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SETTLEMENT OF TARIFF QUESTION

HON. W. S. FIELDING MAKES STATEMENT

List of Articles on Which Duty Has Been Changed in New Tariff

Ottawa, March 31.—In the House of Commons yesterday Hon. W. S. Fielding, who was received with cheers from the Liberal side of the House, stated that he sought this early opportunity of presenting a statement concerning the negotiations with respect to trade relations with the United States. The close connection with the republic made it a matter of utmost importance that Canada should maintain as far as possible friendly relations with that country. Notwithstanding a tariff situation which Canadians regarded as somewhat unfavorable, the volume of trade was a very large one. Fifty per cent. of the trade of Canada was with the United States; 58 per cent. of our imports came from the United States, and 43 per cent. of our exports went there, and this under tariff conditions which were not so favorable as could be desired.

Mr. Fielding said the importance of the question was recognized earlier in the session, when it was suggested by the opposition that before the French treaty was finally approved the government should ascertain whether the United States would regard that treaty as one discriminating against their trade. The government had not thought it would be wise to take that course. After unsuccessful negotiations for better trade terms in the past, the government had taken the ground that Canada should not again approach the United States with proposals for better commercial relations, and that if the matter was to be reopened it should be upon the initiative of the United States. The government decided not to make any approach to the United States while the question of the French treaty was pending. The treaty was approved and the government was bound to maintain the rights of Canada to enter into trade arrangements with other countries and to approach the United States in the manner suggested would be to recognize their right to restrict our liberty in that respect. But, said Mr. Fielding, the condition was now ended. The United States had taken the initiative and Ottawa no longer went to Washington, but the latter took the first step for better trade relations. Mr. Fielding then dealt with the preliminary negotiations.

The following are the thirteen concessions made by Canada to the United States, and upon which President Taft was enabled to issue proclamation of a minimum tariff in favor of Canada. The figures indicate the new or reduced duty:

Dates and figs, dried, 55c on 100 pounds.
Prunes and dried plums, unpitted, 25c a pound.
Almonds, walnuts, Brazil nuts, and shelled peanuts, nuts of all kinds, 25c a pound.
Photographs, chromos, artotypes, paintings, drawings, pictures, decalcomania transfers of all kinds, engravings or prints or proofs therefrom and similar works of art, not otherwise provided, blue prints, building plans, maps and charts, 25c per cent.
Soap, powdered soap, final-eral soap and soap not otherwise provided, 25c per cent.
Perfumery, including toilet preparations, non-alcoholic, namely hair oils, tooth and other powders and washes, pomatums, pastes and all other perfumed preparations not otherwise provided, used for the hair, mouth or skin, 25c per cent.
The ware of china, porcelain, white granite and ironstone, 27 1/2 per cent.
Common and colored window glasses, 12 1/2 per cent.
Watch actions and movements and parts thereof, finished or unfinished, including the winding bars and sleeves, 15 1/2 per cent.
Dongola, cordovan, calf, sheep, lamb, kid or goat, kangaroo, alligator and all leather, dressed, waxed or glazed or further finished than tanned; not otherwise provided, harness leather and chamois skins, 15 per cent.
Feathers and manufactures of feathers, imitation of fruits, grains, leaves and flowers suitable for ornamenting hats, 27 1/2 per cent.
All goods not enumerated in this schedule, "Schedule A," as subject to any other rate of duty, and not otherwise declared free of duty, and not being goods the importation of which is by law prohibited, 17 1/2 per cent.
This is the "omnibus clause," which covers many miscellaneous articles. The most important item is that it covers cotton seed oil. The Canadian consumption of the oil from the United States exceeds 500,000 gallons a year. This clause covers vegetable and other oils, the total importations of which from the United States last year were about \$4,000,000. Of this \$1,257,456 was not dutiable.
Mineral waters and manufactures of celluloid are included. The trade in these is about \$100,000, or \$50,000 each. Drugs, dyes and chemicals, which are under this clause, amounted to \$1,142,520 dutiable and \$4,711,497 which entered free. These free goods are not affected.
Among the other leading articles are lime, sausage casings, sponges, manufactures of straw and wax, glycerine, camphor gums, magnesite, bicarbonate of soda and miscellaneous breadstuffs.
The largest single group of staple commodities included in the agreement are dates, figs and raisins, prunes and currants, almonds and other nuts. The exports from the United States to Canada of these commodities in the last fiscal year amounted to \$1,149,000. The competition from France and Spain in them reached \$900,000. The importations of toilet soap and perfumes and toilet preparations from the United States amounted to \$250,000.

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RUMOR THAT MENELIK DIED FROM POISON

Clash Imminent Between Supporters of Empress and the Regent

London, March 31.—The death of King Menelik of Abyssinia occurred last Sunday, according to a dispatch received here yesterday from Addis Ababa, capital of the Ethiopian kingdom. The dispatch confirms the United Press cable of last Monday, which said that Menelik had been reported dead.

According to the dispatch received here, an official announcement of Menelik's death was withheld until Wednesday so that Regent Ras Tseama might prepare to repulse an attack by troops of the Empress.

It is rumored that the long threatened civil war of accession in Abyssinia is imminent between adherents of the Empress Taitu and supporters of Ras Tseama, who is acting for the youthful Prince Lidj, declared to be Menelik's successor.

Menelik was unconscious for several days before his death, and hostilities were withheld until his demise. It was rumored that he had been poisoned by order of the Empress, but no tangible evidence against her was produced.

It is believed that the regent's followers will be victorious, as they outnumber those of the Empress.

MISSIONARY IS SLAIN BY NATIVES

Uprising in Liberia Spreads and Lives of White Residents in Danger

Liverpool, March 31.—Advices from Liberia, the negro republic on the west coast of Africa, state that the native uprising is spreading and the lives of the white residents are endangered.

According to the dispatches, Rev. B. K. Speare, a foreign missionary, was assassinated at Cape Palmas by the natives.

The native soldiers and the tribesmen have committed several times. The soldiers have proved victorious thus far and several of the tribesmen have been killed, according to the reports.

Cruiser Dispatched.

ALPHABET LEADS TO RIOTS IN ALBANIA

Proposed Change Causes Troubles and Several Persons Are Injured

Constantinople, March 31.—Several serious "alphabet riots" were reported to have occurred in Albania, during which a number of persons were seriously injured, according to the dispatches.

The riots are an outgrowth of friction which has developed between the more modern Turkish business men who are attempting to facilitate correspondence between the Occident and Turkey by the abandonment of the Arabic in favor of the Latin alphabet, and the Hodjas and religious teachers who fear that the introduction of the Latin characters would result in the subversion of the true faith.

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FIFTEEN GYPSIES LOSE THEIR LIVES

Luga, Russia, March 21.—Fifteen gypsies were drowned yesterday in the waters of Lake Limen, near here. Among the drowned were several women and two children.

The accident occurred while a caravan of gypsies were crossing the frozen lake. The ice was ten thin and one of the wagons broke through. First reports said that fifty gypsies were drowned.

RUTH WHITE DEAD

The death is announced in New York of Ruth White, a cosmologist, who has been seen several times in Victoria. Miss White appeared here as Willie in "The Burgomaster." Miss White was in private life Mrs. William P. Cullen, wife of the manager of The Albatross.

The consumption of beer in Russia has increased 4 per cent. in the last fifteen years, and the output 21 per cent.

