

uch Northern Steamer Has
ough Time in Dixon
Entrance.

m Experts Back From Ex-
king a Gusher—Some of
the Passengers.

very stormy trip that gave her
handling, the Pacific Coast
City of Topeka reached port
ka just after midnight. It was
Entrance, north of Queen
Islands, on Monday last, that a
gale hit the Topeka and for a
he things decidedly lively. A
e washed over the vessel,
a number of the doors
oding the cabins. Win-
ferred badly, too, and the
ature was sent jumping about
ous pace, with the result that
of the crew received cuts and
more or less painful while
to get things sorted out. It
d about in the big waves. Had
en for the storm the Topeka
e reached Victoria a day
the proved himself a good sea-
ver, and rode out the storm

peka brought with her this trip
passengers, a good many of
ne from Cook's Inlet. Several
en confirm the reports brought
the Topeka on her last trip,
Cook's Inlet mines, and pro-
duced \$250,000. These Cook's
n reached Sitka by the Dora,
ch steamer the Topeka con-
y of men who have been occu-
examining the petroleum dis-
nde at Kyak back of Cook's
omer Johnson, was passenger
peka. Johnson who comes from
Cal., was prospecting for coal
a good deposit of it at Nut-
hile prospecting for coal he
oll" literally at Kyak, for he
through a one and a half inch
a very strong pressure.
Hamilton, of Seattle, and Me-
Bennett, who formed the syn-
work this find are also aboard
as well as Messrs. Reeves,
and Robie, who it is under-
represented the Standard Oil Co.
experts in oil.

the principal passengers on the
yas Mr. Robert Duncan, an ex-
of the great Treadwell mine,
bi' way to San Francisco on
regular trips in connection
business of his company.
er passenger was Mr. Fred No-
well known Alaskan mining
has just been to Dyak in con-
with the tramway which
any are building over the pass-
than three companies are
against each other in building
over the pass.

TRIAN LEGISLATURE.
Nov. 11.—When the re-
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RE YOU
with pains in the small of
back, pains up each side of
lower points of shoulder-blade
and then? Have you head
left or right? Do you feel
aching or sensation, floating
before the eyes? Do you feel
body? Are you nervous? Have
er-worked? Have you over-
worked? Have you exhausted your
or yourself? If you have you
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THE CITY.

Is the provincial police court yester-
day afternoon young Charles, who with
his brother James is accused of stealing
a bicycle at Sidney, was brought before
the police magistrate and remanded till
Monday.

F. J. COLEMAN, of the San Francisco
police, has arrived to give evidence in
the proceedings to come before the Chief
Justice on Tuesday on the extradition of
Bennett, accused attempted wife
murder.

The semi-annual inspection by the
District Officer Commanding of the arms
and accoutrements of the three com-
panies of the First "G" will take
place at the drill hall on Tuesday evening
next the 23rd.

GRAND CHANCELLOR EVANS, of Van-
couver, will be welcomed by a joint
meeting of Victoria and Far West lodges,
K. of F. on Thursday evening, when he
will be officially welcomed in Victoria.
A dance at Castle hall follows.

WALTER J. WILSON did not waste much
time when he came before the Justice
yesterday morning for speedy
trial on the charge of forgery and seal-
ing a typewriter. His pleaded guilty
to the charge and he was sentenced to
nine months imprisonment
with hard labor.

REV. DR. WILSON, who made a length-
ened stay in Metlakatla, Skagway and
Dyea during last summer, has consented
to give a lecture on those places on Wed-
nesday, November 17. As Dr. Wilson
has a delightful way of recounting his
various experiences, he will no doubt
have a large audience.

YESTERDAY Mr. H. Kurth was charged
by J. Smith in the police court with
having committed perjury in swearing in
a County court suit that Smith was no
brewer. Smith's evidence yesterday
was in effect that he worked in brewer-
ies for various periods. Cross-examina-
tion of the plaintiff elicited the informa-
tion that he did not consider himself an
expert brewer.

The lime light entertainment in aid of
the second company Boys' Brigade went
off very successfully on Tuesday evening
at the Victoria hall. The program
consisted of Miss Peden, Miss Phillips,
Mr. Burns and Mr. Robinson sang very ac-
ceptably.

A COLLECTION of cures of high and low
degrees have made night hideous recently
by their musical serenade, given on a
cantant lot opposite the Canada avenue
church. Solos and choruses in every
cane voice, from the deep bass of the
masse to the piping treble of the spaniel,
have kept all ears awake. The
citizens in that neighborhood awake the
great portion of the night. Many and
loud have been the prayers for the
presence of the chief catcher.

SEPARING yesterday of his trip to
Eastern Canada Mr. Gordon Fell re-
marked that the magic name of Klondyke
seemed to have a wonderful effect
on the people of Montreal, Toronto and
the other places reached by which he
eagerly devoured any information that
could be given them on the subject, and
like Oliver, asked for more. The feeling
prevailed all classes of the community
is Klondyke this and Klondyke that,
there are Klondyke saloons, Klondyke is
made the topic of reference in the theatres
and even in the churches. The
Montreal and Toronto Mr. Fell heard
in which a moral was pointed out
with some remark on Klondyke.

The other day one of the greatest agri-
cultural experts in the United States, in
talking to one of the editors of the
editors said, "Right over there in Cana-
da they have a weekly newspaper the
Family Herald and Weekly Star, that this
country cannot match, spread over the
thoroughly, and find it the most ex-
tent thing of the kind extant. Many of
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GRANT-GOVAN MINES.

English Shareholders Fear Particulars of
Properties That Will Astonish
Europe.

The E. C. Mining Review in its re-
port on the properties of the Goldfield
British Columbia, Ltd., and the Waverley
Mine, Ltd., held in London on October
18, the Earl of Essex presiding, says:
"The report of the committee of investi-
gation and gave a few interesting facts
about the great mineral belt in British Colum-
bia, and went on to deal with the Albert
Canyon group of properties which he
acquired last year, and which was being
rapidly connected with the Albert Canyon
station of the Canadian Pacific rail-
road by a good wagon road. A lengthy
description of the Albert Canyon prop-
erties followed. There are nineteen of
these, and the Waverley was selected
first for separate management. Early
shipments are expected from this prop-
erty, and if all that we were told by
the two gentlemen who addressed the
meeting be misquotations, the
success of the company is assured. Mr.
Grant-Govan has himself assured that
this mine is going to astonish Europe
when it starts shipping. He has shown
us samples of ore which certainly are
magnificent metalliferous specimens,
while Mr. Grant's advice about the prop-
erty was most encouraging."

