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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We approve of the western Province paying for its own development as much as possible, and a land grant is a of all. good way of paying it. Whether the proposed grant is too much or too little. time alone will tell. It is a pure matter called "coon":-Many years ago, when of speculation what the land grant is worth. It, is a comfort to know that if the scheme goes through, the residue of the mining land will be vastly increased of possessing a familiar spirit, of being in value by the railway.

This weeks discussion on the Glencoe Lake Teslin Railway has brought out nothing new. The action of the United States senate in offering bending privi- of the master's fortune was staked on leges on the Stikine River on condition the negro's divining ability. A barrel that American miners be allowed to was placed on the lawn, and a live coon take into the Canadian Territory onehalf ton each of miners supplies duty free and of certain concessions to be the barrel. He tried in various ways to made in favor of American fishermen escape the exposure, but without on the Atlantic coast, looks as if a de termined obstruction was going to be made on our navigation of the Stikine. Our Government will never surrender our Treaty rights on the Stikine by accepting such conditions.

Letter to the Editor.

Permit me through the columns of your estimable paper, to express my opinion in reference to the possibilities of the Presbyterian and Methodist bodies of the village of Mildmay worshipping in the same church. There is so little difference in the form of worship and the doctrines taught that no one is made to feel uncomfortable and as was stated a few years ago by a writer to the Globe, that he thought the difference that had existed in the past had nearly all inelted away, for he found that if you Place a Presbyterian minister in the Methodist pulpit and the people not aware of it, they take him to be a Methodist and the same may be said of the Presbyterian if they are not aware that a Methodist misister occupies their pulpit, they put him down as a first class Presbyterian so that we may put it down that we are governed more by our prejudices than our zeal for the furtherances Gods cause. It would be well for us to calmly consider the matter, for by all appearances neither of the churches will be able to sustain a minister without drawing heavily from the funds of the church. Let us partake of more of he spirit of the Psalmist when he

Behold how good a thing it is And how becoming well, Together such as brethern are In unity to dwell.

Trusting that as the ball has been set a rolling, that we may hear from others of larger mental capacity that will be able to suggest a basis on which both denominations can worship agreeably together. Yours

A READER.

Considerable excitement has been caused in the County of Megantic, Quebec, by the discovery of gold on the banks of the Bullard Brook. The discovery was made late in the autumn, and in consequence of the ground being frozen and the unusual depth of snow there has not been much prospecting. Notwithstanding these drawbacks, several pits have been sunk, and in every case gold in small quantities has been found in the black sand that seems to be scattered over the whole of the flats, which compose the banks of the stream.

Several capitalists have visited the paced in 10 and 11. Purchased from S. Thompson Woodsteels. locality, and some good offers have been made for the property on which the dis- E He leaves for Wiarton about April covery was made, but the proprietor 20. does not seem to be disposed to share his good fortune with others. Experts say the diggings exceed in richness any thing that has been discovered in the Dominion, other than the Klondike.

A. bus party filled with pl seekers was struck by a Grand Trunk passenger train at the Western avenue crossing, south of Blue Island, in the southwestern part of Chicago, at nine o'clock on Sunday night, and six of the number were killed.

Lafayette Bentley, ex-councillor of Minto, whose back was broken a year and a half ago died on Monday morning at his residence in Harriston. Although he recovered sufficiently from his injuries to be able to set up for a while and had been moved with his family from their farm into Harriston this winter, still he has been practically JOHN A. JOHNSTON helpless ever since burt, and death was lue to the accident although so long afterwards. Mr. Bentley leaves a widow and family of four daughters and one son to mourn the untimely death of as loving a husband and kind a father as ever lived. They have the sympathy

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