

Australia's Prime Minister

Sir Edmund Barton Will Arrive in Victoria This Morning.

Banquet at the Driard Tonight -Brief Sketch of His Life.

Sir Edmund Barton, premier of the Australian Commonwealth, arrived in Victoria Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock on board the C. P. R. steamer Yosemite, which was met at the disposal of Sir Edmund and his party, by the provincial government, whose guest he will be during his stay in the capital.

Immediately after the banquet at Vancouver, Sir Edmund will proceed to the Yosemite, which sailed for Victoria early this morning. On his arrival here the visitor will be received by members of the government, His Worship Mayor Hayward, officers of the Board of Trade and other leading citizens.

In the evening he will be entertained at a banquet at the Driard hotel, in which about 100 of Victoria's representative citizens will take part.

Mr. Barton is Australian born. He was born in Sydney, N. S. W., on the 21st of January, 1849.

He was educated first at the Sydney Grammar school, of which college he became a member, and then at the University, where he graduated with honors, and subsequently took the degree of Master of Arts from the University in 1871.

He entered the political arena while still a very young man as a moderate protectionist and progressive Radical-Conservative. Early in his career he attached himself to the standard of the late Sir Henry Parkes in that gentleman's famous "free-trade" oratory.

THE FATHER OF FEDERATION. Soon after the death of his great federal leader, Sir Henry Parkes, Sir Edmund Barton was called upon to take the place of the late Premier in the connection with party politics.

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As a Board of Works

Mayor and Aldermen Discuss Streets and Bridges at Meeting Last Night.

Concrete to Be Used With Granite For Pier Ellipse Bridge.

The mayor and aldermen sat Thursday as a board of works, and gave various matters in this department a few hours' consideration. Quiet among these was the pier ellipse bridge foundations, the subject of discussion being as to the material to be used in the piers and abutments.

Disaster at Tibert Creek Landslide Destroys Plant and rills Up the Excavations.

Accident Occurred Just as all Was Ready for the Clean-Up.

J. Scates arrived in the city yesterday from Tibert creek, Cassiar, where he has been employed for some time as a contractor. He reports the occurrence of a very serious accident on August 22nd, the consequence of which the whole season's work was destroyed and an immense amount of damage done to the machinery and plant.

The loss in consequence of the accident was estimated at \$10,000. The machinery and plant were completely destroyed. The work was abandoned for the season.

"PETER DOUGLASS" Origin of a U. S. Army Term Meaning a Dead Man.

In Garrison life "Peter Douglass" was a name that was often heard. It was a name that was often heard. It was a name that was often heard.

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Another New Process. Portland-Cement Method Said to Be Cheap and Simple.

A few days ago a consignment of less than a ton of ore from the Standard mine was shipped to Denver to be treated by the Portland-Cement process, says the Standard World. The inventor, Mr. Pohl, was for years assayer for the Globe smelting works and tested thousands of tons of Standard ore. He believes that his new process will treat it perfectly.

The process is a simple one. The crude ore is not concentrated but is pulverized, finely mixed with salt, and roasted. Chlorine gas is generated from the salt, and the mixture is heated to drive off the fumes.

Before proceeding with the other matters in agenda, the mayor mentioned the fact that the City board had requested the contractor to proceed with the work on the pier ellipse bridge foundations.

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Senseless and Mischievous

Reckless Statements Made By E. B. Kirby Before Mining Institute.

The Mining and Scientific Press of San Francisco Repeats them.

Mr. E. B. Kirby, the reputed author of the famous Mine Owners' Memorial, has been at it again. Taking advantage of the annual meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute at Nelson, Mr. Kirby read a paper before that body in which he made the astounding assertion that the mines of British Columbia paid \$5,400,000 yearly in taxation.

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THE NOBLE FIVE.

Report of Importation Strikes on Maude E. and Deadman.

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