"Experts have verified these opinions
and have also spoken highly of the Tan-
gier property, which was registered as a
joint-stock company yesterday afternoon.
The capital for this property is being
liberally subscribed by the directors and
their friends and the shareholders of the
Goldfield and Waverley companies. Mr.
Fellow-Harvey, of Vancouver, is acting
for Messrs. Vivian & Sons, of Swansea,
has assayed some of the Tangier ore, and
has found that the specimens were of excellent
smelting quality. The price of the
property, because there is no mine in it—
and worth \$22 1/2s. per ton, of 2,000
lbs."

Mr. Grant-Govan also referred to
Mr. Otto Abeling's experiments in the
matter of the concentration of carbonates
from the 74 foot vein of the Waverley.

PUBLIC WORKS OFFICES.

It is understood that these carbonates
will be concentrated into one, and as
Mr. Grant-Govan in his letter said,
this should prove to be so, then the value
of the Waverley mine is almost beyond
computation, as the company has such
an abundance of carbonates now in
sight. The company is now anxiously
awaiting further tidings, which will de-
cide whether the ore is self-smelting or
not.

"It is hoped that at least 1,000 tons of
this Waverley ore will be shipped and
consigned to Messrs. Vivian & Sons,
of Swansea, this winter, and the company
has the decided assurance of the engi-
neer that 'the value of the consignment
will not be less than £20,000 sterling.'

The directors of the Waverley are al-
ready hoping that they will be in a po-
sition to pay a substantial cash dividend
to their shareholder in the coming
spring.

"In conclusion, Mr. Grant-Govan said
he would undertake to say that the
Waverley alone can ship 1,000 tons per
annum, and that in a few years the
company £10 per ton old. They had
the Waverley, Tangier, Oldham,
Montague, Detroit and other properties,
and he was confident in saying that the
Waverley was not far distant when the
Goldfields of British Columbia would be re-
cognized as 'one of the most successful
mining properties in the world.' They
might say he was over optimistic
about mining operations. He should re-
joice that the Waverley for one was not
a mine at all in the problematical sense
of the word, but a sound and already
proved investment." At which there
was naturally much cheering, for it was
a very encouraging speech, and full of
promise."

SEALING RIGHTS.

TO THE EDITOR.—Under the above
heading in yesterday's issue of the
COLONIST I read: "This is an oppor-
tunity to do a little bartering with
the United States. What if they should
be asked to cede that strip of territory
with adjacent islands in the north-west
coast of British Columbia as a quid pro
quo for the surrender of the right to kill
seals in Behring sea? The territory is
not of much value to them, etc., etc."
We should not then have a
win at all in the problematical sense
of the word, but a sound and already
proved investment." At which there
was naturally much cheering, for it was
a very encouraging speech, and full of
promise."

KLONDYKE AND VICTORIA.

TO THE EDITOR.—A number of well-
meaning people have favored the col-
umn with their criticisms, through your columns,
with suggestions as to the best way to
get Klondyke trade for Victoria, and
to the other two cities in Canada, they
amount to this: Advise to con-
tract customers and when they come
directly with them. That "honesty
is the best policy" in business, and in
all things. Victoria merchants and busi-
ness men here are nearly all contribut-
ing to the advertising fund, for a period of
months, but the sum thus being raised
is inadequate for this purpose. As it is
to the benefit of everybody that the
advertising fund be drawn to this city,
everybody should give generously and
freely to the advertising fund, and not
wait to be asked. Now that their atten-
tion has been called to it I hope they
will all promptly respond to this invita-
tion.

AN UNPAID AMBASSADOR.

HE Fled From Angry Creditors and Was
Dismissed for His Treachery.

BERLIN, Nov. 10.—A despatch to the
Frankfort Zeitung from Constantinople
says that Galib Bey, Turkish ambas-
sador at Berlin, who left his post without
leave because his salary had been un-
paid for nine months and because he
was harassed by creditors, was dismissed
by the Sultan on arrival at Constantinople,
despite a personal appeal. General
Tevfik Pasha, the Turkish minister to
Serbia, has been appointed his provin-
sional successor.

DURRANT'S RESPITE.

HIS Counsel Personally Serves the Order
Upon the Warden.

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Nov. 12.—Attorney
Eugene Deuprey, counsel for Theodore
Durrant, has arrived here from Sacra-
mento to make a personal service to
Warden Hale of a copy of the order for
the execution of Durrant, which was
served at Sacramento delaying the execu-
tion. The precaution of this personal
service was that there might be no pre-
text for executing Durrant to-day.

GREEK TORPEDO SCANDAL.

DEMAND That Prince George and Other
Officers Be Court-Martialed.

THE PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENT REMOVES
FROM ITS DINGY ABODE TO COM-
MODIOUS NEW PREMISES.

Accommodation Now Up to Date and
Important Records No Longer
in Jeopardy.

The staff of the Lands and Works de-
partment are just now settling their
nerves after the throes of moving. The
little Swiss chalet in the government
grounds which for many years has done
duty as the headquarters of the Public
Works department of the province will
now its lifelong tenants no more, and
the magnificent new buildings now shel-
ter the officials, records and documents
of the department. The removal has
been no inconsiderable task, and glance
at the many racks filled with plans and
surveys, and the ranges of folios contain-
ing records of all kinds makes the spec-
tator wonder how the quarters were at
all made to accommodate this branch
of the public service.

The department for the future occupy
what may be called the ground floor of
the main block of buildings to which
access is had from the front terrace by
means of doors on either side of the
main entrance. The passages are wide
and the doors are opened from one end
and these doors lead into the main public
office of the department which occupies
the full width of this portion of the
building, and a large it is needless to
say that a modern office block should
be of the use of the officials is enclosed by
a handsome counter in solid oak fitted
at convenient intervals with necessary
desks for the use of the clerks connected
with the various branches.

