The Weekin Times

Friday, Victoria, September, 7 1894. ONE EFFECT OF THE GERRY-

The rearrangements of constituencies, known as the gerrymander, by the government of Sir John A. Macdonald was an iniquitous piece of legislation. At the time the government responsible for it was condemned by every right thinking person not blinded by partizanship and political bigotry. Time has allayed much of the irritation but it has not restored an equitable system of representation. In the house of commons as at present constituted there are 59 Conservatives and 33 Liberals. The returns of the last general elections, corrected by the returns of the bye-elections up to the late session of parliament, show that 182,000 Liberal and 186,000 Conservative votes were polled. Thus, the Conservative majority of 4000 electors is represented by 26 members in parliament. Each 3159 Conservative votes polled has a member, whereas the Liberals have one member for every 5550 votes polled. Proportional representation with a vengeance. The original Gerry was not more successful in the "hiving" business than his Canadian imitator. This is one of the evils that Mr. Laurier will remove when he becomes premier. Its twin evil, the expensive, unnecessary and unjust franchise act is another.

AS CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE.

The Toronto World, which is a faithful Conservative organ, has this to say on the vexed question of copyright: "The English people admit the right of

the United States to make any kind of copyright law it pleases, and to deal with English copyrights just as seems fit to them. The British publishers do not relish the manufacture and printing clauses of the United States Copyright Act, but they have no recourse. They must sim-ply put up with what the United States government chooses to enact. Neither do they relish the condition in the Cana-dian act under which the Canadian publisher may assume the right to publish an English work when the author has not secured copyright by printing the work in this country within the stipulated thirty days. The Canadian Act is said to be 'as gross a case of legalized robbery as can well be imagined.' The question of copyright in Canada is exactly analgous to that of the tariff and to our patent laws. As Canada is supreme in regard to her tariff and patent legisla. tion, so must she have a free hand in regard to copyright. We will give the English author the benefit of copyright if he prints and publishes his work in Canada. Even if the English author neglects or declines to accept our copy right under these conditions, we still agree to give him a royalty of ten per cent, on all copies sold by any Canadian The Canadian government treats the English author with greater consideration than does the United States government. Therefore we think the English people have less cause of complaint against us than against the people of the United States. Notwithtanding this, our friends across the border are treated with respect, while we un-fortunate Canadians are bullyragged and referred to as barefooted robbers, and so on. The English publishers will come to their senses as soon as they understand that Canada is in earnest in her will be only too willing to remedy any complete autonomy in regard to copyright, just as she has complete autonomy in regard to patents and tariff. We must be allowed to make England admits our contention, as she finally must, we will have no further trouble with the English publishers. They will then admit that Canada has dealt more liberally with the English publishers than has the United States. The uncertainty that has attended our copyright act ought to be removed at once. It is the duty of the federal government to insist on the Canadian position, and to insist on its being recognized immediately. To bring the issue to a climax, the Montreal and Toronto boards of trade ought to press the government to demand an immediate recognition of our rights by insisting upon the British gov ernment accepting our act as fully within the rights of the Canadian parliament. An influential committee of the London chamber of commerce is doing all it can to obstruct Canadian interests in this Our board of trade ought to matter. be equally active in having the matter settled according to the Canadian idea.'

All of which is quite probably correct, and shows a proper sort of spirit on the World's part. But it comes rather strangely from a prominent Tory journal that is prone to howl "disloyalty" when Liberals talk in a similar strain on the trade question. It reminds us of the days when the chief organ of the Conservative party said, "So much the worse for British connection," when it was pointed out that the N. P. and British connection were not quite in harmony.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

If the prevailing sentiment of the provincial press is any index of popular opinion on Dominion issues, the blind. unreasoning, "follow-your-leader" style of support given to the government by the British Columbia delegation of six must now be abandoned. There is a distinct improvement in the tone of the press; less subserviency to the powers that be, and less toadying to "our members." Pap has lost its charm and the "pull" of the local politicians is not as strong as when it was their custom to dictate to editors the policy the papers should pursue. Without well organized parties, with little partizan feeling, with an untrammeled press and a people convinced that the trade policy of the government is ruinous to British Columbia. how should the coming struggle eventuate?

