

The Colonist.

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SOUND DOCTRINE.

The contract of the syndicate which has undertaken to supply the United States Government with gold whenever and as of ten as the reserve gets below the safety line...

In the transactions of the government with the syndicate, and of the syndicate with investors and speculators, the essential weakness of the government as a banker has been so fully demonstrated that nothing but wilful ignorance or inherent folly can now deny that the Treasury ought to go out of the banking business.

So long as there is Government paper in circulation for which gold may be instantly demanded, so long will the prosperity of the country and the solvency of the Treasury be threatened.

With such sound teaching as this it is a little difficult to understand how it is that so many people in the United States are ready to embrace the wild and fantastic financial doctrines preached by currency enthusiasts and theorists of one kind and another.

THE LAW DISREGARDED.

Aldermen Macmillan and Cameron in letting a contract of over one thousand dollars to an importer of foreign sewer pipe acted in direct contravention of both the city by-law and the Municipal Act of 1892.

The Mayor shall have power to appoint such members of the Council as he may deem proper to be standing committees for any purposes which he considers would be better regulated and managed by means of such committees.

Subsection (c) of Section 21 of the Municipal Act, 1892, is identical with the above subsection of the city by-law.

It is to be hoped that after this Committee of the City Council will keep the above provision, both of the Municipal Act, 1892, and the city by-laws, in mind; and it is also to be hoped that the City Council will keep a sharp lookout as to how the people's money is expended and require the standing committees to consult them, as the law directs, respecting all expenditures over fifty dollars.

THE TRUE RECORD.

The following statement from the Montreal Times shows in a striking manner the true significance of the victory won in Westmoreland by Mr. Powell. When the Conservatives came into power the Liberals had in the county a majority of over six hundred.

LIBERAL WINS. 1897 Ind. Liberal majority... 1,540. 1874 Ind. Liberal by acclamation... 1,540. 1874 Liberal majority... 644.

THE GREAT YACHT RACE.

The race between the Defender and Valkyrie III comes off to-day, wind and weather permitting. Judging by all that has been written about this race, both in Europe and America, it is only natural to conclude that a very considerable portion of the population of both continents take a lively interest in the race.

The Valkyrie is more like an old fashioned British vessel, as far as the material of which she is constructed is concerned, than the Defender is like an old fashioned American sloop. The Valkyrie is a composite vessel with steel frames and a wood sheathing.

A peculiarity of both these racing sloops is that their draft is, considering their size, very great indeed. The Defender draws nearly twenty feet of water, and the Valkyrie III about nineteen. This, the inflated assert, shows that in the construction of the vessels everything has been sacrificed to speed.

REPUBLICAN TYRANNY.

Republicanism and liberty in South and Central America are not synonymous. They are in fact often the very opposite. Republicanism there frequently means tyranny, and tyranny a freighting and brutal kind.

CIVIC REFORM.

The work that civic reformers have lately done in New York city must be an encouragement to those who are striving for similar reforms in other cities. There were many who believed and said that corruption was so strong in that city and so bold that it was useless to contend against it.

What has been done in New York in the face of obstacles that seemed to be insurmountable, can be done in other cities where the difficulties in the way are by comparison insignificant.

HUNTING "ACCIDENTS."

The hunting season has commenced, and so have gun accidents. So certain are these to occur that a statistician might foretell the percentage of hunters who would be killed and wounded during the season.

A NEEDED RAILWAY.

The committee appointed to consider the question of railway communication with Uganda has reported favorably to the construction of the road. It may be remembered that between Lake Nyanza and the sea is a wide expanse of almost waterless country, a broad strip of which is infested with the tsetse fly, which is fatal to beasts of burden.

TOO SUSPICIOUS.

A gentleman described as "a Catholic clergyman" recently returned to San Francisco from Alaska, seems greatly afraid that the British engineers who are engaged in surveying the boundary line between British Columbia and Alaska will cheat the United States out of territory which it ought and paid for.

What have the "people," either of the United States or of British Columbia, or the British Empire, for that matter, to do with fixing the line of delimitation between the territory of the United States and that of Great Britain? This line was long ago defined by treaty, and all that the engineers of either country have to do is to follow the line as it is described in that document.

The railway will deprive the carriers of their occupation and it will enable the British Government in the region within the sphere of its influence to make the trade in human beings impossible. It is, in fact, most difficult to imagine the changes which the construction of this comparatively short line of railway to Central Africa may and probably will effect.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

It is difficult to understand how it is that the Sultan is so slow in initiating the reforms in Armenia that are urged upon him by the European Powers, and which, if he is the kindly-natured man he is represented to be, he must see as imperatively necessary.

Lord Salisbury's position is indeed as difficult as any that the biggest of his predecessors in the task of shaping the British Foreign Office policy since Pitt has been compelled to cope with. He had no sympathy with the original agitation against Turkey, much less with Lord Rosebery's action in committing England to joint action with Russia and France in the matter.

Of course much of this is speculation and conjecture, but it is evident that something is going on behind the scenes that encourages the Sultan to withstand the pressure which Great Britain has applied and is still applying to induce him to move in the direction of effecting reforms in Armenia.

The marvelous and speedy cure of Mrs. A. R. Parsons, of Sutton, P.Q., has created a wonderful sensation in that place. The memory of the great discoverer of Paine's Celery Compound will ever be sacred to the thousands who have been wonderfully delivered from disease and suffering.

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RETURNED FROM ALASKA. F. R. Lantz with a party of six left San Francisco for the gold fields of Alaska on May 5 and arrived here. When he reached Juneau he found that he had only just started on his journey, and having laid in supplies of all descriptions for two years and purchased a schooner, the little band of gold seekers started on June 10 to make the 600 or 700 miles to Cook's Inlet.

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