon the work itself, by be estimated roughly at from 15,000 men, and from those who ndirectly employed in providing which will be called for from I, which will be called for from unfacturing and commercial centres province, such as Vancouver, New aster, Nanaimo and Victoria, and judgment, therefore, it is a wrong take of this enterprise, that it is toria only. I have never been able that it as such, and have looked upon the one great necessity for the openne great necessity for the open largest (about three-fourths alole), as well as the richest por-ne province. No other enterprise and accomplish a similar purpose where its terminus or origin e) has ever been proposed having merit, and if such had been pro-would have gladly supported it in

anadian Pacific railway itself would mmense benefits during construc-must derive immense benefits from cased population which will follow m, through so large and rich and the province must derive to sanguine am I of the enterprise that I am satisfie years from the time of the of the railway, the popula-ince, form the influx of in-s, miners, and other desir-could be at least half as

the present entire pop the revenue in con respondingly increased in this matter I would ittle explanation as to have appeared of late a some English newsthe Financial News and iew. The Financial Rewhich has for some time ng right and left at dif-enterprises, and although d as an influential paper, by having its articles re r papers, in making it appresented English financial itradiction of this I may be finances of British Colthey stand to-day higher

cial securities on the riket. To a great extent the rks apply to the Saturday Reh has gone so much out of its ack our enterprise, and in such its to lead many to think that it light the optomistic that which the enterprise itself which as that it is desirous of fur province, there are alalson for our not getting, in this Canadian provinces, the large Canadian provinces, the large settlers that other British col-ye, is chiefly because of the at-our provinces coming from

provinces themselves. an unusual thing, as you per-for people to be taken at their and so long as we in this provrepared to depreciate our posi-must expect to be placed at a ing disadvantage; but if on the l we place ourselves at a high we should not only be much teted, but we should be in a bet-to command attention. We to command attention. We efore, in my opinion, to change in this regard, and instead of

province, take the stand which we would be justified in doing, of claiming for the province as great a future as Austral'a, Africa, or any other section of the Empire. All that is necessary to prove this is what has proved it in these countries viz., by opening them up by means of rallways.

Having endeavored to point out briefly the position and a few, but really very few, of the many advantages which would be sure to follow the construction of this rallway, and having such great confidence in the future of our province, I am driven (by the actions of those people of Vancouver who are agitating this matter) to the position of wondering why they are so anxious to try to oppose, if not to condemn, a proposition the particulars of which have not zyet been made public. It cannot be because they are unpatriotic, or because they have not confidence in the future of our province, and surely it cannot be because they are afraid of their own position, strong on account of its magnificent harbor, rallway, its commercial advantages as the centre of the lumber industry and other manufacturing establishments; and last but not least, the gateway of Canada on the Pacific (as is claimed), to the trade of China and Australia. Secure in all these advantages it seems strange they should attempt to show so much anxiety, if not fear, that such an enterprise as the British Pacific rallway, which is fraught with so many advantages in the way of development as have already been referred to, advantages no less local to Vancouver than they are general to the province and to the Dominion, to the Canadian Pacific Rallway Co., and to the Bank of Montreal, as the largest commercial undertaking and banking institution of Canada. It is quite time that the people of Vancouver and of Victoria, as well as of New Westminster and Nanaimo, realize that each has its respective advantages, and each its special sphere in connection with the commerce and the business of this province, and whatever rivalry may exist, (and I hope it always will exist as

ing of the council last night it was de- Prairie to Fish Lake. Assays have a few miles east of here, to Mr. Robert

From Our Own Correspondent. Nanaimo, Feb. 31.-At a special meetcided to grant the request of the fire department, viz., to remnnerate them percentage of silver.

A large meeting of the creditors of D. Jordan was held in the city hall yesterday, but nothing was done. The property is now advertised to be sold at Monday evening next. Mr. Falconer A most encouraging fact in connection Thursday next.

present.

on Wednesday by being run over by a meats.

at work in No. 1 shaft. Nanaimo, Feb. 22.—D. Jordan's creditors met at the city hall yesterday af-

The mica was found last fall, but snow are so many of them that the older May and Forest Queen are on the vein

Mr. Falconer, the promoter, explained what he proposed to do. A proposition will likely be laid before the Board of

couver, the only other secured creditor, on the Kamloops range for the coast that?

