## THE VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST THURSDAY MARCH 26 1896.

Hon. D. M. Eberts Explains His Position in Regard to the British Pacific.

CEDAR HILL MEETING.

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Hon. Mr.

A Resolution Carried Similar to That Passed at Metchosin Last Week.

The little school house at Cedar Hill they could turn them out. was well filled last night at the meeting Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, M. P. P. called by electors of South Victoria diswas the next speaker. He would en-deavor, he said, to show them the faltrict to discuss the British Pacific raillacy that underlay the stand taken by way. There some sixty people were preway. There some sixty people were pre-sent, including several who went out way. He and the members for Victoria, from the city. including the Premier, were elected on

The chairman Mr. D. Stevens, in an- the understanding that they were heartily in sympathy with having the British nouncing the object of the meeting, said Pacific railway constructed. It was well that the building of the British Pacific recognized that the C. P. R. had been of was of vital importance, not only to the benefit to the country, and why should district and island, but to the British Colnmbia not have another transthe government had not given more consideration to the scheme that Mr. Rithet had laid before them. He then invited Hon. Mr. Eberte the ing of Method attended the meet province, and he regretted that continental line. The Premier had stated that Mr. Rithet had had before them ing at Metchosin and the people there. He then invited Hon. Mr. Eberts, the had sent through their representatives had sent through their representatives the had sent through their representatives a request to the government to so co-church, officiated. The bride and groom

Hon. D. M. Eberts, attorney-general. in his opening remarks agreed with the vise the people of Victoria district to chairman that the question before them generally, and he sincerely hoped to see Attorney-General, the self same mes-here in 1883 and has since resided in excellent results. The voices are well bal-(Applause.) The government a transcontinental line built. He next sage. touched briefly on the history of the en- should have been more considerate to D.C., in 1822. Her husband, General are two particularly good points that set forth in the correspondence between the promoters and government and at the public meeting in the Victoria the-The government should have assisted the public meeting in the Victoria theatre, he defended the government's ac-tion and denied that the proposition had been rejected without due and careful. ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had been rejected without due and careful. ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had been rejected without due and careful. ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had been rejected without due and careful. ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had been rejected without due and careful. ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had ficient guarantees had been given. The genes defended that the proposition had that that the proposition had th consideration by the cabinet. The scheme as laid before the executive asked the government to grant 12,000,-was a guarantee in itself, as he, as was 000 acres of land and to guarantee the without a sufficient guarantee that the disinterested position had been shown railway would be completed as a trans-continental line. by his speech at the Victoria theatre, in which he offered to retire if someone continental line.

continental line. The proposition was so large that the government could not see its way to ac-cept it, considering the financial con-dition of the province and the smallness Mr. HeImcken remarked that the "Old Folkes' Concert" was held last night, giving promise of a rare treat in the way of music, as well as of nivelty. Father Jeremiah Singwell, the leader of Mother" (Define the concert the source of the smallness the smalln dition of the province and the smallness Mr. Eberts' position as attorney-general was somewhat different to that of an of its population. Even if the government had accepted the scheme they could not have carried it through the house, and, anxious as they were to see the road built, the terms offered were such that they had to be refused. The government had given their earnest con-What he (Mr. Helmcken) urged all government had given their earnest consideration to the matter, but they sim-ply could not agree to the proposition offered them. He was as desirous assurance that what the people wanted they will have. (Applause.) The as anyone present to have the road built. His property and his interests were here, and the construction of a railway, if it country through way would pass was, as the would do anyone good, would also be to his own benefit. Still, as a minister of the crown, he had to consider what the people of the province could bear for taration. He hered to consider what the people of the province could bear for the more reported another what when engineers' reports showed, well worth, people of the province could bear for taxation. He hoped, however, that the he presented another proposition to the government they, understanding the feelings of the people, would enter into negotiations that would redound to the day was not far distant when such a road would be built. (Applause.) They must remember that there prosperity and welfare of the province. was nothing in the proposition sub-Mr. Munroe Miller, in coming forward mitted to the government to show that the line if built to the boundary of the province would have transcontinental connection. Mr. Armstrong had indeed but simply to get information for him-but simply to get information for him-

whether he would do as he thought best THE CITY. WILLIAM LORIMER left last night by 169 and 175) without having taken out Eberts replied that elected as a representa-the Maude for Alberni to finish up a and had granted to him or it a license the district. They must contract on a trail from Granite creek to in that behalf." The club license fee is r, too, that he was a the Eureka ledge. He will afterwards placed at \$100 annually, and clubs must remember, too, that he was a member of the cabinet and in a somespend some time in prospecting.

