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GROUNDLESS APPREHENSIONS.

Some of our American neighbors are under the impression that there is what they are pleased to term a "Yukon difficulty," that is, a difficulty between the Government of Great Britain and the Government of the United States as to the ownership of the territory in which gold has been found in the valley of the Yukon.

In the case of Alaska there are no old lines to be rectified, no alleged boundary marks to quarrel over. The lines have not yet been run, but when they are run, or rather ascertained, they are for the greater part of that nature that there really can be no reasonable dispute about them.

We see from the following passage from an article in the San Francisco Chronicle of the 27th ult., that it is feared that the British Columbia Legislature proposes to annex the Yukon gold fields to this province.

The matter is a somewhat pressing one because of the attempt to commit the British Columbia Legislature to a scheme to annex the Yukon gold fields to that province.

It so happened that after the Chronicle was published a member of the Legislature of this province, Capt. Irving, moved a resolution "requesting that the Dominion Government be at once apprised of the necessity of placing the Yukon country under the governmental control of the province, so that life and property may be protected, and the revenue collected by the least expensive and most effective means."

this that the Legislature of British Columbia has no desire to annex the gold fields of the Yukon to this province even if it could do so.

To judge by the tone of the newspaper organ of the Greenway Government, both sectarian prejudice and political predilections have a good deal to do with the position taken by the representatives of the Province.

Although there is in this province no desire to encroach upon the rights of either the United States Government or United States citizens in the Yukon country, there is a determination on the part of enterprising British Columbians to get a share of the trade of that country by legitimate means, of course—and some of them feel indignant that favors should be granted by the Government of the Northwest Territories to Americans trading in it which are denied to British subjects.

THE MISSION OF PEACE.

It may, we think, be safely taken for granted that Sir Donald A. Smith's mission of peace to Winnipeg has ended in failure.

It should not for a moment be forgotten that the people are behind him and above him. It is not in his power and above him, and they have both the power and the will to control him. The members of his Government who conferred with the Commission from Ottawa could not, even if they wished, agree to propositions which they knew would be disapproved by the men who placed them in office.

To assume that Mr. Greenway and his colleagues were prepared to meet the Commissioners half-way, or nearly half-way, is to suppose that their views on the school question and those of the majority of the people had undergone a very material change, and there is not a particle of evidence to lead the discerning and well-informed observer to arrive at this conclusion.

There is no reason to believe that either the people or the Government of Manitoba feel themselves bound in good faith to consider the grievance of the minority favorably.

AN ACUTE OBSERVER.

Mr. Henry Norman, well and favorably known on this side of the Atlantic as a very able and thoroughly reliable journalist, contributes a paper to the April number of Scribner's Magazine on "The quarrel of the English-speaking peoples," in which he discusses the way in which British subjects and United States citizens regard each other.

between the two great English-speaking nations could then hardly be avoided and that it would be productive of the most disastrous effects both to the United States and to Great Britain.

I was astonished to find that people do not reflect that although war might result in the loss to us of Canada and possibly, through a European combination against us, in the reduction of Great Britain to a third-rate power, it might also result in the instant progress of a fresh revolutionary spirit somewhere between the Atlantic and the Pacific—all this, to say nothing of the awful butchery of men and the piling up of enormous national debts that would certainly ensue.

NEEDLESS ALARM.

Our very able contemporary, the Portland Oregonian, is afraid that the men in authority in the United States will be inveigled by British artfulness into initiating the Alaska boundary question with the Venezuela dispute.

Our diplomats should be very careful, before not to allow the Venezuela question to become mixed with the Alaska boundary question or any other dispute between the United States and Great Britain, or to be drawn into any kind of universal arbitration.

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NOT AN INCONSISTENCY.

The Grits profess to believe that it is inconsistent in the Government to keep the Remedial Bill before Parliament while the Commissioners are negotiating for a settlement of the Manitoba school question in Winnipeg.

THE U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Baking Powder superior to all others.

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For a year past they have done so without reason. After the Remedial Order was passed, the Grits declared the government would never introduce Remedial Legislation.

But if now the Grits could get the government to cease pressing forward the bill, what a Grit whoop of triumph would go up, and they would say to their friends, "Just as we told you; the government never wanted to pass the bill."

"The foreign-born," he says, "and their immediate descendants already exceed the number of native born north of the Mason and Dixon line. Every large city in the area is politically controlled by the votes of this foreign population, and its police and administrative officers are drawn almost exclusively from the laboring class."

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COAL SHIPMENTS.

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Customs Returns at Vancouver and Nanaimo—Ore Shipments From Revelstoke.

Disappeared From Walla Walla—The Courts at Westminster.

(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER, April 2.—Wm. Sawdon of Walla Walla, has lost his son aged 19. He is advertising for him here. The lad disappeared on March 17.

WESTMINSTER, April 2.—Justice McCraith held Supreme court chambers yesterday. The court of revision has adjourned till Monday.

REVELSTOKE, March 31.—The following is a statement of the output of ore through Revelstoke for the week ending the 28th:

Table with columns: Mine, Pounds, Value. Lists ore production from mines like Ivanhoe, Monitor, Sloan Star, etc.

NANAIMO, April 2.—The following are the customs returns for last month at this port:

Table with columns: Duty Collected, Miscellaneous, Imports, free, dutiable. Lists customs data for Nanaimo.

The Best Breed of Fowls.

The question of which is the best breed of fowls narrows down to this: "What fowl do you like best? What style and color take your eye. Can you give the proper housing and care the tender breeds require? Will you have to subject your fowls to just ordinary houses and care?"

NANAIMO, April 6.—

lapa which called her way to Alaska, had a passenger for the Yukon, the large majority Juneau or Sitka.

NANAIMO, April 7.—

Co. have placed a special disposal of the amateur on the 16th inst. to Nanaimo and Wellington.

DUNCAN, April 7.—

tainment taking the place of Easter tea was given at ball yesterday evening, consisting of a concert.

THIRTY NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Fruit Growers' Association at Langley—Way to Cariboo—Big New D.

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(Special to the Colonist.)

VANCOUVER, April 2.—The British Growers' Association Saturday with local Langley organization their local interests.

The bank of British Columbia has opened a branch in Vancouver, formerly Vancouver branch.

In a few days the line will be complete Aldergrove, Langley, Langley, Chilliwack, connected with Vancouver.

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