The counters forming the side of this
entrance are so planned that the side
passage ways or corridors leading from
the entrances to the corridor in the rear
offer no obstruction, and the views
from the counters are unimpeded. Im-
mediately in rear of the public office are
located the cavernous vaults—various
kinds of stores, and a large office block
to be described by any other word.
The lower vault or the one in the
basement gives a visitor a
view of the main block of buildings
and the vaults above it. The vaults
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CONFESSED IN COURT. The Murderer of Cashier Stickney Pleads Guilty and asks the Date He Prefers for Execution.

DOVER, N.H., Nov. 11.—Jos. E. Kelly, who for the past three days has been on trial charged with the murder of Joseph A. Stickney, cashier of the Great Falls National Bank, Somersworth, on the opening of the court this morning retracted his plea of not guilty and pleaded guilty to the charge against him.

A PRIEST MURDERED. Rev. Father McPhake a Victim of Philadelphia Poisoning.

BUFFALO, Nov. 11.—A special to the afternoon papers from Philadelphia today says: The death of Rev. Father McPhake, found murdered and robbed in the rear of the Academy of St. Paul yesterday, a victim of footpad, has given rise to some queer stories and set the tongues of the superstitious wagging and wild theories. It is recalled that Father McPhake was present at the execution of H. H. Holmes, the noted murderer, and his death is connected in a gruesome manner with the baneful influence of the death of the criminal by credulous believers in such theories.

ROLLING MILLS. MONTREAL, Nov. 11.—There is a possibility of the Toronto rolling mills being removed to some eastern Ontario town before long. Trenton is making a big bid for the works.

Dr. Mackenzie's Mishap. MONTREAL, Nov. 11.—While Dr. R. Tait Mackenzie, some time attendant to the family of the Governor-General, was exercising in the McGill gymnasium he attempted to take a high jump and fell, sustaining a compound fracture of the leg.

That Commercial Agency. TORONTO, Nov. 10.—An Ottawa special to the News says the proposal to appoint a commercial agent at London, being agitated in Toronto, is not considered in official circles as one on which the government is likely to act. There is no appropriation for such an office.

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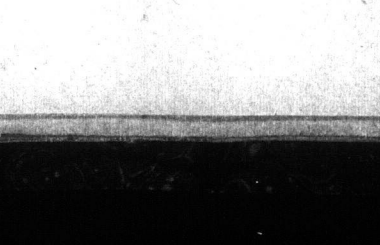
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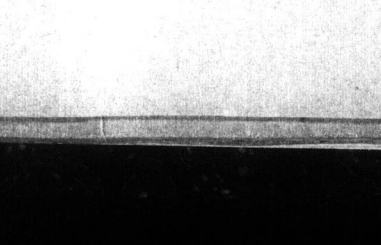
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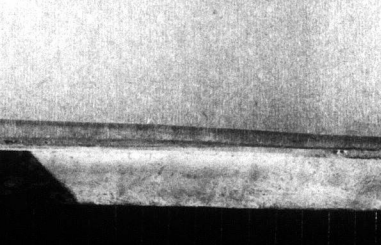
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The Colonist.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15.



KLONDYKE IS IN CANADA.

The name Yukon has been hitherto associated with Alaska and it applies as much to that territory as to Canada. So true is this that careful writers speak of the Canadian Yukon, when they wish to refer to that part of the great river valley lying within the Dominion. If they do not use this expression they say Klondyke. Our suggestion is that the Dominion government shall recognize what is fast becoming to be the custom and call the Canadian Yukon Klondyke. One advantage of this will be that no other locality can claim the new name. Klondyke is, in point of fact, the name of no place in particular. As everyone now knows, it is the result of a futile effort to pronounce an Indian word. How tough a contract it is to pronounce the word accurately may be judged from Mr. Ogilvie's heroic efforts to do so when he lectured here. He never said the name twice the same way. But Klondyke, no matter how it is spelled, has a lodgment in the public mind and will stay there. Let the name be retained, and as the discoveries on the river from which it has been taken have made the Yukon territory famous the world over, let it be applied to the Golden North.

Specifically: Let all that territory lying north of the Province of British Columbia, south of the Arctic Ocean, west of the 120th meridian and east of the 141st meridian, be known hereafter as the District of Klondyke.

AN ANTI-CLIMAX.

The report from Washington, D. C., that the President in his annual message to congress will say that there is no reason for interference with Spain in regard to Cuba foreshadows one of the most remarkable anti-climaxes in diplomacy. That it will disappoint the people looked for some new demonstration of the alleged championship of liberty, which the United States is claimed to have assumed. There probably never was a greater mass of baldness than that which has been shaved off the head of Doctor Faustus in the art of arts preservative, than has found place in the newspapers of the United States since Cuba, and what the great republic was going to do for the help of its down-trodden people. We suspect that there is a method in the madness, which underlies these ebullitions of frenzy. In ancient Rome the rulers had a trick of amusing the people with circuses and pageants in order to distract their minds from pressing domestic problems. There seems reason to think that, dazed with the magnitude of the questions of a social and economic nature arising at home, the leaders of public opinion in the United States seek to divert attention from them by diligently cultivating an absurd jingoism. This is at once caught up by the sensational press and the country is kept in an uproar about the affairs of people with whom it has really nothing to do. Nothing better illustrates this than the fact that during the last two years hundreds of thousands of presumably sane United States citizens have been wearing "Cuba Libre" buttons, while minstrels and light comedians have never failed to bring down the house by a far-fetched joke or bumptious assertion on the same fruitful topic. During the last session of congress under the Cleveland regime, warlike resolutions on the subject of Spain were more in evidence than legislation on the manifold and difficult domestic problems awaiting attention. When Mr. Cleveland contemptuously refused to pay any attention to the blatant demagogues, who inspired them, there was talk of impeaching him. The press fairly ran riot with cartoons depicting him as the enemy of freedom, and the resources of the language were exhausted in editorials describing his utter baseness. Then we were told that Mr. McKinley would show the world what a free people could do to help another people struggling to be free. It is no exaggeration to say that hundreds of thousands of people in the United States fully expected that one of the first acts of President McKinley would be to order Spain out of Cuba bag and baggage. Indeed those in his confidence took care to say in the most public manner possible that in the fullness of time he would develop

a Cuban policy which would meet the just expectations of every patriotic American citizen. A few days ago things looked as though he were about to do so, patriotism from the United States standpoint consisting chiefly in minding the business of every other country but your own. But Spain stood firm. Uncle Sam found his bluff called, and now we are told that the extremely courteous way in which Spain has said that she must not be interfered with has so impressed the President that he will recommend compliance with her wishes. Fortunately, as we said the other day, the United States has no sense of national dignity to prevent it from turning any corner, however sharp, in its international relations.

