#### A NEW ELEMENT

one of the most important that has been held since the opening of the present political campaign. The four opposition candidates distinctly pledged themselves, in the event of defeat of the present been more satisfactory and would have force. However, as things stand at present, the question of party lines has that they are not conducting the contest

support the government of Mr. Martin had to the opposition candidates, but still we do not see how they can consistently support all four of them. The which we know no Briton likes to dwell presence of one Liberal on the opposition ticket makes it possible for Liberals is no doubt that a strong effort is being is well that those who are opposed to the government, and more strongly antagonistic to the party that is now chiefly represented by Messrs. Turner, Ebvoting for four straight oppositionists. Mr. Turner and Mr. Eberts have both an opportunity to give vent to our feelbeen addressing the electors of the interior and there cannot be much doubt of the fact that there is an understanding of some kind in regard to the course that shall be followed by the fragments of parties in the Legislature in the event of the defeat of the government.

As has been said, Turnerism is dead, and it only remains for every patriotic that the corpse may be buried so deep at the forthcoming election as to be beyond the hope of resurrection.

cannot recommend the electors to accept party very seriously, and it is doubtful either political party to take up the as provided by the Dominion Lands Act either ticket in its entirety, but would advise that a selection be made from the four best men in the field, irrespecthem at the head of the list on election day.

As will be seen by the letter which zing in his bonnet, and while he is no will "primarily" oppose the formation of a government on party lines, his convictions are so strong on the question and his belief so evidently sincere that that is the only cure for the evils from which we have been suffering lately, that we are inclined to believe he would welcome the announcement that it was impossible to form a government on other than party lines and that he would be pleased to see in power an administration which would have the confidence and support of at least one of the gentlemen who hopes to represent Victoria.

very narrow circle indeed, and we believe it to be the duty of those who desire to be represented by men in whom all can repose perfect confidence to cast their ballots for Messrs. Helmcken, Hall, Yates and Brown.

THE COMING CELEBRATION.

The announcement that the Admiral 24th of May festivities this year beyond peradventure. The commander-inchief, for reasons that we cannot enter allay. into here, but which may suggest themselves to anyone, has decided that he that the military manoeuvres must take place at Macaulay Point. Every possithis review, and with somewhere be-

has been so well begun.

South Africa, if indeed it is second to tial. his. For the first time in the history of Britain the greater empire beyond the seas has taken a prominent part in the one of the objections which the defence of the homes of our fellow- When they are opened they will see that \$5 per acre for the land and latterly \$1 this subject on the coming anniversary terests of the province at heart.

of our beloved Sovereign's birth. There is another aspect of the matter upon, but which must be considered. The time is approaching when in pursuance of the decrees of Providence the Queen must forever lay aside the crown which has never before been seen on earth and the sceptre which she has wielded with sovereign who ever sat on a throne in this world. The prayer of all Britons is eminently Canada's holiday, but it will asm as we have this year and so good ings of loyalty and thankfulness.

#### THE SITUATION.

election on Dominion party lines at the action of the candidates who pledged themselves at the meeting on Monday the public interest. After a careful con- its vitality is weak and in all parts of

House.

he has still got the party lines bee buz- to enter his cabinet, and that it was only ment that is about to be paid to the as a last resort that he turned round and freedom of their much-lauded "institoodecided to form a Liberal government. tions." These are not our statements, but the facts as narrated by Mr. Martin himself. It was only after all overtures had been sincerity of Mr. McPhillips, but it really executive decided, perhaps unwisely, that does not talk enough and what Col. in British Columbia was not in favor of June he might take our suggestion into party lines and that at least one-half of them were opposed to the leadership of his "serious consideration." Mr. Martin. We say that any reasonable man who carefully studies the his-

that the Liberals who oppose party lines vative party. The Conservative majorare perfectly consistent in their attitude. ity in East York was very small at the any person not then a subject of Her Mato the Liberals as a body if he had had strength of Mr. Ryan in the field it is has decided to cordially co-operate with any hopes of success without their assist- perfectly safe to predict that at the next the city in the celebration of Her Ma- ance, therefore we are under no obliga- election it will disappear altogether. jesty's birthday places the success of the tion to him and there is no reason why feelings should be engendered over the

Then we must consider the system of government under which we have been cannot take his men to Beacon Hill and living since the defeat of the Semlin ministry. Is there a Liberal who can overlook the fact that for several months we ble arrangement will be made for the have been living under personal rather comfort and safety of those who attend than responsible government, and that it may be we do not know how long between fifteen hundred and two thousand fore we shall return to the regular conmen in uniform that spectacle alone will stitutional forms? When the Lieutenant- is a cautious and moderate man, "knowbe worth going a long way to see. There Governor took upon himself the responsiing how to guard speech and deed." This has been some grumbling about some of bility of calling upon a man to form a shows how much British journals know the arrangements—there was never any- ministry who had not to all appearances of American politics, for the very re- anti-Imperialistic plank. thing done yet in a British community a single follower in the House, to which marks which called forth approbation that did not cause some growls-but we it is usual to look for Premier who has of the Mail sealed the doom of Dewey think on mature consideration and after either a majority there or good pros- as a presidential candidate.