located last fall on the trail from Grand View property on Red Top mountain, but little snow on the roads. been got of \$15 gold, \$9 copper and a Flormann, late of Rapid City, S. D., than usually plentiful this winter and department, viz., to remunerate them for their services. This decision means that the council will have to pay about \$1,500 a year more than they do at \$1,5

Victoria under a chattel mortgage, on does not propose that fruit should be with the Trail Creek mineral bodies it now for several weeks on the mineral canned or preserved at the cannery here the increasing richness of the ore as claim near Larkin, owned by Messrs. A Chinaman was horribly mutilated at first, only vegetables, with probably depth is reached. This rule holds good Brown, McLennan and McArthur, and in every instance so far, and it will no the proprietors have been rewarded by on Wednesday by being run over by a coal wagon near No. 5 shaft.

The first election of a board of over-broken yesterday by a fall of rock while broken yesterday by a fall of rock while by a fall of ro proclaimed, which roughly speaking in- below. The great Le Roi itself wi wagon road and shipping facilities from cludes the country between Savona, not a high grade proposition at the sur- Larkin station are of the best, so that Rockford, Martin's Range on the South face, but the ore has turned richer and that owners feel confident that they termoon, when the first business done was to endorse the appointment of the assignees under the Trustees' Act. The assignees under the Trustees' Act. The done as one of the highest grade mineral bottom of accounts was discussed with the country. The results of the conficting interests of those engaging the proper steps necessions. Mr. Joshua Holland, who holds a chattel mortgage security under which he tel mortgage security under which he very large vote was polled. The cattle daily output of the mine is between 120 week by Mr. C. F. Costerton. Col. Feb. 27, such goods as he holds by vir. men are especially fearful lest the prac- and 130 tons, this \$9000 represents just Peters states that he will strongly retue of that mortgage, in order to satisfy and the company be a mountain list claim. Mr. E. H. Heaps, of Van-

came on and nothing more could be mines on Red Mountain will most likely has been spring-like in its mildness, and done. Parties visited it again a week or be eclipsed by the enormous output sleighing throughout the district is altwo ago but the extent of the deposit which is promised.

The Alice Messrs. Bush, Deane and Wilson Mission stage has come in on wheels, closed yesterday the sale of their Lake and from Vernon south there remains

Fur-bearing animals have been more lots of marten that we have seen for head waters of Kettle river.

Work has been steadily carried on

tion regarding the proper steps necesnot essential that the officers selected should be holders of commissions in the

An attempt is being made to have a teachers' convention meet here in May next. Mr. Sparling, principal of the public school, has the matter in hand and has been assured by the department that two days will be granted for this purpose. It is suggested that teachers from Revelstoke to Kamloops be invited to attend, and that the Teachers' Institute thus formed meet every alternate year at Vernon and the latter city. It is probable that the meeting will be held on two days either immediately preceding or following the 24th of May, thus giving three clear days to those attending.

PETITION OF RIGHTS. To G. E. Corbould, Representative at Ottawa:

The undersigned, a delegation of Indian chlefs, in view of the hereditary right of our ancestry would respectfully represent: That we were at the Indian department in the city of Victoria this day at eleven o'clock. In an interview with Mr. Vowell, Indian commissioner, we were informed by an explanation of how that any person giving a potlatch would be imprisoned for six months. It is the desire of the Indian department to civilize us, which meets with our approbation; but we were born Indians, educated according to the laws of our ancestry, and, as nature dictates to us we enjoy their vested rights as an 'nheritance. We came to Victoria to obtain our natural rights.

our natural rights.

We see in this a contradictory state of affairs adorning your civilization. Churches are numerous; theatres are located in the various sections of the town; and saloons multiply in numbers; all of which are in conformity with your laws, consequently we wish to know whether the ministers of the gospel have annihilated the rights of white men in these pleasures leading to heaven and hell exactly in different directions. They have kindly forced us out, as we are "not in it."

In the difference of your wisdom have we committed any offence against the Almighty God or civilized humanity by bestowing on our poer Indian brethren the pleasure of our hearts by donation of charity in token of friendship. If it is a sin against nature, or a damage to government, seciety or otherwise. ist nature, or a damage to gove ernment, society or otherwise, we will yield with the kindliest feeling to your imperial mandate. You have your Christmas's, Fourths of July and 24th's of May, all of which you celebrate without interference—sine que celebrate without interference—sine que non. Money is spent in squandrous pro-fusion with no benefit to the poor of your

we go to the entertainments of your theatres and you charge us money for the privilege. We give our dances at which our guests are welcomed by the testimonial of donations, according to our custom; the inheritance of our forefathers.

