

Weekly Colonist

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1887.

THE WATER PIPES.

The Times has been in discredit the mild steel water pipes to be made at the Alton iron works in this city.

VICTORIANS IN HALDIMAND.

The Liberal-Conservative party have scored another victory in Haldimand. Dr. Montague's victory over Mr. Oulter the Liberal candidate by sixteen majority is justly regarded as phenomenal.

OUR COMMERCIAL.

The following statement showing the value of exports, imports, consumption and duty collected in this province by quarters for the year ending on the 30th June, 1887, will prove interesting to our readers:

Table with columns for Year, Exports, Imports, Consumption, and Duty Collected. Data for 1886 and 1887.

CONTROL OF TELEGRAPHS.

The subject of the government assumption of control of the telegraph lines in the country, is now actively engaging the attention of the press and public men of the United States.

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George Brown subsequently submitted to the United States Secretary of State in negotiating the draft reciprocity treaty of 1874, we find the same principle asserted: 'There is no mystery, no *arrivis pennis*, in their (the Canadian) desire that the commercial relations of the republic and the Dominion should be placed on the most liberal and unfettered and mutually beneficial basis consistent with their respective existing obligations and with their connection with Great Britain which the Dominion so happily enjoys.'

This was the principle which Hon. George Brown affirmed in 1874, in accordance with the instructions which he had received from the Mackenzie administration. In his speech in the senate February 22nd, 1880, on the reciprocity negotiations, Mr. Brown said:

'I come now honorable gentlemen, to the subject of the reciprocity treaty which I have just presented to you as a formal answer. The first of these is the allegation that the treaty discriminates against Great Britain in favor of the United States. Nothing could be more unfounded than this. It is not a discrimination against Great Britain, and nothing else was ever contemplated for a moment.'

These statements evince that the principle affirmed by Mr. Chamberlain is one which the leaders of the anti-Liberal Conservative party have very frequently endorsed. Before the press of the party proceeded further in their abuse of Mr. Chamberlain for the position which he has assumed, they should be prepared to show how it is that a platform which they have so often approved is vitiated as soon as an English statesman gives it its endorsement.

THE ZALINSKI GUN.

Referring to the subject of the new gun, the *Baltimore Herald* says: 'Great oaks from little acorns grow,' and the successful experiment with the Zalinski dynamite gun in the Brooklyn navy yard on Tuesday seems destined to put an entirely new complexion on naval warfare.

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the province thirty years ago were there, they would not be surprised to hear anything of the wants of the people he asks to elect him? Ask him what of the climate? The soil? The mines? The fisheries? The fauna? The agricultural products? The best line for the railway? He is necessarily as dumb as an ox when he is ignorant on all these essential points. But ask him about politics and he will tell the electors that he is an out-and-out Oppositionist and that he will bring from the ministry the railway and other important improvements. How will he effect that? How can he hope to do it of the slightest use to the constituency if he enters the house as an Oppositionist? The deposition of Mr. Beaven has split the party from crown to top and left it a shattered, dismembered fragment of a once compacted body. The body numbered six before the ruffianly attack on Mr. Beaven were begun. It is to be inquired for one moment that Mr. Beaven's personal following is so small that one will accompany him to the cross benches? Is it to be supposed that the entire six are so animated by a desire to grasp the public plunder that they are lost to the finer feelings of humanity which are supposed to be the first 'duty of a ship's crew?' But, the reader will say, other leaders have been deposed without creating a rupture in a party. True, but they were deposed in an honorable, straightforward manner. Mr. Mackenzie was undermined by Mr. Blake and deposed by the Grits; and there has been no question of the propriety of his deposition. But that deposition, merely as it was brought about, was done in open session. In the case of Mr. Beaven a section of the Opposition press have been set to work like a pack of hungry curs at the heels of a man whose greatest crime is that in power and opposition he has served his country well. The Opposition press have been set to work like a pack of hungry curs at the heels of a man whose greatest crime is that in power and opposition he has served his country well.

THE SURPLUS.

