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ABOUT RESOLUTIONS.

s of our City Council appear have yet to learn that a resolution cannot alter the law in the very slightest degree. When a resolution agrees with the law laid down with regard to its subject matter it is altogether unnecessary: when its effect is to override the statute it is not worth the paper it is written upon. The time occupied in writing, deliberating upon, to the fifty dollars limit was simply wasted. That resolution was either in accordance with the terms of the law or it differed from them in some particular more or less important; in either case it was no good. It has not affected the bearing and the force of th law in the slightest degree. What the City Council wanted in that matter was an authoritative interpretation of the law-a legal opinion whether the course pursued by the sewerage committee was or was not according to law

The resolution passed at Saturday's meeting of the Board of Health is very much of the same nature as that with regard to the fifty dollar limit. It is of no earthly use. The law specifies the duties of the Medical Health Officer and the Health Inspector with sufficient clearness. That law makes the Medical Health Officer the Health Inspector's superior. The latter official is required to carry out the intention and direction of the Mayor, the Board of Health, and the Medical Health Officer. There is no room for a conflict of opinion between the Medical Health Officer and the Health Inspecplicitly obeyed as it is that the commands of | Climax of Agricultural Disaster" : a military officer be carried out to the letter "Apparently an inexorable fate hange and without hesitation.

And if he can be thwarted and his in most counties have had to submit to a unthority questioned by the man whom he reduction of wages."

In most counties have had to submit to a intelligent opinion on the Stokes' case than maximum absorptive power found by him was in chestnut, and was 1.75 times its own must necessarily depend upon to obey his The main cause of this distress is admitted ing can be expected from the Health Depart- duce of foreign countries, and prices were ment but confusion, disorder and misdir- so low as not to return to the farmer the cost looker may be of interest just now. Wood ected and perhaps mischievously directed of production. "The result of the glut," energy. We are more than surprised that the reviewer says, "was the fall in the 1842, Chicago about 1866, Liverpool 1873 pass such a very peculiar resolution. This youd all records in relation to the purchasto see the City Council deliberately making cost of producing wheat in this country." preparations for a similar state of things in The British farmer had of course to con-

ments :
Mere than one fortnight and not more than and await the Mayor's approval before tak
dairy farmer found himself forestalled and ferent intervals requires repair or renewal.

To be about as a top sur-

CUSTOMS DUTIES.

The Grits last year, as in every other year, have been lamenting the terrible burthat their taxes were becoming heavier and heavier every year. An examination of the revenue returns for the last few years makes it clear that the burden of taxation is becoming lighter instead of growing. TRANSIENT ADVERTISING—Per line revenue returns for the last few years makes it clear that the burden of taxation is becoming lighter instead of growing per line each insertion. No advertisements in leavier as time advences. These who lie on the return of the nation dens, but those who pile on the return of the nation of the nation dens, but those who pile on the return of the nation dense heavier as time advances. Those who placed confidence in the strong statements that were in the course of the year made by the Opposition papers will, when they examine the following figures, see

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	Revenue,	Per eent. of duty.	Dr. pe
80	\$14 138.849	19.70	\$3
83	23,172,308	18 82	5
85	. 19 133,558	18 61	4
90	24,014,908	21 21	5
93	21.161,810	77.38	
95	17,880,622	16,94	3
Commenting o	n these fig	ures, the	Mo
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is made in order to suit the capita taxation was less than in 1872 (\$3 61), 1873 (\$3 55), 1874 (\$3 77), or 1875 (\$3 95) time of departure of the The duties, moreover, are so adjusted as to fall most heavily upon luxuries.

LAST YEAR'S TRADE.

Reliable figures relative to the foreign trade of the Dominion for the year ending June 30th, 1895, have been published. From The members of the City Council appear place during the first nine months of the easy or comfortable. They sigh for an hour to have a very high opinion of the efficacy year. The imports increased encouragingly of Mackenzie, and they are looking on Cartof resolutions. Resolutions are no doubt in the months of April, May and June, the wright with indulgence. These men when very good things-in their place. But totals for those months amounting to \$26,there are resolutions moved, seconded and 987,750 as against \$26,528,823 for the cor-

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7	\$100,001,002	ŀ
b	The indications are that the trade of the cur-	
1	rent year will be considerably better than that	
Ь	of last year. A good beginning has been made	
9	and accounts from all quarters are cheerful.	1
	There was a slight decline in the export	

amending and passing the resolution relative trade of last year. Here are the figures for hope that this time Mr. Laurier will speak foundations for the wood pavement on Church

