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AGRICULTURE IN SCHOOLS.

EDITOR:—Allow me to direct attention to one phase of our educational system recently introduced, the teaching of agriculture from a book to both sexes from ten years...

not profess to condemn so highly a subject, but to underrate its value in the school...

These remarks are from the official organ of the Liberal party...

PERSPECTIVE COMPETITION.

MONTREAL, March 16.—An interesting competition is said likely to arise near future between the British and the Spanish legation here...

ROADS OF RHEUMATISM.

Which is Instantaneous and Permanent in Effect—A Calgary Resident, Suffered for Three Years Becomes Strong in Athlete.

And of mysterious force could be used in all cases of rheumatism.

NOT AT ALL DISTURBED.

LONDON, March 20.—A petition presented by Rev. Dr. Kennedy Moore will be presented at the coming Presbyterian synod against Rev. Dr. John Watson (as Maclean), on the ground of heretical teaching in "Mind and Matter" and the "Bonnie Briar Bush."

CARRIED NO-PASSENGERS.

Baker, March 20.—Later advice received here to-day show that the Dutch steamer "Utrecht" which is supposed to have foundered off the coast of the St. Lawrence, had no passengers.

BIRTH.

On March 12, at 138 Richmond st., the wife of J. K. Worsfold, of a son, the 16th inst., at 15 Stanley avenue, the wife of F. H. Coles, of a daughter.

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On the 11th inst., at the residence of her mother, Mrs. H. N. ... of a son, the 15th inst., at 15 Stanley avenue, the wife of F. H. Coles, of a daughter.

UNMEASURED CENSURE

The Liberal Press of London Indignant at the Blockade of Crete.

"Black Sunday" the Title for the Day That Sees It Enforced.

LONDON, March 20.—The Cretan imbroglio remains the question of the hour, and the enforcing of the blockade of the island of Crete from to-morrow is expected to give rise to exciting incidents in the endeavors of the Greeks to run the blockade.

These remarks are from the official organ of the Liberal party—the "Daily News" and "Daily Telegraph." The pamphlet of the Rt. Hon. William E. Gladstone on the Cretan question is said by his opponents to have done little good and his ideas are repudiated even by some of the Liberal newspapers.

TRADE AND THE TARIFF

The Liberal Ideal of an Impost for Revenue Only Still Far Distant.

A Readjustment Rather Than a New Policy in the Coming Legislation.

OTTAWA, March 20.—(Special.)—The new tariff measure is nearly ready and when brought down will be found to be far from approaching the Liberal ideal of a tariff for revenue only, as the government, when they got down to bedrock, found that their catch cry would not work.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

Mr. Watson Crosby, Patron member of the Manitoba legislature for Dennis constituency died yesterday morning. The deceased had resided at Verdun, but he took ill after his arrival for the sessional duties at the Prince's capital.

DOINGS OF THE DOMINION.

TORONTO, March 19.—According to the provisions of the new joint stock company's bill now before the legislature, directors and promoters of such companies will be held responsible for the contents of any prospectus issued by them, and may be held liable for damages sustained by reason of any untrue statement regarding such company published while they act as directors.

WOODSACK, MARCH 19.

Miss Ada Lindsay, aged 20 of Soora, drove into town yesterday with her wedding gown, and purchased her wedding dress, and on her way back she was met by a horse man who was driven over by a horse.

LONDON PRESS OPINIONS.

LONDON, March 20.—Most of the week's newspapers commencing with the "Morning Post" and "Morning News" are in the most violent and unmeasured terms denouncing the tariff bill...

BRITAIN'S POSITION.

The Leader of the Government Replies to the Earl of Kimberley's Recent Address.

ENGLAND'S DUTY TO MAINTAIN THE FEDERATED ACTION OF EUROPE FOR PACE.

THE PAPAL ALEGATE.

An Interview Causes Considerable Comment—His View of the Manitoba School Question.

MONTREAL, March 19.—The golden wedding of the ex-principal of McGill college, Sir William Dawson, and Lady Dawson, was quietly observed today by a gathering of his eight children and thirty grandchildren at the home.

FATHERLAND EN FETE.

Subjects of the Kaiser Gather at Berlin From Far and Near.

TO DO HONOR TO THE MEMORY OF "THE OLD EMPEROR."

BERLIN, March 20.—Berlin is already crowded with strangers who have come here to view the three days' celebration of the centenary of the Emperor of the German Empire.

FLIRTING IN THE DARKNESS.

OMAHA, March 19.—Special telegrams to-day from all points in the Northwest indicate that the bonds of winter were simultaneously broken up yesterday and the streams that have been bound in ice for months have suddenly turned to raging torrents.

LOYAL TO LABREQUE.

QUEBEC, March 20.—Bishop Labreque, of Chateaufort, who recently placed in the Patrie under the ban, has received an address signed by all the priests of his diocese, expressing their satisfaction at the firm action taken by His Lordship with regard to the question of Manitoba schools, and the vigorous campaign which he has inaugurated against those newspapers, and assuring him of their perfect unanimity of ideas on the subject both in words and actions.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

Success is the reward of merit; not of assumption. Popular application is what tells in the long run. For fifty years, people have been using Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and it is the blood-purifier most in vogue with the public.

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THE FATHER OF WATERS. Barriers Go Down at Memphis Before the Rush of the Mighty Mississippi. Rivers Throughout the Northwest Overflow Their Banks, Causing Great Havoc and Fatality.

MONTANA'S STOCK RANGES. HANNA, MONT., March 19.—Nothing could have suited the stock men of Montana better than the Chicago which has just passed over the state. Away in the north range matters are in a deplorable condition. As regards stock, they could hardly be worse. It is a comforting swirl of the present winter spell continues for some time.