the events are over there will be dis- pects of securing one, in making such a position to accord the committees in selection in order that the rights of the The meeting held in Philharmonic charge every credit for doing their best people should be safe-guarded he should Hall last Monday night was not very to make the celebration a success from have insisted on an immediate election largely attended, but it was nevertheless every point of view. The gentlemen in so that the departments might be admincharge of the arrangements have spent istered for the shortest possible time by a great deal of time in perfecting all ministers who had not received the endetails, and as not they but the city will dorsation of the people. Is there a man details, and as not they but the city will dorsation of the people. Is there a man derive all the glory that may result from who calls himself a Liberal who can The Abolition of the Charge for 30 their labors, it would perhaps be well take the platform and defend the Ryder to stop all criticism and turn in and deal? The fact is there has not been assist them to complete the work which a single transaction since the day of the dismissal of the Semlin government in Never in the history of Queen's Birth- the history of the administration day celebrations in Victoria, which are of British Columbia that can be noted all along the Coast for the enthu- defended from a Liberal point of view. siasm and heartiness with which they The Liberal press of Eastern Canada is have hitherto been entered into, has the unanimous in its condemnation of all trend of events been so propitious for a that has recently taken place in this spontaneous outburst of national rejoic- province, and it is surely scarcely reasonbeen given at an earlier date and without | ing. Before the arrival of the 24th we | able to say that they are swayed entirely appearance of the application of shall probably hear of the relief of Mafe- by personal animosity to Hon. Joseph king and the release of Col. Baden- Martin. They go by what has appeared Powell and his gallant garrison, who are in the press and what has been said in nearly all colonials like ourselves, and parliament about the matter, and we effectually disposed of, as both have gained glory second only to that of know of no reason why their judgment sides have publicly testified to the fact the grand old commander-in-chief in should not be perfectly fair and impar-

purpose of the followers of the Premier; their obtaining a patent. their eyes have been temporarily blinded. portunity to give vent to our feelings on were against them also had the best in-

#### A BAD BEGINNING.

lighten the Boer delegates on the intriis the emblem of such national glory as to their entry upon their duties on this continent. Owing to failure to attend to this important matter it looks as if such wisdom as has been given to no a faux paus has been made which has had the further satisfaction of get doomed the cause of the republican emis- ting the government to grant to the setsaries to failure at the very beginning of there on those homesteads their land "Long may she reign," and that we their tour. The course of the Irish in free from any charge whatsoever. Furshall yet have many opportunities of the war has offended the German seccelebrating the "24th," which is pre- tion of the pro-Boer element in the United States, and one of the speakers n all likelihood be many years before at the reception which was accorded we shall have such reasons for enthusi- Oom Paul's plenipotentiaries did not of taxing the settlers in the above manhesitate to give vent to his feelings on ner has been in existence, the difficulty the matter, saying that the Irish in their We understand there is a good deal of dissatisfaction among Conservatives who advocated the conducting of the pending caused several protests. and that it The order-in-council bringing about caused several protests, and that it looked as though there might be serious, the change is as follows: trouble. As there is no likelihood of either of the political parties in the night to oppose the formation of a Con- United States actively interfering on His Excellency in Council servative government in the event of the behalf of the Boers, although they might British Columbian to so cast his vote defeat of the administration of Hon. have been willing to make use of the survey, administration, disposal have been willing to make use of the and management of Dominion lands with Joseph Martin. It is difficult to under- sojourners for the purpose of influencing in the forty mile belt in the province of stand the reason why this should be, as veters to one side or the other, this con- British Columbia, established by order-inthe latest declaration only made some tretemps on the first day of their arrival council of 20th April, 1885, provides, what more clear the position taken when may entirely change the aspect of at among other things, for the collection of the col The government platform is in some Mr. Hall was placed on the ticket after fairs. It was the Irish and German for under the provisions of the homestead respects in line with the policy long ad- he had clearly explained his position vote that it was calculated to decoy, and conditions of these regulations; and and plainly announced that in Dominion the attack on Irishmen will be publishlines movement is dead in Victoria and pathy and permanently settle the matter as far as they are concerned. Thus title to their homesteads upon the ordinary sideration of the situation the Times the province. No one takes the Wilson we see that it may be unprofitable for conditions as to residence and cultivation, if their leader will have a disciple in the sacred cause of freedom. President Mc with regard to homestead lands in Mani-Kinley is not likely to give the delegates petitioners stating that the charge of \$1 The followers of the Premier are also encouragement, and their only recourse an acre is most exacting and burdensome, displeased with the Liberals who do not will be to appeal to the people at large, that clearing land in British Columbia is tive of party affiliations, and that a see all the statesmanlike virtues of Hon. and they will not gain much by that. slow and tedious, and that the building and maintenance of roads add greatly to strong effort should be made to place Joseph Martin that are so plainly appar- Then, the United States having refused their expenses; and ent to them. They have been confronted to take up the cause of the downtrodden, with the statement of the Premier him- an appeal will be made to the governself that he endeavored to form an alli- ment of that other land of liberty and ance with Mr. Dunsmuir, that he tried political freedom, Russia. We hope the we publish to-day from Mr. McPhillips, to induce some prominent Conservatives Americans fully appreciate the compli-