Every newspaper in the province (which of course includes the Colonist) is in favor of a generous welcome being extended to Hon. Mr. Laurier on his visit to British Columbia next week. There is a feeling deep and strong, one

which old party ties only partly restrains, that Mr. Laurier will be the leader of the next government. The trade policy of the present government has not got a half dozen outspoken advocates in Victoria. In the interior of the province, especially, the feeling against Ottawa corruption and Conservative misrule is most pronounced. The Review, publishion of the Okanagan district when it eld fellow.

says: "It is gratifying to learn that | steps are being taken in Vernon to entertain the Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, should the leader of the Canadian opposition be able to take in that town during his tour in this province. Apart entirely from party politics Mr. Laurier is entitled to a hearty welcome in any section of British Columbia, not only as the most brilliant orator in the Dominion, but also as a sincere patriot and a man of unblemished private and public character, who has never been associated in any way with the boodling and kindred scandals which have been a disgrace to Canadian politics. It would be well, however, for those who have the real interests of the west at heart not to lose any political opportunity afforded by Mr. Laurier's visit, and not to render the receptions given him mere social gatherings. It is painfully evident that the Conservative party at Ottawa are still entirely under the thumb of the eastern manufacturers, who subscribe to the party funds. The mining and agricultural interests of this province have long enough been kept back to suit the interests of these eastern party hacks, and we sincerely hope that the people of this part of British Columbia, at least who are alive to their own interests and have an opportunity of meeting the honored Liberal leader at Vernon will make a point of pointing out to him how the mining industry, especially of the southern portion of this district, has been kept back by the imposition of a tax on mining machinery coming in from the States. If there is

THE PUBLIC MEETING.

'National Policy.' "

any province in the Dominion which

would be benefitted by free trade it is

our own, and we sincerely hope that

those who hold this view in British Co-

lumbia will do what they can to demon-

strate the fact that the whole popula

tion of the western slope are not hope-

lessly bigotted believers in the so-called

Although the public meeting called for co-morrow night, to discuss the proposed mprovements to the waterworks did not originate with the mayor or council. It will, we hope, be taken advantage of by those in a position to speak to give full information in respect to the proposed expenditure. The urgent necessity for something to be done is admitted by those most opposed to the by-law, which can only be defeated through the failure of its advocates to make out a good case. There are a few people who will not be convinced; but the vast majority only need to be shown that the expenditure of \$150,000 will accomplish the results desired to enlist their hearty co-operation. The people want better water and they want it as cheaply as it can be procured. evils, and overcome any existing difficulties. A cheap and efficient supply of pure water is the first desideratum in whatever copyright laws we please. As | any city. In Victoria water is cheap, but the service has not always been as effective or the water as pure as it should be. The causes are patent to the average layman as well as to "experts," and whether they are natural or the result of mismanagement and a too nigardly policy in the past, they are not insurmountable. It is all a question of cost, and for this reason we hope to hear from some one in authority a full statement of the case at the meeting to be held tomorrow night.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It really was a happy thought for the board of trade to send a delegation to Tacoma to represent the commercial interests of Victoria at the Interstate fair. The Americans are not dangerous people to trade with, as some of our eastern protectionists claim, and the splendid object lessons presented at a great fair cannot fail to impress themselves upon an impressionable mind like that of the worthy president of the Victoria Board of Trade. But perhaps we are trenching closely on party politics and that was not the object of this paragraph. The delegrates were well received by the leading citizens of Tacoma and were treated them the most flatteringly, as we observe the Ledger refers to the Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt and Hon. A. N. Scaife. The visitors, we are assured, were highly delighted with the courtesies received.

