

The Colonist.

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TO THE FARMERS.

We invite the farmers of British Columbia to give their immediate and most earnest consideration to the new conditions that have arisen by reason of the great discoveries of gold in the Yukon. Substantially everything that will be needed in that country in the way of food must be imported for some years to come.

The consumption of produce will be large. Miners are generous livers always, and they are certain to be especially so when they have to prepare their systems to withstand long and severe winters. They will consume great quantities of beef, mutton, pork, beans, peas, and other strong heat-producing foods.

THE OPPOSITION AND ITS PLATFORM.

We gather from the observations of the Inland Sentinel that while it does not like the opposition platform, it proposes to accept it and reform it afterwards. This is much like the old and much-to-be-deprecated principle upon which some girls marry some men.

Our very amiable friends of the opposition, as represented by the Mainland press, have been hammering away at the government for several months, but they have made very little impression upon any one's mind, except their own.

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we shall all have to try and make the best of it. In the meantime it is pleasant to know that the Inland Sentinel has undertaken to reform the opposition platform. There is a task which commands our admiration.

ABOUT A MAP.

A map has been issued by the Province Publishing Co. showing the Yukon. It is a large map, and, if it were accurate, would be valuable to hang on a wall, for it is clearly printed.

There are only two really important matters to be considered in making a map of the Yukon country at present. One is the location of the international boundary, the other is the indication of the routes in respect to the watercourses.

First as to the routes: The compiler, stated to be the Province Publishing Co., for some reason which we shall not try to guess, has selected a route for the Dalton trail different from what is shown on any other map in existence, but as the exact location of this trail has not been charted this vagary might be overlooked.

The number of inquiries that have been received in regard to Victoria as an outfitting point for the Yukon indicates that the advertising that has been done is already bringing forth good fruit.

It undoubtedly costs the Roseland people something to go to Nelson to attend court; but before any complaint is made on this score would it not be well to remember that no country in the world has a court house in every town.

The assassination of Senor Canovas, Spanish prime minister, is a horrible deed and comes at a time when Spain can hardly afford to be subjected to sensations of this character.

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are not inclined to dwell upon such minor ones as the impossible location of an alleged railway from Glenora to Teah Lake. There is no such railway as every one knows; but a stranger going by the map would suppose that there was, seeing that the line is distinctly laid down and near by the route of the "proposed" Cassiar Central railway is indicated.

In the corner of the large sheet is a small index map that was copied from the map accompanying "The Yukon Gold Fields" pamphlet. This would have been correct if the compiler had let it alone, but he must needs change it by putting the boundary line on it in the wrong place, and by indicating a route for the steamships to St. Michael's that they never think of taking.

There is a statement on the map, which, in view of what is above set out, will occasion no surprise. Purchasers are informed in bold type that "This map is not bound by the board of trade or the government of British Columbia."

COL. JAMES HAMILTON LEWIS, of Seattle, is prime with a choice and original selection of misinformation in regard to Canadian duties. He understands a special duty of fifteen cents a pound is being collected on all goods going into the Yukon.

The Kamloops Sentinel agrees with the COLONIST about the necessity for a railway through Central British Columbia, but sees no reason why it should come to the Coast. There is one thing that we admire about the Sentinel. It wants everything centred in its own dooryard and says so in plain English.

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BY WAY OF VARIETY. Yukon—Since the Klondyke discovers the '49ers will have to give way to the '97ers.

Wheeler—Why, of course. The '97 represents the most advanced type of wheel. The '49er wouldn't be in it. But who's Klondyke? That was the name he made '97 Philadelphia North American.

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IS CANADA TOO SLOW?

The New South Wales Premier Says the Dominion Has Blocked the Cable Scheme.

Mr. Reid on the Prospects of Australian Federation and the Outlook for Trade.

Amongst the arrivals by the Pacific Express yesterday afternoon were the Right Hon. G. H. Reid, Premier of New South Wales, and the Right Hon. C. O. Kingston, Premier and Attorney-General of South Australia, who are now en route home, after attending the Jubilee ceremonies in England.

In conversation with a representative of the News-Advertiser last night, both premiers expressed themselves as highly pleased with their visit to Canada, and regretted that it could not be prolonged, but they were hurrying home to attend the adjourned convention on the federation of the colonies, meeting in Sydney on September 2, and of which Mr. Kingston is chairman.

Turning to matters of vital interest to Canada and the Australian colonies, the Pacific cable scheme was first touched upon. When asked the reason for the delay in the negotiations, Mr. Reid said that Canada was in the habit of making no definite proposition on her part had been submitted to the conference.

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and form firm ground. There are places to be seen which 70 years ago were sandy deserts, and which now show a good land for cultivation as any that can be found anywhere. Rain, too, does a great deal, and will in a few days cause grebs to grow in places where anyone used to the country would have deemed it impossible.

DR. FOWLER'S EXT-OFF WILD STRAWBERRY. CURES COLIC, CHOLERA, CHOLERA-MORBUS, DIARRHOEA, DYSENTERY, AND ALL SUMMER COMPLAINTS of Children or Adults. Beware of Imitations.

SPAIN'S PREMIER. Three Bullets From Revolver End The... The Crime Deliberately Foreshadowed in a... The Assassins Avenge of Convicts—Rev Follow Th... MADRID, Aug. 9.—Senor Canovas del Castillo, prime minister, was assassinated yesterday afternoon by a man named Michele Angine Gullu. Senor Canovas del Castillo was present at the celebration of the Premier's birthday, which was held at the baths of San Carlos. The assassin was a man named Michele Angine Gullu, who was a member of the anarchist party. Senor Canovas del Castillo was a member of the Liberal party and had been in office for several years. He was a popular figure and his death was a great shock to the Spanish people. The assassin was captured and is now in prison. The government has promised to bring the assassin to justice.