What is the explanation of this tremendous anti-climax? We are all concerned in the answer. Nothing touching the national life of our great neighbor is without deep interest to the people of Canada. We believe the true explanation is in part that suggested above, that the political leaders of the country realize their inability to deal with the tremendous domestic problems pressing for solution, and is also to be found in part in a desire to mask political designs by clouds of international disputation. Close on the heels of Cleveland's Venezuelan message came the bond issues. He wantonly and impudently interfered in the affairs of two other countries, talking about using force when he was well advised that he had no force at his command. The public mind was excited. Public attention was taken off party politics for a time, and he was able to carry out the financial policy devised for him by a coterie of New York bankers. The Dingley tariff, which is an oppressive measure of taxation and a great burden to millions, was pushed through while the country was hurrying about Cuba. The government of the United States has never had the least intention of going to war during the last ten years. Turkey was bullied, France was threatened, Germany was warned not to go too far, Great Britain of course came to for everything in the way of threats that ingenuity could devise, Japan was challenged and last but not least in point of ferocity have been the declamations against Spain. But during all these lurid times, the war and naval departments of the United States have known perfectly well that the country was not in a condition to engage in hostilities with even a third class power. The insincerity of the whole business was well illustrated by the action of congress at the time of the discussion of the Venezuelan affair. Senators and members of the house of representatives talked glibly of going to war with Great Britain, though they were told in express words by their chief admiral that Great Britain, without weakening her squadrons on any of her stations, could capture every city on the American seaboard, and by the general commanding the army that they had few guns of modern efficiency and little machinery to make them, still fewer carriages for the guns and still less machinery to make them, no ammunition and no means of making any large supply, no arms, accoutrements or uniforms for an army, no commissariat, no plan of mobilization, nothing, in short, but a general condition of unreadiness. Asked how long it would take to get ready, General Miles said the preliminaries would require two years. For proof of these statements we refer to the report of the Committee on Coast Defence in the congress of 1895-96. Yet while these statements were being made in the committee room of the Senate, such men as Senator Morgan were declaiming as to the duty of the United States to at once teach England a lesson that she would never forget, and incidentally to show the European powers the proper way to deal with Turkey.

A SUMMARY.

In response to numerous requests that the COLONIST should prepare a summary of the principal points in regard to the gold fields of British Columbia and the Yukon, we present the following. The summary is not exhaustive, but it will doubtless serve the purpose for which it is intended. What our correspondents and callers have asked for is a general review of the whole situation with special reference to Victoria. They say that when they are writing to friends they are often at a loss to know just what to tell them. We hope they will find in this article the necessary information. We have endeavored to be accurate in every respect, and if there are any errors in regard to distances, etc., they will be found to be immaterial. Concerning the richness and extent of the gold deposits of British Columbia and the Yukon there is no room for doubt. The latter are in what is usually referred to as the Klondyke. But the Klondyke is only a very small area in comparison with the whole. If you take a map of North America and find where the 141st meridian forms the boundary between Alaska and Canada, you will see that about midway between the Pacific and Arctic oceans, the great river Yukon crosses the boundary line on its way to Behring sea. A little to the east of the boundary—that is, in Canada—a comparatively small river joins the main river. It is not likely to be shown upon any of the maps, but it is some twenty or thirty miles from the boundary. This is what is called the Klondyke, and the El Dorado and the Bonanza, are the great placer mines which have attracted the attention of the world. William Ogilvie, the Dominion land surveyor, who is the greatest authority on all subjects relating to this part of the world, says that he is satisfied that in these streams alone there is sufficient gold to warrant an estimate of their output at from \$65,000,000 to \$75,000,000. The gold-bearing region extends far up the Yukon and its branches. Indeed the same gentleman is authority for the statement that there is in Canada alone a known auriferous area of between 100,000 and 150,000 square miles, with much country lying outside of it that will undoubtedly prove working. This estimate takes no account of the gold-bearing region of British Columbia. Referring again to the map, if you take the point where the Yukon crosses the meridian as a starting place and draw a line thence southeast until it reaches the point where the eastern boundary of British Columbia touches the 49th parallel, that is the boundary between the United States and Canada, you will have a line something like 1,200 miles long. If you lay off on each side of this line a belt of country having a width of 800 miles, that is 150 miles on each side of the line, you will have what may be called the great gold-bearing belt of the Northwest. Near the southeast corner is Rossland; near the northwest is the Klondyke; midway are Cariboo, Cassiar and Omineca. This belt does not include all of the auriferous area of the Canadian Northwest, but in a general way may be called the auriferous belt. Its area is 300,000 square miles. Lying outside of it are gold-bearing areas. In addition to the deposits of gold, either in placers or in quartz, there are very many and very rich deposits of silver. The name of Vicoch is associated with silver more prominently in the public mind than any other single locality; but the Slocan is not by any means the

only argentiferous district. The names of Cariboo, Cassiar, Omineca, East Kootenay, Elkoot, Boundary Creek, Kettle River, Nelson, the Great Bend of the Columbia and other places are already household words in connection with the production of gold and silver, and are only mentioned in this connection for the purpose of refreshing the memory of readers. On the Coast and the islands are many valuable deposits of copper, gold and silver, some of which, notably those on Texada Island and at Alberni on Vancouver Island, have already been proved to be of great commercial value. Hundreds of prospects lying outside of the above described belt await development by men who have a little capital to invest in such work.

