

THIS AND NOW.

Our evening contemporary beatings Sir M. B. Begbie, Chief Justice, with praise because his lordship used uncomplimentary allusions to the Colonist when Mr. Thornton fell the other day...

POSTMASTER SHAKESPEARE.

We have to announce this morning the resignation of Mr. N. Shakespeare, M.P., junior member for this electoral district...

off against all the men occupying any political or governmental position in this province. Eron Blowitz came near being at this festive party. He got wind of the dinner and sent up his card by his secretary...

what are the prospects of life in the new settlements. Mr. Begbie is, however, waiting the decision of the Imperial Government before proceeding to the Highlands to make the necessary arrangements...

ASPIRANTS FOR OFFICE.

Mr. Shakespeare's resignation of his seat in the Commons was the chief talk on the streets yesterday, and the question as to who would be his successor was also discussed...

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The "Empire" Lanchester. The Empire made its appearance in Toronto on Monday. It is a weekly paper published by the Toronto Press Co. Ltd.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS IN CHINA.

A recent issue of a North China paper contains an advertisement stating that a Tientsin firm has just received a consignment of Indian tea. It is remarkable enough that Indian merchants should seek a market for their goods in the very region where, one would fancy, they were least likely to find it.

THE POSTMASTERSHIP.

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CABLE NEWS.

London, Dec. 21.—The marriage of Lord Lytton, father of his departure for his post immediately after the publication of the birthplace of fully political strictures and formally resigned the post of Governor-General and returned to England after a short stay in the island.

MAINLAND NEWS.

Wednesday morning about 1 o'clock, a fire broke out in Wilson & Robinson's Hotel, at Griffin Lake. It is less than half an hour building was burned to the ground.

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