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SENSELESS OPPOSITION.

It is a pity that the organ of the Op- £138,737,828, or more than \$643,000,000. of the line did so as clearly and as "I have a deal of talking and said: -position cannot or will not discuss any The quantities, as may be supposed, are cordially as Mr. O'Farrell has done. question, no matter how important it is, very great. The spirits consumed totalon its merits fairly and reasonably. led 39,082,783 gallons, the beer 1,160,122,-The day on which the terms of Mr. Bod- 748 gallons, wine 14,635,568 gallons, well's offer to build the British Pacific other liquors 15,000,000 "gallons. The were published the Times, without ex- expenditure for strong drink per head amining the terms of that offer or pass- was in the United Kingdom £3.12.91/4, ing an opinion on them in any way, making for every family of five persons shouted "BETRAYED!" Does anyone £18.3.101/4, which is about \$91.

The increase of 1895 over 1894 was in this city mean to say that the present Government are bound to accept any £3,676,984 or over \$13,000,000. How the consumption of intoxicants offer to build the British Pacific,

no matter what the terms may in the United Kingdom compares be or what the financial condition with their consumption in Canada of the Province? Anyone capable of we have no means of ascertaining at reflection must see in a moment that hand, but we strongly incline to the before a journal can reasonably opinion that Canadians, man for man say that the electors of Victoria are be- and woman for woman, drink considertrayed by the rejection of the terms ably less than do the natives of the Britoffered by Mr. Bodwell, it must be in a ish Islands. It is, we think, safe to conposition to prove that the terms of the clude that good times and bad times in offer are reasonable and such as the Canada have the same effect on the conoffer are reasonable and such as the Canada have the same effect on the con-the present feeling of unrest and appre-his fads at the bidding of the clock is province in its present condition could sumption of strong drink as they have in hension, and may entail great misery one to be cherished. He is a martyr in accept. Besides, the Government's ac- Great Britain.

cuser would have to show that its mem- The collector of drink statistics in bers were pledged to build the road Great Britain is Dr. Dawson Burns. His Court is now the proper thing to do, and meeting. within a certain specified time. To cry figures are treated by the Times as being this doubtless will shortly be done. out "Betrayed " as soon as the offer was perfectly reliable.

made, without trying to show that it is a good offer and one which

AN IMPARTIAL ESTIMATE.

ise. He said, if we remember right, that States citizens who are risking their in operation a separate school system ercise the functions of a protector, they is government would carefully consider money in developing the mineral wealth and abolished it, the minority would, were regarded with jealousy and dislike any business proposition that was laid of the Kootenay country are con- under the Constitution, have the right by the native chiefs. The protectors, in before them for the construction of that ferring a great benefit on the to appeal to the Government of the Do- order to maintain their position, were road. Was there anything deceptive in Province. They know that these minion for the restoration of its educa- obliged to keep an army in and near that? The organ of the Opposition in con- Americans are doing what many tional privileges. The reason why the their protectorate. And now we find demning the Government for not ac- of their fellow-countrymen both in Great minority in New Brunswick was not the Abyssians turning upon their cepting Mr. Bodwell's offer without try- Britain and in Canada are too timid and successful in their appeal to the Do- protectors and giving them a sound ing to show that that offer was worthy too distrustful to do, and they esteem minion was that they could not drubbing. This is not colonizing in the of acceptance, is pursuing a course which them accordingly. We are greatly mis- prove that when the province en- British sense. It is not likely that is both unreasonable and unfair. It is taken if those enterprising Americans tered the Dominion separate schools Italy will ever be able to transform acting on the assumption that the elect- who have faith in our country will not had been established by law. Denom- Abyssinia into a colony. The country ors of Victoria and of the whole Pro- receive as good treatment at the hands inational schools in New Brunswick of the Abyssinians is easily defended, vince are destitute of reason and with- of our governments, Dominion and Pro- had received gifts from the legislature and they have learned how to defend it out any sense of justice. It seems to vincial, as they would receive at the of the colony previous to confederation, They have had enough of Italy's protecthink that it has only to raise a cry and hands of their own governments, Fed- but giving such schools money to help tion, and if the Italians ever again try DYSPEPSIA, to make an accusation to set the people eral and State. It is right that the men them on while they remained wholly un- to protect them it is more than probable from one end of the Province to the who are investing their money in British der denominational control did not make that it will not be the Abyssinians who Columbia mines, whether they are them public schools, and did not estab- will need a protector. other against the Government. Canadians, Englishmen or Americans, lish them by law. It was to get over It is utter folly now for any European