1.	1894 and 1895:			
20	Products of -	1894.		1895.
m	Mine\$	5,854,291 11,305 890	\$	6 992,8
r-	Forest	26,201.716 31 905,909		23,977.6 38.712.2
84	Agriculture	17,643,722		15 671.6
	Manufactures	7,743,060 151,210		7,639 6 153.8
y	Total \$1	100,805,798	8	99,946.4
1-	The decrees on the		-	

The decrease, as the reader observes, is less than one per cent. This, when the croaking that had been going on during the year is remembered, is a very small decline indeed. Those who believe that a favorable balance of trade is a good thing for this country will be gratified to find that the exports of last year were much nearer equal in amount to the imports than they were the year before. Here are the figures

1891. 1	1895.	
\$108,904,914	\$100,981,41	
100,805,798	99,946,42	
\$ 8,099,116	\$ 1,034,98	
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"AGRICULTURAL DISASTER."

Those who want to know the condition to tor any more than there is room for a conflict which the farmers of Great Britain are reof opinion between the colonel of a regiment duced after fifty years of free trade should and its subordinate officers. And it is just read the following paragraph from an article United States citizen, and the Government United States citizen, and the Government wood blocks are laid upon bituminous or of opinion between the colonel of a regiment | duced after fifty years of free trade should as necessary that the orders of the Head of in the September number of the Fortnightly of that country wants to see the evidence hydraulic concrete foundations they form a hydraulic concrete foundations they form a

over the farmers of this country. For many It is not difficult to imagine a case in which | years they have been growing poorer and the lives, not of one person but of many poorer, and while not a few of them have will not be satisfied until they find out numerous and valuable. Commissioner the medical health officer being attended to most carefully with the utmost promptitude. It would be a nice state of things if landlords and partly by means of cutting the Health Inspector could question down expenses in every conceivable way.

The result of the New York Herald as saying:

As to the recent execution of Stokes, the and could with impunity lose time hunting for the Mayor and discussing with him the wisdom or unwisdom, the expediency or inspection of the Madical Health Officer's times: but misfortune has only been a questions. expediency, of the Medical Health Officer's times; but misfortune has only been a ques-order. The delay might be the cause of the tion of degree, as shown by the evidence having been a missionary. He was surprismost serious consequences. And who is to taken by the Royal Commission on Agri- ed in the camp of the assessin of Emin guarantee that the Mayor's decision would culture from nearly every county in Great Pasha, an agent of the Arab Tippoc Tib, barguarantee that the Mayor's decision would be a wise one?

A division of authority in such a case is simply absurd. The Medical Health Officiand that many thousands of laborers have pellate court, at the mouth of the Congo.

orders and carry out his instructions, when to be foreign competition. The British a crisis comes, as it may come any day, noth- market has been glutted with the farm procity has suffered so severely already from ing power of money—a rate represented by

the future. Here is the resolution; we trust tend against the viciseitudes of the season, that intelligent citizens will read it care-fully:

drought one year, wet harvests another, and block, the manner of laying them, and the most suitable form of foundation. "Therefore, be it resolved, that in all drawbacks and misfortunes were nothing as cases of conflict of opinion between such compared with the heartbreaking competierally agree that the foundation of a road is

spector shall report the matter to the Mayor ruinous competition. The grazier and the is merely the wearing surface that at difparatively few in Great Britain who have to consider wood blocks, and decide whether

THE SPEECH-MAKER.

Mr. Laurier is making another stumping what little reliance to be placed on their cion that even the Liberals themselves are tour in Ontario. We have a slight suspigetting tired of their silver-tongued orator. They are finding that such speeches as he makes are too sweet to be wholesome. They are not satisfying. They want something more solid and substantial than the goodies which he is continually giving them. They wood, varying in kind, some having been w. J. Ph are becoming irritated because they cannot treated with antiseptics before being laid. middle aged man of good appearance and answer in a way satisfactory even to them. That within three years from the time they address (formerly a resident of Victoria), treal Gazette said:

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Will be changed to a SEMI
treal Gazette said:

Last year the customs taxation bore comparatively lightly on the people. The percentage of duty on goods entered was lower is nothing in them. Quite a number is nothing in them. WEEKLY. This change is made in order to suit the is made in order to suit the in any other year since the establishment of the National Policy, and the per capita taxation was less than in 1872 (\$3 61).

A thread of the Liberals are earnest men faction. That, moreover, the broken surface of the pavements above mentioned has ing out of a pawnshop.

