

The Colonist.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1893.

MR. BOWELL'S MISSION.

The Hon. Mr. Bowell has been warmly welcomed in Australia. Great attention has been paid him, and he has been afforded every facility to obtain the information he requires.

THE PROPOSED INCOME TAX.

The proposed United States income tax is to be two per cent. on all incomes above \$3,000 or \$3,500 a year. The prospect of having to pay an income tax is not pleasing to many of our American neighbors.

In the Eastern States an income tax which is the complement of a tariff for revenue, is as unpopular as it is on the Pacific Coast.

The Democrats will find that framing a system of taxation on a tariff for revenue basis is not such easy or such pleasant work as a number of enthusiastic free-trade politicians thought it would be a few months ago.

THE WINNIPEG ELECTION.

The return of Mr. Martin for Winnipeg is proclaimed to be a victory for the trade policy of the Opposition. It was to be expected that this claim would be made, but, if all the truth were known, it would, we believe, be found that Mr. Martin owes his return rather to the stand he took on the school question than to his advocacy of Mr. Laurier's non-descript trade policy.

PINIS OROBAT OPUS.

The Province is to be congratulated on the completion of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway. What the Kootenay country wanted more than anything else is to promote its development and transport.

The settlement of that rich country by energetic and industrious men will be a great advantage to the whole Province. When West Kootenay has a population of thirty or forty thousand, which, if present indications are to be relied upon, it will soon have, there is not a city or town or settlement in British Columbia that will not be benefited by the large accession to its consuming and producing population.

will, we are satisfied, be found to be scarcely worth mentioning. On the eastern side of the Dominion, railway lines running south and connecting with the great railway system of the United States, are considered necessary to the prosperity and proper development of Canada, and is there any reason why lines running in the same direction in the west should not be equally indispensable?

VIGOROUS CRITICISM.

The San Francisco Argonaut takes a common sense view of Mr. Gresham's report. It, from the first, denounced the proceedings of Consul Stevens as inconsistent with true republicanism, and it scouted the idea of annexing Hawaii to the United States because a few ambitious men, without any reference to the people at all, had, with the aid of a not very scrupulous American minister, effected what they called a revolution.

MCKINLEY AND THE FARMERS.

The McKinley policy of very high protection does not seem to be a success, as far as agricultural produce is concerned. The Ontario farmers who went to New York to find if their neighbors in that State were rolling in riches, because they have at their disposal the market of sixty-five millions, found that these farmers were not better off than themselves.

We now see why it is that the farmers of New York State and other agricultural States have no reason to thank Mr. McKinley for the high duties he imposed on agricultural produce. The customs returns show that they could not dispose of all the produce of their farms at home, that they were obliged to send much of it abroad to foreign markets, where it had to compete with similar produce raised by other nations.

Kingston and Sunbury News, November 1: "On Thursday the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Cartwright, in Arisbon road, was the scene of brilliant festivity on the occasion of the marriage of a young lady related to them, whose home is at the Victoria Hotel. The bride was Miss Margaret Cartwright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Norton, a relative of the host and hostess of the day, of Steyning, Sussex, eldest son of Mr. Thomas Norton, of Paisley, and Miss Beatrice Mainwaring-Johnson, eldest daughter of Mr. Edward Mainwaring-Johnson, of Victoria, Vancouver Island, and, as already intimated, they were united in wedlock by the Rev. H. Hollingworth, vicar of the parish, and the choir, the latter singing a hymn. The voice that breathed 'O Eden'—in which many other hymns—was fully choral throughout, and was conducted by the vicar alone. At the close was sung 'This for ever, God of love.'"

At the parish church, where the ceremony took place, due preparations had been made, the west gate being blocked by the excavations going on, entrance was made at the other end, and an awning protected the pathway to the north door. Mr. Bailey, vicar, of Bidge road, had stripped his houses of their choicest store for the adornment of the chancel, which was tastefully decorated with palms, ferns and foliage plants, while the floor was laid with crimson baize.

Half-past two was the time appointed for the solemnization of the rite, by which time a well-attended hundred yard swimming race took place at the Leander baths last evening, there being a fair attendance of spectators and the entries being J. Meagher, J. Whitehead, A. Curran, J. Gardner, J. Tanner, F. O. Faucett, J. Boyle, G. Kenward, and A. Wall. The race was decided in three heats, Faucett, Kenward and Whitehead being safe to contest the final, which, after an exciting finish, was won by Faucett, with Kenward second, Whitehead third. The first prize was a silver cup, second a box of cigars, and a bathing suit, and to the third a box of cigars without a bathing suit.

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NOT CUTTING BATES. CHICAGO, Nov. 25.—The Canadian Pacific has proved conclusively that it is not guilty of the charge of cutting rates to the Pacific coast. It was reported that they had made a 25c rate, and a man named Howard had agreed to carry a party there for that figure, but the Canadian Pacific declined overtures from him. This was all there was to the rumor. The Canadian Pacific has announced a rate of \$23 from St. Paul to San Francisco, which makes the Chicago rate \$34 50, a reduction of \$2 50. The Western Passenger Association has announced a rate of \$23 from St. Paul to San Francisco, which makes the Chicago rate \$34 50, a reduction of \$2 50. The matter was referred to a committee.

THE REFORM RIDDLE.