If we wish to perform an act moral in its nature, with no injury or damage, and pay for it, no law in equity can divest us of such right.

We see the Salvation Army parade the

of such right.

We see the Salvation Army parade the streets of your city with music and drum, enchanting the town; leading wanderers, and helping the poor—by making him pay for all becomes for all he gets.

We are puzzled to know whether in the estimation of civilization we are human or fish on the tributaries of the Naas river, that the felicities of our ancestors should e denied us. Our lands and our fishing grounds are

converted to other hands; licenses are imposed for fishing the waters of the White Crest mountains, which we pay with pleasure, for such is your law, and we only ask in connection that our potlatches may ask in connection that our potlatches may meet with your approbation.

We see in your grave yards the white marble and granite monuments which cost you money in testimony of your grief for the dead. When our people die we erect a large pole, call our people together, distribute our personal property with them in payment for their sympathy and condelever comfort to us in the sad hours. dolence; comfort to us in the sad hours of our affliction. This is what is called a potlatch—the privilege denied us. Is it a chimera that under the Britsh

Is it a chimera that under the Britsh flag slavery does, not exist.

(Signed) WISE-AS-YOU.

SIMH-SAM.

NAAS-QUAH-SO.

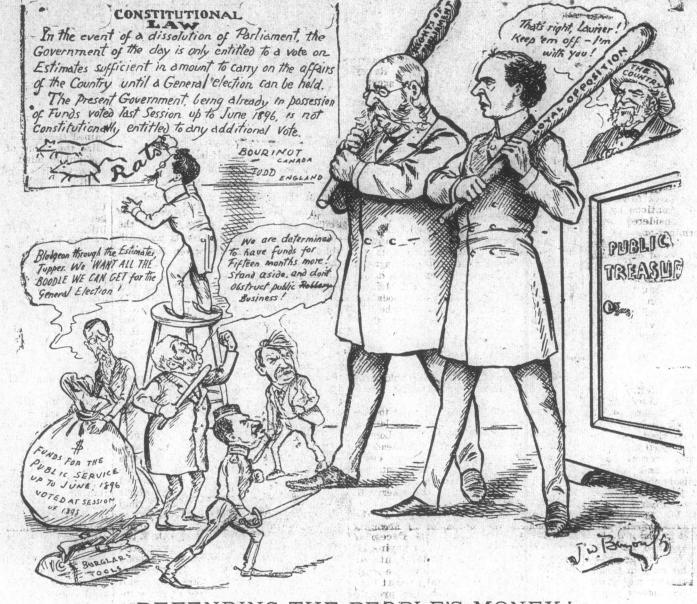
Delegation of Naas River tribes who claim for the injunction on three towns \$15,000 yearly; a pro rata of \$5000 to each town, payable every 12 months.

OUR SALMON IN LONDON.

The Canadian Gazette, Feb. 6th, says: On Tuesday there was a dispersal of the immense consignment of frozen face since work began some two years salmon recently received from Vancouver. The event took place at Hay's wharf, Tooley street, Mr. W. E. Alwin being the auctioneer, and the sale developing the Boston claim in White's was attended by a large number of dealcamp. The Boston is one of the claims ers in London and elsewhere. There included in the number that constitutes | were 443 boxes of fish for disposal, the the thirteen properties which are to aggregate weight being no less than 140 change hands in the Thompson and Fow- tons, and with such a quantity at hand it was thought probable that the sale would have extended over more than one day. Such was not the case, however, for it occupied but a small portion at Armstrong is drilled every of the morning, many boxes falling to night by Capt. Cumming, and under his the biddings of individual purchasers. The fish were considered to be in excellent condition. The prices realized The machinery is being rapidly placed per pound ranged from two to three pence downward.

> Possibly the largest experimental orchand of apples in the world is owned by Benjamin Buckman, of Farmingdale, Ill. His collection embraces over 550 named varieties. It seems almost impossible that in any one fruit there could be so much difference that each variety could be surely identified, which seems is really the case.

ROYAL Baking Powder has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.



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advancement of each other and the province, that it will be rivalry of an honorable ambition for supremacy, of no "dog in the manger" order, and "may the book man win". best man win

Yours faithfully, R. P. RITHET.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 21, 1896. A. Q. St. George, Esq., Vancouver:

Dear Sir: Since writing in answer to yours of 18th inst., your letter of the 20th is received. Instead of being a trouble to me it is on the contrary a great favor to have you go to the trouble of keeping me so well informed. I will answer each of your questions as they come.

your questions as they come.