MUTINOUS PRISONERS. LONDON, March 20.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Madrid, dated the 19th, says that there has been a revolt among the prisoners in the Bilbilis jail, near Huesca, on Thursday. They killed the keeper of the prison, seized all the arms that were available, and rushed into the street, but only to meet a strong body of soldiers. A stubborn fight ensued, in which several mutineers were killed.

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The High Value of the Consolidated Alberni Fully Established.

Mr. James Dunsmuir returned yesterday from a short business trip to San Francisco. He brought back with him a gold brick, valued at \$230.49, the result of crushing fourteen tons of ore at the Consolidated Alberni mill...

At the present time over a dozen men are at work sinking shaft from the surface of the tunnel at the 70-foot level. This shaft will be sunk 100 feet and drifts run from that level...

THE CITY.

ROBERT HATCHER died at the Jubilee hospital yesterday. One by one the unfortunates who are so dear to old timers as souvenirs of early days disappear from Victoria's business thoroughfares...

FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES. The house went into committee of the whole on Mr. Kennedy's Fire Insurance Policy Amendment bill. Mr. Forster in the chair...

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THE SALMON.

An Approximation of Year's Fleet Will Be Preparation. Unprecedented extent preparations now being reporting this year's salmon fishery work done.

ships are weighing the produce of the fishery in view of the gathering together a quantity for a product of value to engage it, even though they are very numerous of new canneries operation this year has offment to be made. A fleet of eight vessels will be chartered for the purpose of taking the salmon to the coast.

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THE SALMON OUTPUT

An Approximation of What This Year's Fleet Will Carry—Early Preparations.

Victoria May Be Made the Calling Port for a New Japanese Steamship Line.

Unprecedentedly extensive are the preparations now being made for exporting this year's salmon pack to the English markets. Never before in the history of the industry has such preliminary work been done.

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FIGHTING FOR STEAMSHIP LINES.

Fully awake to the interests of this port, Mr. F. C. Davidge, the Pacific coast manager of the O. R. & N. steamship line, is allowing no opportunity to pass that would in any way add to the commercial prestige of Victoria.

The Victoria agents of the Chemainus mills say they have not received any notice from a Japanese lumber order till, as reported in an article reprinted from the Seattle Press-Times yesterday morning.

LUMBER FOR JAPAN.

Judge Burke of Seattle, who is connected with the Great Northern railway, in an interview recently said that he had been the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line of steamships is increasing considerably.

TORONTO, March 18.—A large delegation of citizens of Toronto, Kingston, Rat Portage, Fort William, Port Arthur and other places have petitioned the Ontario government to subsidize the St. Mary's railway to the extent of \$5,000,000 for 150 miles.

THE HOME HELPERS.

A Meeting at the City Hall Endorses Lady Aberdeen's Diamond Jubilee Idea.

A Central Committee Appointed to Raise Funds to Carry Out the Scheme.

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THE HAND OF RUSSIA

Support For the Treacherous Sultan From His Old-Time Enemy.

Germany and Austria Hold Afloat From the Operations of the Powers.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 19.—The visit of Janis has telegraphed to the Porte that the Greek troops are now moving in the direction of Arta.

LONDON, March 19.—The Daily Mail's Athens correspondent says that the Crown Prince Constantine at the head of 4,700 troops has started for the frontier.

It is reported at Athens, says the Mail's correspondent, that there is a secret treaty of recent origin between Russia and Turkey by which Russia is to set Suda, Alexandria and other Mediterranean ports in exchange for the support she undertakes to give Turkey against Greece.

On the invitation of the admirals the principal ministers of the Crown at Akrotiri went on board the Italian flagship in Suda bay yesterday (Friday).

The Constantinople correspondent of the Times says that the Sultan has summoned Edin Pasha to the frontier in order to give him more explicit instructions.

At the Athens correspondent of the Times says that the regiments of the Crown Prince Constantine are now on the frontier, but that the Crown Prince himself will remain at the capital for the present.

The Vienna correspondent of the Times, says an official statement confirms the belief that Germany and Austria have declined to share in the military operations by the powers against Greece.

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THE AMERICAN POLICY

Its Influence on European Export Trade Discussed by German Papers.

Allegiance to the Fatherland Insisted On From All Its Distant Sons.

BERLIN, March 20.—The German press displays great interest in the new American tariff.

"A large part of our exports," the article continues, "are thereby prohibited by a change to gold coinages, especially difficult to place.

Referring to the currency plans of the United States government, the Kieiss Journal remarks, "We deem silver to be a danger to gold coinages, especially to Germany, even greater than the tariff danger."

As the fast vessels are very long, they are steered slowly, and three minutes is but little time for action, while, if the necessary occurs in the more prevalent weather of moonlight or mist, the time is lessened.

A French admiral once got up a system of lights in which various colors were used, but it was so complicated that it was rejected, and others since devised have been rejected for the same reason, or because of lack of visibility.

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The Yachtsmen Elect New Officers and Embark on the Season of '97.

The Victoria Yacht Club, whose flag is now one of the best known in all the Northwest waters and whose club house is the prettiest home possessed by any athletic organization in British Columbia, have held their annual meeting, and embarked upon the season of 1897 with the brightest of bright prospects and a thoroughly harmonious and active set of officers.

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SOLDIERS SATISFIED.

"Barracks Athletics" Defeat the "Rangers" Through Superior Combination Work.

Cricketers Reorganize and Oarsmen Prepare to Follow—Golfing at Oak Bay.

NANAIMO, March 20.—(Special)—The first match in the Association cup series was played here today between the Nanaimo Rangers and the Garrison Athletics...