All this great region being in Canada, it follows that every British subject has an equal right to share in the development of it. It follows also that the proper basis from which to work is some point in British Columbia. Persons who contemplate investing in the Kootenay country, that is in the southern extreme view of the powers of the court to punish for contempt, and claims the fullest right of criticism consistent with the public interest, we desire to say that the observations of the Nelson Tribune in regard to the bench of British Columbia are entirely uncalled for and in the highest degree discreditable to any publication in this province. The bench of this province has the deserved reputation of being honorable and impartial. Its members are inspired by a desire to discharge their duties to the best of their ability and with an eye single to the public interest. If at any time any of them is guilty of an act, which calls for criticism, by all means let it be criticized, but let what is said be said definitely and not by miserable innuendo. There is nothing outrageous in such a course as the Tribune has seen fit to adopt.

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These trails begin in what is for the present recognized as United States territory, although after the summit has been reached the trails are in Canada. Canadian goods have to be bonded in order to be taken over them. The Stickeen-Teslin route is up the Stickeen river to Telegraph creek, and thence overlaid to Teslin lake. The distance over the river is about 160 miles and from the river to the lake by the trail now in use about as much more. It is believed that the land route will be considerably shortened. The Stickeen is navigable by steamers to Telegraph Creek, and steamers ply regularly thereon in summer. A winter road will in all probability be kept open up the Stickeen this winter and across to the lake. In the spring a good trail will be made, which will be improved so as to make a wagon road. From Teslin lake, the miner will descend to the Lewis river by way of the Hootalinqua river, a fine navigable stream. A steamer will be built on the lake this winter. Next season one or more steamers will doubtless be sent up the Yukon to the lake. The advantage of this route is that it is an all-Canadian one. By transferring goods from the ocean going steamers to river steamers at Fort Simpson in British Columbia there will be no interruption from the United States customs house officers, for the reason that the free navigation of the Stickeen is secured by treaty to British subjects.

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that end is likely to be introduced into the provincial legislature at a very early date.

The discussion now in progress at Washington City between Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Secretary Sherman are decidedly interesting. It will be very strange that with both sides desirous of settling all serious questions between the two countries a reasonable conclusion cannot be reached.

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CAR FERRY SERVICE. TO THE EDITOR:—The comments made by certain aldermen at Monday night's meeting of the council, re my letter to the board, if carefully read condemn their utterances. I certainly take exception to the following remarks in your issue of Monday: "The company provides for the construction of a line to English Bluff." As the words "English Bluff" do not appear in the charter, and no positive assurance that any line will ever be built by the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway nearer to (English Bluff or Victoria) than Vancouver or New Westminster cities, and as Victoria is not even mentioned as one of the terminal points, while both the mainland cities are, I fail to see wherein the holders of the charter were given a right to use the word Victoria, intending, as they fully do, to ignore this city altogether (if allowed to do so). I do not blame the government in the matter and I feel convinced that they will not allow them to have a dollar until it is positively understood that the three cities—Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster—shall be on an equal footing. Victoria needs a transfer car-ferry service from the nearest point on the mainland, which is English Bluff, and if the government grant any bonus without such a stipulation being unmistakably understood, they will certainly fall in their duty. K. T. WILLIAMS.

The best preparation to remove dandruff from the head, and to cure and stimulate the scalp, that dandruff will not gather again, is Hall's Hair Renewer.

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Secretary of State Mr. Sherman and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, minister of marine of Canada, after the first of the formal series of conferences for the purpose of bringing about agreement by which as many as possible of the questions now causing friction between the United States and the Dominion of Canada may be amicably settled by treaty or otherwise.

The conference this afternoon was brought about by a note which Secretary Sherman this morning sent to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, asking him if it would be convenient for the latter to meet the secretary this afternoon.

President McKinley will give a dinner at the executive mansion to-night to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, and Lady Laurier.

Officials of the agricultural department are somewhat concerned over the visit of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in view of the concessions which it is considered probable he will ask under the reciprocity provision of the tariff law.

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The figures made no distinction between British and Canadian vessels, as practically all the sealing was done by Canadian vessels, which, however, are nominally classed as British.

The conclusion to be drawn from the year's figures is that the seal herd has been decidedly reduced by indiscriminate slaughter at the alarming rate of about one-half in the year.

GLASGOW, Nov. 11.—Fog to-day seriously interfered with navigation on the Clyde. The Allan line steamer Pomeranian, Captain Strait, from Montreal on the 25th via Quebec for Glasgow, and other steamers are ashore south of the Isle of Arran.

The British steamer St. John, of Nebraska, Captain Park, from New York October 30 for Glasgow, which was due to arrive here on Monday last, has not yet been sighted.

The missing detachment of the Northamptonshire Regiment slain by the Rebels. SMILA, Nov. 11.—When the British reconnoitering force returned to camp in Maidan valley, after the disastrous retreat from the summit of Saran Sar mountain, Lieut. McIntyre and twelve men belonging to the Northamptonshire Regiment, which had suffered most severely in the retreat, were reported missing, but it was hoped they would succeed in reaching camp.

Dispatch from Maidan valley to-day, however, shows that the lieutenant and his companions have been killed. Their bodies have been found, and it is said to be evident from the position in which they were found that the little detachment fell gallantly fighting to the last.

TOLL FROM THE INDIANS. United States Officials Suspend the Time Honored Exemption in Their Favor.

MALONE, N.Y., Nov. 10.—Under a recent ruling the customs officials at Hogsburg have been collecting duties from the St. Regis Indians on baskets and basket making material which have been free from time immemorial, but the United States and Canadian governments having long ago agreed to relieve the Indians from customs duties.

FOR NICARAGUA CANAL. Requests That Proceeds of Recent Railway Foreclosures Be Devoted to That Enterprise—Military in Request.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 10.—The trustees of the chamber of commerce have adopted a resolution asking the United States government to set aside the money obtained from the payment of the debts of the Union Central and Kansas Pacific railroads, the fund to be applied to the construction of the Nicaragua canal.

KLONDYKE INSURANCE. Canadian Companies Refusing All Application From Parties Bound for the Gold Fields.

TORONTO, Nov. 10.—(Special)—Toronto insurance companies have followed the example of those of Montreal, and have refused risks on parties going to Klondyke. The present policy holders are not barred, but new policies will bar the privilege of going.

BLANCO'S HUMANE POLICY. Spanish Soldiers Will Benefit Through Relief From Unnecessary Hardships.