ENGINEER ON WAY FROM INDIA

MAJOR LOTBINIERE MAY RETURN SOON

Engineering Work in Valley of Cashmere is Being Done by Canadians

News was brought to the city this morning from Cashmere, the Happy Valley of the Himalaya mountains, of Major A. G. Lotbiniere, son of the late Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, formerly lieutenant-governor of this province. J. E. Desy, of Montreal, is an engineer who for the past three years has been engaged in setting up some large dredging machinery on the Ghelum river in the Cashmere valley. The work having been completed he is now returning to Montreal, and he is spending to-day in the city. Speaking of his work in Cashmere, Mr. Desy on his arrival this morning on the steamer Tamba Maru, said:

"Major Lotbiniere, with whom I have been working in Cashmere, is a splendid man. He is known everywhere for being just and severe, exactly the sort of man for the work in India. He is not well satisfied there, however, and his friends say that he will soon return to Canada and go into politics."

Speaking of his work, Mr. Desy said that the scheme they had in hand was to try to prevent the disastrous floods which often overtook the valley of the Ghelum river. The capital city, Srinagar, was often flooded during the time of the spring freshets. For weeks the lower parts of the houses were under water, which of course was a great detriment to the town. Besides that the crops in the rural districts were destroyed and the melting of the snow and the coming spring rains were looked upon almost as a national calamity. The floods are caused largely by immense sand bars in the river, which will now be removed. All engaged in the work are Canadians, with Major Lotbiniere in charge.

The climate of the country generally at Cashmere is delightful, according to Mr. Desy. It well deserves the name "Happy Valley," which was given it years ago. The people, however, are not suited to Mr. Desy's tastes and he prefers to live among his own countrymen. Before leaving he traveled through a great part of India. He thinks the railways are the dirtiest and in every way the worst he has ever seen. The people, too, he thinks will never be fit for responsible government. They are too much divided by religious feeling to assimilate. The Sikhs, Purahits and Mohammedans are as far apart from each other as the poles as far as religion is concerned, and there seems no chance of their changing. Nothing but a strong government can keep things moving smoothly. The Indian government, he thinks, should be given a freer hand than they have to-day, and Viscount Kitchener should be placed at the head of affairs. Then there would be no trouble.

Mr. Desy travelled from India to Yokohama on the French mail steamer Tonkin and received a good deal of jollying over the fact that although of French origin he is a British subject. His retort was that it was France's own fault that he was not born under the Tricolor, and now they must take the consequences. While in India he served in a volunteer regiment and he is proud of his British heritage. He leaves to-night for Montreal, stopping off for a few days at Winnipeg.

The funeral of Richard M. Ollivant will take place to-morrow at 3 p.m. from the Victoria undertaking parlors. Rev. E. T. Helling will officiate.

The funeral of Charles Martin will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Victoria undertaking parlors. Rev. E. T. Helling will officiate.

Under instructions from the city council, W. J. Fowler city clerk, is today calling for applications for the positions of patrolmen. Five are to be appointed in all in accordance with the recent recommendations of the police commissioners—three foot patrolmen and two mounted. Applications will be received until April 11th.

On Saturday next, in the Carnegie library, the Ladies' Musical Club will give their eighth concert of the season. The afternoon will be devoted to Wagner and modern composers. The programme will be of especial interest, and will begin promptly at 3.30 p.m. Those desiring to attend who are not members of the club may procure tickets at the door.

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CHINESE WITNESSES AT POLICE INQUIRY

(Continued from page 1.)

and \$2 for water. Next month the rent becomes \$200. Wong showed where his book contained entries of \$2.50 paid Ho Man as commission. "Do you belong to a Chinese Club?" Mr. Robertson asked.

"Oh, no, I don't belong to any Chinese Club," replied Wong, with a smile of deprecation.

Do you ever gamble? Oh, no, never. Wong was asked if he had seen Leung Juck last night and replied that he had, but when asked what they talked about said "nothing."

He was told that Leung Juck had stated shortly before that they had not seen each other. He could not understand this at first, but thought out the suggestion that Leung had not known what he was being asked. As to the conversation which took place last night he said Leung had remarked that he did not know what it was all about in court.

Did Not Remember.

Leung Juck was recalled and asked to explain his previous denial of having seen Wong. He said he was busy last night and didn't remember every one he saw.

Mr. Robertson asked several questions in regard to the income and outgo of the Tom Hick Co., as shown by the books, and finally requested a direction from the court to witness to prepare a statement.

Leung pleaded pressure of business and did not want to take the task. Ah Wing volunteered to secure an expert bookkeeper who will work on the books in the court room.

"If you are such a busy man," said the judge to Leung Juck, "you had better be careful. You have told enough here this morning to have the Crown proceed against you for perjury and give you a good long holiday where you will not do bookkeeping."

Confesses He Gambles. Fun-Fing, 40 Cormorant street, an employee of the Wah Tee Co., as bookkeeper and salesman, swore by burning a strip of yellow paper on which he had written the oath.

Mr. Robertson—Sometimes sell gambling tickets?—Not since last year.

Do you ever gamble?—I do sometimes.

The witness was a smiling, ingenious looking youth and everybody was surprised at his confession.

Gambling goes on at 40 Cormorant street?—Sometimes.

You remember Mayor Morley coming down to tell you to stop?—About three years ago. We say if everybody stop we will.

You have stopped down there?—Stop because no one want play. One man no can play (laughter).

Have you a China club there?—Western Club. No play now. One man no can gamble.

Did not people play in the Western Club last month?—No play long time. Don't you know as a fact that men were playing there last month?—Oh, dominoes. I know by the noise.

I want you to be careful about telling the truth. You were gambling there a week ago Monday, when they all closed up?—No one want play, they all close up.

Fun was one of the Chinamen convicted last year of running a lottery and was fined \$25. He denied that the money for lawyer's fees was collected by Hughes and after a lot of questioning he said he paid his share to Quong Fook, bookkeeper for On Hing. He declared that he never paid any money to any white man for protection, and never heard of any such thing being done.

This concluded the forenoon's taking of evidence.

The ball committee of the Native Sons announce that their eleventh dance will take place on the 29th April next in the Empress hotel, permission having been obtained through the manager for that date. What with the good fortune to obtain such a building, and the fact that the members of the association are doing everything in their power to make this ball the best that they have ever given, and special car service, having been arranged it is expected that this will be the most brilliant function that Victorians have seen for some time. Details will be given later as to cars and so forth.

