The Colonist.

AN EXHIBITION.

in the city, for Victoria was never as population, populous, wealthy and prosperous as

A great deal has been said about the Fair deficit. That would be a very best to make it a success, and in Saskatchewan find their way to the the way of polar discovery. many respects they "made good,"

and they are a source of direct revenue apart from the attendance they is such an assemblage of agricultural manufacturing and other produce and induce people to go and see it. We would like to see good horse races; and in this connection we may mention that these races should be arranged from the spectacular standpoint and not from that of the bookfraternity. We lay down this prineiple: That if the Exhibition is to be a success, it must be arranged for the general public, for men, women and

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PARMERS' PARLIAMENTS

British Columbia has several farm-

ground is never replaced, and the Port Churchill, and as the line is much richest mineralized country in the silecter and through better country. Parliament will be asked to vote world is within measurable distance of urless there is some reason not now \$50,000 for the relief of the sufferers world is within measurable distance of exhaustion. But the soil will yield of its abundance forever, provided it is cultivated with intelligence. But we are not driven to any argument of this kind to prove the importance of British Columbia agriculture, for every year shows its growing and prosnections. year shows its growing and prospect a thing to happen, but as numerous the nation is very rich and the injury ply and demand is apparently as navigability during the whole twelve- ing that there has been no demand in broad as ever. Under these circummonths is possible, but for at least Victoria for a Normal school. We did stances, it seems as if, of all the inhalf the year the entrance from the not mean that no one had asked for dustries prosecuted in this province, ocean is blocked by ice which comes such a school; but only that there was agriculture easily takes the first place down from the North. The claim is no such demand for such an institu-

farmers' parliaments as of the greatest or Fort Nelson at any time, Importance. Their deliberations are of value to those who participate in them and to the province at large.

NAVAL DEFENCE.

Conservatives in the House of Com- any meaning. mons have decided upon a policy of general criticism of the government plan of naval defence. No other course is open to them, and no other course ought to be taken. The Conservative party in Canada is at least as fully alive to the duty of Canada assist in the naval defence of the Empire as the Liberal party. It is not necessary, and to us it is always disagreeable, to see questions of com parative loyality discussed. We pre fer to admit that, as a general proposition, one man is as patriotic as another. The Conservatives in Parliament are, with possibly a few exceptions, desirous that Canada shall do share in the great work of Imperial defence; but they have not the power of originating the policy which country shall adopt. They must either accept what the government proposes or reject it. As they not going to reject it, they can only

uch pleased if Mr. Borden would place himself and his supporters on Japan. He says that the Japanese did record as opposed to what the government proposes shall be done; but he will not do that. He has already made it abundantly clear that he ap-the establishment of Canadian navy. He has also made it plain that he thinks more should be done than the government proposes to do. The great inajority of his party are with him on both these points, and will be fully The determination of the City Counsatisfied with his course if he keeps of the coming summer. Every one cil to hold the regular exhibition this fall meets with general approval. We hope nothing will be left undone that will contribute towards its complete success. This will be the fiftieth anniversary of the first fall fair, and it

THE HUDSON BAY RAILWAY

to show for it, but the city has not Bay railroad. Two routes are chosen only fine grounds but fine buildings. If the cost of the whole exhibition plant had been charged to capital, we fancy the deficit might not have existed at all. But all that is a matter of the past. Every one connected with the exhibition seems to have done his to Port Nelson at the mouth of the churchill river, and the other list of the lake system of Manitoba the exhibition seems to have done his Saskatchewan find their year to the the way of polar discovery.

many respects they "made good."