> rejected from other quarters that an ap- seems as if he attaches too much imporplication was made for the summoning tance to the fact that he is a Liberalof a Liberal convention for the purpose Conservative. They are not going to be treated similarly in this respect to of pronouncing upon the question of figure very largely in the provincial elecselecting Mr. Martin as the leader of a tions. Mr. McPhillips should run for provincial Liberal party. The provincial the House of Commons. Mr. Earle they could not summon a convention for Prior says is not to the purpose, so there. 22 of the said regulations, established by such a purpose, and the outcome was is a good opening, and as the late memthe Vancouver meeting, which only made ber for Victoria will not be burdened it more apparent that the Liberal party with legislative duties after the 9th of

If the announcement be true that Peter tory of this party lines movement from Ryan is going to throw away his regisits inception and is not blinded by the tership and run for parliament against to his side, must come to the conclusion even a lieutenancy, in the great Conser-

As will be seen by our dispatches tomatter that it may take some time to day, Lord Roberts has complained of another white flag outrage. There have been many of these cases of deliberate murder now, and in the end the Boers will be the chief sufferers, as if no reliance is to be placed on signals of surrender additional terror will be added to the horrors of war.

The London Mail says Admiral Dewey

### Good News For Settlers

Homestead Land in Railway Belt.

Aulay Morrison, M.P., Succeeds in Obtaining Free Grants--The Order-in-Council.

(From the Times Correspondent.) Ottawa, May 10.-If there was one class of the community on the Mainland of British Columbia more than another who were handicapped it was the bona fide settler on Dominion lands.

They were not allowed to sell the tim ber off their homesteads, even that portion which was felled in complying with We have no doubt of the sincerity of the statutory requirements necessary to

They were obliged to pay at one time colonials, and we shall have a fitting op- after all it is possible that those who per acre; in default of payment interest accumulated at the rate of 6 per cent. Many of those settlers spent what money they had in clearing and encumbered their places when opportunity offered to enable them to buy the where withal to eke out a living. Mr Webster Davis should have been

Mainly through the energetic and time engaged by President Kruger to en- ly efforts of the member for New Westminster, who found this state of affairs cacies of United States politics previous affecting many of his constituents, the full right to all timber on their homesteads unreservedly.

And the last few days Mr. Morrison ther than that those struggling settlers who made homestead entries and who have not yet paid therefor, are exempt from payment.

Considering the long time the policy of working such a reform can readily be the matter, saying that the Irish in their seen. Mr. Morrison's appreciation of own country had done nothing for the assistance of the cause which these general his constituents interests in this matter, is highly commendable and demonstrates order-in-council bringing about

At the Government House at Ottawa, Tuesday, the 17th day of April, 1900.

Whereas section 22 of the regulations

repealed, and that settlers be granted slow and tedious, and that the building

Whereas it is now deemed advisable and

in the public interest that these homestead lands in the railway belt should be thrown open to settlement upon the same conditions as lands of the same class in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories; Therefore His Excellency, by and with the advice of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, is pleased to order that all such lands as before mentioned in the railway belt already entered for and for We do not for a moment question the which payment has not yet been made, and all lands hereafter entered for under the homestead provisions of the regulations, shall not be made subject to the payment of \$1 an acre, but that they shall similar lands in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, and the same is hereby

ordered accordingly: And His Excellency is further pleased to order that sub-section (a) of section order-in-council of 20th April, 1885, and subsequent orders-in-council, and which reads as follows:

"Section 22. (a) At the expiration of

three years from the date of his perfecting his homestead entry, the settler or, in case of his death, his legal representatives, upon proving to the satisfaction of the local agent that he, or they, or some of them, have resided upon and cultivated the land during the said term of three years, shall be entitled to a patent for glamor which we confess Mr. Martin Billy McLean in East York, the World the land; provided such proof is accepted seems to have the faculty of casting over man may as well bid farewell to all his by the Commissioner of Dominion lands, those whom he succeeds in bringing over hopes of attaining to the leadership, or in his absence by a member of the land board, and on payment of one dollar per acre for the land; provided also that the patent therefore shall not issue to Mr. Martin would never have appealed last election, and with a man with the lesty by birth or naturalization," shall be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "and on payment of one dollar per acre for the land," which appear on the seventh and eighth lines of the said sub-section (a) of section 22 of the printed regulations before mentioned. JOHN J. M'GEE.