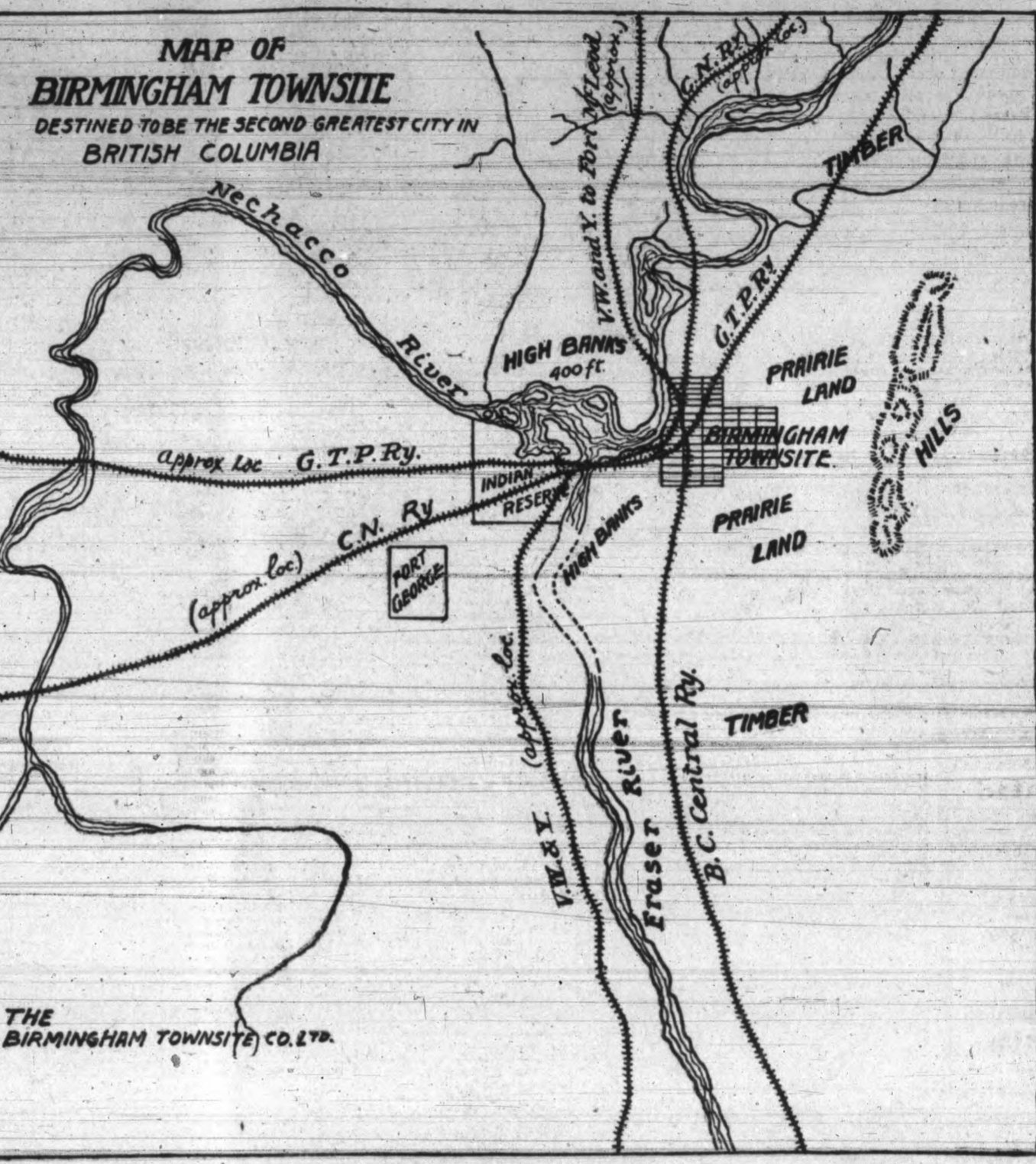
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- 18—Yates and Wharf Sts.
- 19—Government and Johnson Sts.
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- 21—View and Blanchard Sts.
- 22—Spencer's Arcade.
- 23—Fort and Quadra Sts.
- 24—Yates and Cook Sts.
- 25—Rockland Ave., E. of St. Charles St.
- 26—Fort St. and Stanley Ave.
- 27—Fort St. and Oak Bay Ave.
- 28—Fort St. and Richmond road.
- 29—Penbrooke and Shakespeare Sts.
- 30—Pandora Ave. and Quadra St.
- 31—Caledonia Ave. and Blanchard St.
- 32—Caledonia Ave. and Cook St.
- 33—Caledonia St. and Spring road.
- 34—Gladstone Ave. and Stanley Ave.
- 35—Pandora Ave. and Chambers St.
- 36—Douglas and Discovery Sts.
- 37—Government St. and Princess Ave.
- 38—King's road and Blanchard St.
- 39—Government and Douglas Sts. (Junc.)
- 40—Oaklands Fire Station.
- 41—Lemon & Gommerson's Mill.
- 42—Store and Cormorant Sts.
- 43—Store and Discovery Sts.
- 44—Bridge and John Sts.
- 45—Craigflower road and Belton Ave.
- 46—Time and Mafy Sts.
- 47—Letch's Mill.
- 48—Wilson and Russell Sts.
- 49—Sayward's Mill.
- 50—Gorge road and Garbally road.
- 51—Burnside road and Delta St.
- 52—Washington Ave.

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CHINESE OWNERS TALK OF RENTS DISCREPANCIES HAVE TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR

Amounts Received From Reports Greater Than Actual Rentals

Some progress was made in the police factory yesterday afternoon, in spite of the fact that the inquirers were pitted against Chinese cunning and subtlety. The entire afternoon was occupied with the examination of three Chinamen, owners of property in the city used for immoral or for gambling purposes.

HAS NARROW ESCAPE. New Westminster, March 30.—A fatality was narrowly averted when H. Schaake, of the Schaake Machine works, by jumping into the Fraser river without a moment's hesitation, saved the life of his son Howard.

RECIPROCAL FRIENDSHIP. Addressing the East Asiatic Society in Hamburg recently, Prince Henry of Prussia said that as a result of his visit to England he could assure them that Great Britain offered to Germany an honorable and sincere friendship.

GIRL IN BOY'S ATTIRE. The extraordinary behavior of a Cambridge architect's daughter was investigated recently. The accused, Winifred Banor, aged 17 years, went to Ren Ditton church, wearing boy's clothes, very early, and with a cudgel smashed thirty panes of glass in the church windows.

CHALLENGER & MITCHELL Government St. Victoria, B.C. "And what doing all that time?" "Allee samee store." To Mr. Robertson Ho Man said he never was in a China club and did not gamble.

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Any big games going on? Not just now. (Laughter.) How long ago did the big games stop? About six months now. Fan-tan biggest game.

DIABETES. We have the following unsolicited letter from James T. Douglas, Harrisburg, Oregon, June 25th, 1908. Gentlemen:—I have had Diabetes for over two years and was almost in a very weak and could hardly walk.

PROPOSED NEW HOSPITAL. Kamloops, March 30.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the hospital it was decided to send James Gill, chairman of the board, to Victoria next month when the mayor and Mr. Shaw, M. P., go down to interview the company in the matter of transportation there had not been the slightest difficulty in the handling of the business.

LADYSMITH NOTES. (Special Correspondence.) Ladysmith, March 30.—The firemen of this city celebrated their annual ball Monday night and a very pleasant evening was spent.

DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT. PILES. Dr. Chase's Ointment is a certain cure for piles, hemorrhoids, and all other ailments of the rectum.

Any big games going on? Not just now. (Laughter.) How long ago did the big games stop? About six months now. Fan-tan biggest game.

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CLEARED LANDS
The cleared lots at Qualicum Beach in the Northwest District are now on the market in tracts of from thirty to forty acres.
For plans and prices apply to L. H. SULLY, Land Agent, Victoria, or L. E. ALLIN, Local Agent, Parkerville.

TENDERS WANTED.
Tenders will be received up to and including April 15th, 1910, for the supplying and erecting four hundred (400) twenty-five foot (25 ft.) cedar poles and five hundred and eighty (580) thirty foot (30 ft.) cedar poles for the B. C. Telephone Company, Limited, in the Municipalities of North and South Saanich. Plans and specifications can be seen at the Telephone office, Victoria, B. C. Tenders to be addressed to the Superintendent of Construction, B. C. Telephone Company, Vancouver, B. C.

