

The Toronto Globe, speaking of the business situation in Canada, says there is "a feeling of optimism and confidence abroad in the financial and commercial world."

Our Smelting Ores. Mr. Cobblestick, in his interview in yesterday's Colonist, touched upon a new and very interesting point in connection with gold mining in this province.

ON TO KHARTOUM. The work of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition into the Sudan is hardly completed as yet. A despatch from Rome announces that the dervishes are massing for an attack upon the Italian post at Agordat.

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merest tyro in criticism finds it a mark for his arrows. Some of the critics are utterly unfamiliar with the Canadian system of administration.

COERCION THAT WILL NOT COERCE. The Philadelphia Ledger is responsible for the following: The Canadian policy of President McKinley will be watched with interest.

A HOPELESS OPPOSITION. An honest confession is good for the soul and so do doubt the New Westminster Columbian feels the better for admitting as it did on Monday, that the ammunition which the local opposition has to use against the provincial government is "not of the killing sort."

Our contemporary is quite confident that some remarkable things are going to happen at the next provincial elections, or, if not then, at some later date.

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THE SOUTHERN WIRE. The Southern wire from Ottawa to the Vancouver World at 11:30 on Saturday night that "no agreement had been signed with anybody, notwithstanding newspaper reports."

THE EVENING ORGAN. The evening organ denies that it has changed its tone on the Crow's Nest Pass railway. We shall not quarrel with it. Perhaps the performer has simply pulled out a new stop.

HON. MR. PATTERSON. Mr. Patterson, as a member of the tariff commission, ought to be able to speak with authority, and a few days ago that there would be "no reactionary measure of tariff reform," and that the government would carefully protect the manufacturing interests of Canada.

THE CLERGY IN POLITICS. And while we may occasionally hear of undue influence in Quebec elections, prompted, not by the clergy as a whole, but by the zeal of the extremists, the resort to such influence is altogether without authority.

TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING. Liberal, if wise in their own interests, should pray for a large parliamentary majority. - Winnipeg Free Press.

BY WAY OF VARIETY. No one need be at a loss to understand why the Sultan is unable to make up his mind what to do. He has 7,000 wives. The impression is gaining ground that the British judge who sentenced Lady Scott has a mother-in-law of his own.

THE ACT OF THE GOVERNMENT. The action of the government in giving the engraving contract to an American house continues to excite much comment among our Eastern contemporaries.

THE CANADIAN PRESS. BOARD OF TRADE ENDORSED. That some restrictions will be put on the never-ending list of mild dollar (and in some cases little mineral) mining companies at the next session of the legislature is expected.

RAILWAYS WANTED. The development of the Province demands the construction of certain railroads. We trust the government will be able to evolve ways and means free from the objectionable features of the past and yet of a businesslike nature.

ALL TALK IMMIGRATION. If the government can people the Northwest and raise the level of prosperity in the cities at the same time, it will have made a "hit" worthy of the greatest effort. - Montreal Star.

CERTAIN STATEMENTS APPEARED IN THE COLONIST yesterday reflecting upon the manner in which Dr. Fraser has discharged his duty as health officer. The statements were made in good faith and under the impression that they were absolutely correct.

THE NEW YORK SUN keeps up its campaign for the annexation of Canada. Unhappily for the peace of mankind Editor Dana in his younger days was assistant secretary of war or something like that under Lincoln.

IMPERIAL FEDERATION. Though not a political issue as yet, is coming to the front at a rapid pace. Its discussion is always timely. That it will one day be accomplished we have no doubt, but it will be brought about, as almost everything worth preserving in the British constitution has been, by the formative process of time.

IF PELAGIC SEALING IS TO BE ABOLISHED, and Canada to be compensated for the loss, it requires no great degree of perspicacity to see that the compensation ought to be chiefly to British Columbia. Those engaged in sealing ought to receive consideration for the direct business damage which they would sustain, and the whole province ought to be recompensed for the loss it would suffer by reason of the abolition of an important industry.

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THE MONTREAL STAR suggests that as many members of parliament as can get away should make a trip across the continent to Vancouver. We move to amend by substituting the word "Victoria for Vancouver."

THE FACT THAT BARON ROTHSCHILD favors international arbitration seems to the Thebona Union to afford a good reason for Americans to oppose it. Does the additional fact that Baron Rothschild likes three meals a day furnish a sufficient reason why Americans should resolve to go hungry?

FIRST SAVAGE I SUSPECTED ALL along that this profession of conversion was not sincere. Second Savage-Ab. to be sure! When a person doesn't wear a stick of clothes and the rest, except just before Christmas, and then nothing but gold stockings, why who could help but suspect him? - Detroit Journal.