NANAIMO. pleasantness by some of his Victoria acquaintances, who, having become acder the noxious weeds act, 1888. it has been examined by the inspector. they could to stop the sale, but it is fu-

The bricklayers of this city are complaining of teh action of the contractors for the new gasometer, who, it is claimed, are importing bricklayers from other parts instead of giving the idle men in

the city a chance. The contractors and carpenters will hold a meeting on Saturday night for the purpose of arriving at a more satisfactory arrangement in regard to their trade and the principle of unionism. It is pleasant to learn that H. Stewart

is again on duty as mail clerk at the Nanaimo end of the E. & N. railway. His temporary absence accounts for the principal box at the depot not having been cleared, which has caused a little

A baseball match will be played be tween the Nanaimo and Wellington teams on Saturday at Wellington. J. Chappel shot a large panther Gabriola island yesterday. The brute ed at Midway, no doubt reflects the opin- | measured 8 feet 7 inches and was an

Nanaimo, Sept. 1.—The annual meeting of the Northfield miners took place on present by special request. The finances of the medical fund was gone into and it was shown that it was sadly in arrears, so that a levy would have to be put to and that gentleman generously came to the aid of the men by making up the pressed their gratefulness for the generous donation.

The shipments of coal for the past month show an increase of nearly 2,000 couver Coal company as usual heads the list with 20,243; Wellington, 16,343, and Union, 17,423, making a total if 54,009

The customs returns for the past month were as follows: IMPORTS. Total\$152 38

Dr. Walkem is selected to be the can-

tain and it is sure to come to life again. Perhaps the provincial government will end their services to the Doctor in carrying the scheme through.

A dense fog aided the smoke yesterday n making the atmosphere still more unpleasant in this city. It was impossible to see beyond a short distance. A large party of sportsmen went ou

last night in order to have the first shot at the grouse. It will be rather danger-ous walking in the district for the next few days.

Nanaimo, Sept. 3.-The quartette, including J. McGregor, M. P. P., who paid the capital a visit last week for the express purpose of interviewing the prenier, have gained no further concessions from him, but as usual many promises of what may be accomplished have been held out to them. It was, however, intimated that the public building eventually be erected at a cost of \$25, 000. The question of the government assisting the agricultural show was de-

oldedly negatived.

The base ball match between the Wellington and Nanaimo seniors at Wellington on Saturday was an easy walk over for the Nanaimo team. Their opponents failed to score a point.

The Nanaimo school trustees decided

There was a large excursion to Van-There was a large excursion to Van-couver this morning, the majority of the broad reach with the wind abaft the starexcursionists being members of the M. board beam. It was becoming apparent to & M. L. P. A., as the association decided everybody that unless there should be a not to hold a demonstration in this city this year but to attend the Vancouver demonstration instead.

The hunters had a good time on Saturday as indicated by the abundance of grouse that was carried through the streets yesterday.

HELL ON EARTH.

The New Penal Settlement Which Will Succeed Siberia.

been decreed by the czar's government that Siberia is too good for convicts, and as soon as the new tables of the conflict of the 40 rater opinion; it was decided that the 40 rater and as soon as the new trans-Siberian that was ahead at the end of the secon railway has penetrated its gloomy depths it will be turned into a "paradise" for sessions of the czar, north of Japan. So 10:30, 50, and the Viligant at 10:30, adoption as an open air prison only after the assassination of Carnot and the discovery of the recent plots against his own

The people and the convicts of Siberia never speak of the island other than "the hell of Saghalin," and its climate is said to be so much worse than that of Siberia as to rob this appellation of an exaggerated character, even in the mouths of these lost ones. The island is separated from the mainland by the Gulf of Tartary, and its eastern coast with the firing of two guns, which detail is washed by the Sea of Okhotsk. The governor of Manchuria has reported that a human being not born on the island cannot live more than a year there. There is no means of escape except in the winter, when if a prisoner can manhandsomely entertained by the officials of age to make his way one hundred miles the fair. The newspapers, however, north from the prison, it is possible to reach the mainland over the ice. The ice bridge is guarded. Still, two or three prisoners have escaped by dodging behind masses of snow and ice, or, what is far more probable, by bribing offi-