Throughout the match the soldiers' defence was excellent, brightly repelling several stiff rushes of the Rangers. In the second half the victors forwards pressed steadily on the home goal...

At Beacon Hill an interesting game of Association was played yesterday afternoon between the Columbus and the Y. M. C. A.

AN EASY PREY. On Beacon Hill yesterday afternoon the Fifth Regiment Rugby players met a team from H. M. S. Omsus.

THE OAR. The Y. M. C. A. Rowing Club intend to take an active part in aquatic sports during the coming season...

MONEY TAKES WIFE GAUDAUD. Obelissa, March 20.—F. G. Gaudaud, the world's champion, has received a letter from Elias Rogers of Worcester, Mass., challenging him to row on Lake Quignaconnet for \$500 a side.

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Colonists for Northern Vancouver Leave for Their New Home.

Salt Povers the Salvation of a Good Old Steamer—Horses in Harness.

Geo. Willey, Joshua Green and Peter Falk, of Seattle, feel that in their purchase for \$3,050 of the old United States revenue cutter Oliver Wolcott at auction on the 18th of last month, they have drawn a great prize...

THE CITY.

BURBARD ISLET post office will hereafter be known as Hastings, while new offices will be opened about the first of April at Creighton Valley, Yale and Delta, in Westminster district.

A VALUABLE watch was picked up yesterday at the Oak Bay golf links, and it will no doubt afford the owner satisfaction to know that the property is now safe with Honorary Secretary G. B. Stahlschmidt...

THE rapid growth of the Island lumber industry, and the importance which in this regard is attached to the maintenance of good relations with the United States...

ANOTHER shipment of 25 tons of Van Andra ore has been brought down from Texas for treatment at Everett, and now that the mine has got development work in shape...

THE Y. M. C. A. Rowing Club intend to take an active part in aquatic sports during the coming season, and so as to prepare in good time they meet for organization in the association rooms on Tuesday evening...

MONEY TAKES WIFE GAUDAUD. Obelissa, March 20.—F. G. Gaudaud, the world's champion, has received a letter from Elias Rogers of Worcester, Mass., challenging him to row on Lake Quignaconnet for \$500 a side.

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AND THE BAND PLAYSON

New Instruments for the Musicians of the Fifth Ordered From London.

The Good Friday Sham Fight—Shingles for the Bisley Bungalow.

The Fifth Regiment band is at last to have a complete set of new instruments, and these have actually been ordered from Beson & Son, London...

The instruments ordered include five B. flat cornets, four E. flat altoes, three B. flat slide trombones, one G. slide trombone, one B. flat euphonium, two E. flat baritone horns, one side drum...

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

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The Chinaman found dead in Chinatown yesterday was one of those who had just been fined for running a gambling house. It is said that when in jail he was refused opium to which he was addicted, and the reaction caused his collapse and death.

Before H. J. Walton left for Cariboo yesterday his friends here made him a handsome present in the shape of a well filled purse.

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position to ship as far as ore is concerned. The machinery for the Palo Alto arrived three days ago and is being installed.

There is three times the quantity of snow at this time than there was in March last year, or the year before last. Options on the Jumbo Commander and Gertrude have been recorded. It is more than likely that one or other of the properties will be taken, possibly all.

WILL NOT END FATALLY

Thursday Evening's Shooting at Beechy Bay Will Not Cost George Brown His Life.

Fear of His Stalwart Father-in-Law Induced Aiken to Pull the Trigger.

There is very fair hope now for the recovery of George Brown, who was shot on Thursday evening last. Having been able to make a closer examination of the terrible wound in the man's mouth and throat, the doctors now believe that after all the bullet is not in his body, but in one of those extraordinary defective courses which such misdeeds often take...

ASACOMBA. The final payment has been made by the Boundary Mines company on the Mother Lode. The price of this property was \$18,000. It shows 180 feet of ore in the crosscut tunnel.

BOSSLAND. The Deerpark completed the installation of its machinery to-day, and will resume development work on Tuesday. The Palo Alto's new plant is now in operation.

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The Colonist.

MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1897.

POPULISM IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Governor Morrill, of Kansas, in his inaugural message described the effect in two years of populist experiments in legislation on that State. Among other things he said that they had driven twelve millions of dollars out of the State, and would have driven more if more could have been collected. Arguing from the light which such bitter experience gave, he made the strongest kind of a protest against any more pseudo reforms, and advised a speedy return to the methods which, whatever their weakness may be, are those which long usage has made a part and parcel of the business of mankind. Probably no part of the world ever suffered in a pecuniary sense as much in the same length of time as Kansas did from the vagaries of populism. For two years the State was in the hands of men with no business experience, who having no affairs of their own of any magnitude to engross their attention, conceived the idea that the whole world had gone wrong, and that they were "born to set it right."