READ VICTORIA DAILY TIMES

New York Stocks
(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)
New York, March 31.
High, Low, Bid.
Amal. Copper 742 722 744
Amer. Car. & Foundry 622 612 624
Amer. Ice 254 232 256
Amer. Lead 81 79 83
Amer. Smelting 1171 1171 1174
Amer. Tel. 107 107 107
Amer. Woollen 26 25 25 1/2
Anaconda 92 86 86
Atchafalaya 1102 1105 1102
B. & O. 183 180 181 1/2
C. & O. 85 84 85
C. & G. W. 27 27 27
C. & N. W. 150 150 150
C. M. & St. P. 140 139 140
Central Leather 41 40 40
Con. Gas 142 140 141
Corn Products 162 161 162
D. & M. 77 76 77
Erie 29 28 29
Gen. Elec. 150 149 149 1/2
G. N. Ore. cdfs. 47 47 47 1/2
G. N. pref. 114 113 114
Ill. Cen. 122 121 122
Inter-Metro 22 22 22
Do. pref. 67 66 67
L. & N. 109 108 109
M. & T. 122 121 122
Mo. Pac. 91 90 91
Nat. Lead 81 80 81
N. Y. C. 121 120 121
N. Y. O. & W. 47 46 47
N. W. P. 103 102 103
N. P. 133 132 133
Nenney 122 121 122
People's Gas 110 109 110
Pittsburg Coal 89 88 89
Reading 148 148 144
Rock Island 45 44 45
S. P. 124 123 124
Sou. Ry. 27 27 27
Texas Pac. 62 61 62
Third Ave. 42 41 42
T. St. L. & W. pref. 68 67 68
U. P. 184 182 183
Do. pref. 71 70 71
U. S. Steel 82 81 82
Utah Copper 45 44 44 1/2
Va. Car. Chem. 58 57 58
Wabash 218 207 211
Do. pref. 46 45 46
Western Union 74 73 74
Wis. Cen. 50 50 50
Kas. City Sou. 42 41 42
U. S. Rubber 47 46 47
Do. 1st pref. 114 113 114
Money on call, 2 1/2 per cent. 112 111 112
Total sales, \$36,500 shares.

Victoria Stock Exchange
(By Courtesy N. B. Maysmith & Co.)
Victoria, March 31.
Bid, Asked
American Canadian Oil06 .08
B. C. Amalgamated Coal011 .021
B. C. Permanent Loan 120.00
B. C. Pulp & Paper05 .06
B. C. Refining Co.30
B. C. Copper 8.00
Bakeries, Limited 7.00 8.25
Capital Furnitures Co. 7.00
Canadian Northwest Oil 1.14 .19
Diamond Coal48
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron. .06 .07 1/2
Great West-Permanent 115.00 118.00
International Coal & Coke. .66 .71
MacMillan's Creek Coal27
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke. 64.00 77.00
Nootka Marble Quarries 6.20
Northern Bank Certificates. 100.00
Crown Certificates47
Northern Oil06
Pacific Loan 28.00
Pacific Whaling, pref. 73.00
Pingree Mines50
Portland Canal Mining 7.24
Rambler Cariboo25
Royal Collieries12
South African Scrip 825.00
Silica Brick86
Stewart M. & D. Co. 2.58
Victoria Transfer Co. 41.00

Grain Market
(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)
Chicago, March 31.
Open High Low Close
Wheat—
May 1142 1151 1142 1141
July 1088 1098 1088 1087
Sept. 1064 106 1064 1063
Corn—
May 63 63 63 62 1/2
July 65 65 64 64 1/2
Sept. 66 66 65 65 1/2
Oats—
May 42 42 42 42
July 41 41 41 41
Sept. 39 39 39 39
Pork—
May 35.80 35.92 35.70 35.80
July 35.32 35.72 35.52 35.57
Sept. 35.25 35.35 35.07 35.10
Lard—
May 13.80 13.85 13.70 13.67
July 13.72 13.72 13.57 13.55
Sept. 13.55 13.57 13.45 13.22
Short Ribs—
May 13.80 13.87 13.62 13.82
July 13.52 13.52 13.25 13.50
Sept. 13.22 13.25 13.20 13.50

MINING STOCKS
(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)
Spokane, March 31.
Bid, Asked
Alameda 7 10 1/2
B. C. Copper 7 7
Canadian Coal, B. & R. 70 74
Copper King 7 8
Gertie 21 3
Granby Smelter 44 50
Hammer 8 25
Hypothek 5 21
International Coal & Coke. 67 60
Idaho S. & R. 41 6
Lucky Calumet 43 6
Oss-Bull 41 5 1/2
Mineral Farm 101 20 1/2
Missoula Copper 101 20 1/2
Monitor 30 31
Nabob 7 23
Portland Canal 27 31
North Franklin 29 24 1/2
Portland Canal 29 24 1/2
Rambler Cariboo 23 24 1/2
Rex 5 8
Snowflake 5 8
Snowstorm 11 11 1/2
Stewart 6 26
Wonder 15 21 1/2

BANKER'S TRIAL
Portland, Ore., March 31.—With the completion of the argument of District Attorney Cameron, the case against W. H. Moore, president of the defunct Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, who has been on trial for the last two weeks on an indictment charging that he accepted deposits with a knowledge that the bank was insolvent, was placed in the hands of the jury shortly before noon today. A verdict is expected to be returned to-morrow.

SHOAL BAY
The Summer Campers' Paradise

One year ago it was necessary to walk a mile from the nearest car line to reach the shore of Shoal Bay; yet in spite of this drawback it maintained its position as the favorite location for the summer camp. Its sheltered position, its southerly and easterly exposure, its fine bathing beach, its glorious view—these were the elements of its charm.

To-day Shoal Bay is five minutes distant from the terminus of the Cook street car line, and better facilities are promised it soon. Several splendid houses are being built near by. The stamp of the better class of residential neighborhood has already been set on it.

Waterfront Lots
1-5 and 1-4 Acres
\$1100 to \$1300 Each

Interior Lots
57x120
\$375 to \$450 Each

Home Sites For the Fastidious

Such are the waterfront lots shown on the plan herewith. They are generous in area, the smallest of them being 53x200 feet. They have a level, grassy surface, and give easy access to the beach. They are well sheltered by the neighboring Gonzales Hill from westerly winds. Winter and summer, a home built here will retain its charm.

View Lots At Moderate Prices

The interior lots shown on the plan command the same extensive view as do the waterfront lots. Gonzales drive on the one side, and a common lane on the other give all of them ready access to the beach. Surely the prices we ask for these lots are only a fraction of what will be asked for them soon. What an opportunity they present for the summer camper to secure a lot of which he can enjoy the use while its value goes on increasing!

These Lots Are Steadily Selling. Take Them at Our Price To-day. To-morrow You Will Have to Pay the Other Man's Price