Leigh Irving, a newspaper man, said he who do not believe that it is the chief end of a state-sman to dodge the questions that are before the people, and to give those who go to hear him an infinite amount of nothing. They want to know how Mr. Laurier proposes to deal with the trade question. They find that after all the fine speeches fusion develop, which, entering the air we They find that after all the fine speeches fusion develop, which, entering the air we which their leader has made they know just breathe, are poisonous, engendering zymotic as little about his rollow with respect to the as little about his policy with respect to the them it appears that there has been a decline in the imports as compared with those tariff as they did twelve months ago. They are beginning to suspect that Mr. Laurier is wood pavements give evidence of decompo-

> tion and another and quite a different thing out in from six to eight years." in another province. At best, he so expresses himself that plain people find it impossible to make out exactly what he means. When they are taunted with this by the Great Howard street, where the traffic ex. China the right of way through Manchuria Tories they get angry, chiefly because they ceeds 3,000,000 tons annually; it was not a for the trans-Siberian railway. A struggle have to admit to themselves that it is nothing more than the truth. They perhaps afterwards adopted bituminous concrete plainly, that he will lay down a policy for street, and this work was a great success. the Liberals which they can understand and which they will be able to approve and de-had been a success probably owing to the 365 fend. We believe that they will be disap- compactness of the old road bed and the pointed. Mr. Laurier will in Ontario con. good drainage of the streets upon which it tinue to make pretty speeches, but they will was laid. The cost of make been had a conhigher than it would have been had a conhight had a conhigher than it would have Liberals will consider satisfying.

putation of being a mere maker of speeches. He is not looked upon, and we believe he will never be looked upon, as a working states-on Mincing lane we find it lasting for man, as a man of action as well as a man of nineteen years, that is from 1841 to 1860.

NATIONAL DISPUTES.

Waller. Stokes was accused of treason by cipal towns in England, show beyond disrelative to the movements and intentions of the French invading force. He was tried by court-martial and sentenced to a cities, are rapidly extending them, for long on which he was convicted and to examine the other records of the trial. Singular to for business thoroughfares. say the French authorities hesitate to comply with this reasonable demand. But the Americans, we see, are pressing and

the way in which he performs his duties. crowded towns, while those left on the land and there is no one better able to form an | ter in the samples of dry wood experimented

WOOD PAVEMENT.

To THE EDITOR :- Some facts and remarks pavement was first introduced in London opposite the Old Bailey in 1839; Montreal the City Council could be prevailed upon to price of wheat last autumn to a rate low beSydney 1880, and in many other cities. The records of this wide field of experiments divided counsels, hesitation and delay, with a weekly average of 17s. 6d. a quarter, or montreal; Fox, of Chicago; Deacon, of legard to health matters, that it is amazing not much if any more than half the average Liverpool; Mountain and Smith, of Sydney, and others. These records form ample data whereon to form a trustwortny opinion of the advantages and disadvantages of the system; of the choice of woods, the meth-

**REGULAR CUMMERCIAL ADVERTIS ON STATES OF STREET OF STR undersold by the foreigner. Although the late of wearing material—not necessarily the cause of the evil is so plain there are comparatively few in Great Britain who have the courage to point out the remedy. The farmers of Great Britain need protection and many of them are asking for it pitifully, and many of them are asking for it pitifully. den of taxation which the people have to bear. They would have the people believe viewers are afraid to say a word in favor of turies. The top surface formed of material do will be to produce corroborative testi.

and other American cities, consequently it deliance Lamont, was further cross examined to day. On the day Durrantis charged Mr. Allen Campbell, the commissioner of with trying to sell the ring, Oppenheim said works in New York, reports:

paving various streets of both up and down town in the coming year. Some of the wooden pavements which have now been which have now have now been which have now have now have now have now have now have now down six or eight years are now utterly despecified days and answered promptly cayed, and must be replaced with stone Counsel for the defence tried to confuse Opnext year, for the rotten wood should be re- penheim by showing him a number of silver

ton reported the following:

"That probably four fifths of the newly scribed the persons who had tried to sell o termittent fever, dysentery, diphtheria, etc.

In Philadelphia there was a great outcry against wood pavement, and a demand made the English view the situation. This article or asphalt and granite.

In Liverpool wood pavement was laid on Russia will unquestionably extort from

of concrete as a foundation, wood pavement contain very little that plain and earnest crete foundation been used. In the city of London the early wood pavement lasted from the days of Adam down to where he Mr. Laurier is gaining for himself the re. from ten to nineteen years before it was removed, for example: On Cornhill from 1855 to 1865, Grace Church street from 1853 to 1865, Lombard street from 1851 to 1860 and These records, together with the fact that

that woods most suitable for street block not the Health Inspector is responsible for employment to seek a living in the over. State Government have been very intimate, periment—that the power of absorbing wa-

Sydney 1880, and in many other cities. The records of this wide field of experiments have been collected by Haywood, Howarth and Stayton, of London; St. George, of Montreal; Fox, of Chicago; Deacon, of Liverpool; Mountain and Smith, of Sydney. tremes of atmospheric condition.

