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The Colonist.

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ELIZABETH OF ENGLAND.

To rightly judge of the character of

in council, as to her common sense real-

ization of her own limitations, which led

her to put confidence in such a patriot

caused if between the fire from the forts The name of "Good Queen Bess" has and that from the Spaniards, Admiral been so associated with the culminating Dewey had been compelled to draw off glories of the kingdom of England that his ships. The victory will give the the only tenable point that we have every time, her memory is almost revered by Eng- United States navy a great deal of con- seen taken against allowing the franlishmen the world over. Yet it would fidence. This is the first time the ships chise for Dominion elections to be regunot be correct to say that she either (1e- have been under fire, and so far as ap- lated by the provinces, namely, that, ated the Elizabethan era or was typical pears from the dispatches, they stood whereas in some of the provinces the of it. Fortunately under the system of the test remarkably well. Later details principle of "one man, one vote" pregovernment which the English people may put somewhat of a different face vails, in others a man may have a vote have aimed at since time immemorial, the on the matter; but at present our neigh- in every constituency in which he owns personality of the sovereign is able to bours may well feel proud of what they property. We do not think much of the was necessarily only an opinion. No make itself felt negatively rather than have done.

affirmatively upon the nation, and the further we get below the surface of portance, much more so than is implied of the local government, for in the first such a subject. events in our study of English history, in the loss of Manila by Spain. If the place it is only partly true, and in the the more clearly we will realize how United States fleet had been at all dam- next place some one has to make up the large a part the people have played and aged, it would have been compelled to lists, and on the average there is about how small has been the part of the sov- cross the Pacific for repairs and this as much honesty in one set of officials as ereigns in making the record glorious. Personally Elizabeth was not admirand left them free to prey upon the com- in Quebec and New Brunswick, where able, except for two qualities, common merce of the North Pacific or even make a man may have a dozen votes if he sent how many Chinamen he employed sense and courage. She was vain. sus- a descent upon the Coast. This is now owns property in a dozen constituencies, picious, vacillating and, if half the stories out of the question and unless hostilities there is a serious objection on principle, of her relations with Leicester are true, are prolonged sufficiently to permit unless, indeed, we are to adopt the idea grossly immoral. She was an ordent Spain to get some of what she calls aux- of cumulative voting in its entirety, and thy brother's eye."

Protestant, but apparently chiefly iliary cruisers, but which will in point the country is not ready for that. If through policy, for she was quite ready of fact be privateers on the ground, this property is to vote, and that is the only need not try to work up heroics over the to embrace Roman Catholicism if the quarter of the globe will not feel the reason why a man having property in opposition "walk out." No one realized Pope would secure her marriage with shock of war, a matter for which we several constituencies is allowed several bow absurdly silly the performance was Leicester. Even after the Spanish Ar- shall all feel devoutly thankful. We feel unable to join in the belief a man who has twice as much property selves. It is positively cruel on the par mada had been destroyed, she was ready to place herself and her kingdom under that this battle will hasten the conclu- as another in one constituency ought not of their newspaper supporters to men the control of Spain if her desires in this sion of the war. It is, except so far as to have two votes to the other's one. In tion the matter at all. respect could be gratified. Her treatment it secures a large measure of safety for other words, if more votes than one may

of Mary Queen of Scots may have been United States merchantmen on the Fa- be cast by the same individual, there is justified by the cruel ideas of her day, cific, only an incident which does not no reason why we should not adopt the and there is little doubt but that the go to determine the result either one way principle on which the votes of share- \$44,000 subsidy per mile for the Coastbeautiful daughter of the Stuarts was or the other. Admiral Dewey can prob holders in a company are distributed. an arch-intriguer: yet it is hard to for- ably take care of the Philippine Islands; We suggest that the difficulty raised too great. The error was typographical give Elizabeth's conduct in assenting to but if there is danger of a native rising by the Mail and Empire can be got over and we correct it because the Enterprise the infliction of the death penalty, and a general massacle. Great Britain by providing that the while the lists of is only issued weekly. strongly presumptive as was the evi-and some of the other powers may inter- the province shall be taken, non-resident fere. What will become of the islands is votes shall not be allowed. This would dence of treason.

