

A FINANCIAL CRISIS.

The government has overdrawn its account at the bank about \$1,750,000. By the time it sees fit to meet the Legislature the overdraft will probably approach closely to \$2,000,000. It seems therefore to be confronted with a financial crisis as well as a political crisis.

The government is steadily increasing. This is an alarming state of affairs and calls for an immediate remedy if the credit of the province is to be saved from a crushing disaster.

REPRESENTATIVES INDICTED.

Our esteemed contemporary was very severe in its references to the Times this morning because we refused to fall down and worship the political idol it has set up.

Our contemporary has been kind enough to furnish the coming man with a policy and to tell him to proclaim it with the voice of the Far West.

And, speaking of policies, we are afraid it is true that the Times did ridicule at least one of the planks that was specially prepared for this Western Phenomenon.

some of them when the Colonist was very doubtful indeed as to its position. As an instance, take the Chinese question. How long is it since our contemporary discovered that the Montanans were a menace to the industrial life of British Columbia?

Our opinion is that the Colonist in pleading the cause of its unknown should not antagonize all other political elements by bombastic references to the feats of the Voice of the Far West.

SOUND SALMON PACK.

The table published below affords at a glance an idea of the growth of the salmon-canning industry on Puget Sound. What will happen if the rate of increase be maintained it is not difficult to surmise.

UNSETTLEMENT AND UNCERTAINTY.

In endeavoring to combat the contention of the Times that the seats in the Executive Council and in the House should be filled and the Legislature called together for the dispatch of business as soon as circumstances for which the government is responsible will permit, the Colonist says: "The Times forgets that Mr. Dunsmuir is supported by a majority of the House."

Moreover, the fact that the government was defeated in its one effort to increase the number of ministers, coupled with the additional fact that it cannot induce a member of the House to accept a portfolio, seems to confirm the contention of the opposition and weaken that of the administration.

LAST MEETING OF THE POLICE BOARD DISCUSS SALARIES BUT MAKE NO INCREASE

Senior Detective Palmer Received a New Rank, but Gets No Additional Remuneration.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of police commissioners was held this morning in the committee room, city hall, commencing shortly after 11 o'clock.

There were present Mayor Hayward, in the chair, Commissioners Ald. Stewart, J. S. H. Matson, Chief of Police Langley, and Clerk F. Page. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

The chief recommended the appointment of Constable McDonald as acting detective for one year. This officer had given the greatest satisfaction, and another man was required in the detective department.

The mayor, however, did not deem it advisable to bind the incoming board to any definite action. The chief, when he thought necessary, made the transfer of the constable to the detective department. Finally, after some discussion, it was decided not to make the appointment, but when the occasion required the chief may detail the constable on detective work as acting detective.

The next question to be considered was that of salaries. The commissioner Matson made a plea for an increase for the force. He pointed out that in Victoria constables only received \$62.50 per month, while in New Westminster and Vancouver they were \$70.

Mayor Hayward reminded the commissioner that while the present board would not have to find the money, this action would have to be taken in a knotty question, as all the employees of the corporation would ask for advancement.

It is announced that another well-known figure is about to disappear forever from the public life of British Columbia. Mr. Booth passed through all the peculiar turmoil that is characteristic of politics in this province without impairing in the slightest degree his esteem in which he was held by all who had any relations whatever with him.

One of the best-known of the newspaper men of British Columbia was Mr. George Norris, of the Nanaimo Free Press, who has just laid down forever the editorial pen.

If You Could Look into the future and see the condition into which your cough is likely to bring you, you would seek relief at once—and that naturally would be through Shiloh's Consumption Cure.

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CAPTURE OF OLE OLESON BY POLICE

ARRESTED ON SANTA CLARA FOR SMUGGLING

His Sloop Wrecked and Its Occupant Pulled Aboard the Stranded Vessel by the Crew.

When the tug came in from the Santa Clara last night she had aboard, in addition to her regular crew, Sergt. Murray, of the provincial police, Constable Cox, of the same body, and a well known local man, in the person of Ole Oleson, who has for years enjoyed the reputation as a whiskey and opium smuggler.

What became of Oleson's partner is not known. He may not have come across from Townsend at all, but the information the police have regarding his movements on the West Coast is that he had a partner, and that they sold a vile decoction called whiskey at \$3 a bottle to the Indians along the Coast.

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FIRST MEETING OF THE CANDIDATES ADDRESS SOUTH WARD

There was a Small Attendance Meeting—Improvements by Various Aspirants

The municipal elections opened last night by the meeting of the candidates in the hall of South Park school, which was very small, but the time of election appointments will be more largely attended.

The speakers were Ald. Hall, and Messrs. Barrow, while Trustees Helton took the fund for meeting it. The fund was voted to the credit of the meeting.

The first speaker was Ald. Hall, who spoke for the present administration, and the chairman of the finance committee, Mr. Barrow, who spoke for the opposition.

The year 1901 had witnessed a great deal of improvement in the city, and the speaker pointed out the various works which had been completed during the year.

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