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James Bay Athletic Association. NOTICE.

There is delinquent upon the following described stock on account of which interest on the 15th day of December, 1896 the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders, as follows:

Table with columns: Name, No. of Shares, Amount. Includes names like Wm. Jensen, W. Wilson, G. G. Gwaine, etc.

And in accordance with law and an order of the board of Trustees made on the 15th day of December, 1896, no many shares of each parcel of said stock as may be necessary will be sold at the James Bay Athletic Association building on the 15th day of February at 4:30 p.m. of said date, to pay said delinquent assessments thereon, together with cost of advertising and expenses of the sale.

DALLAN, Secretary. James Bay Athletic Association, Limited. Victoria, B. C., 20th January, 1897.

LIKE SUFFERERS ONLY

R. Scriver, Carpenter, of Great Sutter from Kidney trouble was cured by Dr. R. Scriver's Kidney Pills. It dissolves and drives out all stones from the bladder. It is safe and pleasant.

For many years I have had kidney disease, which was cured by the use of Dr. R. Scriver's Kidney Pills. It gives me immediate relief. I began using South American Kidney Pills on the 15th of January, 1897, and I have been cured since that time. I have had no more of the trouble. It is safe and pleasant. Sold by Dean & Hiscock.

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THE MAYOR'S VIEWS.

He Outlines at the First City Council Meeting His Policy on Civic Questions.

Appointments on the Standing Committees for the Year Made Public Last Night.

The council chosen to conduct the business of Victoria city during 1897 took their seats at the aldermanic board last night, Ald. Wilson forsaking his last year's chair to take that until recently occupied by the senior alderman for the North ward.

The great necessity for better roads and sidewalks, especially in the business portion of the city, being very urgent, and the municipal council having in order that as large a sum as possible be available for carrying out the work; and it will be for you to consider whether it will be better to continue the present system of paving with concrete gutters, or to substitute some other form of pavement.

The cost of the elections amounting to \$333.25 was passed, and the council then adjourned to the committee room, and sitting as a board of health, received the health officer's annual report, and directed them to be sent to the provincial board of health.

THE CLAIMS COMMISSION.

The Behring sea claims commission sat at 2 o'clock Saturday, most of the time being taken up by Mr. H. D. McInnis in cross-examination of Mr. Wm. McInnis on the Favorite case.

WHO KNOWS BEST.

The Colonist Friday morning told its readers how some of the seafaring people to give Eastern Indian hunters a trial during the present season, and the Colonist Saturday morning told its readers what the skipper of the vessel of the fleet has to say in regard to the impracticable project, and how it is proposed to settle the Eastern red men who they shall have been brought to this Coast.

THE MERCHANT MARINE.

According to advice from Sydney, N.S.W., received yesterday, the steamer Warrimoo, which sailed from that port on Wednesday last, carries very heavy shipments of wool.

With forests all around, one would imagine the importation of wool from the American side an odd freak of business.

THE NEW POST OFFICE.

It Will Be Completed and Ready for Occupation in Six Months.

A Large Force of Men Rapidly Finishing the Outside Stone Work.

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A GENERAL meeting of the A.O.U.W. is called for Friday.

The revival meetings, which have been attracting large and interested congregations at the Metropolitan Methodist church, are to be continued throughout the present week.

A PRACTICAL exhibition of tree spraying machines is to be given at Mr. Monroe Miller's orchard, on the Cedar Hill road, on the afternoon of the 30th inst.

A RECEPTION of more than usual merit is to be given at Christ Church cathedral on Sunday.

DONATIONS to the Refuge Home are gratefully acknowledged from Mr. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. Pendry, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Flett, Mrs. E. H. Gordon, Mrs. Grant, Miss Holes, Mr. Shakspeare, the First Presbyterian church social, the Epworth League, Temperance hall, and several others.

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Still Lower Prices Rule at the H. B. Sales—A Ruined Industry.

Anxiety which was just beginning to be expressed concerning the safety of Mr. A. J. Bechtel's schooner Mary Taylor was dispelled yesterday.

There will undoubtedly be a large number of the Victoria fleet remain at their moorings throughout the season, the owners preferring that they should remain idle while there is so little hope of sealing at a profit as now exists.

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THE COLONIST.

STATE ORE SAMPLING WORKS. A general Ore Market. Largest Works in Colorado, Modern Mills and Machinery at Denver, Lead Springs and Black Hawk.

