With the people and he has chosen the United Kingdom.

The public will heartly applied to declare its opinion. The government has done no more than right in giving electors the opportunity to given by the act further evidence of this determination to let nothing stand in the way of redemption of his promise to give the province a progressive and confidence of the whole province. It is a thoroughly manly stand. He disdains all equivocations, faces the issue presented by his railway policy, pledges himself to carry it out in its entirety, and promises to stand or fall by it. He does not propose to secure another lease of power by bringing down a railway policy and then by specious reason.

The BARKIEV SOUND LINE of power by bringing down a railway policy and then, by specious reasoning, excuse himself from accomplishing what he has undertaken to do. On the threshhold of a political career, which may lead him to any position in the gift of the people of Canada, he stakes his future as a public man upon his good faith. More than this he could not be asked to do; less than this might seem to some people ample; but Mr. McBride has shown the courage of statesmanship. We confess our great admiration for the stand he has taken. We are confident that the people will appreciate it as they always appreciate manly courage. By his declaration he has put the campaign upon a new basis, a basis upon which a political campaign has never yet rested in this province. Careful study of the needs of British Columbia has led him to a full realization of the necessity of adopting a railway policy, which will have immediate practical results. Careful investigation has shown him the way in which those results can be most quickly reached, and a substantial impetus can be given to the development of the province. His the province. He has entered into contracts that will ensure the carrying whole west coast of the Island for Worked commend to our readers. tracts that will ensure the carrying out of those objects, as far as is possible at the present time, for the railway requirements of British Columbia are larger than any government could undertake to meet in one measure, and then has placed himself in the hands of the electorate. If he had wished, he could have remained securely in office for two years to come; he could have brought down a policy without consulting the people; he could have played with the aspirations of the province by making vague promises that would look well upon paper, but never would have been fulfilled in lines. never would have been fulfilled in lines good. One prominent supporter of The Province has the following: never would have been fulfilled in lines of steel. But he has taken a far manifer course. Some time ago he gave the people his promise that he would adopt a policy of railway construction. He has adopted one, and now he says to the people that it is for them to decide whether they think he has kept his promise as he ought to have kept it. He does more than this, for while he takes what chance there is of defeat on an appeal to the constituencies, he assumes the further responsibility involved in his personal pledge that he

wery little good, quite oblivious of the fact that Mr. Oliver includes it in his involved in his personal pledge that he will carry out what he has undertaken. There is nothing uncertain about such a position as this. We venture to say that the history of Canadian politics will afford few examples where a premier with a loyal and powerful majority at his back, and the loyal support and unswerving confidence of the great body of the electorate, has come forward with a policy and voluntarily offered to stake his future as a public man upon his ability to carry it out. If there were nothing except an avowal of policy, such as the governments of Saskatchewan and Alberta appealed to the people upon at the recent elections in those provinces, instead of there being, as there are, signstead of there being, as there are, sign- with it, and now we are told that the ed contracts with the contracting com- road will be of little value, and the panies, agreeing to carry out what has people go so far as to say that it will been set forth in this regard, the pledge be an injury to this city. Such peowhich Mr. McBride has given would be ple are hopeless, but fortunately they a sufficient guarantee of good faith to are in a very small minority. justify him in appeapling to the elecjustify him in appeaping to the electorate for their endorsation. That he COMMENTS UPON MENT will receive this we have no manner of doubt. It will be a triumphant endorsation, for the people of British Columbia will know how to appreciate editorially has the following:

THE RESIGNATIONS

The resignations of Mr. Tatlow, Minister of Finance and Agriculture, and Mr. Fulton, Minister of Lands, while it will come as a surprise to most people, was not wholly unexpected by those who were aware of the views of these gentlemen upon railway matters. Their reasons for retirement from the ministry are not exactly consistent with each other. Mr. Tatlow retires because he thinks the Canadian Northern is getting too much: Mr. Fulton goes out because he thinks that the time has gone by for subsidizing railways, and that in any event the Canadian Northern line would be built as a necessary commercial undertaking without a subsidy. I Mr. Fulton is right, Mr. Tatlow is wrong in suggesting that a guarantee of bonds is too much to give, for a line that is a commercial necessity will surely pay interest on what it will

THE BARKLEY SOUND LINE There is lying to the west of Vicsupply a large amount of power.

There are many areas in it that, when cleared of timber, will be available for farming. Until a day or two ago, we were all of one mind as to the desirability of opening this country by a railway. We all were of the opinion

In dealing with the government's

consummation, and to cement the tunes of the more thickly populated coast districts by securing more ample facilities for communication. In both There is lying to the west of Victoria a region that is capable of remarkable development. It contains a vast amount of the finest timber in the world. It has what seem to be the largest iron deposits in British Columbia. It contains limestone. It is to all appearance as far as can be judged from such prospecting as has been done, richly mineralized. Running through it are streams that will supply a large amount of power. There are many areas in it that, when

rallway. We all were of the opinion that if Victoria had a hundred miles of rallway running to the west, it would be a good thing for the city. Those who took the trouble to intoria would have no competitor in the well within the time specified in the observations showed him by what means this can be accomplished in a way that will be least burdensome to the matter a little further saw that the province He accomplished in a way that will be least burdensome to the matter a little further saw that siders justifiable, and his categorical toria would have no competitor in the well within the time specified in the trade to be developed there as she has agreement with the government. The vice-president of the Canadian Northern is not wont to indulge in superficiency to the province He accomplished in a way that will be least burdensome to

four weeks to prepare for an election, which is more than ample time, and yet is not too long. It will afford plenty of opportunity for full discussion of every question in issue.

Nobody in the British Empire approves of the execution of Ferrer in Barcelona, but the British House o railway policy, the News-Advertiser Commons is not the place to discuss such a question, and it speaks well columbia will know now to appreciate a public man, who has shown that he stands ready to do his duty to the country as he understands it, and is prepared to stand or fall by the promises which he has made.

editorially has the following:

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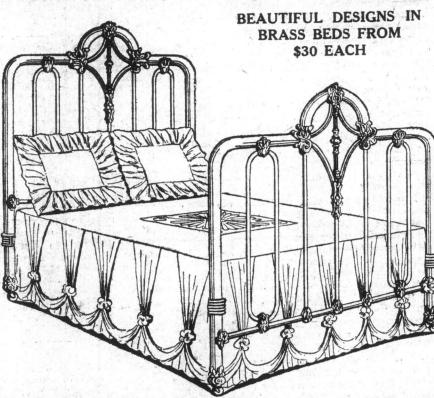
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