should receive without distinction this obstacle, to cure this defect, that nation to try to imitate Great Britain's all the encouragement which the Gov- the words "in practice " were inserted policy of colonization. There are ernment can in justice to the other in- in the Manitoba Act; but the Judicial now very few colonizable countries in the terests of the Province extend to them, Committee of the Privy Council decided world that are not occupied, and the and we believe that one of the principal that they did not effect the purpose inobjects of the present Government is to tended. New Brunswick, then, did not treat them all as they for their enter- abolish separate schools, for the good one reason or another, unsuited for colprise and their courage deserve to be and sufficient reason that there were onization. Either the climatic condinone in the province to abolish. The edi-

The merchants of Victoria will not, we tor of the Globe ought to have known, the inhabitants are too numerous and are quite certain, be blind to the sugges- and we are afraid did know this. too full of fight to make pleasant neightions which Mr. O'Farrell throws out

WORDS IN SEASON.

trade in British and foreign goods to The modest gentleman who with so or later do as the Italians have done in Spokane and other American cities. much tact and good humor protested Abyssinia-catch a Tartar. What he says about this is reasonable, against the speakers, at the meeting to contracts. WEEKLY ADVERTISEMENTS—Ten cents a line solid nonpareil, each insertion. No advertise-ment inserted for less than \$2. contained in the interview will not be audience, and wasting time in airing thrown away upon them. Mr. O'Far- their fads will to his surprise find that News-Advertiser says: The area in insertion. No advertisement and the increases in the increase in the increase in the increase in the increase in the strong drink used by the people is very day. The relations between Canada and the timely and very appropriate little increase in the timely and very appropriate little increase in the strong drink used by the people is very day. United States being strained if broad- speech:

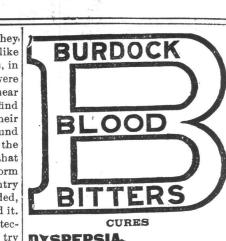
minded, intelligent and appreciative A gentleman, whose name is not given Americans who visit Canada and give mense sum of £142,414,312, or over \$710,000.000; for the year 1894 it was observation and experience on this side "I have as many fads as any other

tion would receive consideration, orman. but I have them in my pocket. I dinary common sense would suggest rose to suggest that the resolution be that such a limitation and put, so that we may go home." terpretation was implied. It is recorded that this fragment of wisdom was received with "great ap-The Law Journal, published in Toronfication or any pledge, however general plause," and that the resolution was or liberal, only shows himself to be so to, of March 2 contains an article on Diforthwith put and carried. Of this man, lacking in gumption as to make it quesvorce in British Columbia. After allud- all who frequent public meetings will tionable whether he possesses sufficient He ing to the case of Levy v. Levy, with re- pray "May his tribe increase!" who realizes that there is a time to have been compelled to criticise gard to which the Chief Justice declined gard to which the Chief Justice declined who realizes that the knows it severely recent proposals and policies of to be Simon-pure gospel—has that most the Government, we hope that we shall the court in such matters, and stating at uncommon wisdom known ironically as never permit any political bias so to insome length the grounds of objection, 'common sense." The public meeting should not be an object of dread to the average citizen. It is, properly used, a trayed" his constituents because he did Under the circumstances it is but valuable organ of the body social. There ommon prudence that so grave a ques- are few better ways to create public tion should be set right at once. If the sentiment, but it becomes a spiked gun jurisdiction exists there need be no when men are afraid to go to it lest they more anxiety; but if it is shown not to be kept out so late that their minds will exist or is doubtful then possibly legis- be off temper the next day. The man lation can be procured to set the matter who prolongs public meetings and the

at rest. There is certainly ample room man who bores public meetings should for argument against the fact of there be yoked together and driven into the being jurisdiction. But to permit the wilderness. Public meetings ought to question to remain open is to confirm be edited, and the man who can pocket The course that the Chief a new cause-a modern Curtius who may Justice has advised, viz., having the close the yawning gulf of deadly borematter discussed pro and con in Full dom which is swallowing the public