Mr. Descon, the city engineer of Liverpool, ish influence does not go under altogether In London, even before the introduction

the length of the wood pavements has been largely increased in London during the last fifteen years, especially in all the best retail There are some points of resemblance between the Stokes case and that of ex-Consul system has been introduced into the prinan officer of the Congo State army, tried by pute that wood payement is eminently suit-court-martial, found guilty and executed. able for business streets. Before the era of Waller was charged with being a spy on the wood pavement, the deatening roar and property in Madagascar and of clying in noise of the streets of Loudon were most French in Madagascar and of giving in-distressing, and shepkeepers had to close formation to the Government of the Island their doors, in order to transact business road surface, that is, taking all things into consideration, a very suitable road material

principally upon its inverse power of absorbing water, a most important factor, as it governs the extent of the expansion and shrinkage of the blocks, which directly affects the joints. Then, again, street refuse contains large quantities of ammonia. Now ammonia is one of the chief chemicals used in the experimental destruction of timber. It therefore appears reasonable to suppose should be to a great extent impermeable.

Maumene's experiments, published by
L'Academie des Sciences, vol. 97, show cer'e authority should be absolute. He and been driven from the country by lack of Mr. Stanley's relations with the Congo from the result of exhaustive scientific ex-

weight.

Mountain, in Sydney, made the following experiment upon Australian hard woods:
"After the woods had been protecte from the weather for a year and then subjected to six hours steaming the variations rom their original weights were as follows

"Showing that both tallow wood and black butt. change very little in weight under ex

I have not attempted to draw comparison etween different kinds of pavements; it is sufficient to say that the choice between granite blocks, asphalt and wood blocks for pavements, must depend on the primary and necessary conditions that are required. Each of these kinds of pavement has its peculiar advantages or disadvantages as regards cost, wear, sound, cleansability and foothold. Therefore, the choice between them must entirely depend upon the requirements. JOHN C. FERGUSSON,

A. M. Inst. C. E. Vancouver, Sept. 20

DURRANT'S TRIAL.

two other persons had called. Both were orks in New York, reports:

"I have received urgent appeals for restrangers, yet he described them minutely

Oppenheim was asked regarding other noved," etc.

A board of health committee of Washing. articles and inquiring if he had ever seen them before. In many cases the pawn. broker replied in the affirmative and de-

RUSSIA IN CHINA.

London, Sept. 24.-It is announced that with the sanction of the Czar, a Russian worry, etc. of 1894 of something like 7 per cent. It is to be observed that the dimunition took place during the first nine months of the year. The imports increased encouragingly in the months of April, May and June, the wright with indulgence. These men when they addressed the public always said some.

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The imports increased encouragingly in the months of April, May and June, the wright with indulgence. These men when the clivit Engineer, who says for them is at Shanghai. Some of the most prominent in Russia are infinanciers and merchants in Russia are infi there are resolutions moved, seconded and carried with the utmost seriousness by the City Fathers which are positively mischievous. Some of which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the consumption for the consumption for the consists of independent to be the determination to wrest the commercial as the will as positively mischievous the consists of independent to be the city of wooden pavements. The greater portion of the pavements, extending over from England. Trading emmissaries of Russia have freely assisted the government of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous. Some of the consumption for the two years which are positively mischievous and the consumption of the pavements. The determination of Russia's determination of the pavements the consists of independent to the consumption of the pavements and the consumption of the pavements are consists of independent to the consumption of the pavements are consists of independent to the consumption of the pavements are consists of independent to ba school question. They are told that he says one thing in one province on that quessays one thing in one province on that quessigns of wear in three years, and were worn penetrated the interior of China, where they are supplanting the British. An article which appears in this evening's issue of life as your method has done.

we must bear our part in the old masterful spirit without delay. Thanks to our good relations with Japan, we ought to be able to work that power to our advantage politically and commercially.'

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FALL ASSIZES.

...Thursday ... 26th September . Monday 30th September Kamloopa. . Monday 7th October .Monday 14th October ernon . Lytton .. New Westminster. Wednesday.6th November Vancouver...... Monday.....11th November VictoriaTuesday19th November .26th November



HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor has Deen pleased to appoint ERNEST CROMPTON, of the City of Victoria, Esquire, M.R.C. S., L.R.C.P., to be a Coroner within and for the Victoria City, North and South Victoria, and Esquimait Electoral Districts, vice E. S. Hasell, Esquire, M.R.C.S., resigned.