cials. At the present moment the most interesting colonist of Saghalin is Sophie Nanaimo, Aug. 31.-Mr. Marchant, of Bluhrstein, a full blooded Russian, in Victoria, has been subjected to some un- spite of her German name. She first is a case of 'got to win.' achieved criminal renown by pressing her attentions upon the shah of Persia quainted with the fact that he had im- during the latter's visit to St. Petersported twelve tons of chicken wheat to burg. Sophie had avowedly no intenbe sold in Nanaimo, waited until it ar- | tion of adding his majesty to her list of rived here and then worked up the pro- admirers, but sought his acquaintance vincial police to proceed against him un- merely for the purpose of relieving him, Mr. if possible, of some of his diamonds. Marchant will not clear the wheat until | She was foiled in her efforts, but succeeded in having her private car at-Some of the travellers have done all tached to the czar's special train. For this piece of enterprise she was banished

to Siberia for a year, and while there organized a band of cutthroats and robbers, whose services she controlled on the continent after their terms had expired. She is said to be the sharpest criminal living, and in sending her to Saghalin the Russian government claims to have conferred a lasting benefit upon the wealthy classes.—Philadelphia Press.

Spavins, Ringbones, etc. Cured by Dick's Blister.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE. The Events of the Day Among Amateurs and Professionals.

THE RIFIE

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 31.-Lt. Davidson, Quebec; Sgt. Morris, Hamilton and Pte. Heller, of the 29th, tied with 95 to-day for the first place in the Governor-General's prize. There are three prizes so each had to get a prize. The first prize is \$250, second \$150 and third \$100. In the shoot off, Davidson took first, Heller second, and Morris third. Last year, Simpson, of the 12th, took the governor's prize with 96. There are seven badges in governor's prizes off. Following is the Bisley team in the ornext pay day. Mr. Robins was appealed der given:-Pte. Hayhurst, 13th; Lt. Mitchell, 12th; Lt. Cartwright, 47th; Col. Sgt. Skedden, 13th; Ctp. Moore, 20th; Capt. deficiency of \$105. The committee ex- Jamleson, 43rd; Lt. Bent, 93rd; Pte. Rolston, 37th; Lt. Boville, 43rd; Capt. Spearing, 53rd; Lt. Davidson, 8th; Sgt. Morris, 13th: Capt. Rogers, 43rd; Capt. Russell. 45th: Lt. McAdam. 3rd Victorias: Corporal Ellis, G.G.F.G.; Col. Sgt. Nutting, G.G.F. G.; Pte. Bertram, 13th; Capt White, 14th; Stf. Sgt. Bell, 12th; Lt. Col. Anderson, R. L.; Sgt. Broadhurst, 5th, R. S.; Pte. Ting. G.G.F.G.; Gunner J. C. Chamberlin, B.C. G.A.; Stf. Sgt. Simpson, 12th; Sgt. Major Armstrong, 1st, B.F.A.; Surgeon Ross, 77th; Col. Sgt. Meadows, Q.O.R.; Capt. Mercer, Q.O.R.; Capt. Wilson, 33rd; Sgt. Twenty men will be selected from the above to form the Bisley team. Lt. Col. Anderson is not eligible, being on the retird list.

There was only a few at the meeting on Thursday evening in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, when the subject of re-organizing the infantry corps was dis-Turnbull has shot in poor luck, the ocean voyage having knocked him out this trip. The Gzowski military match was won by the Governor-General's Foot Guards, Ot tawa, with a score of 488. The British Columbia team was seventh, winning \$20 with

The Ottawa Guards also again captured the British Challenge shield, with a score of 263. The British Columbia artillery took | fall. 7th, (\$18) with 218 points. Ottawa men have the advantage over all other corps, being able to practise on this

The London Merchant's cup and \$100 was won by Ontario with a score of 707; 2nd and \$80. British Columbia, 692; 3rd, Nova Scotia 687; 4th, Manitoba 678. Quebec New Brunswick and P. E. I. were next in order. There were only two prizes. This concluded the meeting.

YACHTING. YESTERDAY'S RACE.