For the future the necessary thing seems to be to arouse public interest, Northern, which is on the shore of the canadian of the Canadian Club, that a monument to Vancouver shall be erected by seems to be to arouse public interest, and this can best be done by keeping Northern, which is on the shore of the this city, is very interesting. The and this can best be done by keeping in mind that to be a financial success Saskatchewan, approximately about venturesome and able mariner stands in mind that to be a financial success the Fair must be one that will attract 100 miles from the point where that depicted in gold on top the Parliament the Fair must be one that will attract attendance. The Exhibition itself, The Partial Into Lake Winnipeg. From Building; but his great achievements attendance. The Exhibition itself, without what are called "attractions," ought to be worth going to see. We ought to be worth going to see. We offer the passing a limestone ridge for 50 miles, where it reaches the height of ought to be worth going to see. We take no exception to the extra featake no exception to the extra featake no exception to be because the height of land between the two main forks of attract. What we would like to see with some good clay soil and to be they cannot have postal savings banks. manufacturing and other produce and diverge. The Nelson route strikes disupposed to govern themselves, our which for 150 miles is described as other nation in the world. "level clay country with occasional rock out-crop." The Nelson river is crossed at the 220th mile and the line continues through similar country to manded an increase yearing from makers. There should be "something doing" on the track all the time, and not simply a few events occupying a fraction of a minute or a little more, combined with hours barren of interest to any one except the betting fractority. We have described at the betting the betting the said to be good timber in places. At the 429th will be the said to be good timber in places. At the 429th will be the said to be good timber in other demands. places. At the 420th mile the Port Churchill route enters the Barren Lands and continues through them to ized in the United States. The possiits proposed terminus. The profiles of bilities of such a body are numerous the routes show that to Port Nelson especially if it extends its operations there is an unbroken descent from the to legislative bodies. Now just supfirst mile to the sea. The descent in pose that it should have its attention 360 miles is 836 feet, and it is nearly directed to Mr. —, but we will not ers' parliaments, and one of them, the Port Churchill route is more varied, uniform for the whole distance. The particularize, Dairymen's Association, is now in one per cent grades being frequent. tions do a very great deal of good.
They lead to an interchange of views and to conclusions as to lines of an Port Nelson is a long funnel-shaped

prosperity of agriculture as an industry.

It is only of late years that there has been a general appreciation of the position which agriculture in its several branches will assume in British Columbia. Now, however, every one Columbia. Now, however, every one recognizes that its place will be, as in the water never freezes. The harbor cause it never would have occurred to everywhere else, in the very front at Port Churchill is smaller than any reader of this paper that the Colrank. Lumbering destroys the forests that at Port Nelson, but it is well proand years are necessary to restore the growth. The same generation does not witness the destruction of an old forwitness the destruction of an old forwitness the destruction of an old forwitness the maps afford, we think the paper is accustomed to fight pretty affectively. est and its replacement by a new one.
What the miner takes out of the advantages of the route to Port Nelson are greater than those of the route to interests of this city.

tive greatness. Every year we learn of more land being available for farming; every year the markets for our produce broaden. The output of the and its greatest width 600. Its total cisco fire, the Paris flood will not

farms, the creameries and the other area is about 200,000 square miles, leave irremediable ruin in its trail. departments of husbandry are steadily which is 120,000 square miles more increasing, but the gap between sup- than the area of the Caspian Sea. Its We are asked what we mean by say-

President Taft wants an appropriation of \$25,000 to pay for a commission to study the Payne tariff law. There have been three elections since then, but, the request has not yet assumed the magnitude of a demand and the An Ottawa telegram says that the to make its meaning plain, if it has

The President of the Imperial Uni versity of Kioto denies that Christian ity has been of any assistance t not learn their morality from the West.

Col. Conrad has been telling the people of New York that "the Canadian Northwest has been getting a great start in Alaska." Well, why

It is announced by Mr. Robert Kelly,

Sir James Whitney told a delegation ought to be the best show ever held ments of the very great majority of the and, he added, that "it had been kept back through narrowness and bigotry."