MADRID, Nov. 11.—A decree granting autonomy to Cuba will be formally gazetted on November 23.

HAVANA, Nov. 11.—Marshall Blanco has abrogated the orders of his predecessor as the destruction of the fields and huts of the insurgents. He has also cancelled the prohibitions by which the Spanish soldiers have been prevented from camping in the towns.

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THE BRAZILIAN DISORDERS. Parliamentary Opposition Charged With Knowledge of the Plot Against the President. NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—A dispatch to the Herald from Rio Janeiro says: Senator Viera, one of the government's supporters in the Brazilian senate, declared in open session that body that the opposition had predicted the death of President Moraes before November 9.

PROTECTING SUGAR ESTATES. New Spanish Commander Seeks to Restore Crippled Industry. HAVANA, Nov. 10.—Captain General Blanco has issued a circular to the Spanish military commanders in the different provinces of Cuba, instructing them to favor the owners of sugar estates by all means in their power, and to encourage those who may be less disposed than others to grind their cane.

BATTLESHIP IN DISTRESS. A British Warrior Badly Injured in a Gale and Assistance Called For. CANEA, Nov. 11.—The first-class British battleship Empress of India has met with a serious accident in a gale which prevailed here. Her rudder was broken by a heavy sea and her hull was seriously damaged.

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negative on that portion of her frontier which lies at the head of the Yukon, in order that a half dozen Seattle grocers and a half dozen other merchants may sell goods to miners.

The regulation of internal taxation is the prerogative of all governments. The Post-Intelligencer wishes the United States government, in the interest of the grocers and other merchants aforesaid, to interfere by duress to prevent Canada from exacting a miners' license from intending prospectors. Such persons have to take out a similar license in British Columbia, and no one ever thought it worth while complaining. Thousands of United States citizens have come over into this country, taken out a license and prospected to their great advantage under it. It is proposed to extend this rule to miners on the Yukon. Thereat the Seattle paper shrieks out a lot of rubbishy threats and wants the congress of the United States to act.

Our contemporary seeks to arouse the whole country on the subject by saying that Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Chicago are interested in seeing that all customs barriers, and every other barrier that will tend to keep Klondyke trade for Canada, shall go down. Perhaps they are. Probably Boston, New York, Philadelphia and Chicago would be very glad to see every barrier thrown down which prevents their merchants from sending goods into Ontario without paying duties, but not one of the newspapers of those cities has shown itself such an arrant ass as to make a demand on congress for the coercion of Canada on that score. The newspapers of those cities know perfectly well that congress is not in the habit of interfering in the internal affairs of Canada or any other country.

The sort of action which the Post-Intelligencer wants congress to take seems like the dream of a lunatic. We do not like to use such language in regard to a contemporary, but it is warranted in this case. It wants congress to declare that no British subject shall enter the Canadian Yukon without taking out a mining license in one of the cities on Puget Sound. This is the suggestion of a newspaper driven to desperation, and makes us incline to the belief that, after all, the editorial eye did see the local story about the average duty of \$60 per outfit.

Here we think is the explanation of the whole matter. For weeks and months the Post-Intelligencer has been persistently publishing the falsehood that duties were not collected, that the exemption was so liberally construed that it covered almost everything, that the amount of the exemption was \$150 worth, that the average duty was only \$10. It was charged with the falsehoods time and again, but persisted in them. At last the truth must come out, and the Post-Intelligencer is forced to admit to its readers that it has been deceiving them all along. It stands in the most humiliating position conceivable. It is proved out of its own columns to have been lying, and deliberately lying. It stands convicted before the world of being the most monumental falsifier of the day. It has persistently, day after day, represented that miners would be under no disadvantage in buying goods in Seattle. It has deceived the merchants upon whose advertising it depends; for it has convinced them that no duties would be charged on United States goods going into the Yukon, and they have acted upon the faith of its statements and got ready for an immense trade. Now it is obliged to confess to them that it has been in the wrong all along, and that upon the few depleted outfits that crossed the Passes this year the average duty was \$60. It is easy to see that the average duty on full outfits taken in next spring will be far greater than this. And mark that this is the average. Some of the outfits must have been very small. Next year they will all be full. This blow to the hopes of the Seattle merchants is a severe one, and there is no help for it. Even if congress should be guilty of the gross international discourtesy of ordering the President to close the Passes at this end, an all-Canadian route would remain open, and the Yukon is by treaty an alternative Canadian route upon which the United States is solemnly bound to place no obstructions to British subjects.

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THE LAST OF THE GREAT RELIGIONS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THIS SERIES IS BRAHMANISM. This is the prevailing religion of India. It is one of the most ancient of all religions. Indeed it is professed to attempt to fix the date of its origin, for it seems to be an evolution from the primeval form of worship of the earliest inhabitants of the peninsula. There is a school of Brahman philosophers who go even further than this and claim that the advanced doctrines of comparatively later times are only a restoration of ideas held unnumbered centuries ago. In his very interesting book, Paradise Found, Dr. Warren attempts to show that Brahmanism contains intrinsic proof that it originated at a time when the whole population of the globe lived in the Arctic zone; then, that is in the Tertiary

period, a region of delightful climate and abundant in perfect forms of animal and vegetable life. We mention this, not to enter into a discussion of the probability of this suggestion, but solely for the purpose of illustrating the extreme antiquity of the tenets of Brahmanism. It is necessary to say that by Brahmanism we do not mean the worship of myriads of gods, which is the ordinary Hindu religion, but the great philosophical system which has been corrupted into a gross idolatry. This is no more Brahmanism than a savage's crude conception of applied electricity would be a correct presentation of that science.

As no date can be fixed for the origin of Brahmanism, so no person can be claimed as its founder. It is an evolved religion. The earliest written accounts of it, as contained in the Vedic hymns, show that, whatever may have been its origin, it had become a mere worship of natural phenomena. This continued for centuries, but gradually there appears in the Vedic hymns the conception of a deity, of something lying behind nature. This thought is evolved by a long process until the following conception is reached: That all things originated in a first cause, which is spiritual, that their existence is due to the exercise of the will of this first cause, that in the end all things will return to the source of their origin, and that the object of human life is to hasten the absorption of the souls of men into the soul of the universe. If this thought is fully digested it will be seen to be full of meaning, and the remarkable resemblance of it to the fundamental principle of Christianity will be apparent. The Vedic hymns say that in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth—not in those words, it is true, but when we are told that Brah formed all things from nothing by the exercise of his will, we have the same thing.