LOCAL MARKETS

Lake of Woods, per sack	2.00	Wheat Flakes, per packet	2.10	Oats, per ton	27
Lake of Woods, per bbl	7.25	Whole Wheat Flour, 10 lbs.	45	Hay, per ton	19.00/20.00
Okanagan, per sack	2.50	Graham Flour, 10 lbs.	45	Corn, per ton	28.00
Okanagan, per bbl	7.50	Graham Flour, 50 lbs.	2.15	Grape Fruit	2.75
Calgary Hungarian, per sack	2.50	Feed—		Tomatoes (Cal.), per crate	5.00
Excelsior, per sack	2.00	Hay (baled), new, per ton	24.00/25.00	Tomatoes (Florida), per crate	7.50
Excelsior, per bbl	7.00	Straw, per bale	7	Green Onions, per doz.	25
Oak Lake, per sack	2.50	Middlings, per ton	22.00	Radish, per doz.	40
Oak Lake, per bbl	7.50	Straw, per ton	22.00	Cauliflowers, per doz.	1.50
Hudson's Bay, per sack	2.50	Woolfed Feed, per ton	22.00	Onions (silver skins)	25
Hudson's Bay, per bbl	7.50	Shorts	22.00	Onions (Australian)	2.50
Hunter, per sack	2.50	Poultry—		Navel Oranges	2.50/2.50
Hunter, per bbl	7.50	Dressed Fowl, per lb.	25	Apples, per box	2.25, 3.00
Enderby, per bbl	7.50	Ducks, per lb.	25	Cranberries (New Jersey), bbl.	12.00
Pastry Flour—		Geese (Island), per lb.	20	Cranberries (local), per bbl.	9.00
Snowflake, per sack	1.50	Garden Produce—		Garlic, per lb.	1.75
Snowflake, per bbl	4.50	Cabbage, per lb.	1.50	Celery	1.00
O. K. Best Pastry, per sack	1.75	Potatoes (local)	1.50	Figs (Cal.), per package	1.00/1.25
O. K. Best Pastry, per bbl.	4.50	Onions, per lb.	1.50	Figs (Smyrna), boxes	1.50
O. K. Four Star, per sack	1.75	Carrots, per lb.	1.50	Figs (Australia), per doz. baskets	1.25
O. K. Four Star, per bbl.	4.50	WHOLESALE MARKETS.		Artichokes (Cal.), per doz.	1.25
Drifted Snow, per sack	1.75	Lemons	3.00/4.00	Malaga Raisins, 2 lbs.	3.00
Drifted Snow, per bbl.	4.50	Walnuts (Cal.)	2.00	Oranges (Tangerine), box, fig.	2.50
Wheat, chicken feed, per ton.	30.00/40.00	Walnuts (Eastern)	2.00	Rhubarb (local), per lb.	1.00
Wheat, per lb.	4	Cocoanuts, per dozen	12	Pineapples, per doz.	3.00
Barley	32.00	Ham	21.00	Cucumbers (local), per doz.	3.00
Whole Corn	32.00	Bacon	23.00	Squash, per crate	1.50
Cracked Corn	26.00	Carrots, per sack	75	Butter (Creamery)	30.00
Roll'd Oats (B. & K.), 7-lb. sk.	30	Bananas, per lb.	25	Butter (Provincial Government)	22.00
Roll'd Oats (B. & K.), 30-lb. sk.	1.50	Potatoes (local), per ton	22.00/24.00	Butter (Dairy)	36
Roll'd Oats (B. & K.), 90-lb. sk.	4.50	Oatmeal, 25-lb. sack	2.25	Butter (Australian)	25
Oatmeal, 25-lb. sack	2.25	Roll'd Wheat, 10 lbs.	1.50	Eggs, french, per doz.	1.75
Oatmeal, 50-lb. sack	4.50	Cracked Wheat, 10 lbs.	1.75		
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per sack	2.00				
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per bbl.	7.50				

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LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1906, AND AMENDING ACTS.

The undersigned, hereby give notice that on the month from date hereof, I will apply to F. S. Hussey, superintendent of provincial police, at Victoria, B. C., for renewal of the license held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors at the premises known as the Gorge Hotel, situated in Esquimalt District.

J. B. MARSHALL
 Dated this 31st day of February, 1910.

OVER SCORE OF SOLDIERS KILLED
TROOP TRAIN WRECKED IN GERMANY
 Nearly One Hundred and Fifty Sustain Injuries in Collision

Berlin, March 31.—Twenty-one soldiers were killed, 39 severely injured and more than 100 slightly injured in a railroad collision near Muehlheim, yesterday.

A special troop train collided with the North German Lloyd express. No passengers on the express were killed. The troop train was made up of light wooden cars. The express consisted of heavy steel coaches. The cars of the troop train were shattered by the impact of the heavy coaches of the express. The soldiers were hurled under a mass of wreckage.

The few soldiers who escaped death or injury were set to work under the direction of their officers to clear away the wreckage.

The injured were carried to an improvised hospital and the bodies of the dead laid out in rows along the track.

The soldiers' remarkable presence of mind and discipline under adverse conditions which were maintained. The survivors attacked the wreckage with their guns, using them as lever to pry apart the broken framework of the cars.

EXPEDITION PLANNED TO AID ESTRADA
U. S. Government May Be Forced to Declare Attitude Regarding Nicaragua

(Times Local Wire.)

New Orleans, March 31.—The attempt of Gen. Gordon, former commander of artillery for Provisional President Estrada of Nicaragua, to outfit an expedition for the aid of the provisional government, will end in the state department taking a definite stand in the Nicaraguan case, it is believed here. The federal authorities here were asked to stop Gordon's expedition.

Gordon declared that the state department did not recognize the Madriz government in Nicaragua, and he was, therefore, not planning an expedition against a friendly power and was not violating the neutral laws.

The federal authorities here concluded the problem was too knotty for them and decided to send the whole matter to the state department for settlement. They declare that the state department will have to decide officially whether the Madriz government is the government of Nicaragua or whether Estrada is the president of the little republic.

PROSPEROUS YEAR.
 (Special to the Times.)

New Glasgow, N. S., March 31.—At the annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, President Harris, in moving the adoption of the report, said he thought the shareholders had reason to congratulate themselves upon the fact that the earnings of the year amounted to \$907,949, compared with earnings of \$501,337 in 1904. The board declared a dividend of one per cent for the first quarter. The old board of directors was re-elected.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.
 (Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 31.—It is denied here that the Conservative convention announced to meet here on June 15th and 16th has been postponed, as is also the statement in some Toronto newspapers that R. L. Borden is soon to retire from the leadership of the party. F. Monk has decided to go south for his health and will not likely be in the Commons very much during the remainder of the session. G. E. Foster is still far from well.

CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY.
 Winnipeg, March 31.—His Grace Archbishop Langevin, of St. Boniface, yesterday celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his elevation to the episcopate of the Roman Catholic church. The archbishop himself conducted a pontifical high mass in the cathedral, at which Archbishop Domettwell and a large number of the clergy of the diocese were present. Father Norsett preached the sermon. At noon a reception and banquet was held at the Archbishop's Palace, at which many of the clergy and friends of the distinguished prelate attended and tendered their congratulations.

MARK HAMBOURG DELIGHTS AUDIENCE
 Interpretation of the Masters Proves Revelation to Musical Part of Community

A number of Victorians made a grave mistake in not attending the Mark Hambourg recital at the Victoria theatre last night. There was a fairly good attendance, but not the crowd which might have been expected would have been out to hear so great a musician. That the recital was appreciated by the select audience present was abundantly testified by the applause with which the player was greeted. Again and again was he recalled, and at the close of each of the second and third parts he was prevailed upon to give an extra. Even then it was with evident reluctance that the audience left.

Mark Hambourg is one of those versatile pianists who lives with the masters of his art, breathes their atmosphere, and interprets them as few others can. His rendering of Chopin's compositions were especially fine. Whenever he wishes to return to Victoria he may feel assured that he will not again be greeted with a three-quarter house, but that practically the whole of musical Victoria will be there to revel for two enchanted hours in the presence of a master of the art of music.

The piano used at the Hambourg concert was a Halntzman & Co. concert grand supplied by M. W. Walt & Co., Ltd. This well known make was the one selected by Mr. Hambourg for his Canadian tour, and the one played on last evening was certainly a credit to the manufacturers and the local representatives.

EMPRESS THEATRE CHANGES HANDS
 Geo. A. Levelle Buys From Burdick Brothers and Will Make Improvements

The Empress theatre business has been purchased from Burdick Bros. by George A. Levelle, who has for the past seven years been engaged in the theatrical business in his present position being that of musical director and manager of the Orpheum at Baker City, Oregon. Being a musical expert the new manager will at once set about improving the music of the popular house and will render classical as well as popular selections.

The Empress will be thoroughly renovated at once, and as soon as possible will be fitted with new opera seats. Carpets will be laid in the aisles, and everything done to make it the best and most popular place of amusement in town. It will cater particularly to ladies and children.

WILL STAND HIS TRIAL FOR THEFT
 One Man of Pair Arrested is Allowed His Freedom

George Woods, a laboring man, was sent up for trial from the police court this morning having been charged with stealing a quantity of clothing from the house of Harry Tasche, Admiral's road, on March 28th. A man named Henderson was charged jointly with Woods, but was allowed to go, as there was no evidence to connect him with the theft.