We observe signs of the mildew of populism in the British Columbia legislature. It is exhibited by attempts to engraft new and unusual conditions upon legislation affecting business. One example is the amendment proposed by Mr. Macpherson to the bill to incorporate the Cassiar Central railway, by which the company is to be asked to put up a bond, to be forfeited in case they fail to begin the road in the time expressed in the charter. The amount of the proposed bond is not large, only \$3,000, but it is the principle that is objectionable. It would be just as objectionable if the amount were only \$1. Cassiar is almost an undiscovered country. It has been prospected to a some extent, and considerable placer gold has been taken out. The very little examination that has been made to discover auriferous quartz has resulted in some good finds, with the promise that the vast field yet to be investigated will yield highly valuable results. There are areas aggregating the whole many thousands of acres, that are fit for colonization. Cassiar may become the seat of great industrial activity; but it is a long distance from any centre of population; it is far removed from any monetary centre; its possibilities are only imperfectly understood and by only a very few people. Its early development is greatly to be desired, for it would mean very much to the Coast cities and the whole Province, even if it should be confined to those localities now known to be worth opening up. Such development is practically impossible without a railway. We are not championing the scheme of the Cassiar Central Company in preference to any other. We do not care, for the purposes of this argument, whether it is better or worse than any other scheme. All we know is that some enterprising men believe that if given a charter they can get the necessary capital to build the road. Perhaps they will find themselves mistaken; perhaps they will not. There are grave obstacles to be overcome, the nature of which will be gathered from the references made above to the district. As if these were not serious enough of themselves, Mr. Macpherson wishes to interpose a legislative obstacle. He wishes to hang out a yellow flag so that all men of enterprise will steer clear of Cassiar railway enterprises. But the amendment means more than this, for what is fair to one must surely be fair to the other, and if one railway company is required to proceed at its peril, presumably the same thing will be exacted of every other railway company. We protest that it is outrageous to propose a line of policy which means nothing more nor less than putting the province in financial quarantine for an unlimited period. We cannot believe even a small minority of the British Columbia legislature can be found ready to endorse this populist vagary.

Another proposition that was highly objectionable and was tainted through and through with populist mildew was Mr. Kennedy's insurance bill, which the house in committee yesterday refused to pass. To remedy a grievance, which is largely imaginary, this bill proposed to put a burden upon every honest policy holder in the Province, for the new law would be met by the imposition of new premiums. There is a steady cry going up for cheaper money; Mr. Kennedy proposed to answer it by giving dearer insurance. We cannot think that Mr. Kennedy and those who voted with him really appreciated the gravity and danger of the measure for that themselves are all personally honest men, who would shrink from fraud as from a pestilence. But it is a principle that a man is presumed to intend the consequences of his acts, and if a majority of members of the British Columbia legislature, after due warning, had opened such a door for fraud as that contained in Mr. Kennedy's bill, they would have had no reason to complain if they had been held to have intended to give dishonest men, either by collusion or otherwise, an opportunity to rob the

foreign stockholders of insurance companies. It was urged that the companies have no right to take premiums for risks that they do not run. We grant this if a company takes a risk of \$4,000 on a piece of property insures for the risk of having to pay \$1,000 in the event of the property insured being destroyed by fire and being worth that much at the time. This is all the risk the company takes and all the insured is paying for. If the risk assumed was to pay \$1,000 whether the property was worth it or not, the company, if it took the risk at all, would simply charge a bigger premium. Mr. Kennedy's bill was unwise from a business point of view. It introduced the vagaries of populism, that you can supply the lack of ordinary common sense and old-fashioned honesty by passing a statute.

THOSE COMMERCIAL STATISTICS.

No one will be at all surprised at the attitude taken by the Times in regard to the collection of commercial statistics by the provincial government. Though admitting that it is desirable to have such statistics available and though expressing a hope that the government will be successful in collecting them, the evening paper suggests to merchants that it may not be advisable to place their private affairs in the hands of the government. The suggestion is put in the form of an expression of fear that merchants may take that position. No doubt the Times is disturbed in its equality, not to say complacency, by this harrowing thought.

The Times also feels called upon to raise a question as to the purposes for which the statistics are desired. We are not aware that there has been any secret made on this point. On the contrary it is very generally known that the provincial government wishes to ascertain just what the relations of this province to the federal revenue are. We know the relation of the province to the federal expenditure. This can be gathered from the public accounts of Canada; but it is impossible to obtain from any official data full information as to the amount the Province pays in taxes to the general government. Day after day British Columbia is charged in the Eastern press with being anxious to fatten upon the bounty of Ontario. It is time a conclusive answer was given to this utterly misleading statement. Other provinces have before now gone to Ottawa with claims for consideration and British Columbia may also go. It is therefore of the greatest importance that any application made on behalf of the Province should be strengthened by the strongest possible presentation of the facts as they actually exist; but even if it were desired for no other reason than to put the Province right in the eyes of the whole Dominion, as bearing its full share and more of the public burden, the information ought to be cheerfully given.

The Times inclines to the opinion that the information is sought for the purpose of strengthening a demand for rail to railway construction. It is a little strange that our contemporary did not go further and declare what attitude it will take in the event of such a demand being made. We assume that the Times claims to have some influence at Ottawa, and it would therefore have gratified some people by giving an assurance that inasmuch as "there is a grand total in excess of several million dollars of the Dominion grants for all purposes in the Province," its best efforts will be put forward to secure aid of the character mentioned.

It is to be regretted that in a matter of this kind, which touches all the people alike, the Times could not for once have said its partisanship aside and joined its efforts to those of the Colonist in endeavoring to persuade merchants and other business men to aid the government in collecting the desired information.

In THE COLONIST of March 4 appeared an article in which the Dyson Gibson Company's baking powder was referred to as poisonous, and as one which should not be used. The article was an advertisement in the regular course of advertising and presumably no understanding by every one who read it. Such a statement ought not to have appeared and we regret its publication, more especially as the "White Star Baking Powder," which the Dyson Gibson Company manufacture, has a deservedly high reputation in this Province. The statement made in the Colonist of March 4 was not based upon any investigation made by that paper, but was the advertisement of a rival baking powder company, and the comparisons made with the powders of other companies were in no sense ours.

Tax news which we print this morning of the result of the experiment with Consolidated Alberti ore will be read with the greatest satisfaction by everyone. If the next test proves equally satisfactory we may look for an Alberti boom of very considerable dimensions. The Consolidated mines bid fair to come to the front this year.

