

MR. DUNSMUIR WITHDRAWS. No doubt recognizing that the scheme for mainland connection put forward by him was entirely beyond the powers of Victoria to accept, Mr. J. Dunsmuir has decided to withdraw from the competition.

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Again the Tory batteries are thundering forth at an unlucky Yukon official, and his character is being all torn up by the back by the expert slander-mongers in this or any other country.

DEADMAN'S ISLAND. Many Vancouverites believe there will never be a second Deadman's Island, that there was never any intention of erecting a sawmill there, and that the application to procure the island for that purpose was only a blind to enable a certain railway company to obtain a foothold in the city.

Now the former rumors of an intention on the part of the Northern Pacific Railway Company to "tap" Vancouver if it were possible to do so, are being revived, and are finding many to credit them.

DEWEY SAILS FOR HONK. Manila, May 20.—The cruiser Olympia, with Admiral Dewey on board, left here on the homeward journey at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Victorians will note with grim amusement that all the wooling (and fighting) by the corporations and the monopolists is not being done here.

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Now, the Colonist should not say things like that. In the first place the foregoing statement is not true, and in the second the morning paper should show more sense than import into the present anxious time, which has plenty of its own troubles to contend with, the dead misdeeds of a day long past.

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Up at Oyster Bay and Alexandra the ground for the new town and works is being cleared by an army of Chinese, "bossed" by one or two white men.

Some day Canada will be forced to lay hold of this question and settle it as it has been settled in other countries which for a time endured the pest.

Dominion Parliament

Proposal to Establish a Canadian Mint Discouraged by the Minister of Finance.

A Number of Railway Bills Read a Third Time—The Yukon Inquiry.

Ottawa, May 16.—Yesterday was private members day in the House of Commons. Among the propositions under consideration was one for the establishment of a Canadian mint, which failed to meet with the approval of the House.

In reply to a question by Mr. Gillies (Richmond, N.S.), the Prime Minister stated that the government had not received the report of the Royal Commission to inquire into the French fishing rights on the coast of St. Pierre and Miquelon.

At the request of Mr. Lavertie (Provincetown), the bill respecting the Banque du Peuple which provides for a full discharge to the directors of the institution of the cent custom duty 4,702,285 lbs. of foreign tobacco has paid duty of \$1,475,573.

The Minister of Inland Revenue gave to Mr. Dugas (Montreal), a statement as to the Canadian tobacco which has paid duty since the first of the current fiscal year. In that period 1,400,000 lbs. of Canadian tobacco paid duty of \$74,004, and 58,584 lbs. of Canadian twist duty to the amount of \$3,270.

Mr. Clarke (West Toronto) asked whether the government intends offering similar inducements to English, Irish and Scotch immigrants as to building of houses, sending them to the northwest coast, and providing for their urgent needs, partially of wholly, until they are settled on their lands.

Mr. Foster (Fredericton) asked a question by Mr. Foster the Premier stated that the amount of \$2,384,000 to Quebec, in consideration of its interest in the North Shore Railway, according to the legislation of 1884, and subsequent years.

The clouds have lately been more rainy than of late from western Canada. There is a world of truth in the old saying which said, "Man must work, and women must weep."

Nine-tenths of the pain and suffering that women undergo could be avoided by a little knowledge, and a resort to the right remedy.

Mr. H. H. Tupper was also informed that the government will take steps to appoint a second judge for the Yukon district. A man would be chosen who was acquainted with the needs of the district.

Mr. Davis (Saskatchewan) presented a motion for a return of all reports and recommendations of the commission appointed to investigate and report on the claims arising out of the Saskatchewan rebellion of 1885.

Mr. McInnes (Vancouver Island) moved, that in the opinion of this House it is desirable and expedient that the government should take the earliest possible date to establish a mint in Canada for the purpose of causing all the gold, silver and copper necessary to meet the commercial requirements of the country.

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Ottawa, May 15.—Hon. Mr. Sifton this afternoon laid on the table of the House copies of the orders in council disallowing two ordinances passed by the Yukon Council, of which the first was in respect of the sale of certain lands and the issue of liquor licenses, while the second dealt with the status of the legal profession in the Yukon district.

Government Officials Taking Up Land. There is some interesting information in the return brought down this afternoon, in which details are given of the extent to which government officers were far years permitted to take up mining and farm lands in the Northwest.

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A CASE IN QUEBEC.

A Montreal Man Finds a Way Out.

Montreal, May 22.—It was not generally known here until the publication of Mr. John H. Barber's statement that troubles of the bladder were closely connected with disordered kidneys.

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Inspection Returns

Vancouver Again Leads the Local Battalion by a Good Margin.

The Official Returns From Col. Peters, the Inspecting Officer.

The results of the annual inspection of the Fifth Regiment were transmitted to Col. Peters, D.O.C., and are published in a regimental order. The order accompanying and the return are as follows:

The following return of the comparative efficiency of the Fifth Regiment, C.A., has been received from the district officer commanding, is published herewith for general information.

Table with columns: Full Strength, 1st Major, 2nd Major, 3rd Major, 4th Major, 5th Major, 6th Major, 7th Major, 8th Major, 9th Major, 10th Major, 11th Major, 12th Major, 13th Major, 14th Major, 15th Major, 16th Major, 17th Major, 18th Major, 19th Major, 20th Major.

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Fire Fiasco at

A Large Block of Brooklyn Burned Ground.

Many People Have Escaped—Race Track Closed—Damage \$480,000.

New York, May 22.—A big fire on Manhattan avenue and Greenpoint yesterday by a 10-day, causing a loss of buildings destroyed included and fourteen dwellings.

Chicago, May 22.—Harlem almost completely destroyed. The flames were on street and soon spread over 40 horses were quartered, 2000 people were homeless.

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CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. CURE SICK HEADACHE. ACHE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has applied to the Board of License Commissioners for the County of St. John's District for a license under the provisions of the Liquor License Act, 1886, and that the said application will be considered by the said Board at the Court House, Dunsmuir at the hour of eleven o'clock of the forenoon of the 24th day of June, 1899.