Clerk of the Privy Council.

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FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Programme of the Meetings Which Open at Metchosin on Friday.

H. L. Blanchard, of Hadlock, Washitions and resolutions from ington, accompanied by Tom Wilson, has politics he was a Liberal. In any event, ed from one end of the United States to settlers and municipal councils in various little concluded a series of addresses at the pledge has been taken and the party the other, and may alienate their symilocalities throughout the railway belt have the regular meetings of the institutes on been received, praying that said section be the Lower Fraser, and will come over from Vancouver by to-day's boat en route for home. Mr. Blanchard is described as a pleasing speaker, well versed. in the subjects of his addresses, which are eminently of a practical nature On Friday next Dr. James Withycombe, vice-director of the Oregon Agri-

cultural College, accompanied by J. R. Anderson, superintendent of institutes vill begin a series of lectures as follows: Metchosin-At the public hall on Friday, 18th inst. Subject, "Rotation of Crops and Advantages Thereof." Duncans-At the agricultural hall, on has terminated. The men gave in and

Husbandry,' Saanich-At the agricultural hall on Monday, 21st. Subject, "The Dairy Cow and Her Environments." Vesuvius Bay-At the agricultural hall n Tuesday, 22nd. Subject, "Sheep as

Factor in Farm Economy.' Nanaimo-At the council chambers on Wednesday, 23rd. Subject, "Rotation of Crops and the Advantages Thereof." On Saturday, 26th, D. A. Brodie, su-perintendent of the Puvallun Experiment perintendent of the Puyallup Experiment Station, will take up the work in company with Mr. Anderson, when lectures will be given at the following places: Chilliwack-At Henderson's hall on

Saturday, 26th inst. Agassiz-At I. O. G. T. hall on Monlay, 28th inst. Mission—At Public hall on Tuesday, A Noted Physician's 29th inst.

Salmon Arm-At McGuire's hall on Thursday, 31st inst. Armstrong-At Public hall on Friday,

Kelowna-At Public hall on Monday, Mr. Brodie will speak on the following subjects: "Rational Stock Feeding," "Forage Crops," "Silos and Ensilage," "Diseases of Plants," "Principles of

Spraving.' This will conclude the spring regular neetings. The fall meetings will probably take place in October. It should be borne in mind that these meetings are as Paine's Celery Compound, nature's open to the public and everyone is made

CANADIAN BANKS.

Montreal, May 15 .- The annual statement of the Bank of Montreal, issued to-day, shows net profits of \$1,524,388 for the year, a gain of \$173,606 for the year, the largest on record. The net earnings show a profit of 12.7 per cent. The balance carried forward to profit and loss is \$427,180, as against \$1,102,-792 last year. This discrepancy is made up by a million dollars being added to Chicago, May 15.-The Record says the rest fund, which is now \$7,000,000, Hawaji and Porto Rico will send dele- or seven-twelfths of the capital stock. gates to the Democratic National Con- Last year the rest fund was \$6,000,000. Toronto, May 15.—The Dominion Bank announces a successful year. The net ers of the Democratic party are carried profits were \$214,342; amount carried out. Democratic managers say there is over this year to profit and loss \$62,056, some pretty politics in the idea of giv- as compared with \$42,714 last year. ing seats in the convention to a Porto Four quarterly dividends were paid of Rican delegation. They believe it will four per cent. The bank has also clearbe a good play, in view of the fact that ed off \$15,000 on its premises here. The the Democratic platform will contain an annual meeting takes place on May 30th.

There are many forms of nervous debility in men that yield to the use of Carter's Iron Pills. Those who are troubled with nervous weakness, night sweats, etc., The Earnscliffe furniture was sold yes terday. Sir John Macdonald's desk, which he used for thirty years, was TO RUN TO NEW WHATCOM

New Watcom, Wn., May 15 .- The attempt of the Northern Pacific to shut the Canadian Pacific out of an Amerid. At the close of a three days' conference between the Northern Pacific officials and President P. B. Cornwall, and the officials of the Bellingham Bay & British Columbia railway, President Cornwall announced that this company has refused to sell to the Northern Pacific, and that closer traffic arrangements had been concluded with the Canadian Pacific, and soon the Canadian Pacific trains would be running into Whatcom.

STRIKE AT AN END.

Toledo, Ohio, May 15 .- The longshoremen's strike inaugurated on Saturday, and which threatened to be far reaching, Saturday, 19th inst. Subject. "Swine nearly all of them went back to work.

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# Opinion.

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