The matter of pilotage is under consideration, by the Department of We have before us a map issued by information on the subject will be Marine and Fisheries, and the latest the Department of Rallways showing found in another column of today's

The people of the United States the Nelson. Then it enters a country cannot have a parcel post, because the which is said to contain good timber express companies will not hear of it; level. This continues to the 100th because the private savings banks will mile. At the 110th mile the two routes not allow it. For a people, who are rectly to the northeast, across a region neighbors are "bossed" worse than any

Switchmen, to the number of \$2,000

A "Society for the Suppression of Unnecessary Noise" has been organ-

By the way, Wednesday "ground-hog day." According to: They lead to an interchange of views and to conclusions as to lines of action, which tend to advance greatly the and broad space in the centre of the there will be six weeks of cold weather.

prictiture easily takes the list place down from the Rottle and the Sach and institu-i point of permanent importance.

The place down from the Rottle and Sach and Institu-made that specially constructed ves-tion here as called for its erection at sels could reach either Fort Churchill the present time. Our good Liberal friends have been asking government did not build a Normal quest of our friends se



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PRE-COLUMBIAN AN Almost nothing is known

inty of the history of Ame of Columbus, and only very n be made as to the degree o ed by its people, except in a he voyages of Eric the Red emen are themselves sh urity, and the story of them d tell anything about the peor nere is a Welsh tradition of ent of a colony from Wales of ontinent, but much doubt exis enticity. The Indians residi w the United States and Cana rical records. So far as can b d been living from time imm rimitive conditions in which the e European settler came; and heir tribal customs were w ows that they were the result levelopment. What traditions een preserved at that time, we l f knowing, for the relations be peans and the Indian tribes we invite confidence, and at any merican Indians do not seem erned themselves with much ened before their own day. hey preserved a vast store, rough very much of it is the s stastrophe. The habit of a ces to localize incidents, the erstanding of Indian language ropeans have, the absence of rest in the mythology on the o had the opportunity of learn id, the natural reticence of the nce of the early missionaries, anced a belief in the stories t vn from the past, all combin recollection of the ancient m n of the traditions of great ev mple of imperfectly remember may be mentioned that the M New Brunswick have a traditi once a great earthquake tha g time, and after it was over er was changed from a series am bordered by many low-ly at is all that seems to have be the incident in anything like ay; but there is the myth of Glo ems to relate to the same thin responded to the Hiawatha of 'Spbiow of the Skagits, and ne beings, who aided the In of their great adversity. But least use in trying to make embling history out of these recents. They only establish the he race which has preserved ther indicate that North America w eviously to the last great geolog a previous article it was pointed ding to the estimates of the U eological Survey, the northern is w covers the islands of the A pelago, extended as far south a where St. Paul and Minneapolis n

No subject is involved in gre han the origin of the Indian Western Continent. As yet avestigator has approached the of the subject with a pre-conceive nankind originated in the table-lar ral Asia, and went out therefrom upation of the rest of the world. estigation a preconceived idea gainst impartial research. As riter on this question says, the vor of a migration from America juite as strong as that in favor of tion from Asia to America. The reached by this writer is that the rac living on the Continent, when Colum and been here at least 25,000 year more than 200,000 years. He arriv opinion by estimating the time ne permit of the development of the v guages, racial characteristics and culture. During comparatively reonsiderable work has been done in classifying the several aboriginal This is a process that is necessarily often it is found that languages, wh at first examination to be totally di loser investigation prove to be of tock. Up to the present it has not ible to reduce the number of appar inct languages on the American elow 133, of which 56 are spoken America proper, 51 in South Americ Mexico and Central America. Th ation disregards the various dialect me language. If these were recke mber would be very greatly increase satisfactory theory for the existence reat variety of speech has ever been d; but the remarkable freedom of

ecently as 7,000 years ago. Ther iculty in believing that America

at that time, but, on the contrary

think it was not. The myths

must have been peopled before and extended as far to the south

time mentioned.

een the seat of widely extended empi existed in Europe, Asia and Africa As a general rule such traditions a ins tribes have preserved of their ign it to some place in the North. spect the similarity between them faces of southern Asia and Northern very marked. The paths of most of aces of mankind seem to have been a

uage from words taken from other ! suggests that such civilization, as the tribes had reached, was attained at a t

lere was very little intercourse between

t also seems to show that America l

Meridians, but whether they would