H. Taylor, who will be required to answer to a charge of having stolen a round of beef valued at \$2, and who is detained by Moresby & O'Reilly, was given a remand for one week. He is on bail and maintains there is no foundation for the charge being brought against him.

PRINGLE STOCK COMPANY.
 A big audience greeted the Pringle company at the A. G. U. W. hall last night to witness the second performance of "To Die at Dawn." The last performance will be given to-night, starting to-morrow night the Pringles have chosen one of their best comedies for the closing of their engagement, "A Wise Woman." This is a comedy pure and simple, and a good hearty laugh is assured. Saturday will see the farce performance of the Pringle company, who expect to return in six weeks.

MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY.
 Budapest, March 31.—The Emperor has telegraphed to the Hungarian government his condolences on the catastrophe at Oekoerite. It is learned that the ball at the hotel was held to raise funds to complete the building of the new Protestant church. From the first stages of fire to the collapse of the roof, which completed the disaster, only about ten minutes elapsed. The victims included Burgomester Kavacs, his wife, daughter and four sons. Hundreds of smaller children have been left orphans.

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Going to Change the Dining Room? Why Not Make Some Changes This Spring?

Going to change the dining room this Spring? Better plan to make it "different." Cost is little if you do the choosing right. And the choosing is easy if you come to the right place.

Perhaps the furniture is golden oak now. Then why not make it a "Mission Scheme"? Dining rooms in "Mission" are decidedly popular just at present, and you can easily make yours very attractive with this style of furniture and furnishings.

Come in and see this stock—it'll offer you lots of suggestions for a better and more attractive dining room. Not only can you get the necessary furniture here, but everything you require in carpets, curtain draperies, etc. Pleased to have you come in at your leisure.

The Choice of Buffets Is Broad---Many Styles

The buffet is a most useful, as well as highly decorative, addition to the furnishings of the dining room. The convenient arrangement of the present day styles provides a convenient place for the storage of many items of table adornment—and for the display of the homeowner's most attractive treasures in dining room items of table use.

We show buffets and sideboards suitable for any home and for any "scheme." If you propose making the dining room "Mission," don't fail to see our big display of Mission Buffets. These are all of superior finish.

EARLY ENGLISH FINISH BUFFETS, from	\$30.00	GOLDEN OAK FINISH SIDEBOARDS, from	\$17.00
GOLDEN OAK FINISH BUFFETS, from	\$25.00	GOLDEN OAK SIDEBOARDS, from	\$30.00
EARLY ENGLISH OAK BUFFETS, from	\$35.00	GOLDEN ELM SIDEBOARDS, from	\$15.00
GOLDEN OAK BUFFETS, from	\$32.00	Magnificent pieces in Mahogany.	

Chairs for the Dining Room---Stylish and Strong

Certainly the chairs must be stylish—but they must be more. They must be built to stand lots of hard use. While, of course, no one does it when there is "company," you'll admit there's a great temptation to do some balancing stunts on the dining room chairs, and it is therefore desirable that they be built to "stand up" to such treatment.

It is easy to copy designs, but it's hard for some makers to copy quality. The designs we show may be offered in other stores, but we question if the combination of quality and stylish design is shown at as fair a price. You can depend on the quality if you get your dining room chairs here.

LET US SHOW YOU THIS BIG DISPLAY OF CHAIRS

GOLDEN FINISHED CHAIRS, priced from, each	\$1.00
GOLDEN OAK FINISHED CHAIRS, priced from, each	\$2.50
GOLDEN OAK CHAIRS, priced from, each	\$4.50
EARLY ENGLISH FINISHED CHAIRS, from, each	\$2.75
EARLY ENGLISH OAK CHAIRS, from, each	\$3.75

Some have wood seats, some have cane seats and some are leather-upholstered. Every chair is built for service, and combine style with good quality and fair price. Don't buy any dining room chairs until you have seen this display.—Fourth Floor.

Choose Your Dining Table From These--\$7.50 Up

"My! What a beautiful table!" Ever heard a woman pass that comment about your friend's table? You probably have. Just emphasizes the importance of having the dining table right—having one of attractive design and having a beautiful and well finished top.

We show a broad assortment of styles in round and square tops—in regular and pedestal styles, and in many popular woods and finishes. There's a table style to suit most anyone and any room, here, and the price is right, too.

We want you to come to the fourth floor and see the extension dining tables we have there. We have—

DINING ROOM TABLES Priced from \$7.50 Up.

FIGHTING ON WEST COAST OF AFRICA
 Several Germans Killed by Natives—Troops Move Against Rebels

(Times Local Wire.)

Liverpool, March 31.—Numbers of Germans have been assassinated and minor clashes between unorganized natives of the Hinterland and troops stationed in the Ivory coast are reported to-day in dispatches from Africa.

BRIBERY CHARGES DENIED.
 Washington, D. C., March 31.—United States Senator Leroy Percy, in a formal statement yesterday declared himself to be "without knowledge or information" regarding the alleged bribery in connection with his election to the United States Senate. He declared that not a cent was used by him or by his procurement to influence another member of the Mississippi legislature.

JUDGE REBUKES PASTOR.
 New Haven, Conn., March 31.—Rev. Ernest Wismer, pastor of the Davenport Avenue Congregational church, was summoned before Judge Wolfe, of the Common Pleas court, yesterday and declared in contempt for writing a letter to a juror, Elbert M. Rose, of North Branford, criticizing the jury and Rose in particular for acquitting Albert Holloworth, a saloon keeper, on charges of violation of the excise laws. Judge Wolfe gave the clergyman a sharp rebuke, telling him that the criticism was tantamount to a threat and species of intimidation.

WEDS. COUNT.
 New York, March 31.—Miss Harriet Holmes Daly, daughter of the late Marcus Daly, of Butte, Montana, was married to Count Anton Sigray, of Budapest, Austria, yesterday at the home of the bride on Fifth avenue. A wedding breakfast followed the ceremony, which was performed by Monsignor Lavetto. The couple will live in Europe.

ROOSEVELT LEAVES EGYPT.
 Alexandria, Egypt, March 31.—Ex-President Roosevelt bade farewell to Egypt yesterday, sailing at 2 o'clock on the liner Prinz Heinrich for Naples. Before his departure he sent a telegram message to the Khedive thanking him for courtesies enjoyed in Egypt.

WOMAN RISKS LIFE TO SAVE CANARY
 Found Unconscious in Burning Building With Bird Cage Clapsed in Hand

San Francisco, Cal., March 31.—It is estimated that \$5,000 damage was caused by a fire which destroyed a row of frame buildings in Mission street, between 19th and 23rd streets. Five stores were burned with most of their contents.

COMING WEST.
 Winnipeg, March 31.—Twelve hundred immigrants arrived from the east yesterday. Gretta and North Portal are the boundary line report one thousand American settlers as passing through those ports in the last three days, all bound for Saskatchewan and Alberta. The rush is unprecedented.

THROW VICTIM INTO WATER.
 Seattle, Wash., March 31.—Thugs seized Steve McKinnon, a laborer, from behind shortly after midnight along the waterfront, robbed him of \$150 and unceremoniously threw him into the sound. He was almost exhausted when rescuers threw him a rope. He was pulled into a small boat and brought to the wharf unconscious.

U. S. MINIMUM TARIFF.
 Washington, D. C., March 31.—The president has signed a proclamation extending the minimum tariff rates of the Payne-Aldrich act to the following named countries: Australia, New Zealand, Newfoundland, British South Africa and Venezuela.

NEW FRENCH TARIFF.
 Paris, March 31.—The new tariff law was promulgated in the official journal yesterday, and will become legally operative on April 1st, simultaneously with the Franco-American tariff agreement.

TWO DEAD.
 St. Catharines, March 31.—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lovey, of Bettie township, died of pneumonia within an hour of each other. The former was 78 years old and the latter 74.

