

The Weekly British Colonist

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The New Dispensation.

British Columbia stands upon the verge of a great change—a new dispensation. This is true alike of her material progress and political institutions. It is to the latter, however, that we would confine the present remarks. The position is a critical one. It is an interesting one, and it involves peculiar and important duties. In some respects British Columbia may not unfavourably be compared to a young man going out from under the old roof-tree to do for himself in the world, to become the architect of his own fortune—or the instrument of his own ruin. As a child, British Columbia has not had that course of training best calculated to prepare it for the new responsibilities of manhood. Instead of having been gradually trained from infancy to walk, it has been swaddled in Downing-street red-tape and has never been taught the proper use of its limbs. The consequence is that the youngster has now to be turned loose upon the world in a condition of physical undevelopment not very creditable to its Imperial nurse; and it is to be expected that its first attempts will not be very successful as they would have been under more favorable conditions. And yet its fettered limbs are being released none too soon. Better pass through the stumbling process now than hereafter. But, to drop figure, we have little fear as to the ultimate results of the sudden enfranchisement, the political emancipation of the people, if they only have a good, conservative constitution to start out with. Very much must depend upon this. If the Executive are more concerned to demonstrate the wisdom of their opposition to Responsible Government than to promote the highest interests of the country, they will give us a radical constitution and a loose franchise. Without being conservative in principle, we are convinced that in the first working out of Responsible Government true safety and success will lie in conservative institutions. It is always much easier to relax than to contract the franchise. But we desire more particularly to address a few remarks to the people upon the important duties incident to the critical moment which devolve upon them. Whatever importance may justly be attached to the character of the constitution about to be conferred upon the Colony, there is still more to be attached to the people who will be called upon to carry out that constitution. It is upon them that success or failure must depend, according as they make a good or bad use of their newly acquired power. During these long years they have been asking for the right to manage their own local affairs. The ruling class, those who appear to have conceived the idea that they were born to rule, have ever maintained the unfitness of the people for self-government. The test, the only practical test, is about to be applied, and it will behoove the people to be on their good behaviour, and establish their right to claim the management of their own affairs. The people are, as it were, to be placed upon the trial; and they cannot be too careful as to how they acquit themselves. It is to be presumed that a general election will be held early next summer, under the new constitution; and that out of a new Legislature of probably twenty members possibly more, a new Government will be formed. It will readily be seen, therefore, that the greatest importance attaches to the personnel of the new House, as upon that House will not only devolve the legislation of the Colony for a term of four years, but in it must be found the material necessary to construct the new Government. What the people have to do, therefore, is obviously to be careful to send the best men into that House. Any carelessness or mistake here may be fatal, and the responsibility must rest with the electors. They cannot too soon accustom themselves to measure candidates by their fitness as material out of which to create Governments. There must be no more of this sending men to the House for members to poke fun at. Every constituency should aim at sending a representative fit to be a Prime Minister; and unless the electors can succeed in raising themselves above all petty jealousies, local squabbles, and mere factionaries, they have no right to expect that the new machinery will run smoothly. The country needs the services of its best men, and it rests with the electors to see that the best men the country can produce are sent to the new Legislature. When it is re-

membered that six representatives and three Senators must go to Ottawa, and that, say, twenty representatives must be found for the local Legislature, it will be seen that the demand upon our population is not light. That there are plenty of men, in every respect qualified to fill these important positions, we do not for a moment doubt. The only difficulty we do apprehend is to get the best men out; and the constituencies cannot too soon cast about for the best men. The new constitution will, in all probability, be made public early next week, and it will then be known what are the Districts and upon whom must devolve the responsibility of rendering the experiment of working out Responsible Government in British Columbia a success or a failure. Let there be organization amongst the people in every District. Let us have neither Whigs nor Tories, but a whole people united in the important work of placing the best men in the next Legislature.

Saturday, Jan 28th.

THE ELECTRO-SPIRIT TAX.—The Collector of Customs opposed the abolition of the duty of 50 cents a gallon imposed upon spirits for the purpose of creating a revenue for the maintenance of the telegraphic system of the Mainland, upon the ground of revenue. He thought that by leaving it on the Union takes place we should get more revenue from the Customs before handing that source over to the Federal Government. With the utmost respect for the opinion of the Collector of Customs upon all matters in his own Department, we feel disposed to take a different view. The tendency of leaving that tax in force until the 1st of July will be to encourage spirit importers to leave larger stocks in bond with a view to getting clear of the 50 cents a gallon, and thus the Colony will lose rather than gain, for all Customs revenue collected after the 1st of July will go into the Federal Treasury.

EDUCATION.—It will be observed that the Central School will be opened on the 1st prox. by Mr Jessop, who, to his credit be it said, has resolved to carry it on wholly irrespective of Government and Educational Boards. Mr Jessop's abilities as a teacher are already too well known in this community to need a word of commendation from us. We understand he is the only teacher in the Colony holding a first class certificate from the Normal School of Canada, from which we believe there exists no more efficient training institution for school teachers. Mr Jessop has fixed the tuition fees very low, and he has made arrangements which will, we have no doubt, enable him to do full justice to pupils. His enterprise in thus coming forward to supply an important want deserves encouragement.

SUCCESS.—Some one has remarked that 'there is nothing so successful as success.' Mr William Jones, who has just sold his steam sash and door factory to an enterprising firm in this city, and who is now clearing out his stock at the most tempting bargain, is about to go to England; not to remain there, however, but to return with the means for embarking in a new and enlarged enterprise. Arriving here in early times Mr Jones has, by dint of indomitable perseverance and industry, accumulated considerable wealth, and we are pleased to know that he has sufficient confidence in the future of this place to lay his plans for more extended operations.