1. That you have never ascertained that the building of the railway was a feasible scheme. Answer:—If I did not believe it feasible would I have gone to the expense and trouble I have about it? Not only do I believe it feasible, but I believe it to be the best line, with the easiest gradients, and curvature of any railway of the same length on the coast. length on the coast.

2. That you never said anywhere that you had any solid financial backing. Answer:—This is what I have been trying to swer:—This is what I have been trying to secure, and it is now the necessary financial backing which has warranted the proposal being submitted to the government.

3. That no survey, etc., has been made. Answer: A complete survey was made by the Dominion government and full plans and profiles are now in the hands of the government here. Besides a survey was made last year, and report of the same will shortly be published. This latter survey fully confirms the estimates and feasibility of the road.

4. That the men who made the survey from Comox to Duncan Bay were not paid, etc. Answer: Every man was paid, and paid in full, and this survey covered the condition of the bond. The deposit of \$25,000 was then returned.

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5. About the debts left by previous promoters, etc. Answer: I never heard that any debts were left unpaid; but that would in the way he my hystoges under any directions. in no way be my business, under any cir-

cumstances.
6. That the Sidney railway is an example,
Answer: Not only the Sidney railway is
in that position, but the Nakusp & Slocan, and the Shuswap & Okanagan are in
the position of receiving interest on their
bonds. Yet these railways are doing much
good in their respective districts, and in
many ways contributing indirectly to the
revenue of the province, and through the
settlement of the districts are likely in a
few years to become self-supporting.
Yours faithfully,
R. P. RITHET. umstances.
6. That the Sidney railway is an example,

A public meeting was held in market hall, Vancouver, on Saturday evening, Mayor Collins presiding, to discuss the resolution moved by Major-Gen. have to be driven yet before the true Twigge, opposing any financial aid vein is struck. whatever to the railway, was carried, the Advertiser states, unanimously. An amendment was moved by Mr. St. matter is brought before the house and did not receive a seconder. The meeting fully sustained the views expressed by Mr. Rithet in the above letter, to the effect that the scheme was con-

Playing cards are to become a government monopoly in Turkey. The Sultan expects to make 700,000 pounds Turkish a year by it.

knew any of its details.

stated that he would be willing to coof the assets as possible. The meeting unanimously decided to endorse the ac-

GRANITE CREEK.

Inland Sentinel. We have had an unusually mild winter in this vicinity and cattle men are in the best of spirits; they have done little feeding. Stock is looking very

splendid. If there is any truth in rumors, there is no doubt but that we shall have live- mines have been taxed to their utmost ly times in here this coming season. There is good authority for saying that there will be no less than four hydraulic claims opened up as soon as the weather

will permit. Robert Stevenson will start his saw mill running as soon as possible, to get lumber to finish his flume, and will employ no less than 50 to 75 men. Mr. in no later than the first of March to

push things on his claim. C. Lambert, manager of the Golden Gate, is expected in here with some men as soon as the weather will permit. This is considered a promising piece of property. There is also some talk of the Pegue claim, Thos. Murphy owner, having been sold to a company.

> KAMLOOPS. Inland Sentinel.

Pieces of float carrying copper were found by prospectors to the southward of the city last week, but so far they have not been able to locate the vern

from which the float came. Samples of ore were brought in ou Mayor Collins presiding, to discuss the British Pacific railway. The speakers were R. Macherson, M.P.P., Major-Gen. Twigge, Col. Warren, Mr. St. George, Mr. McCraney and others. A George, Mr. McCraney and others. A but a tunnel twelve to fifteen feet will have to be driven at the find in the first statement of the first statement were a few major-Gen. Monday from the claim on which Hum-

damage in the neighborhood of Salmon Arm. The roof of W. Shaw's barn George to adjourn the meeting till the was partly torn off, and S. Dolan's stable was partly unroofed, while Mr down.