The statue of Joan of Arc recently unveiled at Ballon-d'Alsace, near the Vosges mountains, 3,890 feet above sea level, is the highest statue in France.

WATSON MUST SELL



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Worth of High Grade Boots and Shoes at Once

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Women's

\$3.00 Boots \$1.90

Fine Kid Boot, medium weight sole, military heel. Regular \$3.00 beauty. Sizes 2½ to 7.

SALE PRICE **\$1.90** A PAIR

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\$5.00 Boots \$2.85

Extra Quality Vici Kid, Blucher cut, genuine Goodyear welt. Regular \$5.00 values. All sizes.

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BEST VALUES

OUR FIRST SALE

Will be the greatest Shoe Selling Event of a lifetime. At the present time our stock is tremendously heavy and many cases of spring and summer goods yet to come, so it is imperative that the present stock be sacrificed. We need hardly state that every line of Boots and Shoes are of the highest quality and latest style. Wear fully guaranteed.

No Cheap Sale Goods

Everything the Best and

Everything is Reduced

Prices Will Be
the Lowest Ever Offered

Men's

\$4.50 Boots \$2.95

A fine Box Calf Blucher, heavy or medium sole, Goodyear welt. Regular \$4.00 value. All sizes.

PRICE SALE **\$2.95** A PAIR

Men's

\$6.00 Boots \$3.95

Extra quality Vici Kid, Blucher cut, custom grade. Regular \$6.00 values. All sizes.

PRICE SALE **\$3.95** A PAIR

LOWEST PRICES

Take Advantage of this Sale—Shoe Every One of the Family

Kiddies'

\$1.25 Shoes for 75c

Child's Fine Kid or heavy leather Boots, all solid \$1.25 to \$1.50 values.

SALE PRICE **75c** A PAIR

Little Gents'

\$2.00 Boots for 90c

Box Calf Bluchers, just like papa's. Sizes 8 to 10½. Regular \$2 value.

SALE PRICE **90c** A PAIR

Misses'

\$3.00 Boots for \$1.50

Extra Quality Calf, Bluchers, for school, Solid leather. Worth \$3.00

SALE PRICE **\$1.50** A PAIR

Ladies'

\$5.00 Boots \$2.85

Fine Vici Kid Button Boot, welt and turn soles. Regular \$5.00

PRICE SALE **\$2.85** A PAIR

Men

\$6.00 Boots \$3.95

Velour Calf Blucher, custom grade. Guaranteed \$6.00 and \$6.50 values.

SALE PRICE **\$3.95** A PAIR

LADIES' FINE COMFORT SLIPPERS, made of fine Vici Kid, soft flexible soles; just the thing for tender feet; \$2.00 values, for **95c**.

SALE PRICE **95c**

LADIES' FINE DRESS BOOTS: a beauty and strong enough for hard street service. Come in and be fitted to a \$3.00 Boot for **\$1.90** a pair.

PRICE SALE **\$1.90**

Do Not Miss This Opportunity, You Will Find Everything Just as We Advertise---We Must Reduce Our Stock

SALE STARTS FRIDAY MORNING

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Watson's Shoe Store

The Place for Big Bargains

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The Real Estate Mart—Some Offerings

This 7 Room House



New, has never been occupied; piped for furnace; two fire-places, one in parlor and other in den, with seven foot basement, full size of house; three bedrooms and bathroom upstairs; clothes closets, etc.

Large lot, on corner, 50 ft. frontage and nearly 140 ft. deep. Nice lawn, all terraced and fenced. One block from car and only two blocks from school. Just one block outside the half-mile circle. Lots

alone two blocks away sold for \$18,000.

Price \$4,000

\$200 (cash, and Balance \$25.00 a Month.

This Cosy 5 Room Cottage

With sewer, electric light, bath; everything modern. Lot is 60x120 feet, without a piece of rock on it. Fine black soil. One block from car. Rents for \$15.



PRICE \$1900

Terms, Small Monthly Payments.

Pemberton & Son

614 Fort Street

VERY CHEAP An Attractive Six Roomed House

With stable, on good lot, 60x120; near Dallas Road, close to water; pleasant location; 3 rooms upstairs, 3 rooms downstairs; sewer connection; electric light. With a few repairs and a little paint this could be put into splendid shape. The owner has reduced the price several hundred dollars for a quick sale, and

Will Take \$3000

One-Third Cash; Balance at 7 per cent.

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VICTORIA, B. C.

A FINE LOT

JAMES BAY

Near Beacon Hill Carline

PRICE, \$1,250

New Bungalow

Upper Fort Street

A SNAP

PRICE, \$4,750

HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO.

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Richardson Street

Just above Cook, fine grassy lot, good soil, close to car line; first class locality. Price, for the next few days,

\$1,575.00 On Terms.

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BARGAINS

DUNEDIN ST.—Very choice lot. Quick sale, \$1,000 cash
DOUGLAS STREET—One acre fronting on Douglas street, with modern seven room house. A real good buy, \$6,250
WILMOT PLACE EXTENSION—Lots 55x135. Close to car line. Each. \$600
DUNCANS—Lovely home with lake frontage. Good fishing and shooting.

Business Property

ON GOVERNMENT, DOUGLAS, FORT AND VIEW STREETS—Very choice selection. Particulars of prices and terms apply

Cross & Co.

622 Fort Street

SNAPS

FORT ST., near High school, modern 6-room house, full cement basement, lot 60 ft. frontage on Fort street; snap price, \$3,200; cash, \$1,500.

NIAGARA ST., close to Beacon Hill Park, modern 7 roomed house, with bath, gas, electric light, etc.; snap price, \$2,500; cash, \$500.

DISCOVERY ST., between Government and Douglas streets, factory, will rent for \$50 per month; snap price, \$5,000; cash only \$2,500.

Gardner Realty Co'y

Phone 1267.

648 YATES STREET.

British Realty Co.

618 FORT STREET.

VICTORIA, B. C.
SAANICHTON—28 acres, 6 roomed modern bungalow, 15 acres cultivated, 21 acres in fruit, creek runs through property, good out-buildings, etc., 1 mile from station; price \$5,000; 1/3 cash, balance arranged.

50 ACRES, also close to station, good land, light clearing, price \$80 an acre.

WE HAVE LOTS at \$200; \$50 cash, balance \$15 a month; also houses on very easy terms.

WE HAVE 10 ACRES within 2 miles of City Hall, fronting on Cook street, at \$2,500 an acre; very suitable for sub-division.

Pandora Street

60 FEET, next to Douglas, running through to Cormorant, fronting on both streets, income bearing. This property is within 200 feet of the City Hall and is cheap at the price of \$25,000. EASY TERMS.

R. B. PUNNETT

Estate Agents, Stocks, Insurance, Etc.
ROOM 10, MAHON BLOCK,
Telephone 1119. P. O. Drawer 134.

FOR SALE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE JOHN JOSHUA RUSSELL. TENDERS will be received up to the 28th April next, by the undersigned, for the following property. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted:

1. Section 6, Rupert District (late Quatsino), containing 60 acres. This property, fronting on Winter Harbor, is covered with very fine timber and was crown granted to the late J. J. Russell on the 4th December, 1884.

2. Section 12, Rupert District (late Quatsino), containing 184 acres. This property, fronting on Koptino Harbor, is also well timbered, and was crown granted on the 12th April, 1885.

Tenders may be for both or either piece. Dated this 18th March, 1910.

J. P. WALLS,
Solicitor for the Trustee.

518 Bastion Square, Victoria, B. C.

FOR SALE

A new six roomed house, close to Douglas street, car, cement foundation and all modern conveniences.

PRICE \$1,000. TERMS EASY.
WILLIAM C. HOLT,
Contractor and Builder,
499 Garbally road.