Tax Canadian Miner says that many of the Roseland mining companies plead lack of shipping facilities as the reason for the slow development of their mines and claim that the Crow's Nest Pass railway will help them out. Any trail

Creek mining proposition that professes to be awaiting that railway to enable it to get its ore to a smelter is a fraud, a delusion and a snare. If there is any such the Miner ought to name it, in order that every newspaper in British Columbia may show up the rascality.

Work is being pushed on the Panama Canal and it is said that the waterway will be opened to navigation in six or eight years. The idea of a ditch cut to the level of the ocean, which was De Lesseps plan, has been abandoned and there will be ten locks. The change will save an amount variously estimated from \$200,000,000 to \$400,000,000. The condition of this enterprise will have a material effect upon the fortunes of the Nicaragua canal project, which, by the way, has received its quietus so far as the schemes heretofore exploited are concerned.

The Montreal Star has done splendid work in the India famine fund. Its own collections amount to upwards of \$40,000 and it has indirectly contributed much to the success of other collections for the same noble object. The Star merits the gratitude of Canada for this great work.

The Post-Intelligencer has discovered that a man born in a republic has the privileges of a citizen, and the man born in a monarchy the disabilities of a subject. The "disabilities" of a British subject are preferable to the "privileges" of American citizenship.

We reprint from the Leicester (Eng.) Daily Post a somewhat remarkable letter from a resident of Victoria and the comments of the editor thereon. The whole incident is very touching one.

Is Byron being living he would change his celebrated line any make it read: "Greece, 'tis living Greece once more."

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

A NOVA SCOTIAN VIEW.
If the C.P.R. people want to build the Crow's Nest Pass railway, there is no particular reason why they should not be allowed to do so under reasonable restrictions and stipulations which will safeguard the rights and interests of the people of Canada; but there does not seem to be any very pressing reason why the people of Canada should pay them any subsidy to do the work.—Halifax Chronicle.

NOT BY A JOUFLU.
"The Calgary Herald thinks the mining camps will buy a great deal of condensed milk. Where better can milk be produced than here on the coast?"—Victoria Colonist. Answer: Here in Alberta.—Calgary Herald.

THE CROWN'S NEST PASS.
It is possible that the C.P.R. has the right to build such a line under the general provisions of the Railway Act and the syndicate, or under the charter granted by the legislature of British Columbia, but the moment it begins to deal with the Federal government and parliament, the moment it asks for Federal aid of any kind, it ought to be compelled as a condition of receiving such aid to concede the right of the Federal authorities to regulate its rates and to make some substantial reduction in those rates.—Toronto Globe.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.
"I wonder who wrote that song about 'Down in a Coal Mine'?" asked the eminent boarder. "I suppose he was one of those fellows who hear so much of," said Ashbury Peppers.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Do you and I ever refer to things that are opposed to each other?" "Yes," said Ashbury Peppers. "I have heard of you and I."—Chicago Tribune.

Minister—My friend, are you prepared to leave your earthly tenement? Parliamenter—Oh, I was up in the commercial agencies last on Fifth avenue. Fact.—Bacon—Is he an astronomer? Egbert—No, indeed. Some one told me he made money out of the stars. "That's right," He's a theatrical manager."—Yonkers Statesman.

Beggy—Do you folks think very much of me, Ethel?
Ethel—Why, they think of nothing else. Beggy—They even let awake night-worthing.—Judge.

Reporter—It is said that yourself and your comrade, O'Haggarty, were calm and collected after the dramatic explosion at the quarry. O'Haggarty—Yes, I was calm and collected. Still I had my faith in it, and no disposition to try it. Yes, how singularly things come to pass.

It may seem strange," said Mr. D. R. Keas of the Brackman & Ker Milling Co., yesterday, but he has an extra set of now being shipped into Saanich and other agricultural districts almost every day. This state of things has been brought about by the fact that the hay crop this year was somewhat smaller than usual and that cattlemen had to get up to the average, a smaller acreage was sown so as to have enough to carry over, owing to the weather. Although the crop of hay per acre was quite up to the average, a smaller acreage was sown so as to have enough to carry over, owing to the weather. Although the crop of hay per acre was quite up to the average, a smaller acreage was sown so as to have enough to carry over, owing to the weather.

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I had a slender appetite and what I ate did not satisfy me. I felt very little strength. I felt heavy and dull, and often, if I were to shake off the sense of weariness crept over me that I envanescence to shake off. Although I was never well, I felt heavy and dull, and often, if I were to shake off the sense of weariness crept over me that I envanescence to shake off.

"For a time I might have borne it without complaint, but it remained year after year, and was never better, however. Sometimes I felt better, sometimes worse. I could never say I felt well. Again and again I consulted the doctor, but their medicines did me no good to speak of. Under the influence of the doctor's sense of it, the disease was perpetually there, holding me down as one's weight would be, and sure enough it did. He sits or stands. This it was with me, and the prospect was everything but hopeful."—London Tid-Bits.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.
MAMMOTH LOCOMOTIVES.
Four locomotives, each weighing ninety-three tons, without counting the tender, which weigh thirteen tons extra, are being built at Schenectady, N. Y., for the Northern Pacific Railroad. The mammoth machines are what are known as two cylinder compound twelve-wheel locomotives. They are not regular road engines, but are for service as helpers for freight trains in the Rocky Mountains, where they will be coupled on the tops of the trains and not used as pushers. They are provided with eight driving wheels and four truck wheels. The cylinders have the exceptionally great stroke of thirty inches and the boiler is six feet in diameter at its smallest ring. The total length of engine and tender is sixty-two feet one inch.

Toronto, March 18.—The will of the late James Austin, president of the Dominion Bank, shows an estate of \$71,699. The deceased gave away the greater part of his estate before his death in order to avoid the death duties.

