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provincial administration was pledged to, and to which it made up its mind, was to place the finances of the provinces.

In this case, however, our contention is based not wholly on the distribution of patronage of this kind in an equitable way but also upon the provinces. was to place the finances of the proving it was necessary to resort to unpopular measures, which involved the increase of taxation, the cutting down of appropriations, the exercise of various economies and the creation of new two fiscal years for which the present Minister of Finance is responsible. The first showed a small surplus. The close of the second financial year, on July 1st last, was expected also to

The revenue last uscal year was close upon \$3,000,000, but unless there is an exceptional wave of prosperity the government cannot hope to maintain it at that level; but even if it were possible, and while a may not materially diminish, there are large responsibilities in the way of public works of one kind and another, especially in the newer mining districts, which cannot make the cannot have a specially in the newer mining districts, which cannot make the cannot have the evaded. It is satisfactory, however,

ada would consider the question of filling it by the appointment of a member of the bench or bar of this province. It would seem that the time has come for acting on the intention thus indicated.

If the conditions of life on the Pacific slope present essential feaures differentiating them from those prevailing elsewhere on the continent. Statutory laws developing on lines required by the unique necessities of this province present unique characteristics. The laws affecting mining, land registration and water rights are examples, It is not too much to say that a lawyer trained in Ontario, for example, does not readily find himself at home with the legal problems demanding judicial determination here. There are strong reasons, therefore, connected with the efficiency of the Supreme Court as a final court of appeal for the Supreme Court as a final court of appeal for the Supreme Court and American and populations of the first more and only to be a success, and only to lead the province why the step suggested should be taken. We have already a precedent in the translation of Mr. Justice Killam from the Supreme Court Bench of Manitoba to the Supreme Court of Canada. We have already a precedent in the translation of Mr. Justice Killam from the Supreme Court and the translation of Mr. Justice Killam from the Supreme Court and the translation of Mr. Justice Killam from the Supreme Court and the province with a first and the people there who may be interested in knowing our resources and capabilities in that respect.

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that body, there is no reason why the court should be made up of persons selected wholly from that part of Canada east of Lake Superior, or perhaps in the Northwest, the demands of which exceed our ability to supply. To the efforts made by the government in bringing about this result much credit is due. It has encourence and the sway in politics of the good

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statement, it is highly satisfactory to know that there is a substantial surplus in hand. The receipts have exceeded the estimates by a considerable amount, due to the increased revenue from land and timber. The estimates of taxation made by the Minister of Finance have proved very accurate, the receipts from this source amounting to \$660,000, while the estimate was \$650,000.

Although there will be a fair surplus this year, as stated, it must be remembered that the Chinese per capita tax, which produced over \$250,000, will now disappear, and the new Assessment Act will probably reduce taxation by a considerable amount. The revenue last fiscal year was close upon \$3,000,000, but unless there is an exceptional wave of prosperity the government cannot hone to maintain it for the prosperity the government cannot hone to maintain it for the prosperity the government cannot hone to maintain it for the proper state of the manufacturers. The pump has a capacity of Victoria, is spoken of as the successor of as the successor of a man who is slated to be lieutenant-governor. For marks: "Mr. George Riley, M. P., of Victoria, is spoken of as the successor of a man who is slated to be lieutenant-governor. For marks: "Mr. George Riley, M. P., of Victoria, is spoken of as the successor. The successor of the province of the province of the province of taxation made by the Minister of Fir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere in the lieutenant-governors in the province of taxation is the successor. The pump has a capacity of Victoria, is spoken of as the successor in the province of th

mewer mining districts, which cannot be evaded. It is satisfactory, however, to know that the receipts are being well kept up so far, and that even with decreased sources of revenue there is no prospect of reverting again to the era of deficits.

BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA.

It has been known for some time that, and from intimations appearing recently in the eastern papers, there is a strong probability that Mr. Justice Nesbitt is about to resign his position as a member of the Supreme Court of Canada. On the occasion of the last appointment to that court it was stated in the despatches from Ottawa that when the next vacancy should arise the Government of canada would consider the question of filling it by the appointment of a member of the bench or bar of this province. It

Court of Canada. We have also a good illustration of the necessity of having judges with familiar knowledge of local laws, appeals from the decisions arising out of which come before them, in the Scotch Church case. The final appeal in that came before a tribunal, only one member of which was a Scotchman, and it was a Scotch ecclesiastical law that was involved throughout. The decision carried with it its own commentary.

Of course, in any judicial appointment personal and professional fitness are essential conditions. Given these, however, there is no reason why the principle of territorial representation should not (at all events to some limited extent) be admitted in determining the constitution of the court. Certainly, in the absence of some reason based upon the presumed unfitness of the members of our bench and bar to sit as members of our bench and bar to sit as members of pur bench and bar to sit as members of four bench and bar to sit as members of the four bench and bar to sit as members of the four bench and bar to sit as members of the four bench and bar to sit as members of the four bench and bar to sit as members of the members o

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And they should keep who can."
We do not think it would be suggested that persons qualified to be members of that court could not be found in British Columbia, and unless a ban of disqualification is to be indefinitely enforced against the bar and bench we do not see why such an appointment should not be made now. It is observed that in the Toronto papers there are no names mentioned in connection with the supposed vacanwould almost of necessity be devoted

first showed a small surplus. The close of the second financial year, on July 1st last, was expected also to reveal a small surplus, but until the accounts for the year in question were closed it was impossible to say how the account stood.

At the present time, although all the expenditures have not been fully accounted for, so as to give an exact statement, it is highly satisfactory to know that there is a substantial surplus in hand. The receipts have a supplied to the colony. The principle has also been recognized in the Supreme Court of the United States, the members of which have been selected from California, Louisiana, Illinois, New England and New York.

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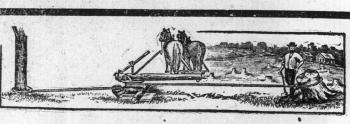
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