

The Colonist.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1893.

A SHORT ENQUIRY.

The assertion of the Kamloops non-representative Convention that the present Provincial Assembly has no moral right to legislate for the people of British Columbia is so unreasonable and leads to so many absurd conclusions, that it may be considered a mistake to treat it seriously.

AN IMPORTANT VISIT.

The Hon. Mr. Foster and the Hon. Mr. Angers will soon be in this Province. They are not out on a holiday excursion. Their visit to British Columbia is a business visit.

The legal right in this case is the moral right. The people or their representatives are the sole judges of how a representative body shall be constituted, and what they decide to do as regards representation, is right, morally as well as constitutionally.

FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

We are not at all surprised that Paris has given such an enthusiastic welcome to the officers of the Russian fleet. The citizens of Paris are most excited. It takes comparatively little to cause them to lose their heads.

MANITOBA'S POSITION.

The attitude of the Manitoba Government with respect to the reference of the school question to that Province to the Supreme Court is made very plain by Mr. Sifton, the Attorney-General of the Province.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

We learn from a late Ottawa special telegram that the attention of the Governor-in-Council has been directed to the services rendered by several gentlemen in connection with the Behring Sea case, and that Parliament will be asked to recognize their services in a substantial manner.

A RUSSIAN OPINION.

It is strongly suspected in some quarters that the love and admiration for the Russians, so often expressed by the people and the press of Paris, is not reciprocated.

BRITISH OPINION.

The British newspapers are regarding the unbridled and unparliamentary struggle which is going on in the United States Senate with amazement, not unmixed with contempt.

The determining of an economic question by an appeal to physical endurance is little removed from the medieval "ordal of battle."

The Chronicle says: The spectacle is ludicrous and contemptible. If physical endurance is to be the criterion of the application of the law...

The Telegraph is of opinion that legislation in the Senate is reduced to "an absurd statement."

All that the Chicago Tribune has to say to this trenchant criticism is that, "There is nothing to do but to plead guilty."

The above is, no doubt, the estimate which very many Russians have formed of Frenchmen, and Frenchmen, when not carried away by excitement and enthusiasm, would, if they gave their honest opinion of the average Russian, be quite as uncompromising as Prince Metecherich was when denouncing the French to his countrymen.

THE FIRST FRUITS.

The work of exploration which the Government surveyors are constantly and quietly doing in the British Columbia, highly beneficial to the Province.

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Highest of all in Leaving Power.—U. S. Gov't Report.



OUR NEIGHBORS' NEWS.

Dundas Banner: The name of the story the Hamilton Spec is running is "The Green Hand." He probably writes the editorial.

Portland Oregonian: The French are deliberately working themselves into a war-like rage. Something very like this took place in the summer of 1870; but conditions have changed greatly since then.

Toronto Telegram: A master artist is the Hamilton Spectator, the estimable journal that assailed a sprightly jest into an editorial declaration that "The Paris award settles the sealink question forever."

Brockville Recorder: According to the Regina Leader it is not literature but wiles that the people of the Northwest want. The Leader editor being a confirmed old bachelor, should know. However, he probably only speaks for Regina.

Hamilton Spectator: "The gab record in the United States Senate was broken last night, when Senator Allen spoke for fourteen hours and three-quarters! What the United States wants more than anything else is the adding of oratory to the list of capital crimes."

Spokane Review: There is grim humor in the Franco-Russian demonstration of affection. It is an alliance between the most liberal republics the world has ever seen and the most autocratic government on the face of the earth.

Toronto Mail: Mr. Hyslop, of Hyslop, Caulfield & Co., of this city, says that advertising this year sold twice as many goods as a dozen first class travellers could have done, and at half the expense.

Post-Intelligencer: The evening Press-Times has passed into the hands of a re-organizer, and the application of the Fugate Sound National Bank, which has just secured a judgment against the Press-Times Publishing Company for \$21,701.90 on account of a loan of \$20,000 made by the bank to the defendant company on September 29, 1891, and a note assigned to the plaintiff by Preston, Carr & Preston for \$350.90.

Swift MacNeill, M. P., the Irish gentleman who pulled Harry Furniss's ears because of a caricature in Punch, is declared by disinterested people to be so unappealingly honest that Furniss could not have libeled him.

During the late mal-odours of the German army dogs were actually employed in the field and made a useful record. It was verily a case of letting slip the dogs of war.

Brantford Examiner: Mr. T. Elliott, an eminent president of the Sons of England, has just returned from a trip to the Northwest and the Coast in the interests of that order.

To estimate the pay of working people at 60 cents or \$1 a month and board would doubtless be misleading to many who are not familiar with economics in China, say Langhorne Leth, late Missionary to China, in a letter to the Kansas City Star, though a nearly approximate figure could be arrived at the discrepancy would, after all, appear to us a small matter.

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employment of ladies is detrimental to the welfare of the subject chosen for the Burrard Inlet Light society has recently elected a new president.

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orgie at the Indian hall which was suppressed by police. A negro is suspected of the whiskey. The Mayor has received the Deputy Attorney General's report on the case of Mr. C. W. Robson.

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collected a letter this afternoon, Foster, Minister of Finance and Hon. Mr. Angers are on the 29th, and Nanaimo to hear a deputa-tion from the Board of Trade to consider the letter. It is an official invitation by the latter to visit this city.

DUNCAN, Oct. 19.

Kingston Jack, was on his way to Nanaimo jail for six months for supplying whiskey to the dike, for being in possession of a gun, and for being in possession of a gun, and for being in possession of a gun.