what different position from an ordinary member. As he said before, if a proper scheme came up he would support it. Mr. Miller-Who is to be the judge if the medical man reflected on by the scheme is good—you or the people? jury sitting on the inquest on Nellie person shall use, practise, carry on, or Hon. Mr. Eberts in reply said that Davis, it ought to be stated that he was exercise within a municipality any urely Mr. Miller knew what responsi- not in any way engaged on the case. ble government meant. He was a mem-ber of the cabinet and he had to abide THE lecture on church history given

by the pastor of St. Andrew's church, Rev. W. L. Clay, in the lecture room of by their policy. If the government did not carry out the wishes of the people that edifice last evening, was most complete and interesting, covering the first three and a quarter centuries of the life of the young church. The lecture, which With respect to boards of commission is the first of a series, was well attended and much appreciated.

MR. HARRISON T. PORTER, station. way, was yesterday afternoon united in Victoria Eugenie, only marriage daughter of Mr. William Beaumont, o Duncan. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's step-sister, Mrs. A. G. Sargison, Pandora street, and was witnessed by members of the families. Miss Dwelly was the bridesmaid, (Mr. Helmcken) had attended the meet-little nieces of the bride, while Mr. and was assisted by Ethel and Mildred, ing at Metchosin and the people there Montague Porter was best man, operate with the promoters of this great undertaking that it would become a certainty. (Applause.) He would ad-

MRS. James Tilton, whose sudden

A most successful general rehearsal for this interesting company, promies an entertainment of merit, although the was somewhat different to that of an ordinary member of the house, for a cabinet minister, though responsible to his constituents, was sworn to con-larded with recitations (or as the programme says, "Spoken pieces") and instrumental selections to provide variety. The programmes are gems and must as a curiosity; the costumes are not yet to hand, but the performers are expected to be in possession of their costumes by

SUPREME COURT ACT. Some Interesting Amendments Asked "From the Legislature by the Attorney.

General.

require from members an entrance fee of not less than \$10 and membership THE impression having been errone-ously created that Dr. John Lang was To facilitate the collection of the varithe ous license fees, it is provided that: "No trade, occupation, profession or busi-

ness described or named in section 169 and subsections thereof without having taken out and had granted to him a license in that behalf, under a penalty upon summary conviction not exceed. ing the sum of \$250 for every such viola-

ers of police in cities, it is provided that 'such boards shall consist of the Mayor the Police Magistrate, and some person master at Duncan, on the E. & N. rail-way was vesterday afternoon united in in-Council."

LADIES' AUXILIARY CONCERT.

The Ladies' Auxiliary concert in aid o the funds of the Jubilee hospital should have had a more liberal support from the public, not only on account of its object, but because the programme was well worth hearing. There was, however only a fair attendance at Institute hall but the audience was appreciative, responsive and liberal in applause. The Metropolitan church choir sang twice "Hail Smiling

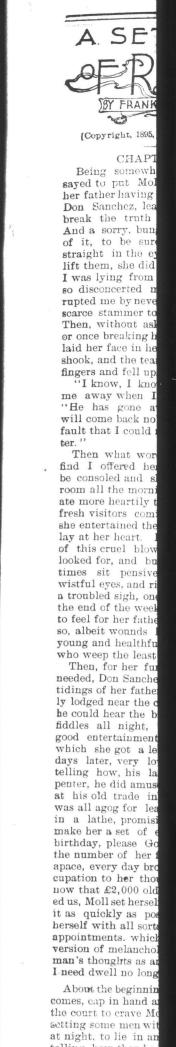
during the evening. "Hail Smiling Morn," their opening number was given with happy effect. Mr. Clement Rowsend through their representative, the death at Roccabella is announced, came lands' training of the choir has produced Victoria. She was born in Washington, anced, and their attack and enunciation