another question and a very serious one. compel a man to vote in the constituency Court of the United States, said in a re Elizabeth, we must remember the cir- Spain can hardly hope to retain them where he resides and would prevent any cent case that the lives of the judges of cumstances of her birth, early training now. But who will take them? 'This one from casting more than one ballot. the land should be open to the light of and surroundings. Her father, Henry is by no means as easy a question to If this were done there would be little day and their judicial acts should be VIII., married her mother, the beauti- answer as one might think. We inti- objection to using the provincial lists, al- freely criticized. This is a decided gain ful Anne Boleyn, notwithstanding the mated the other day the possibility that, though the voting qualification in the in the United States, where the doctrine refusal of the Pope to consent to his di- if Spain saw herself unable to keep these several provinces is not uniform. of contempt of court has been pushed to vorce from Catharine of Aragon. This islands, she might conclude to offer them We note that the only ground upon an extreme limit,

act led to the breach between Rome and to Germany in consideration of support which the Ottawa ministry base their England which never was bridged over. against the United States. They would proposed change is the expense of the The New Westminster Sun draws at-To the adherents of the Roman Cathobe a splendid possession in the hands of present systen, which is so great that tention to the fact that the people who a strong government. But Germany it is out of the question to have a revis- objected to the Mackenzie-Mann contract lic church. Elizabeth was illigitimate. would hardly be allowed to accept them ion of the lists every year. Thus the because the land grant was of untold Her right to the throne was disputed by without a struggle. They would com- present list of Dominion voters is several value, now object to the proposed pro-Mary Queen of Scots upon that very ground. During the reign of her halfpletely overshadow the possessions of years old and if an election were called vincial aid to the railway on the ground sister Mary she was much of the time France on the Asiatic coast. Great Bri-this year under these lists, a very large that the Yukon is no good any way. tain could not regard such a step with number of people would be disfranchised. the age of 25 she ascended the throne, satisfaction. It is just possible that the At the same time the ministry does not An absurd paper printed on the Maindisposal of the territory which Spain wish to be understood as surrendering the sense of security must have been land insinuates that the British Columextreme. There were intrigues of all has shown herself so unable to hold may the right of the Dominion to control the bia civil service is filled up with imporkinds at home; there was pressure of all prove as troublesome as and a great deal franchise. We had always understood tations from Great Britain. It is not more acute as a source of difficulty than it to be a part of the Liberal doctrine true; it is an untruth that has not even on the alert to escape the one and resist the Eastern question. We are sorry not that, under the federal system on which the merit of novelty. the other. That she did so successfully to be able to think that Admiral Devey's the union of the provinces is based, the The Rossland Miner thinks the govern was due not so much to her own wisdom

this now.

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victory brings the beginning of the end franchise is peculiarly a provincial conanywhere near in sight. cern. If the Liberals are going to aban- its record during the past four years. don this position, then we say it would The best friends of the government ask THE PRESS AND THE PARTIES. be far better to frame a new Dominion rothing more and nothing less than this.

and steatesman as Robert Cecil, first lord franchise act, making personal registraof Burleigh, who for forty years was her One eastern exchange advises another tion necessary and requiring annual chief adviser in all affairs of state. Per- to wait to see what the ministry think registration. This would necessitate the Yukon railway, says that Providence sonally she did very little for her coun- about Senate reform before committing appointment of officers to register the helps those that help themselves. The try. Howard of Effingham, Drake, Haw- itself to it. This is bad advice. It puts votes, but they need not necessarily be expression is trite, but it fits the case kins, Frobisher, Raleigh, Shakespeare, the press in the wrong position. The Dominion appointees. Some county or of British Columbia like a glove. Jonson, and, towards the last of her best support which a newspaper can give reign, Bacon, contributed by their cour-its political friends is an independent whom voters would be named with whom voters could register. There is no trated edition of the Kootenaian. Kaslo age, enterprise and talent far more to one. We do not mean that when party the glory of the nation than Elizabeth. lines are drawn at an election, a news-Yet she deserves a place in the esteem paper, friendly to an administration or while the besteem will be well worth reading. of all, who respect British institutions, because it was undoubtedly during her reign that the principles of free govern-ment, recognized by the Common Law as inherent in the people, came to be more fully admitted than ever before in

The Spokane Spokesman-Review is forts with safety, with a fleet hovering to urge any view upon political associon his flank and torpedoes and mines ates. It does not follow that if views so greatly pleased at the attitude of the possibly beneath his keels. In a fair urged are not accepted a withdrawal of British Columbia press on the war. stand up fight the Spanish fleet was un- support will follow. The majority must There are two explanations. One is that uestionably far outclassed; but the cir- rule in the country, and the majority the United States is only trying to do in umstances of the case almost balanced ought to rule in settling the internal Cuba what Great Britain would do under the same circumstances, and the the chances. No surprise need have been policy of a party. other is that when it comes to sympathy we are on the side of the United States

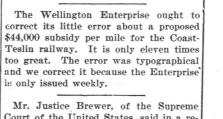
THE FRANCHISE BILL. The Toronto Mail and Empire makes against non-English speaking countries

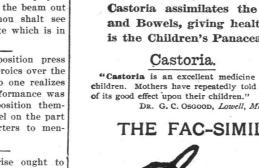
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The Columbian does not think the Col onist is correct in saying that the people of the United States did not desire war The Colonist only expressed its opinion, gathered from reading many news papers and from conversation with repre-sentative United States citizens; but i objection that the lists in the several one can say with certainty what the The battle was one of very great im- provinces are made up by the appointees majority of 60,000,000 people think on