Four mineral claims were recorded at the Kamloops office lately, the Companion, by A. Bauman and A. E. McDondemned by certain people before they ald, on Peterson Creek; the Alice Ma and Forest Queen by F. C. Jones and partners, and a mica claim about three miles down the Thompson river from Ashcroft and four or five miles back in the hills, by James Barnes, of Ashcroft this camp in a few months, and there

markets, may be established, while they operate with the unsecured creditors have no objection to sufficient sheep, if and to assist in as speedy a realization | kept within the specified limits to be arranged; being reared to supply the local Thursday. It is thought he was trymarket with mutton. Nominations were tion of the assignees, advising them by at 11 o'clock, a poll was opened, and motion, however, to realize without de- votes were received up to 4 o'clock, It is understood that Mr. Heaps when the result was declared as folsubsequently made an offer in writing to lows: J. T. Edwards 51, Jas. Mellors the Goose spit at Comox for purposes assume all legitimate liabilities, provid- 49, J. R. Hull 49, W. J. Roper 48, W. ed he is allowed full control of the West McLeod 44 Thomas Newman 43, J. Wellington mine, which, in the event of O'Brien, 42, L. Campbell, 39, W. Livsuch an arrangement, he would proceed ingston 35. The first five were elected.

From our own correspondent.

Wellington, Feb. 22.-The order of Free Gardeners has been added to our already large number of lodges. The ships in the harbor are: Steamship Costa Rica, loading for San Francisco; ship Kate Davenport, ship Yosemite. During the last six weeks the in supplying the demand for coal, and it erties in the Boundary Creek district. is reported that the last pay roll was

the largest one for over a year. The Rev. C. E. Cooper, who has been given four months' holidays, leaves about the 1st of March for England. The new Methodist church was opened on Sunday morning by the Rev. S. Cleaver, of Victoria, who preached at Hogg was also heard from and will be the services held during the afternoon and evening. The building is well finished both inside and out and adds considerably to the beauty of our main street.

Our football team has once more begun practice. It meets the Nanaimo team on the 7th of next month at Nanaimo. If the team can win this game there is still a chance of the cup coming to Wellington.

ROSSLAND.

Rossland Prospector. Over one hundred persons arrived in Rossland during the last three days. The Nickel Plate is now working both day and night shifts. The ore vein in the St. Elmo is widen-

ing. The tunnel is being extended one hundred feet by contract. J. B. McArthur is collecting a fine lot of ore samples to be placed in the Tor onto board of trade rooms.

The ore now being brought up from the bottom levels of the Le Roi mi is worth three hundred dollars per ton. The high wind has caused considerable and about 140 tons a day have been shipped during the week. At the Crown Point the ore has ac-

cumulated to such an extent that it i difficult to find a place to stow it awasound information is given on it, but it Anderson's outbuildings were all blown until the narrow gauge railway is ready to call for it. It is said that the Nest Egg, a claon the South Belt recently stocked by a Victoria company, has a splendil

> the stockholders will be "on velvet" before the end of the year. The mines on the South Belt will be prominent amongst the producers in

showing of ore in the shaft, and that

COMOX. A man was crushed to death by the colliery train at Union Colliery on ing to get on the car near the weighhouse, and fell under the wheels. He

was fearfully mangled. The imperial government has secured in connection with the summer drills and practice of the men-of-war. The Royal Arthur and Pheasant are now at

Two children have died at Union dur ing the present week, the symptoms of the disease indicating diphtheria or malignant croup.

MIDWAY. Midway Advance.

Mr. Munro, acting agent for the Barnard syndicate, returned from the coast recently, and is at present engaged paying attention to some of the best prop-The Morrison claim in Deadwood camp, owned by Messrs. Morrison, Mc-Clintock, Oliver, McCuaig and Simpson, has been sold to Mr. G. T. Crane of Spokane, on the following terms, viz., \$1,500 in cash and the balance to be paid in 225,000 shares of a company

that is to be incorporated at once to exploit the property.

Mr. W. T. Smith has a force of men working on the None Such in Smith's camp.

None but good reports are being received from the Cariboo claim in Camp McKinney, and by all accounts the rock now being taken from the mine is the richest that has been brought to the surago, and as a consequence unprecedented clean-ups are realized.

Men are to be put to work at once ler deal.

> VERNON. Vernon News.

The recently organized volunteer cominstructions have already attained to a state of considerable efficiency.

in the Armstrong flour mill, and a few weeks will see the mill fully equipped for work. Cattle have come through the winter in remarkably good condition, and the stockmen of the district say that the

animals are in splendid order this Buttercups are blooming on the hillsides; cottonwood and poplar trees are showing symptoms of bursting into bud; under the genial influence of the sun's rays the snow on the upper hills is rapidly being converted into rivulets of water, and everything indicates that spring has again arrived, an atom saw is