perfectly and she did full justice to it. She had to respond to a most enthusiasthe "Old Folkes' Concert" was held last tic encore. Madame Laird and Mrs. Rowlands gave a most a rendering of the duet, "O! artisti Holv (from Maritana), and Mrs. Rowlands sang one of her favorite songs, "Angus Macdonald," which which gave good scope to her delightfully sympathetic voice. That hearty brilliant song, "The Yoeman's Wedding," was sung by Mr. Herbert Kent, and well Mr. Spice, who has a full strong voice, are worth the price of admission, if only plenty of amusement by her comic recitations. The instrumental numbers were a skilful violin solo, "Fantaisie Ballet," by Mr. E. A. Wolff, and the "British Patrol" by the Citheras. Mr. Wolff as an encore played "Home, Sweet Home" with great sweetness and expression.

## BISHOP LEMMENS AT HOME.

After an absence of five months in Mexico, Right Rev. Bishop Lemmens returned home on Sunday in excellent health and pleased with what he had seen and heard in the southern repr It was an invitation to be present at the crowning of the miraculous picture of Niestra Senona de Guadalupe that took His Lordship to the City of Mexico. where he and the Coadjutor Archbishop of Quebec represented the Roman Cathaccordance with the pronounced position be adjudicated to be invalid until after olic clergy of Canada, there being also a which the government assumed before notice thereof has been served upon the number of United States bishops of the picture is an interesting one and Bishop Lemmens said yesterday that he had seen proofs enough to convince him that it was no legend but a historical





suggested that other railways would self. He moved the same resolution things as follows: rush to make the connection with the as was passed at Metchosin. It read: 2. When, in any cause, matter or guarantee that such would be the case.

Taking the present financial condition of the province, and from the fact that there was no very great expansion to be hoped for at present to supply the funds necessary for the guarantee asked by the promoters of the scheme, the government, anxious and willing as they were to get the road built, were compelled by duty to reject the proposition. It had been argued by some that the government should have suggested fic railway.' another proposition, but he would an-

In speaking to the resolution Mr swer that it was for the promoters and not for the government to make the Miller thought that the people should be The Premier had not actuated by the desire to help Mr. proposition. ightly refused the request, but had Rithet-a man who had made a success gone into the matter carefully with the of every business venture he had taken ant of the Supreme court of British Colsion that it was unwise to accept a greater competition among the railways finances of the province would not bear people. the burden that in that case would have Mr. Joseph Nicholson seconded t

fallen upon them.

resolution, which was unanimously car Capt. John Irving-" Retrench." ried. Hon, Mr. Eberts continued that it was

A vote of thanks to the chair closed all very well to say retrench, but it was the meeting. impossible to provide for the large am-ount asked for. They must remember

that the whole white population of the province was only 65,000, and the government could not overburden them with It had been suggested that the

influx of population brought about by the construction of the road would give means of meeting the expense involved. That, however, was of the nature of a problem, and it would not do to trust to that. He proceeded Coates.

to show by the appropriations made for the coming year that retrenchment THE funeral of the late Mrs. Theodore Davie takes place this morning at 9:30 from the family residence, and at 10:15 could not be made without injury to the effective carrying out of the necessary from St. Andrew's cathedral, services. He believed, however, that Pontifical Requiem mass will be cele the British Pacific would be built probrated by Rt. Rev. Bishop Lemmens vided that a proper scheme was pre-In token of respect the sitting of the ful sented to the government. The Premier had stated that should a proposal be presented showing that a sufficient with Chief Justice Davie in his bereave court has been adjourned till the afteramount of capital had been subscribed ment the members of the bar at a meetand if guarantees were given for the completion of the line and for its transcontinenal connections the government on behalf of the pro-Wills: "Whereas the members of the vince would give equitable assistance. bar now in Victoria have heard with That meant equitable in so far as a large feelings of profound regret of the scheme as this was concerned and in so bereavement which has fillen upon the far as the finances of the province would permit. If such a scheme came up he by the death of his beloved wife on Sat Chief Justice, the Hon. Theodore Davie, sistance that he could. He would again assure them that the construction of the His Lordship the Chief Justice and his British Pacific was as near to his heart family their sincered and heartfelt sympathy in their hour of deep sorrow and

Capt. Irving—"Has any modified proposition been made by Mr. Rithet?" Hon. Mr. Eberts replied that as aminaffliction and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Justice ister of the Crown he was sworn not to divulge anything that transpired in the cabinet, but people might rest assured E. V. Bodwell and S. Perry Mills be apcabinet, but people might rest assured pointed a committee to forward this rethat if Mr. Rithet had made such a pro-position it would be considered carefulsolution and present the tribute." ly and in due time an answer given.