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MEN <p>Are you weak? Is your sleep refreshing? Do you have headaches? Do you have pimples? Do you have a red nose? Do you have indigestion? Do you have constipation? Do you have a nervous headache? Do you have a neuralgic headache? Do you have a sciatic headache? Do you have a rheumatic headache? Do you have a migrainous headache? Do you have a hysterical headache?</p>	WOMEN <p>Have you menstrual troubles? Do you have bearing-down pains? Do you feel tired or languid? Is your womb discharging? Is your complexion sallow? Are you subject to dizzy spells? Are you constipated? Are you losing your appetite? Have you ringing in the ears? Have you hysterical discharges? Have you nervous headaches? Have you neuralgic headaches? Do you have sciatic headaches? Do you have rheumatic headaches? Do you have migrainous headaches? Do you have hysterical headaches?</p>
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CANNOT KEEP

Gladstone Unsparringly Powers for Existing Relations.—The Crews does not Settle.

LONDON, March 18.—The published tomorrow by John De Blowitz Explains the Relations.—The Crews does not Settle.

The letter begins by saying that the grain of sand is a pebble, and connected as I nearly half a century with question, I feel that incline suffice to justify silence."

New York, March 18.—The heading "Is Europe on the War?" the World this morning has a signed paragraph from Paris, written by M. de B.

"More than once it has been said that the Russian influence over the fact that Russia Abdul Hamid his throne. It is very nearly the true one whole truth in a complete disintegration against which action or intervention is more often still both power and prestige. Such an engagement which taken, according to the most even some time ago—in its integrity, not only by its by diplomacy, but moral support, by land and sea, is of this integrity when men promised by eventual strategy to the Russian, but it is a promise judged to be strategic on land and sea, and of certain compensations, a monetary because quite in such as the bonds of and Turkey."

BRITISH CAPITAL A The following extract from in the Mining Journal and Commercial Gazette, of L land, is particularly important attention which British promises to receive English capitalists. It is a statement of "British Columbia, Journal says: "The boom" in British approaching. At the work of the most people. We do not do, dogmatize, for in times, when every moral news of some kind excites other crisis threatens the p ope, it would be fully con fide the course of public an speculation. But it comes early or late, it is come. It is quite time tenition of British capital, attracted to this rich and h ing gold field. It has taken amount of time and a v energy tohammer into the public the fact that British a gold field possesses cla none in the whole of our far back as 1832 we endea lighten them on this imp and onward since that y present moment, we ha articles, which, if cote would fill many goodly ume. But it is only la vectors have been aroused pot calls, and like port awakened out of a heavy e half-dazed and excit about endeavoring to mak time they have so want British capital has, there late time of day, begun to most promising of gold however, but a good wrigling along to find course, in fear lest a night dry it up, or, in a fear of course, but hap loom is more promising for when it will swell into rom, and times will be flowing river. Thus, in gage, in which Chalmre meetings are so fond of it we forecast the future cat investment, with much dream will not be unreal ity if the great claims of it bils were any longer igno perils and capitalists wh visited the field, and wh with its merits by persona has been greatly impre wonderful richness, and to this country confined

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OUR CLAIMS ON THE DOMINION.

On Friday the Daily Times said that for many years it had been directing public attention to the startling fact that our province was being impoverished at the rate of millions a year by the operation of the customs law...

THE GOLDEN AGE.

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RESTLESSNESS AND REFORM.

Restlessness is not reform, though some people seem to think it is. In most parts of America, and especially in the United States, a number of men and not a few women can be found who seem animated by the notion that whatever is wrong, and that the prime duty of legislative bodies is to do for the individual what the individual is either too indolent or too indifferent to his own interests to do for himself...

On the following day the matter was taken up again, and the Colonist gave figures in support of its position showing the following to be the ratio per capita of customs duties and excise paid by the several provinces:

Table with 2 columns: Province and Per Capita Customs Duties and Excise. Includes Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Manitoba, P. E. Island, British Columbia.

Another manifestation of restless and impudent interference in domestic affairs is the institution of the curfew bell. We do not say that it is not desirable for young people to be kept off the streets after dark, unless they are on business or are accompanied by older persons; but we say that it is a piece of impudent interference with domestic affairs for any legislature to make rules as to the way parents shall manage their children. What do the promoters of this curfew nonsense mean by it? Do they desire to be understood as being unable to control their own children, and hence desire to call on the police, or are they desirous of controlling other people's children? Is it to be understood that the young people of the present generation are beyond parental restraint? If so, would it not be well to begin the reform by reforming the parents?

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ment to change the old commandment so as to make it read: Honor the policeman, and the school teacher that thy days may be long in the land, etc.

The sentiments of a majority of the inhabitants of the province. We have not thought it necessary to examine the Colonist files any further than this; but the extracts above given show that three years ago this paper was advocating the claim of this Province to consideration at the hands of the Dominion more persistently than it has done this year, and that the Times was then as now doing its best to throw cold water on the aspiration for a larger measure of justice at the hands of the government and parliament of the Dominion. We are glad that the Times by its misstatement of fact has compelled a reference to the former discussions of the claims of British Columbia upon the Dominion, for it enables us to establish beyond all cavil that there is nothing partisan in the renewal of the agitation and that nothing which we can say to a Liberal ministry can be more emphatic than what we said to the Conservative when they were in power.