B.C. STEAM DYE WORKS. Ladies and gent's garments and household linens cleaned, dyed or pressed equal to new.

SHOAL BAY MINES.

Several Good Properties Have Just Been Purchased There by English Capital.

Reasons Why the Coast Mines Have An Advantage Over the Interior Ones.

At the Driad is Mr. John Cobbedick, an English mining engineer, who has just returned from an examination of the Shoal Bay mines...

Speaking of mining on the Coast, Mr. Cobbedick says that the advantages it has over the interior mining districts...

HEARD IN THE HOTELS.

The owner of a town that, although little more than a year old, has already a population of several hundreds...

Mr. H. F. Page and Mr. C. J. Sim of Mission City, who are here for the purpose of interviewing the government...

Mr. Scott Wellman, who registered at the Occidental last evening, is one of those gentlemen who with their pocketfuls of one sample constitute a large and very important portion of the population...

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THE CITY.

SEVENTY OLD 64-pounder shells were carted from Macaulay Point to the drill hall yesterday...

The members of the North and South Saanich Agricultural Society announce its annual ball for the evening of Friday next...

At St. Andrew's R.C. cathedral, yesterday morning, Mr. John Webb, of North Bend, and Miss Connolly, of the nearby pretty little mountain town...

A CORONER'S JURY empanelled yesterday by Dr. Crompton investigated the facts in connection with the sudden death of Mr. Eugene Condron...

THE members of the Cedar Hill church choir, assisted by a number of well known city vocalists, have been successfully engaged lately in rehearsing of songs for the coming season...

NOTICE Has been given in the British Columbia Gazette by Mr. A. St. G. Hammerley of an application to be made at the approaching session of the legislature for the incorporation of a railway from Reddington to Nelson...

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A Seattle paper is authority for the statement that the steamship Al-Ki was delayed on her last down passage by getting stuck at low tide on the sand bar in Wrangell passage.

THE ALBERNI MINES.

Work of Crushing Resumed on the Alberni Consolidated Group.

The Duke of York Co. Washing Steadily—Douglas Mt. Claims Opening Up Well.

Alberni advices yesterday give the information that the three-stamp mill of the Alberni Consolidated Company is now at work, and the product of the first ton put through was sent to Victoria...

The work of washing is going on night and day on the Duke of York hydraulic mine, there being an abundance of water for this purpose...

THE cabin and shaft house of the Quadra company's group has been completed and the work of sinking and drifting on the Last Chance claim of this company is under way.

TAXATION OF IRELAND. LONDON, Jan. 16.—It is understood that no part of the Union's speech, which will be read at the opening of parliament, was more considered devoted to the question of referring to the Irish taxation system...

A VETERAN JOURNALIST. HIS Friends Thought it Unlikely He Would Recover—But Thanks to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills He is Again Enjoying Good Health—Thinks This Remedy the Great Family Medicine.

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A TRIFLE TOO HASTY.

The Crown Find They Have No Case Against Chief Johnnie Moon.

Something About the Tabooed Potlach and Its Contemporaneous Festival.

NANAIMO, Jan. 19.—[Special]—Johnnie Moon, the Cape Mudge Indian who was brought down from Comox last week for trial on a charge of taking part in an Indian feast at which gifts were bestowed, came up for hearing before Judge Harrison this evening...

THE presentation of Johnnie Moon and his associates possesses peculiar interest as being the first case of its kind under the new Dominion statute of two years ago, by which it was decreed that the potlach, as a heathen custom...

THE day before yesterday, the potlach, as a heathen custom, was held at Nanaimo. It was a social event more than anything else, and the chief of the potlach, as a religious festival, many features of which are decidedly savage.

REMARKABLE CASES. Chronic Inevitable Rheumatism from Their Sick Bed After Chiving Via Heppes. London, Ont.—Henry R. Nicholls, 176 Rectory street, catarrh; recovered. Dr. Chase's catarrh cure, 25c.

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MINING NOTES.

Mr. R. Grogan, of Roseland, told the Calgary Herald that fully 90 per cent. of the stocked mines in the Trail district were either in process of development or would be as soon as the snow goes off.

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IMPORTANT CHANGES

Outlined by the School Board, Including Equalization of Teachers' Salaries.

A New High School Building May Be Necessary—Principal Paul's Suggestions.

Two distinct and important planks in the policy of the public school board of 1897 were disclosed at the initial meeting of that body yesterday afternoon...

As anticipated, Mr. Charles Hayward was unanimously agreed upon as chairman of the board, the formal motion being made by Trustees McMicking and Hall...