Mr. Munroe Miller wanted to know if Mr. Eberts would obey the voice of the people whose representative he was, of the monsery organs.

which the rail-

as was passed at Metchosin. It read: "That in the opinion of this meeting other proceeding, the constitutional valthe unqualified proposals lately made by the promoters of the British Pacific or of the legislature of British Columbia railway to the government was not in comes into question the same shall not the last general elections, and this meet- Minister of Justice or the Attorney-Gening requests the representative of South Victoria district in the local house to offices respectively. use his best endeavors to obtain such every such question the said Minister of public aid as may be necessary to secure Justice and the said Attorney-General the early completion of the British Paci-shall be entitled as of right to be heard, either in person or by counsel, notwithstanding that the crown is not a party to the action or proceeding.

3. The Lieutenant-Governor may, from time to time, appoint an accountexecutive and had come to the conclu- up-and also with the purpose of giving umbia, who shall be an officer of the Supreme court and attached thereto. scheme without proper guarantees that so as to prevent the present railways and who shall have charge of all funds it would be carried to completion. The being in a position to oppress the paid into court, or the duties of such accountant may be assigned to any other officer in the public service.

4. Money to be paid into the Supreme court shall be paid into some incorporated bank, to be designated by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council

5. All moneys paid into court shall be accounted for as part of the revenue of

THE funeral of the late W. H. Wood the province. 6. All moneys to be paid into court, vesterday afternoon was attended by many friends, including members of the and all balances for principal to the I.O.O.F., to which order the deceased credit of any matter, suit or proceedhad for many years belonged. The ser- ing, shall draw interest at the rate of 3 per centum per annum from the first day of the third month after payment vices were conducted by Rev. Dr. Campbell, and the pall bearers were Messrs. day of the third month after payment E. Dickinson, F. Taylor, W. Earl, S. F. into court up till the first day of the McIntosh, W. S. Dempster and H month, during which such moneys shall be paid out, and no interest shall be

paid in respect of fractions of a month

MUNICIPAL LAW.

where

There are before the legislature at esent three bills which, if they be ome law. will entirely supersede the present municipal act, its place upon the statute book being taken by separ ate acts relating respectively to the subject of (1) incorporation, (2) elections and electors, and (3) general municipal affairs. These bills have been recommended by a select committee, who have adopted the division of subjects suggested by the commissioner for the revision of the statutes, and also his con solidation of the law as at present existing, with a few amendments which com mend themselves to their judgment.

With respect to the municipal fran chise, it is still provided that household ers must register annually, registration being allowed any time up to the 1st o

December in each year. The general bill, introduced yester-day, is an affair of 296 sections. It is to apply to all municipalities not governed by the provisions of some special act reugnant to those of the bill, and to the cities of Vancouver and New Westminster in so far as is not inconsistent with

their acts of incorporation. The matter of the sale of liquor by DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP posiclubs is thus dealt with: "173. No person, or association of persons known as clubs, shall, within a municipality, sell

fact In the year 1531 Juan Diego was passing the place where the magnificent church now stands, three miles outside the City of Mexico, when suddenly a

lady appeared to him and told him to go to Archbishop Zumarrga of Mexico City and tell him to build a church there. Juan did so, but the Archbishop demanded proof of his story. Juan went away and was then called to another place to take care of his uncle who was sick,

Juan started for the city, taking care not to pass the spot where he had seen the lady as he had failed to convince the Archbishop of the truth of his story. She, however, appeared to him again

and as proof bade him pick roses from a bare rocky hillside close by and take them in his serape to the Archbishop. She further told Juan that his uncle was now well. Juan picked a number of roses, that to his surprise, he found ried them in his serape to the Arch-