Mr. Semlin talked about the govern ment's alleged friendship for the Chinese when he was at Duncan's the other would have released the Spanish vessels in another. But to the plan prevailing night. The report of the meeting does not say that Mr. Semlin told those pro "Thou hypocrite, first cast the beam out of thine own eye and thou shalt see clearly to cast out the mote which is in

Our friends of the opposition pres votes, no good reason can be given why any better than the opposition them





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where no suitable dation for our volu house believing the country should be of with suitable place acquire proficien that there was ninion government a sum for the drill be a great shame i en a proper dr erable shed the

Hon. Mr. Turner Hon. Mr. Turner t tion was one that sh Such a fine body of should certainly ha which to drill. As government was con 'tended to bring down estimates provisions shed, the same as case of Victoria a sheds. It was only should take an inte ment of the volunte ment of the volute the force as a good ti men morally and phy ly in favor of every had great pleasure in tion. Mr. Macpherson sai

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more fully admitted than ever before in sides determine which it will support as the history of England. Then was laid best in the interest of the country, and the foundation of the movement which work as strenuously and honorady as and a measure ought to be perfected found expression later in Puritan-it can for the success of the cause it es-providing for registration of voters, on ism, which in its turn placed pouses. We are referring, in the view Cromwell at the head of affairs and long expressed above, to the conduct of a every man a vote. The very elaborate afterwards led to the establishment of newspaper in the interim between elec-

the Thirtsen North American Colon- tions. To wait then to see what its party ies as an independent nation. What leaders may say is a very ignoble perpart Elizabeth personally may have had formance, and the paper which does so in the extension of popular rights at is fair neither to itself nor its readers. home we may never exactly know, but Unless the press of both parties main-

it is to her credit that she did not follow tain an attitude of independence in the the fashion of her time and seek to subsense we have just expressed, all the stitute personal for popular sovereignty. good effect of free discussion will be lost. She may be said to have been the first In fact there will be no such thing as constitutional sovereign of England. free discussion. An excellent illustration Compared with her contemporaries she of what we mean is afforded by the New

was far in advance of them, so far as York Evening Post, undoubtedly the her appreciation of the rights of the highest class daily paper in the United people were concerned, and while it States. Its editor is an Englishman by people were concerned, and while it would be flattering to say that she was birth, who has brought to America the new and complete plan upon the lines a great queen, while it would be absurd best traditions of British journalism. to laud her virtues and shut our eyes to her follies, and while she was un-durbted and the august to the post speaks with no uncertain sound upon all public questions. It disdoubtedly capable of much that was cusses all propositions with perfect freemean and contemptible, yet England dom, suggesting what it thinks is right owes much to her. It suited her pur- and opposing what it thinks is an error

pose-we need not stop to inquire why- with the utmost frankness. Nevertheto be fervidly loyal to the true interests less at each state, city or national elec- munitions of war to the United States. of her kingdom during the greater part tion it espouses the cause of the political This is the conclusion reached after an of her reign. She was not ambitious of party, which it believes is entitled on the elaborate view of international law bearterritorial aggrandizement through war; whole to the confidence of the people, and ing on the subject. The Globe's position she cultivated peace abroad and sought makes an exceedingly vigorous fight for is that the only risk Canadians run in to preserve harmony at home. She its candidates. When the election is over selling goods to either of the belligerents gave the country what it needed-a rest it returns to its attitude of independent is of having them seized and confiscated and a chance to show the quality of its criticism. It is perhaps hardly possible on the high seas. The point is of great people. So though neither the creator of for a Canadian journal to occupy exactly interest locally, especially in connection an era, nor typical of it, we need not the place here that the Post does in with our shipments of coal. The Amerihesitate to place the name of Elizabeth New York. The community is smaller can doctrine as laid down by Webster is of England in the roll of the world's and there is too much of the personal that a nation cannot prevent its people great women.

THE SPANISH DEFEAT.

The victory of the United States at occur to them and urge measures upon but admits that Germany and some o Manila was the triumph of modern ships the men whom they usually support. If the other continental powers do not asover those of a discarded class. Until they do not succeed in influencing their sent to it. full particulars have been received it will party to adopt their views, no harm is

be impossible to pass final judgment up done. The very essence of party gov-on the skill of the commanders or the branent is compromise, as has been said dent McKinley from Ashcroft to say: courage of the men; but such scrappy over and over again by the highest au "The civilized nations are looking to you news as has come to hand warrants the thorities on such subjects. The men belief that neither side has anything to who form a political party are those who Latin from Cuba and fifty thousand apologize for. Admiral Dewey's squad- feel that the best interests of the coun- strong from Canada will help you out." ron made a brave attack. Even the con- try are served by their working in har- What effect this will have upon the poriousness that he had better ships was mony. Each member of the party and licy of the President will doubtless for by sucrantee that he could attack the each newspaper ought to feel at liberty ever remain an inscrutable mystery.