Darmouth, Aug. 31.-After Handsomely vanquishing the biggest of England's crack cutters, the Satantia, over half the course of the Royal Darmouth Yacht Club, the Vigilant lost the prize through the decision of the regatta committee. It was certainly 2 race in the British acceptance of the terms as there is no time limit on yachting con-tests on this side of the ocean. It was Vigilant's weather in the opinion of the English experts. A light, north-easter barely ruffled the surface of the channel, bringing with it a mist that gave the fleet holiday to-day so the schools remained open as usual, much to the discontent of the scholars. yatch. The contest was for prizes of \$250 and \$150, under the auspices of the Royal Dartmouth Yatch Club. From east of dicided change in the force of the wind, which was only of moderate strength, the Santanita would be beaten by more than half an hour. Reaching and beating in light weather evidently is not the Santanital strength. ta's forte. Thus at the Skerries buoy the sloop was 16 minutes and 40 seconds ahead, Time, Vigilant, 12:55; Satanita, 1:11:40.

The Vigilant here ran into a calm streak, while the Santanita held the breeze until the starting point. The Vigilant was far in the lead. At this point the committee decided to call the race off. It is surmised that the decision was somewhat A Str Petersburg letter says it has by the fact that the Satanita had no chance round should be declared the winner.

SATANITA AND VILIGANT. Dartmouth, Aug. 31.-The Villgant and agricultural settlers and mining sharps, Satanita started this morning in the race while Nihilists and other refractory given under the auspices of the Royal members of Russian society will in the triangular one from Dartmouth range future be accommodated on the island of around the bell buoy off Skerries, thence to Saghalin, off the coast of Russian Man- a mark boat off East Blackstone and back churia, the eastern terminus of the pessions of the cear porth of Japan S. revolting and horrible to civilized nations is Saghalin that the czar consented to its is Saghalin that the czar consented to its vachts stood east with a free reach to Skerries. The wind increased and the Vigilant quickly passed her rival and began to draw

The yachts became becalmed, and are parely moving. The Vigilant maintains her ong lead. If not declared off the race will bably be finished at the end of the sec ond round.

BRITANNIA WILL RACE London, Aug. 31 .- The Pall Mall Gazette says that it has been positively settled that the Britannia will sail in the race for the

LACROSSE. MATCH OF THE SEASON.

At New Westminster on Saturday next the Victoria and Westminster senior teams will cross sticks probably for the last time this season, except in exhibition games. The Victoria boys are just recovering from the last match with Vancouver in which they were so badly cut up. Westminster on the other hand has been able to prac tice steadily since their last defeat and are now in splendid condition. Several members of the home team have also been steadily at work and this week should se every member of the team out as often as possible. Both teams have decided that it

MOONLIGHTERS DEFEATED The Moonlighters of Westminster, who proudly boasted of having never been beat n in lacrosse for three years, hauled down their colors on Saturday to the Ninetieths, of Vancouver, in the junior championship match in Vancouver, the home team de feating them two to one.

INTERMEDIATE MATCH. The Stars and James Bay lacrosse teams met at Caledonia Park this afterno decide which team is to meet the Moon-lighters, of New Westminster for the intermediate championship of the province The final match will be played in this city some time this month. In the lacrosse match this afternoon Rookledge scored the first game for the Stars and Schnoter the second game for

THE WHEEL. ZIMMERMAN PROTESTS. Paris, Aug. 31.—The Nancy bicycle prize drome this evening by Harris. Banker was

THE OLD RELIABLE. E. B. EDDY'S MATCHES. TELEGRAPH. TELEPHONE. TIGER. PARLOR.

econd. Zimmerman, the American cham- the object of the school, showing pion, tried to beat Tyler's record for a mile with a flying start, but falled. His time was 2 minutes 15 4-5 seconds. Forman won the 15 kilometre race, as Zimmerman refused to ride. The American champion said that the time-keeper was doing his work dishonestly and that no fair awards could be expected until he was dismissed. In a subsequent interview Zimmerman said he believed that the time-keeper had been bribed to take the time improperly. The crowd was greatly disappointed by Zimmer-man's failure to contest the race, and wristled and called for 30 or 40 minutes. Eventually Zimmerman came out and tried a mile against time. He did it in two minuts 8-15 seconds.

CRICKET.