Just here a word on a point which is the cause of much misapprehension. If we find in a system of religion an intelligent first cause, to whom the Universe is subject, and to whom man is responsible, it makes no difference by what name He is called, the same thing is meant. It is intelligible how half-educated people might dispute as to whether Jehovah or Brah was the correct name of this First Cause, but how it could be suggested that they are in any sense rival deities, as we have seen it so often claimed, it is not very easily understood. It is probable, indeed, that one of the great stumbling blocks in the way of securing the assent of an intelligent heathen—using the word as opposed to Christian—to the doctrines of Christianity is this refusal to recognize that where two persons agree that there is a supreme ruler of the universe to whom men are responsible, they are necessarily in accord, no matter by what name they call Him.

Brahmanism probably reached its highest stage of evolution about the second century B.C. It has been claimed that it borrowed its conception of a Deity from Judaism, but that is a weight of evidence is that the conception of the Deity as given in the first chapter of Genesis and that of the later Vedic hymns were probably from the same origin. We have seen that Zoroaster, Persia, was a teacher of monotheism centuries before Christ, and was combating Baalism at about the same date as Elijah was engaged in that struggle in Judea. At the same time, or perhaps later, we find the teachers of Brahmanism rising above the materialism of the earlier Hindus. That is to say, a wave of monotheism swept over Central and Southern Asia several centuries before the Christian era, from which movement we have surviving to-day Judaism, Christianity, Mohammedanism, Parseeism and Brahmanism, the essential thought of all these religions being that there is above and outside of nature a Supreme God. It would be profitable to pursue this line of thought further, but that must be left until the whole subject is reviewed.

The ethical side of Brahmanism, not by works or sacrifices, can fit himself to be absorbed into Brahmanism. Hence again we have a singular resemblance to Christianity, which teaches that mere deeds alone and mere acts of worship avail nothing, but that the soul itself must be gotten into harmony with God. The idea is that the soul can be perfectly purified by contemplation. An oft-quoted saying is that "prayer moves the arm that moves the universe." So a Brahman might say that by contemplation a man may fit himself to accomplish anything. It is the application of this principle which is said to account for the very remarkable things done by Hindu priests. We do not now refer to the tricks of the fakirs, but to such things as the suspension of animation and other acts apparently in total defiance of the recognized laws of nature. To the believer in this there is nothing incredible in the claim that Moses developed into a worker of miracles, or that Elijah was able to kindle the sacrifice on Carmel. Like Buddhism, Brahmanism takes account of transmigration, or, as it is called nowadays, reincarnation, and it teaches that the process can only be stopped by qualifying the mind by contemplation for reabsorption into Brahman. The rules for the conduct of life are of the highest possible type.

Such is Brahmanism theoretically, and such is this religion as practiced by the refined and educated among the Hindus. But let no one suppose that

the millions of India have any such lofty idea of the faith. It has been demonstrated that the masses never worshipped Brahman. They are and have for centuries been entangled in an inextricable web of tradition, superstition, and idolatry. They have personified and deified nature in a thousand forms. We have said that Brahmanism is the prevailing religion of India, but this must be understood only in a nominal sense, for what the mass of the Hindus regard as Brahmanism is something as remote from it as it is from Christianity.

ABOUT sixty years ago a great religious revival began in Hindustan. It is known as the Brahmo-Samaj, or "the Society of the Believers in God." It has been a very powerful agent in promoting religion in India. Its greatest leader was Chunder Sen, a man of the most enlightened and elevated views. He died in 1835, and since his death the movement has been checked somewhat. There is, however, a general process of revival of pure Brahmanism. Some of its exponents were among the most conspicuous members of the Parliament of Religions at the World's Fair. Brahmanism lacks only one thing to make it the peer of Christianity. What that one thing is we shall endeavor to show in the general review to be printed next Sunday.

MORE FALSEHOOD FROM SEATTLE. The Post-Intelligencer denies that the Stickeen-Tellin route to the Yukon is all-Canadian, and says that it passes through United States territory. This is one of those cases where the truth can be made to lie. It is probably true that, under any interpretation of the treaty of 1825, the mouth of the Stickeen will be found to be in the United States; but it is also true that first by the treaty of 1825, and afterwards by the treaty of Washington, British subjects have the right of free navigation of the Stickeen river. A steamer can load at Fort Simpson, steam up the Coast and go up the Stickeen without saying by your leave to anyone. Will our contemporary try and get this piece of information into its head, so that hereafter it will be able to tell the truth when dealing with the facts of geography and international agreement? Here is another little point which our vituperative contemporary seems to have wholly forgotten. The people of the United States claim, and we think with good cause, that they own very valuable gold mines in Alaska. Now, except for a short time in the summer, the best known route to these Alaskan mines is through Canadian territory. In the course of time a route may be found wholly in Alaska, which will be available all seasons in the year, but no such route is available now. Meanwhile it is immensely to the interest of United States citizens that no obstacles shall be put in the way of their freely carrying goods across Canadian territory into Alaska. The great hurrah which the Post-Intelligencer made the other day over a railway from Chibout, is about a line five-sixths or more of which will be over Canadian territory. Every pound of goods that crosses the Dyea trail, or the Skagway trail, or goes up the Stickeen, en route for points in Alaska, must pass over for four hundred to seven hundred miles of Canadian territory. Canadians have not the least objection to goods going by that route, but we can assure the Post-Intelligencer that if by any possibility it could succeed in obstructing the free passage of Canadian goods into Canadian territory, there would at once be put in force an order that would close the Canadian route to Alaska. There is no likelihood of any such thing occurring, for the government of the United States has some sense if our contemporary has not.

ON the principle that one should not look a gift horse in the mouth, we suppose it is ungenerous to inquire into the reasons that have prompted our United States neighbors to court closer relations with Canada. But memory will not allow us to listen to the dictates of courtesy, and we cannot help recalling that the change in the tone of our good friends has followed so closely upon the heels of the Imperial movement that it has been in danger of a collision. However, all's well that ends well, and when a good thing is offered and can be accepted without embarrassment, it is perhaps not well to be too inquisitive as to the motive of the gift.