From this it is to be inferred that there Alluding to an impertinent and very are other places besides the city of Vicinjudicious paragraph on the subject toria in which there are gentlemen who fulfilled. that appeared in an Ottawa newspaper, are in love with the sound of their own the Government in the interest of the It is not often that a citizen of the the Law Journal comments severely, voices and who never lose an opportun-

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fluence our opinion as to cause us to charge Mr. Turner with having "be-

not accept any particular scheme presented to him. COLUMBIA WESTERN RAILWAY. To THE EDITOR :- Will you allow me space in your columns to put before your readers the view which many of the people of the province have regarding the scheme of the Columbia Western

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barous or semi-barbarous people are, for

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ner has "betrayed" the people of Vic-

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by saying that any "business" proposi-

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railway. The proposals of the promoters were made with the nominal intention of benefiting the province of British Columbia as regards the agricultural, mineral and commercial classes, and unless there is some alteration made in the conditions of the charter as now be

The Victoria board of trade made

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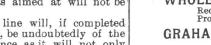
legislative assembly will be favorably

Victoria, 9th March, 1896.

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fore the legislative assembly it is feared that the objects aimed at will not be The proposed line will, if completed from end to end, be undoubtedly of the



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inhabitants of the Province ought to acand we wish we could say unjustly, on United States speaks of any part of cept, is what no one but a political in- | Canada as frankly and as free from pre-"items " in " the average daily papers." cendiary would do. judice as Mr. P. A. O'Farrell does of It says:

If the Government hastily and with- Victoria and British Columbia in genout giving the matter due consideration eral. In the interview with him that incorrect, and being too often written by had accepted an offer which they believed we reproduced from the Spokane Chron- irresponsible and ignorant persons, and intended to appeal to the prejudices and to be bad, or even if they accepted a good | icle there is not a word to show that | to be bad, or even if they accepted agood icle there is not a word to show that passions of the masses who desire to be tickled by something sensational (whethince was not in a position to carry it good-will to this country is visible in er true or false is immaterial) should out without unduly burdening the tax- every line of that interview. He really carry no weight. payers, they would then have laid them- speaks well of our legislators; better statements as the ever, are calculated to do harm selves open to the charge of betraying the indeed than many Canadians seem dis- in that they tend to break down that people. The Government are bound to do posed to do. It is the fashion with a reverence for law and order so necessary what they consider best for the interests certain class of Canadians to belittle for the welfare of any community. The colonies forget that the only really suchonor of the Chief Justice of of the people, and if they enter into Provincial legislatures and to talk of Columbia, of course, needs no defence engagements which they believe to be their members as if they had very little against such silly slanders. The fact prejudicial to those interests every man either of intelligence or of public spirit. that the objection to the jurisdiction of which was an uninhabited wilder- American houses from the other side of possessed of the least discernment must Mr. O'Farrell does justice to our Legisla- was taken by his eminent predecessor see that they are false to their trust, tive Assembly and compares it favorably would be a sufficient vindication, if any that they have betrayed those who with the Legislatures of some of the

placed confidence in their prudence and States of the Union. And what he says their integrity. But the Times has not is true. The British Columbia Legislamade the slightest attempt to show that ture is composed of intelligent and to accept the offer was in the best inter- broad-minded men. They bring as much ests of the people. Where, then, is the knowledge and public spirit to the work question in the Dominion or for purposes The European immigrants had but little of their endeavors will be frustrated. justice or indeed the sense in its de- of legislating for the people of the prov- of its own it affects ignorance. In an to do but to take possession of the goodly claring that the people have been be- ince as is to be found in the legislature of article on the remedial bill it says: traved?

Yesterday evening the organ, still state of the Union. without adducing a single fact, making Mr. O'Farrell discusses one of the the minority contained in the British a single calculation, or using a single ar- features of the Government's bill for North America act. If that is an argugument to show that the government taxing the products of the mines. He is ment for the restoration of separate been able to transform into what can ought to have accepted the offer, declared that the people have been deceived. It on the net products of the mines is too separate schools exist to-day? New accuses the Government of "hypocrisy" high. He believes that one per cent. Brunswick, one of the original members without trying to show in what the hy-pocrisy consists. It also charges Mr. Davie with having "deliberately deceiv-deal of discussion and it is pleasant to show and the solution and the solution of the so ed the people of this city." We do not to see that it has been carried on so Macdonald, who must have been at least places quite thickly by peoples think there is a single elector in the city rationally and with such good temper. as good an authority on the Confedera- more or less civilized, and who know who is so unreasonable as to condemn the Government for having rejected the cates, has been very far from being ex-sult of interference would be to convert offer until he is shown that it is one that acting in this matter and has listened the Confederation into a legislative and children who will have little else to ought to be accepted. Our contempor- with respect and attention to the sugges- union.