The Dominion Government has every reason to herald forth to the world with pride the fact that the surplus for four months of the current fiscal year was over \$2,000,000. This is highly creditable to the administration and is heartily lauded by the public. The decrease of the net debt during October by a quarter of a million dollars is also a subject for congratulation. Notwithstanding the windings and Jeremiads of the Grit press, it is very evident that the financial policy of the government is most encouraging. When parliament is called together the Finance Minister will be in a position to meet the representatives of the people with confidence.

MISREPRESENTATIVE MIS-REPORTING EXPOSED.

What object our evening contemporary hopes to attain by mis-reporting city council proceedings it is difficult to imagine. When the truth is so easily obtainable it is strange that the *Times* should go out of its way to garble and misquote and then weave an article out of its untruthfulness. In Friday's issue, speaking of the financial condition of the city, the *Times* says: 'On motion of Com. Coughlan the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, without defining which bid of the lowest tender was accepted. The Alton Iron Works, the lowest bidder, quoted at \$1.64 and \$1.48 according to time of delivery, and from the manner in which the offer was accepted, they would seem to have the privilege of charging the higher figure, and to begin delivery this year. However, after so much bungling in the past, it is not surprising to find a trifling addition to this kind.'

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the Atlantic coast is declared to be a post of everything that is opposed to Christian civilization. Having full control of their own affairs, these degenerate Moors have no doubt done what they could to make their co-adjutors in Algeria restless under the French yoke, and the work of Europeanizing Tunis and Tripoli has been gradually hindered by secret agents from Morocco. Now it appears this country is about to have a revolution of its own. The stern old sailor, who has recently distinguished himself by making the use of tobacco or liquors a crime worthy of capital punishment, has at last, to the great joy of his sailors, been thoroughly discredited with this plant and all its accessories. He is very anxious to transfer his residence to some place on the shore of eternity, and there is every indication that his wishes will soon be gratified. Of course no one expects that the poor Moors will be able to choose his successor or to govern their country from lagging into a state of anarchy. All the great powers except England seem anxious to take charge of affairs in Morocco, and consequently they are doing their utmost to hoodwink and over-reach each other. At present Spain looks to be farthest to advance. But a change of the international political wind may occur at any moment, which may give the advantage to France, Italy or Germany.

THE COMOX ELECTION.

It is in their own stronghold the Glaxtonians are not leaving it all their own way. In Scotland, Mr. A. L. Brown, Mr. J. G. Macdonald, Sir George Trevelyan—then believed to be a unionist—then from the Elwick, Burgess, had to reply the other evening at a social banquet at Glaxton to the toast of 'The House of Commons.' The chairman, in proposing it, referred to the disgraceful rowdyism of the last session, and particularly to Mr. Healy's attempt to 'carry a pitcher of ale across the house and dash it in the face of the speaker.' Mr. Healy said he would like to say a few words in defense of his friend Mr. Timothy Healy, but got further. He was hoodwinked. There is no doubt that Mr. Healy will be promoted to talk of something else.

OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

Prison, and the freedom of their choice has been proved by the majority which the elections have given to M. Stamboulou, the Prime Minister and sponsor for the Porte to confer Prince Ferid, and the Powers to give their assent. Whether the Powers will or will not approve the election of Prince Ferdinand is yet no authoritative declaration, but if they disapprove they will be morally bound to submit a substitute for him, else they would be responsible for the anarchy that must ensue; and no Power ought to have the opportunity of its own hand of keeping the country in the unsettled condition at present existing in Bulgaria. The Powers declined to disallow the candidature of Prince Ferdinand, when it was first proposed under very dubious circumstances, and they surely cannot with any propriety refuse to do so now, when he has not only been *de facto* installed, but the elections have shown that the Bulgarians are quite content to accept him as their ruler. The influence of Russia will scarcely be enough to keep Bulgaria in the anarchy which she desires. The following details have to be noted: Mr. Alexander Boursouff, M.P. for the East of Cornwall, Lord Dalrymple, the Chevalier Joseph Yonke-William, M.P. for K.S.G., and Major-General John McKeay.

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