THE COLONIST does not claim literary infallibility; but it begs to say to the Times that it believes that the word in the inscription on St. Paul's cathedral is "queria" and not "quira." The meaning of the inscription is: "If you seek his monument, look around you." We do not now refer to the tricks of the fakirs, but to such things as the suspension of animation and other acts apparently in total defiance of the recognized laws of nature. To the believer in this there is nothing incredible in the claim that Moses developed into a worker of miracles, or that Elijah was able to kindle the sacrifice on Carmel. Like Buddhism, Brahmanism takes account of transmigration, or, as it is called nowadays, reincarnation, and it teaches that the process can only be stopped by qualifying the mind by contemplation for reabsorption into Brahman. The rules for the conduct of life are of the highest possible type.

THE GOVERNOR of Alaska in his thanksgiving proclamation calls on the people to give thanks for the discovery of gold on the Klondyke, which he says improves that Alaska is good for nothing and has wonderful possibilities. We do not wish to be irreverent, but isn't Governor Brady confounding the Power to whom prayers are ordinarily addressed with the public of the United States. It is no great task to gull the latter on geography, but

HAPPILY the fate of Durrant is none of our business; but in the interest of humanity we say that since he has once been snatched from the gallows his sentence ought to be commuted to imprisonment for life. It is an awful thing to speak, a half dozen times. What a terrible satire on the administration of justice the whole thing is.

THE Mail and Empire joins the Globe in opposing any addition to the provincial subsidies. British Columbia has not asked for any; but we can tell our Toronto contemporaries that if we had what we pay into the federal treasury, less our per capita share of the cost of governing the Dominion, we would have a very much greater revenue than we have now.

SOME time ago the COLONIST printed a fair statement of the position of the Songhees reserve matter. The Times objected that it was incomplete. The COLONIST promptly offered to supply any missing facts. We did not think that any had been omitted, but thought that perhaps there were some points that had not been made clear. Our offer has not been accepted. By-and-bye we will be charged with suppressing something about the reserve.

RUSSIA is said to be opposed to the increase of the Turkish navy. This is quite likely. Turkey's army has shown its ability to cope with the forces of the Czar, and if the Sultan can get a navy which will enable him to keep the Russian fleet securely shut up in the event of war, he can snap his fingers at St. Petersburg. For a man who has been sick so long, Turkey exhibits astonishing vitality.

THE Roseland Miner complains that the Coast papers take only a perfunctory interest in Kootenay. The Miner forgets. For week after week the COLONIST fought the battle for railway connection between the Columbia and Penticon and when it found that this could not be obtained, then for a road from Penticon to Boundary creek as a beginning.

LONDON Truth, which is not in the habit of upholding anything shady in company promotion, lays great stress upon the fact that Lieut.-Governor Mackintosh is upon a board of directors, and thinks it a guarantee of the advantages of the project. Truth takes little stock in a certain class of carping critics whose prime motive is jealousy.

THE estimate is made that 9,000 people outfit for Klondyke this year, extending for that purpose \$4,500,000. The lowest estimate is that 100,000 persons will outfit for the Yukon next year. This will swell the outfitting bill to nearly \$50,000,000. We don't want it all.

ARE we Right or Wrong? asks the Roseland Record. On general principle we should say wrong, although possibly in the particular case in question, about which we know nothing at all, you may be right.

WE are glad to learn that the report of Mr. Heinze's sickness, though well founded in the first instance, did not reach Victoria until he was quite well again. British Columbia cannot afford to lose such men as F. Ang. Heinze.

WE have been there to see and we know." So says the Times. "Our wife has gone to visit our mother-in-law," remarked the Podunkville Gazette.

AND IT RAINED



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THE CANADIAN PRESS. BRITISH TRADE WITH CANADA. English manufacturers have become alarmed at some developments of Canadian trade, and have sent agents out for the purpose of investigating. It is evident that Great Britain is prepared to rush business in on Canada if her merchants could be sure of their ground. Montreal Herald.

MARKETS FOR CANADA. Markets for Canadian produce are opening on all sides. Our farmers and fruit growers will do well to note the offer of a French company, which will pay ready money for apples delivered at a French port on the Chenevel, costs and customs to be paid by the buyer. These apples are needed for cider making and so presumably need not be of the very highest class. The chamber of commerce in Montreal is in receipt of several communications on the subject of Canadian fruit, and the chance is certainly given for the lost.—Ottawa Free Press.

ONE HONEST MAN. Dear Editor:—Please inform me if you can that a letter of mine, which was sealed and addressed to you, and which I was permanently returned to health and nearly a year ago, was returned to me by the post. I was robbed of my money and my goods, and I have been unable to trace them since. I have a strong belief in the universal brotherhood of man, and I am desirous of helping the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness. I promise you perfect secrecy. Address: Wm. J. Murphy, 1000 St. James St., St. Louis, Mo.

THE POPE'S Catholics of Manitoba That "Settled" Adviced to Persuade Temporarily Lost the Major. LONDON, Nov. 15.—(Special Telegrams.)—The school settlement... The utterance deals with the facts of the case in detail to support... The Pope declares that he will not attend the public... The supreme pontiff opportunity must be the claims of Roman... full enjoyment of the rights. Still his Holiness... Manitoba Catholics no... side and grasping, but... by all peaceful method... justice and fairness of... lose cause upon their... their full rights may be... TORONTO, Nov. 16.—(Special Telegrams.)—The cable anticipating the... ment on the Manitoba... says: "While a great man... His Holiness did not... tance of the Manitob... tem, with such modifi... government could be... in the interest of... not be much surpris... taken. The effect of... nevertheless, will be... tation, if any at all... where it properly bel... province of Manitoba... legislature that subje... belongs, and any atten... from that jurisdiction... benefit to the minority... would deprive them of... of the British Govern... the least, would be dis... less. The education a... tobs is likely if advi... direction is given to... somewhat to that whic... Brunswick and Nov... without any public se... sought a judgship... Catholic population wh... cation." LONDON, Nov. 16.—(Special Telegrams.)—The Pope's