DECLARED A DRAW. Time prevented the match between Buffers and the Victoria Club eleven from Buffers and the victoria onto eleven from pared with those received from Califor Buffers went to bat first and after making nia, and it occurred to Victorians that 148 runs declared the innings closed. For the Buffers Wooley made 44 and Barff 43. The eleven had made 143 when time was called. There were then two wickets to

THE GUN. OPENING OF THE SEASON.

Hunting parties by the score are being or ganized, and to-morrow morning, when the season opens, the woods in every diection will ring with reports of shot guns of every dscription and make. Old muzzle loaders that have done service for two or more genrations will go out on the shoulder on the proud young possessors, while the more fortunate hunter will carry the latest make. All should remember, however, that grouse, prairie fowl, partridge and ducks are the nly game that can be shot to-morrow. Cock pheacants cannot be shot until Oc tober 1st, and deer until September 15th. It should also be remembered that it is unlawful to buy, sell, or offer or expose for sale willow and ruffed grouse before Oc-

CHESS.

Leipsic, Sept. 3.-The ninth congress of German chess players was opened Saturday afternoon with a reception to the visiting experts. Amongst those here are T. W. Baird, of New York, Blacgburne, Tarrasch, Kalbordt, Janowsky and Berger. There are twenty enties.

ATHLETICS.

NEW CLUB. New York, Aug. 31.-Mayor Schieren, of Brooklyn, granted a license this morning to the Atlantic Athletic Club of Coney Island. This is a new club of which Justice Gaynor recently signed the Incorporation papers It is a rival to the Seaside Athletic Club.

FEATHERWEIGHTS FIGHT. Peoria, Ris., Sept. 1.—"Kid" Loyd, of Peoria, was knocked out by Joe Bertrand, ting a stop to smuggling operations by of Oregon, in a prize fight in one round any means. On the contrary, he thinks yesterday. Loyd received a blow over the it will have a directly opposite effect. heart which knocked him out so effectually that he did not come to his senses for nearly an hour. Both are featheweights.

DELEGATES TO TACOMA.

They Pronounce the Fair a Big Success -A Pleasant Trip.

The committee of Victorians who visited the Northwest Interstate fair at ernment. When in Hongkong it cannot Tacoma returned vesterday afternoon. thoroughly pleased with their reception and what they saw. Henry Bucey, director-general, and Samuel Collyer, secretary of the chamber of commerce, took the party in charge, and during the whole of the day and evening of Saturday there was hardly a moment not employed. The Victorians were much impress ed with the magnitude of Tacoma's undertaking, and they are to be congratulated on having secured the good-will and contributions from all sections of Washington and Oregon, and in ten days. when all the exhibits are in place, the fair will be worth a visit by all who are interested in the progress of the North-

The fair grounds cover a space of over fifty acres, the larger part of which has we have realized as high as \$16.75 been left in its matural state, only good walks being made through the grounds. In the main building can be seen many of the exhibits from the Chicago fair the most noticeable being that of the cut glass and table ware, celebrated throughout the world. The different sorts cannot be compared, each country having its own specialty. The visit to this one single exhibit is alone worth the trip. A very interesting exhibit was that of the pupils of the public schools, and the photographs of the girls and boys in their exercises in physical culture, also the exhibit of the school of design and the parents were out, and indu mechanics, presided over by two stu- girl to go with him. There is no dents, who most pleasantly explained the abductor.

drawings made by the pupils and the ticle both in the rough and to its finish The educational portion of the fair one that the youth of our province shoul

The illusions from the London Poly technic alone are worth a visit, being of the striking features of the show The most important exhibit is the tain, painted by three German artists all of whom were said to have be knighted by the German emperor for excellence of the work. The painting cupied some two years in its prepar and is said to be the best yet produce

It is best seen during the day. The committee noticed especially fruits from east of the mountains the difference in their flavor when co Yakna and Palouse could compete California in furnishing fruits of choice quality to Tacoma and Seattle why could the products of Lillooet and Yale districts not be marketed at the

coast cities of British Columbia. The proposal that British Columbia should join the Northwest States in annually exhibiting at an international fair is one that our people should encourage. Exhibits from our importers and manu facturers will be given every attention and facility to market; duty only will be charged on the quantity sold; broken packages can be returned.