"Here is my proof," he said, opening the garment, when, lo, instead of roses,



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there was upon the rough cloth of the Victoria terminal facilities and choice of serape a most beautiful painting of competitive routes to Eastern Canada Nuestra Sonora de Guadalupe in exquis- and United States. But this route, via ite colors. This is the painting that the Sidney railway. Point Garry ferry, now hangs framed in gold in the magni- and thence through New Westminster and thence through New Westminster ficent church that was built in obediover the Fraser bridge, at once gives ence to the celestial visitor's command. transcontinental facilities which can Needing medical assistance The painting is almost life size, and only be acquired after some years' work though there have been many copies of on the British Pacific, and by a more the original. The original is the original is

It was to crown this wonderful picture press upon our citizens the desirability that the imposing ceremony was lately of taking the one we have to hand forthobserved. It took place on Oct. 12, in the with, and working manfully for the presence of an immense concourse of other one as well.

people, so great indeed that the larger number failed to gain admittance to the church. The crown of gold and precious plain and incontrovertible. The Sidney stones is worth \$100,000. Eight ladies railway will be utilised to its fullest growing on rocks devoid of soil, and car- bore it and placed it above the Virgin's capacity and become a paying underhead. taking, relieving both city and province

After the ceremonies Bishop Lem- of any obligation on the bonds. A ferry mens, in response to a request of the will be put on which will carry across venerable Archbishop Loza of Jalisco, | freight cars either from the C.P.R., the ravelled through the diocese, taking Great Northern or the Northern Pacific the unfrequented parts which the Arch- railways, thus giving Victoria merbishop, owing to his great age, was un-able to visit. In this journey Bishop Lemmens confirmed no less than 53,000 people. Everywhere he was received freight cars in bond or otherwise, with freight cars in bond or otherwise, withwith demonstrations of joy by the faith- out once breaking bulk between Eastern ful. At each village body guards of the points and this city.

The Great Northern and Northern people met him, and the inhabitants strewed flowers in his path and pressed Pacific will give rentals sufficient to forward for the privilege of kissing his more than cover interest on capital re-ring as a sign of their devotion to the quired to build the bridge. If the prochurch. The Bishop found the Mexi-church. The Bishop found the Mexi-can people far different from the ignor-building the city of New the bridge Westant, illiterate creatures they are com- minster has pledged itself monly represented to be. There are assist in the making of the line con-numerous schools, many of them free, necting the bridge with the Point Garry and one of the charitable institutions is ferry. The advantages of the route have a school for the deaf, dumb and blind in been brought under the notice of the government by a very influential depu-tation from the Fraser Valley municip-

FRASER RIVER BRIDGE.

The government have promised to give TO THE EDITOR :- On the 17th instant the matter their most serious consider-Ion. Mr. Turner stated in the house ation. It only remains now for the city that "virtually the whole of the goycouncil, board of trade, and members ernment business for this session will be in this week." Now, what I wish epresenting places interested, to insist apon it that the government shall bring particularly to bring before your readers is the fact that the government seem inlined to virtually ignore for this session ment of the work without delay. he above important matter, which is,

to my mind, of more urgent necessity in he interests of Victoria than even the

MONTREAL, March 25.-Robert Ander-British Pacific railway. The British son, once president of the Merchants Pacific, if started to-day, would be a Bank of Canada, is dead. He leaves an long time in building before it gives estate worth probably four millions.

telling the act last spring other the year befo sheep, adding that seen loitering in the he doubted not, was crew.

'What makes you Moll. "He has been see here these three days "Yet to my knowledg at either of the villag he hath the look of a rascal, ripe for such

"I will have no misfortunes.' "Gentle mistress, out that if thee lets o

impunity others, thereby encouraged to mercy tends to greate "No man shall be There is my answer, passion. "If you take creature, it shall be v bodily hurt. You sh

else. ``Not a bone shall b'Tis enough if we car

tice Martin, a godly, a scourge to evildoer "Nay, you shall have heard his case. for me to decide whe me or not, and I'll su my place.'

Promising obedience before any further rest put upon him, but much disturbed all da



to

alities; also by the council oi this city.

INTER-PROVINCIAL.

Hearing Moll's cry of eyes.

chief being done despit and at night she wou her round the park to s be she thought that her ing hither to see her p a victim to Simon's am But we found no one, t certainly hidden thes where in the thickets. While we were at ta we heard a great comm and Mrs. Butterby, con pucker, told how the taken in the park, and