Trustees Hall favored an equalization of salaries, somewhat on the principle prevailing in Vancouver—the principals being given extended powers and authority...

Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, who seconded the resolution, favored the equalization of salaries as suggested. In the past, she said, the impression appeared to have prevailed that the principal classes required less ability than the teaching classes...

Trustees Yates and McMicking dealt briefly with the opinions prevailing on the salary question among the board of 1896, the general impression appearing to be that the principals and first assistants should be dealt with separately...

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Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Fuel, Janitors' salaries, Board expenses, Printing and advertising, Furniture and supplies, Fire insurance, Scavengers, Sundries, Improving North Ward grounds.

The important item for "alterations and repairs" was directed to stand over, the board being agreed that something will have to be done at once in the direction of improving the ventilation and heating of the High and Bove's Central schools...

IMPERIAL FEDERATION.

Rev. Dr. Lucas Gives His Views on That Most Interesting Subject.

The Disintegration of the Empire Would Be a Calamity to All Mankind.

"Imperial Federation" was the interesting topic upon which Rev. Dr. Lucas addressed an audience at A.O.U. W. hall last night, and although the stormy weather was responsible for the small audience, there were present a good number of representative people...

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THE MINING INDUSTRY.

Slocan a Dividend Paying Company Is Doing.

Alberni Consolidated Stamp Mill Working—Encouraging Reports of Island Properties.

The Slocan company to-day stands at the head of a long list of silver-lead camps and is producing more wealth and paying more dividends in proportion to the capital invested than any gold camp in the world...

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THE CITY.

Local Orange Lodge, No. 1610, have appointed a committee to arrange for a ball about the 20th of next month.

His Worship the Mayor has granted the use of the city hall for the meeting of the British Columbia Fruit Growers Association and the British Columbia Dairywomen's Association, on January 28.

J. F. Hawkins, formerly of the Hawks ranch, Soda Creek, died in California a few days ago. Mr. Hawkins came to this province in 1880 and was one of the early pioneers. He was well known and highly respected. His age was about sixty.

Recent evidence on behalf of the United States as to the values in the Carolea and other cases occupied the time of the Behring Sea Claims Commission yesterday afternoon. The evidence examined was Matthew Turner, a San Francisco shipbuilder, who gave values for that port in 1880. This was objected to by the British side as inapplicable to values at Victoria, and the evidence, as on previous points raised, was admitted, subject to final argument.

The remains of the late Eugene Condon, whose sudden death was the occasion of a coroner's inquest on Tuesday last, were laid to rest in the St. Joseph cemetery yesterday afternoon. The funeral was held at the family residence, Henry street, Victoria. Services were conducted by Rev. Father Noyes. Many floral offerings attested the sympathy of friends of the deceased and his family, and the pallbearers were Messrs. George Moss, George Seck, American Hotel, James Nickson, D. McMillan and W. Dodd.

Thanks to the initiatory steps taken in the matter by Principal E. B. Paul, the high school teachers of the province are at present considering the most effective means for the betterment of their help and benefit. The original proposal was to form a high school teachers' institute, but there is an alternative suggestion of forming a teachers' union.

Following the example set by his business partner, Mr. Alex. McDermott, of the stevedoring firm of Cates & McDermott, embarked on the sea of matrimony last week. The bride is Miss Mary Clark, eldest daughter of Mr. Walter Clark, of James Bay. The wedding ceremony was celebrated at the residence of Rev. W. S. G. of Victoria. The bridegroom is a well known and successful business man.

Armadale, the home of Senator and Mrs. Macdonald, proved a well selected place for the conversation of the ladies of the Reformed Episcopal church last evening. A large and merry gathering of young folks were in attendance and the evening was spent in a most enjoyable manner. The ladies' guitar and mandolin club, composed of the Misses Carr, McLaughlin and Harrison, and Mesdames Hart and Fennell, were very warmly received and as it was their debut their reception should go far towards encouraging the club. The programme of the evening was largely contributed to by the Misses Schwengers, Devereux and Powell and the Messrs. Kent and Gilbert.

The provincial museum has been presented with a handsaw fish, the second of the kind ever obtained, and Mr. Fannin, the curator, was yesterday busy making a gelatine cast of it. This specimen is similar to the one brought down from the West Coast by Captain H. G. Foot some months ago, but is in much better preservation and larger. It was found on the shore opposite Trial Island by Mr. Paddon, and had been taken by the late Mr. Fannin. It measures four feet six inches in length, and as the high delicate dorsal fin and the tail are almost perfect, it is well adapted to be made a life-like cast. The fish is a most valuable one, for as far as is known a live specimen has never been seen, and certainly never secured.