after fejecing annost a number proposals.
Nell-Indeed; what a very persistent young man he must have been.-Philadelphia Record.
"That," said the young man who was showing a visitor the sights of Madrid,
is one of our greatest generals."
"Ah!" was the interested rejoinder,
"long hand or stenographic "-Washington Star.
An aged colored veteran was deprecating another war recently. "I don't want ter see no mo'," he said. "I had enough er de las' one."
"In the war, were, you ?"
"Alt thoo it, such; follered Ginerul Lee."
"Yes, such; I was right 'long side er him all the time." avoid expense, it ought to be withdrawn the principle of one man one vote and

ment will be judged at the elections by

The Vancouver World, discussing the

Kaslo is going to have a special illus-

has many things to tell about itself that

provisions of the Dominion franchise

The franchise is something about which there should be certainty and per manence. The method of getting on the the time." At the surrender, too?" On the spot, suh!" Do you recollect what between Lee and voters list should be simple. There

should be no routine and no fine distinctions whereby a man could be dis-Ever'thing, suh! Gin'rul wuz standin' franchised by mistake, if he employed

ah-" "Yes?" "En I passed betwixt 'em, running like devil befo'day!" "Here!" said the listener. "Take this ioney and go and get you a dram. The rinks are on me!"-Atlanta Constitution. "Before sending out missionaries now hey teach them how to cook." "I suppose that enables them to see the degree of intelligence which the ordinary individual is supposed to possess. We do not suppose the advice of the Colonist will be taken, but it is that the

proposed legislation shall stop where it is, Before sending out missionaries now they teach them how to cook."
I suppose that enables them to see their finish, as it were."-Chicago Post. The Letter--What are you thinking about, Ethel?" "I am wondering whether I should sign myself 'Yours ever' or Thine only' to a girl I detest."-Boston Beacon. Father and Son.-Mr. Ferry-You're lucky that you didn't live in the days when I was a boy. Bobby-Oh, I dunno, popper. You might have been pretty good company when you was a kid.-Clininati Enquirer. The Boston MaidShe will prate all the time in praise of the hub,
And quote you from Browning all day; But she never will join a rainy day club, Because she's not built that way.
Visitor-And your daughter painted this beautiful picture? Mrs. Uppstartt-My daughter paint it? No, indeed! Her teacher did the work. Considering what we pay him for lessons, it was the least he could do'-Boston Transcript. along without that for another twelve

The Toronto Globe says there is no-

A Quaker once hearing a person tell how much he felt for a friend who needed as-sistance, dryly observed: "Friend, hast thow felt in thy pocket for him?"-Tit Bits.

element in politics; but no good reason from trafficking in munitions of war. It EPPS'S COCOA can be given why party newspapers can only decline to protect them from

should not hold themselves free to make confiscation. The Globe says that Great any suggestions on public questions that Britain has formally adopted this view,

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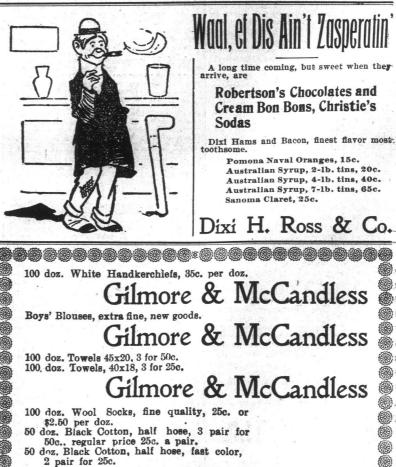
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MUST GIV Mr. Semlin moved the house to discuss t man of the committe Redistribution bill. Mr. Speaker said h that the question sh tice. The report con mals of the house unt to some conclusion m MINE On the report of Col. Baker moved a plain that limestone not minerals under t This was carried adopted. BILLS BILLS 1 The North Cowich -darles bill; the Briti Act Amendment bill Dam Co. bill; and th way bill were put thr and passed. The Small Debts Ac put through committ reported complete wi The Truck bill rep SPEEDED 1000 SPEEDY INC Hon. Mr. Eberts f reading of the Spee Towns bill explained purpose of allowing t last year to use the list instead of the m rowing money this y their revenue. The provides that the "la roll of a town should towns in question ha rolls in existence las sible for them to cor this respect until ner The second reading bill partly put throu whole, the committe ing leave to sit again SPEEDY IN INDUSTRIAL The Industrial Com through committee a Mr. Helmcken aske were possible to reco Lake Dam bill which Leather coat skin lining. for the Yuknon

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