THE GOLDEN AGE. Was there ever a Golden Age, or is the story of it only a myth invented by some poet, who lived in some forgotten period of Grecian history? Was Mount Meru, of which Hindu legends tell and of whose summits the gods lived, a figment of the imagination? Had Olympus, where Zeus reigned and minor deities made their home, an actual existence? Was Mount Zion simply the name of a little hill in Jerusalem and applied to the abode of Jehovah only metaphorically, or was the true Mount Zion the kingdom of some great earthly monarch, and was its memory preserved by being applied to the site of the temple? In short, are the stories of gods, demi-gods, giants and all the weird creatures of mythology actions pure and simple, or are they history dimmed and distorted by the obscurity of a remote antiquity?

Comparative mythology is a very new science, so new that the primer of it has hardly been written. The influence of theologians has until very recently been against it. When the Spaniards went to Central America they found a great number of Mayan MSS., which purported to give the early history of the people of that part of the continent. These MSS. were destroyed by the priests because it was feared they would undermine the faith of Christians. Some few have been since discovered and they indicate a very great antiquity for the Mayan civilization, but nothing yet disclosed casts any light upon the monuments of a still older civilization which Yucatan abounds. The narrowness which led to the destruction of these MSS., which were on a prepared bark, has at all times until recently discouraged any investigation into mythology. Yet the field is one worthy of deep research, not only as a matter for the curious, but as calculated to affect certain impressions, which play an important part in the government of human conduct. The part which the story of Eden has played and plays to-day can hardly be over-estimated, and it is certainly a matter of grave importance to determine what bearing, if any, the memories preserved by other races than the Jews have upon it.

The Micmac Indians of Eastern Canada have legends telling of a happy era before the coming of Wab-Poot, the great beaver, who dammed up the watercourses and brought about a period of intense cold. The Kikicattis of the state of Washington tell of the wonderful cave "before the mountains were brought forth." The aborigines of the Olympic peninsula relate how the monster Sa-ai-too crushed the race in his terrible rage, and plunged them into a deep sleep. Go where you will you find the seed of myth. The Norse legends tell of Ragnarok, when the world was to be re-erected on a happy world. And so we might go on until the patience of the reader was exhausted by a mere catalog of the myths and legends bearing upon this single point. In a very remarkable book entitled "Paradise Found," the president of the Boston University makes a collection of them, and a brief resume fills many pages.

It is an insult to the intelligence to suggest that these scores of legends, and all in all their chief elements, and diversified only by local coloring, are mere inventions. They have undoubtedly a common origin. They vary in detail, but when we recall how the witnesses of a contemporary event will differ about it, we will no longer wonder that the memory of this remote age of the world is not preserved with uniformity except as to its general character. If the universal recollection of mankind counts for anything there was undoubtedly a period, call it by whatever name you will, when humanity had reached a very high degree of progress, which period was closed by a great catastrophe from which the race has been slowly emerging for several thousand years.

In there any reason outside of mythology and tradition to suppose such a period existed? There is unquestionable geological proof to the effect that the Tertiary Age, which preceded the Ice Age, was fit for the development of the highest type of life, and there is some evidence that man existed before the Ice Age. We shall not at present pursue this line of thought any further, but may take occasion to say a subsequent article to point out why the existence of a high type of civilization antecedent to the Ice Age is entirely consistent with the unquestionable degradation in which humanity was sunk after the great calamity, which has left its trace upon every religion of mankind and colors every conception of the Deity. Perhaps the investigation may cast some light upon the meaning of the words which the Hebrew poet attributed to Jehovah speaking to Adam, "Cursed be the ground for thy sake. In sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life."

So far the blockade of Crete seems to have produced no appreciable effect except to intensify the feeling of the Greek people. There is something underneath this movement that no one outside a very narrow circle knows anything about. The best informed correspondents are as much at sea as anyone else. They give plenty of guesses, but not one of them suggests even a plausible explanation for the defiant attitude of the little Kingdom of Greece. The best explanation seems to be that which was given at the outset, namely, that the people have taken the matter out of the hands of the diplomats, who are simply striving by every means in their power to preserve the peace.

The suggestion is made that there is a secret understanding between Russia and Greece to the effect that while the former nation will make a show of opposing the latter Greece is to continue her preparations and finally provoke the Sultan to war, whereupon the Czar will seize Constantinople. This is rather too artificial an explanation, it savors too much of melodrama to be accepted by anyone. It is hardly conceivable that Russia has been able to pull the wool over the eyes of all the Toronto Board of Trade in the case of the Nest Pass railway, whose fate he well deserves his reputation of being a past master in the art of avoiding a difficult proposition. "I think I am in a position to assure you that there is no danger of precipitate action on the part of the government in respect to the Crow's Nest Pass railway," said the minister. This case a whole flood of light on the subject, but it is the sort of light which Milton describes as "darkness visible."

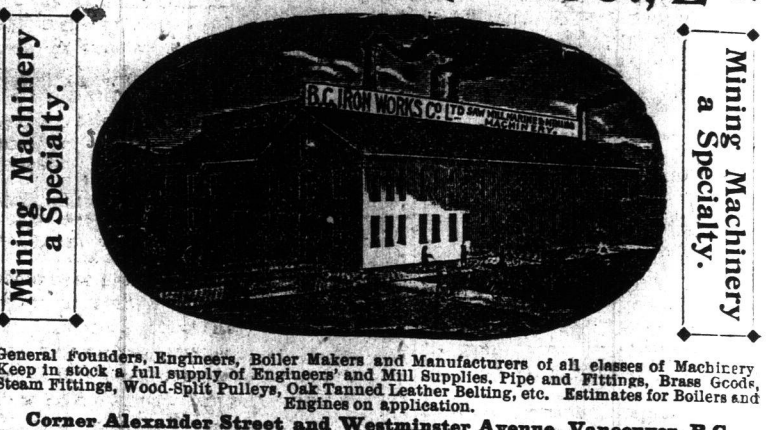
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Hos. MR. BLAIR, in his reply to the Toronto Board of Trade in re the Crow's Nest Pass railway, shows that he well deserves his reputation of being a past master in the art of avoiding a difficult proposition. "I think I am in a position to assure you that there is no danger of precipitate action on the part of the government in respect to the Crow's Nest Pass railway," said the minister. This case a whole flood of light on the subject, but it is the sort of light which Milton describes as "darkness visible."