The Garrison Quadrille Club of the E. and R.M.A. gave their third annual New Year's ball on Tuesday evening, in the racquet court at Park Point barracks. The invitations were issued to the friends of the members, just sixty couples gracing the floor and dancing to the music of Wolf's orchestra, who played in their usual style. Col. and Mrs. Rawton, Captain Barnes and Captain Poo were present during the evening. The hall was decorated with flags and stars of bayonets, most tastefully arranged around the walls and suspended from the ceiling, while in the gallery a couple of Maxims frowned upon the revellers. Supper was served at midnight, and dancing then continued until 1 o'clock. The ball was a success, and the boys had given them what they anticipated—a most enjoyable evening.

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HEARD IN THE HOWELS.

The Bishop of Caledonia, who is at present staying at the Priory, has come down from his diocese in the North...

PAUL GASTON, OF SPOKANE.

Paul Gaston, of Spokane, who is at the Priory, speaking yesterday from his wide experience of Kootenay, in which district he is largely interested...

COUNTRY VERSUS CITY.

The Registrar-General of London, England, has submitted the census of the great city and its suburbs...

WANTON BRUTALITY.

An eight months' old Jersey heifer belonging to Mr. George Ott, yesterday morning with her throat cut, her tongue chopped out and a great gash in her side, lying dead in a clump of bushes in the pasture...

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THE WATER SUPPLY.

Possibly no single question coming within the purview of the city council calls more strongly for immediate action than the water supply. A difference of opinion exists as to the condition of the filter beds and there should be no unnecessary delay in finding out just what the facts are in regard to them...

HOW SUBSIDIES OPERATE.

But a few years have elapsed since Sir Richard Cartwright, Mr. McMullen, and others of the "Little Canada" grade of legislators, lifted up their voices in the Parliament of Canada and denounced the wickedness of the profligate Conservative Government and its benighted supporters...

DEVELOPMENT OF ALBERTA.

In discussing the immigration question the Lethbridge News says that the reason why the prairie region does not fill up more rapidly with people and many of those who come to the country do not remain, is the high freight charges on produce. We quote:

FRANCHISE FOR WOMEN.

Mr. Haggan, a journalist from New Zealand, who is also a strong advocate and supporter of the women's cause, addressed the local council Monday afternoon on the origin and result of the extension of the franchise to women in the country over the sea.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

THE LIBERAL LAWS. The British Columbia mining laws are the most just and equitable in existence...

THE DIVISION OF KOOTENAY.

The scheme involves the division of West-Kootenay district into four ridges, each to be a county with its own seat of justice...

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"What's that noise?" "That's my latest boy, just came to town." "What's he making all that noise for?" "What's that his inaugural bowl?" - Cleveland Plain Dealer.

PATENT REPORT.

Below will be found the only complete up to date record of patents granted to Canadian inventors, which is specially prepared for this paper by M. M. Marion & Marion, solicitors of patents and experts, head office, Temple building, Montreal...

THE EDMONDSTON BULLETIN.

The Edmondston Bulletin very properly says that "the country needs the full benefit of the Grow's Nest Pass railway, and can only afford to pay once for it."

THE VANTAGE OF THE FUTURE.

The Vancouver World thinks the best way to answer the Colonist's criticism of the tariff commission for omitting British Columbia from its itinerary is to sneer at the British Columbia Board of Trade.

THE PROPOSAL MADE AT MANITOBA.

The proposal is made that Manitoba shall send a shipload of wheat to India. The idea, if acted upon, would be a splendid advertisement for the Prairie Province.

THE WOMEN'S CAUSE.

As it has been said that women could not deal with the complex questions of the franchise, the effect of this upon the women was to cause them to immediately circulate petitions, the last of which contained 50,000 names.

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Mr. Haggan spoke highly of the latter, and the women's cause, and the most important measures obtained. He became more than ever convinced of this after seeing the work done in the technical schools of Honolulu.

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THIRTY-NINE THE IRISH PRISONERS. O'Brien Makes Appeals in Court of Commons for a General Amnesty. London, Jan. 21.—The debate on the Irish prisoners was resumed in the Commons yesterday. Patrick Parnell, who moved the amendment, said that the time had come when the Irish political prisoners should be released. He appealed for the release of the remaining prisoners, Timothy Healy, anti-Parnell member for North Louth, said the inquiry was made into the capture and plots in America it would be a great relief to the country. He also expressed the hope that the British government would be able to secure the release of the Irish political prisoners. He also expressed the hope that the British government would be able to secure the release of the Irish political prisoners.