The business portion of the trip was completed most satisfactorily and will be reported to the mayor and board of rmen, the board of trade and agricultural society during the week. A challenge by Mr. Scaife to shoot against Captain Flumerfelt at a movable target, ten shots, was a feature of the trip. At the seventh shot Scaife was leading, when to the surprise of those present the captain succeeded in making three successive bull's eyes, thus winni the match. During the course of dinner Mr. Scaife, on behalf of the torians, presented the captain with a

Shot Flumerfelt, First Prize. Tacoma, 1st September, 1894." OPIUM SMUGGLING.

elegant piece of plate, engraved: "Crack

Collector Saunders Does Not Think the Tariff Change Will Stop It.

Collector J. C. Saunders of Port Townsend is of the opinion that the reduction of the duty on opium from \$12 to \$6 a pound will not have the effect of put-"I do not believe." he said. "that then will be any less smuggling of opium un der the former rate of 12 a pound duty of the McKinley law. Opium in Victoria costs \$6.75 a pound, and the duty of \$6 makes it cost \$12.75 a pound with out the express charges, if it is regularly imported and the duty paid to the govbe laid at the custom house here for less

than \$13 a pound. 'Now the question is will the consum er of the drug pay \$13 a pound by im porting it through the custom house rather than take chances of smuggling in at a cost to them, provided they ar successful, of not to exceed \$9 to 10 pound. I do not think they will import i and pay the duty. On the contrary they will go into the business of smuggling larger scale, and perhaps the sma fry fellows will be frozen out. Only few days ago the Chinese steamer brought to Vancouver three thousand pounds of crude opium, which is to b cooked at Victoria. This does not indicate that the cookeries are to close dow there, as has been stated repeatedly. auction sales of seized pound, and if this price is mainta there will be a big profit for the success. ful smugglers."

Col. Lindsay, of the Twenty-fifth baltalion of St. Thomas, has been appoint ed commander of the Seventh battalion of London. The position has been racant

for months. Musquash village, in St. John N. B., is excited over the kidnappi the 15-year-old daughter of a res farmer named Crawford, A strange drove up to the house in a carriage wh

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ALASKA BOUNDA

What Has Been by the Canadian erican Par

Americans Return ington to Com

The international bou which for two seasons the boundary line bety the Canadian territory its field work and retu and, says the Seattle American part of the ed to Puget Sound 1 terson, and is now prac-most of the officers have ington and the main having received their p everal ways. The been most successful, is home a full month a ing been gone almost

day. There were five dist tics that formed the of the expedition. The its chief Captain J. 1 known coast survey of and assistants F. S. Hayfred, astronomer, win, the latter having vious and important governmental work, a Besides the officers t the party as laborers, cooks, etc., making a

With the Pratt part ertson, D. L. S., of the tion, and an assistant work was confined to t embracing river, vall Chilcoot inlet, and the tain Pratt carried acc measurements up the to the boundary line, old Russian treaty of leagues (thirty miles coast. The Chilkat mouths are near toge ing inland the rivers rerge, so that the pa reach the boundary i es. As is well know and Alaskan travelle north of Sitka and

days' steam from Sitk miles from Juneau. The second party grath, assisted by seven men all teld, heyond Yakitat bay. sured thirty miles Malaspina glacier, world outside of Gre has an average front of ninety miles or th interior distance or f

Mr. Magrath, who deal of exploration Alaska in past year fame by determining altitude of Mount I. covered on a trip n year he checked the it 19,500 feet, which gan at the head of th tains in North An which stands at the gan, was considered Mount Orajaba, wh 18,314 feet and Mou

00 feet. Mount Logan is o is a triple cone, the 19,000 feet. Mr. 1 trigonometrical, as t ably insurmountab

P. Ritter, with thre in the mountains adj valley in topography tain ranges on both

The fourth party, and three men, was and inlet and Taiya topography work. to-topographic procething almost entirely public. It is the photography in gov kind in the United ada has used it for it is in use in Germ ably elsewhere. The tain climbing usual topographical expedi one great dra When all is ready fine whole mountai graphed in short or tem of photographic

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