The people of the State of Washington are making tremendous efforts to get rid of that forest reserve which lies upon the best mining district in that commonwealth. It is a misfortune to live under an absolute government. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," said one of the Fathers of the Republic. How much better it is to live in a country where one's liberty is safe without his having to stay awake all night to watch it. We are sorry for our neighbors and hope they can get the iron heel of despotism off their gold mines.

We made a reference yesterday to the pitiable condition of Kansas resulting from populist vagaries in legislation. Hon. Edwin Taylor of that state says the whole country is bonded, but the bonds are largely worthless for people are fleeing from the state. "One country has declared itself bankrupt. Others are sure to follow." British Columbia should take warning and nip the budding tendency to populist legislation before it is too late.

The Vancouver World very pointedly asks those who criticize the aid given heretofore to railways in this Province to say what condition the districts traversed by the railways would now be in if lines had never been built. Those people who are full of overflowing with ex post facto wisdom, who always know afterwards how a thing should not have been done, were never set known to suggest beforehand how it should have been done.

Revised reports come from Germany as to the alarming condition of the Emperor's health. If this belated survival of mediocrity should be gathered to his fathers, all Europe would breathe more freely. No one knows what he may do or may not do at any day. He is whimsical in the extreme and convinced of nothing so much that he is the second being in the Universe.

A CONSISTENT PEOPLE'S dispatch announces that when the Oregon affair is settled a big programme of reform is to be set on foot in Turkey. That "man" is an elastic term. The Sultan is like the man of whom Goldsmith, or was it Cowper, said that he—"Reforms and re-reforms, then dies the same."

WITH the publication of the letters in to-day's COLONIST on the Governor and the house, we must, in the language of diplomacy, be allowed to consider the incident closed so far as the COLONIST is concerned.

A ROSBLAND dispatch announces that F. Aug. Haines, of Trail, has mortgaged all his Butte property for \$1,500,000, and intends to use the money in extending the Columbia and Western railway to Penticon.

THIRTY WAR CLOUDS

The Sultan's Indifference to Set All Europe a Blaze.

Britain Announces De No More Inhuman To Tolerate

CABWA, March 24. Troops, encouraged by y claimation of the admiral that the insurgents had retook the attack the Turkish at Komoson, Suddia and Hierapetra, who troops have been landed that these fortifications maintain the security the places mentioned, tempt to-day to re-visit at Malaxa. Thereupon sacked and razed to the ground and re-occupied by who pursued the convoy the envoys of Suda bay warships finally opened Christiana and Constantinople. At Sitta the habitants of the town and are surrounded by who have cut off all communication with the place. Advices from Arts say of the protest of Greece stopped the construction at Pevesa, at the northern the Gulf of Arts, while the stipulations of the treaty for reports are in regarding the strength troops on the frontier, one report says that the concentrated 100,000 troops at Epirus alone. The is not believed in military. The insurgents and the Akrotiri this morning reposal of the powers to Crete to the various resurgent forces, who assent ferent parts of the island declared that only possible annexation of Crete to Greece will ends the struggle for the

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THE CANADIAN PRESS.

THE ONLY CONDITIONS. One thing is clear, not a dollar of subsidy should be voted by parliament until the C.P.R. company agree to the following terms proposed by the Toronto Globe, which no intelligent man will consider unreasonable.

(a) The surrender of the provision in the C. P. R. charter which prevents regulation of its rates on the western section. (b) Control of the coal lands in British Columbia, Manitoba and the Territories. (c) Maximum fixed rates for carriage of wheat, stock, coal and other staples of British Columbia, Manitoba and the Territories. (d) Approval by the Governor-General in council of the construction contract. (e) Absolute reservation of control through the Pass and running powers for other railways.

THE INTERESTS OF THE WHOLE OF CANADA demand that these stipulations should be accorded by the C.P.R. before the granting of a subsidy to the proposed Crow's Nest Pass railway can be seriously considered by the government and Parliament of Canada.—Halifax Chronicle.

TARIFF REDUCTION. Some hints have been thrown out that the present tariff might undergo gradual reduction. The extension once made, in the United States, the reduction being at the rate of 10 per cent per annum. This mode of proceeding, though it has something to recommend it, is objectionable on the ground that it would introduce confusion into business, which would be attended by losses, more year to year, on the selling value of the goods on hand.—Monetary Times.

THE CANADIAN PRESS. IT may now be stated incontrovertibly that British Columbia is one of the richest, if not the richest, fields in the world for the production of gold, silver, copper and various other precious minerals, just as the Northwest Territories, and notably Alberta, are eminently adapted for grazing and stock-raising.—Calgary Herald.

RECOGNIZES HIS DUTY. While the News has always been, and always will be, neutral in politics, it nevertheless believes that all residents of the Bloc can swear their allegiance to the country in which they are doing business and in which they make their living. As a step in this direction, the publisher of the News has taken out his naturalization papers and will hereafter be a citizen of Canada.—Slocan City News.

ANOTHER SUGGESTION. British Columbia is rapidly going beyond the experimental stage, and it would be an absolutely safe venture for the Dominion government to advance money to build the railway, and take the cost and oil lands, which would probably pay the whole cost of building a road which would be a paying enterprise from the start.—Toronto Telegram.