The Liberals are shouting that "Tariff Reform" won a victory in Winnipeg the other day. Is there any one among them who can say, clearly and definitely, what the "Tariff Reform," which has done so much for the Liberals and is expected to do so much more, really means? No one has, as yet, given anything like a rational or reliable description of the promised reform. The Liberal speakers, without exception, deal in vague generalities. They find all sorts of faults with the present tariff, and some go so far as, in a general way, to promise large reductions of duties, but they are altogether silent as to how they are to raise a revenue. What are they to put in place of the duties that are to be reduced or wholly abolished? Is an income tax to be imposed to make up the deficiency?

What is it that the people are asked to support? How are they to know that under Mr. Laurier's tariff the burdens will not, on the whole, be heavier than they are now, and much harder to bear? Canada had a tariff for revenue when Sir Richard Cartwright (then the Hon. Richard) was Finance Minister. The revenue raised under it was insufficient for the requirements of what the Liberals declare was a pure and an economical Government. There was a deficit and the Finance Minister, so far from being able to lower the rate of taxation, was compelled to raise it. Some persons predict that the new tariff for revenue only is to be anything like the old one? If it is, what is to prevent its producing the same results?

Why do not the Liberal leaders give the people some definite information respecting the reforms they intend to make. They should place those whom they address in a position to be able to decide whether the changes they propose to make in the fiscal policy of the country will be reforms or not. At present there is no such information to be obtained. They should let the country know, for instance, what commodities they intend to place on the free list, and on what classes of goods the duties are to be lowered, what is to be the maximum rate of duty on manufactured goods, and so forth. Information such as this the people have a right to demand, and it can be given without divulging any detail that should be kept secret. Surely Canada does not expect the people of the United States to keep in the dark or to rely upon statements and promises that can only bear an interpretation which it may suit the interest or the convenience of the leaders of the Liberal party to put upon them.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

THE HORNETS WIN FROM WESTMINSTER—NANAIMO EXCELSIORS DEFEAT VICTORIA JUNIORS. WESTMINSTER, Nov. 25.—(Special)—The Rugby match—Nanaimo Hornets vs. Westminster—at Queen's Park, this afternoon, was splendidly contested, and resulted in a victory for the Nanaimo men, the score being a goal and a try to nothing. Rain and snow fell alternately during the game, making very unpleasant. The ground was wet and spongy.

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THE MANCHESTER MEETING.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—The principal event of the Manchester November handicap, took place to-day. It was won by Golden Drop, Simonian second, Nov-er-a-Gun third.

THE GUE.

Preparation is being made for the annual handbill tournament at the Hotel Victoria, entries for which are now being received. A handsome prize of a set of pipes is the victor's reward, and it is no thing to enter.

SCHOLARSHIP THE VICTOR.

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FIGHTING BRAZILIANS.

Rebel Ironclad Sunk—President Peixoto Interfered With Cleveland for Admiral Stanton.

Attempt to Stop Warships Leaving New York for Breach of International Law.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Nov. 24.—The ironclad Javary, rebel ship, carrying their heaviest artillery, was sunk this afternoon in the port by the loyal fleet (St. John). The northern column of the army which operates in Santa Catarina under command of General Argollo, destroyed the rebel forces, which lost their gun carriages, munitions and horses, leaving many dead and wounded.

Buenos Ayres, Nov. 24.—News from Rio de Janeiro is that President Peixoto will cable to President Cleveland requesting that nothing be done by the American Government prejudicial to the rank or commission of Admiral Stanton, as it is believed by the Brazilian Government that no discourtesy toward it was intended by Admiral Stanton when he saluted the rebel admiral.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Advice received from Rio de Janeiro is to the effect that the proclamation issued a few months ago by the foreign ministers of that country forbidding the bombardment of Rio de Janeiro was withdrawn. Foreign residents here were alarmed at the prospect of serious disorders on Sunday, when the legislative elections will be held. Some persons predict that restriction on independent opinion as to the success of official candidates, will cause revolution. Foreigners living here are unwise to do anything in support of either party.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—The British ship Deacon arrived from Rio to-day. She reports that while en route on a mail steamer under a cross fire between Admiral Mello's ship and Peixoto's forts, the vessel was struck amidships by a bullet from a rapid firing gun. There was no serious damage. The Brazilian flag will be unfurled from the masthead of the old Britannia and the vessel christened America with appropriate ceremonies. The work of transferring her into a warship is nearly complete. The guns are on board and the torpedoes placed. Edmund Guerin, who says he is a Montreal barrister, and Francis E. Dwyer, of whom claim to be friends of Admiral Mello, are making efforts to have the de facto government of Brazil recognized. The American consul in Rio de Janeiro has from this port stopped. They made application to District-Attorney Mitchell to detain them in holding the ship, but he declined to do so. They persisted that the neutrality laws were being violated by the fitting of such ships as the Nitrothery, American and Destroyer. They addressed a despatch to President Cleveland yesterday on behalf of Admiral Mello and the insurgent party of the republic of Brazil, protesting against such open violations of the neutrality laws.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Nov. 24.—No action has been taken by the president on the application of Messrs. Guerin and Dwyer, acting in Admiral Mello's interest, to have the government stop further recruiting in the country for the Brazilian navy. It is difficult to see how the government can take any action in the matter as it now stands.

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