ary quotes a speech made by Mr. Turner tions which mine-owners and others in- The Globe, purposely no doubt, mis- sue other avocations, under conditions on the eve of the last election, in which terested in mines have considered it their apprehends the nature and the drift of more favorable than those by which they he expresses himself favorable to duty to make. We have no doubt that Sir Charles Tupper's argument; but let were surrounded in their native land. the construction of the British the Government will do what is fair and that pass. The passage quoted above In Africa, in Madagascar, and in Asia Pacific railway. Did Mr. Turn- reasonable in the matter, and will go as shows that the writer of the article the climate is not very favorable to the er then promise to accept any far as they conscientiously can to meet knew nothing about the state of public European constitution, and the colonist

er then promise to accept any offer to build that road that might be made? He gave no such pledge. A leader of a government might be most favorable to the construction of a road through a certain section of the country, and yet refuse a dozen offers to build that road, with perfect consistency. Any the troad, with perfect consistency. Any the troad, with perfect consistency. Any the troad, with perfect consistency. Any the troad with the troad that might be most the troad that might be main the troad that might be most that a colory. The matrices and the troad that might be most the troad that might be most that the troad that might be most that the troad that might be most that the troad that the tro that road, with perfect consistency. Any- in British Columbia. He says that no to Confederation, separate schools had the country are numerous, free, indeone who read the speeches made by the dislike is exhibited to Americans who been established in any of the Maritime pendent and warlike. Their King, when Hon. Theodore Davie during the last own and operate mines in this Province. provinces, they would have been con- in difficulties, accepted the "protection" general election, must admit that he was Mr. O'Farrell's observation has not tinued as they have been continued in of Italy, evidently not having the remost careful as to what he said about the been at fault in this matter. British QuebecandOntario. More than that, if any motest idea as to what a protectorate British Pacific. He made no rash prom- Columbians know that the United one of those provinces had, by law, set means. When the Italians began to ex-

ity of expatiating on their pet theories take the ores of the different mines to at public meetings. These faddists evithe smelter, all within our own lines, dently forget that what is a delight to but will allow the mining communities They (the items) are very frequently them is a sore infliction on the great ma- to be supplied with produce from Vic toria, Vancouver and the agricultural jority of their hearers. districts of the Okanagan and neighbor hood. The line via Penticton will be

CAUGHT A TARTAR. shorter and the goods traversing it will require less handling than is the case via Italy is likely to pay dearly for its atthe Canadian Pacific railway line by Such tempt to extend its influence over the way of Revelstoke. The goods from kingdom of Abyssinia. Italy and the within the limits of our own province will, therefore, be better able to comother nations which have been of late pete with the goods which will come in If years afflicted with the craze to found via Spokane. But if the western portion of the proposed line should not be constructed the cessful attempts at colonization have whole volume of trade will flow through been made in countries the greater part Fort Sheppard to Spokane, and the

ness. North and South America and the frontier will supplant our own Australasia, when they were first vis- merchants in our own markets. ited by Europeans, were almost wholly

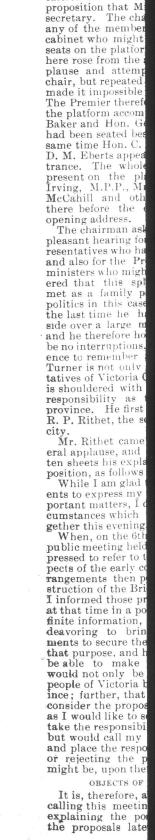
unoccupied. Except in two or three year to gain a hold of these SURPRISINGLY IGNORANT. countries the number of the inhabitants centres of distribution, but it will be The Toronto Globe is either lamenta- when compared with the extent apparent that if this line of railway is bly ignorant of the history of the school of the territory was utterly insignificant. and its neighborhood, they will see all hope of getting a market for their agriland. The inhabitants offered but a any province of the Dominion or in any Sir Charles Tupper says that Confed- feeble resistance and that for no great eration would have been impossible length of time. It was very different

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that the promoters of the Columbia United States and that those who suffer are our own brethren I hope that the petitions of those who have put their

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