ROAD STEAMERS.—The Mainland Guardian has a leading article upon the subject of the proposed introduction into this colony of Thomson's Patent Road Steamers. Our contemporary very properly regards such an improvement in the carrying trade of the interior as being of the utmost importance and strongly advocates legislative encouragement for that purpose.

THOSE CROSSINGS.—The disgraceful condition into which several of the most used street crossings have fallen induces us to make another appeal to the civic authorities. We seriously hope this subject will receive immediate attention. There is perhaps no other way in which the Council could give so much comfort and satisfaction for so little money as by having a few new crossings laid down.

LILLOOET-CLINTON ITEMS.—A foot of snow at Lillooet and Lytton at last arrives. ... Tall Mexican packer, named California, died of unknown complaint at Lillooet. ... Magistrate started for Clinton to try a case; a light broke down and he was detained one day; meantime the parties to the suit settled their difference and went home; magistrate not wanted.

DISAPPOINTMENT.—We learn that a great deal of dissatisfaction exists at Nanaimo and along the coast on account of the attempt made in the Legislative Council by the member for Nanaimo, aided by the member for Victoria, to have the steamer Sir James Douglas withdrawn from the service.

MILD WINTER.—The winter has been an unusually mild one so far at least, along the East coast of this Island. Considerable snow fell at Comox last month, but it has mostly disappeared. At Nanaimo and lower down there has, as yet, been scarcely any winter weather at all.

THE SOUND MAIL SUBSIDY.—Capt Starr had a satisfactory interview with the Governor yesterday respecting the Puget Sound semi-weekly mail service.

POLICE COURT.—Mr A. Theakston, for several years Clerk of the Police Court, has resigned and will be succeeded by Capt H B Good. Mr Theakston will proceed to Omicoma early in the Spring.

REHEARSAL.—The amateur and other performers who have volunteered for the Costello benefit are rehearsing their parts.

THE NEXT STEAMER.—The Pacific will sail from San Francisco for Victoria on the 4th or 6th of February.

ACCIDENT.—Mr Benjamin Robertson while riding a horse along the Esquimalt road on Thursday, was thrown off near Everett's corner and so seriously injured about the head that he lay for some time insensible. He was assisted to his house by Mr James Orr, and is now confined to his bed.

ADDELPHI SALOON.—Mr P Murphy, one of the most accomplished saloonkeepers in the city, has purchased the famous Adelphi Saloon and will be found behind that bar in the future. Mr Murphy pledges himself to maintain the Saloon at its former standard.

OLYMPIA WANTS A SEMINARY.—The Tribune says that next to a railway one of the most pressing wants of Olympia is a seminary in which may be taught the higher branches of a liberal education, and it strongly advocates the founding of such an institution.

ASSAULT.—Mr Fassanari was accused by George Taylor before Mr Pemberton yesterday of assault. The difficulty arose through a dispute about the right of way through an alley. The Magistrate continued the case for eight days.

DEATH AT THE HOSPITAL.—Joseph Torrance, a native of Scotland, aged 33, died yesterday. He was at one time a policeman on the local force and was highly respected by his acquaintances.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.—The recently appointed Superintendent for Washington Territory is Gen McKenny, who formerly held the same position.

THE TARIFF.—An answer from the Canadian Government with respect to the proposed tariff modifications is expected on Tuesday.

THE ADDELPHI SALOON building and fixtures were yesterday sold to Mr P Murphy for the sum of \$3500.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY is about to become a State. What airs she will put on—like a young girl just out of pantaloons.

THE STEAMER GRAPPLER will tow the bark Ada from Moody's Mills, Burrard Inlet, with a cargo of lumber.

THE STEAMER OTTER will take the place of the steamer Enterprise and sail for the River on Wednesday next.

THE ODD FELLOWS are increasing and multiplying. Lodges are about to be instituted at Nanaimo and New Westminster.

THE TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCH received yesterday numbered 4000 words.

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Wholesale and for Export by the Proprietors, Worcester: Cross & Blackwell, London, &c. &c. and by Messrs. J. & A. Leitch, Glasgow, &c. &c. Agents for Victoria—J. & A. Leitch, Green & Rhodes, 141 to 143.

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None of these ingredients is a drug. Juniper Berries, by distillation, form a blue gum. It is extracted by displacement with spirits obtained from Juniper Berries; very little sugar is used and a small proportion of spirit. It is more palatable than any now in use.

Buchu as prepared by Druggists is of a dark color. It is a plant that emits a fragrant odor; the action of a flame destroys this (its active principle); leaving a dark and glutinous decoction. Made in the color of ingredients. The Buchu in my preparation predominates. The smallest quantity of the other ingredients are added, to prevent fermentation; upon inspection it will be found not to be a mixture, as made in Pharmacopoeia, nor is it a Syrup, and therefore can be used in cases where fever or inflammation exists. In this you have the knowledge of the ingredients and the mode of preparation.

Hoping that you will favor it with a trial, and that upon inspection it will meet with your approbation.

With a feeling of profound confidence,

I am, very respectfully,
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Those suffering from broken down of delicate constitutions, procure the remedy at once.

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We are the oldest Drug firm on the Pacific Coast and have only one, continuous under the same proprietors since 1845, and have determined to sell our large, profitable, and well established business on favorable terms.

This is a rare opportunity for men with means, of entering into a profitable business with advantages never before offered.

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