11 ACRES, all cleared, in good cultivation, with a new 6-room cottage, well built and painted and papered; large barn, chicken house; water piped over garden and chicken yard. Price\$5,250

6 ACRES, good new house and barn, all "cleared," fine land; Price\$3,000

12 ACRES, all cleared, good new house and barn\$7,000

5 ACRES, good fruit trees, good house and barn, all in a high state of cultivation\$4,250

These places are all SNAPS and are within 3 1/2 miles of the city hall.

HOLLYWOOD PARK WATERFRONTAGE—Only 3 lots left out of 23. We are offering these at \$1,600 each, and they are the most beautiful property in the city of Victoria. Terms \$100 cash and \$20 a month.

BEAUTIFUL WELL FINISHED BUNGALOW, new, with good stone foundation, on car line and close to school. All modern conveniences, sewers, boulevards, etc.\$3,700

HALF-ACRE LOTS, Hollywood advertisement, nice and level and good soil, close to beach. Terms \$50 cash and balance at \$15 per month.

LOT on Belton Ave., nice situation\$550

HALF-ACRE BLOCKS, only 5 left, at Foul Bay Beach, the beauty spot for your new home\$1,500 to \$2,000

COOK STREET—Good level cleared lots, 50x120, on the terms of \$25 cash and the balance at \$10 per month.

JAS. R. MOTION

Real Estate and Insurance.
Alberni, B. C.

GOOD FARM, 40 acres, 6 roomed house, good barn and out-buildings, orchard, etc.; price \$3,000, terms

TWO GOOD BUSINESS LOTS in Alberni, size 66ft. x 122 ft.; price, inside lot, \$700; good corner, \$1,000; terms

FIVE-ACRE BLOCKS, \$300 each; also some good acreage for sub-division.

North Saanich

56 acres, 1 1/2 miles from Sidney between the East Road and Centre Road. This property is all cleared; 20 acres were cropped last year; 75 bushels of oats to the acre being threshed. There are two springs on the property and the soil is the very best in the district. The price is

\$11,500

And the terms are easy.

Currie & Power

PHONE 1466.

1214 DOUGLAS STREET.

Canadian Real Estate Co.

PRINCE RUPERT, B. C.
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Property Listed, Bought and Sold. Correspondence solicited.
Office, Grand Trunk Annex,
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10 Lots

on Admiral's Road and Constance Avenue

Each 60x117 1/2 ft.

Price: \$350 Per Lot

Payable \$50 cash per lot and \$50 per lot every six months at 6 per cent.

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BOWNASS BUILDING,

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Waterfront Lot

On harbor for sale at \$4,500

Cheapest buy there is.

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Contractor and Builder

BUILDING LOTS for SALE

Or will build Houses on same to suit purchaser and sell on Easy Terms.

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Phone R1429.

RAT POISON IN PANCAKES.

Deaths of two men from arsenical poisoning after eating pancakes in Shudwin market, Manchester, were the subject of a coroner's inquiry.

Three other men, who also partook of the pancakes, became very ill, but have recovered. All the men were employed at the market, and, on Saturday morning, made some batter for pancakes. Finding the batter too thin they added to it a white powder which they thought was flour, but which, on analysis, proved to be rat poison containing arsenic.

A verdict of "accidental death" was returned.

London was the first city to light its streets by gas, the first lamp being installed in 1811.

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The Greatest Opportunity for Quick Profits

We have some good buys on hand. Get in at once as prices are advancing every day.

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Report of the Directors OF THE Bank of British North America

Presented to the Proprietors at Their Seventy-Fourth Yearly General Meeting Tuesday, March 1st, 1910.

The ordinary general meeting of the Proprietors of the Bank of British North America was held on Tuesday, March 1st, at the office of the corporation, No. 5 Gracechurch street, London, E. C., Eng., Mr. E. A. Hoare presiding.

The Secretary (Mr. A. G. Wallis) having read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors.

ful accounts, and from the same, thus released we have, with the approval of your auditors, made this addition to the reserve fund. It is a great satisfaction to us thus to be able to do something, though not all that we could wish, for both of these hungry accounts, but I must make it quite clear to you that this is a windfall, and must not be expected another time.

The net profit for the year amounting to \$484,705.22, compared with \$415,682.21 an increase of \$77,023.01—a result which we consider satisfactory when we remember that for nine months of the year the rates of interest current both in New York and in London were exceptionally low, as I shall point out more exactly later on.

their approval. It means a great responsibility. I may now briefly refer to some of the principal industries which are contributing to the present prosperity of the Dominion. The lumber trade, after a period of depression, which lasted well into the year, began to improve, and since August firm prices have prevailed, contracts have been made at prices ranging from 5 to 10 per cent. higher than those current at the close of 1908, and the outlook is favorable.

As regards investments, you have, as I have observed, had some very good ones, but you no doubt are aware, in respect of the Ontario Bank and the Sovereign Bank, in anticipation of this meeting, I have made a special inquiry from our general manager respecting the prospects of these liquidations, and in reply he informs me that no loss is anticipated.

The year 1909 opened still under the influence of the crisis of 1907 and 1908, and for some months the conditions of business were not favorable for banking profits. This you will have observed from the report and balance sheet to June 30th. The profits for the first six months were disappointing, but in the second half of the year the results were more satisfactory, and particularly from September onwards, when better rates prevailed both in New York and in London.

Railway construction is proceeding rapidly, and during 1909 the roads added 10 per cent. to their total mileage, 24,000 miles of road are now in operation in Canada, about 1,000 miles more than the entire railway system of Great Britain and Ireland.

We are now watching with interest the growth of a new industry in British Columbia—that of fruit culture. There is no longer any doubt that both the soil and climate are well suited for the growth of fruit and the industry appears to be established.

Mr. R. H. Glyn seconded the resolution, and Mr. Powell is so sorry to see so small an attendance to-day to hear so interesting a report, but, although there are so few here, there are large numbers in the country who take a great interest in it, and I would ask that the report of the meeting be circulated in the form of a leaflet.

Are You Looking for a Home?

Stanley Avenue, close in, with all modern conveniences, on a large lot, a well built cottage of 7 rooms, containing parlor, dining room, kitchen, bath, pantry, 3 bed rooms, attic finished.

Price, \$3000 Only small cash payment, balance like rent. Fire Insurance Written Money to Loan P. R. BROWN, LTD. STORES & OFFICES TO RENT Phone 1076 1130 Broad St. P. O. Box 428

ROGERSON & JALLAND BROS REAL ESTATE AND CONTRACTORS

Phone 2216 622 Johnson Street. very great. There is one point I wish to put. We hear about the prospects of the farmers; I take it that they are new farmers, going into new land, which gives large crops, and I would like to know whether they simply use up the virgin soil, without any form of manuring, because the danger is that they will leave the land like the waste tobacco lands of Virginia and other States, which were formerly used up and left, though that is not done with. Of course, there is an amount of virgin soil, which, by just scratching the ground, yields crops for some years, but that cannot go on, and might come to an end in about 10 years, leaving waste land, which would not be worth manuring.

A Rare Chance for Some One

Seven roomed new home, well built, modern, septic tank, basement, hot and cold water, with three-quarters of an acre of land, including twenty feet on the Gorge for boathouse. The view can never be shut off. Ten minutes' walk from the Gorge car.

\$3,500 on Easy Terms Call at our office for particulars. This price is good only for a few days.

account at a later date. As regards the charter, we are fully alive to the extreme importance of the renewal of the charter, but it would not be expedient for us to take any steps towards that end until the Bank Act is settled in Canada.

of the proprietors are well looked after by the staff throughout Canada. The resolution was carried unanimously. The Chairman. We are very much obliged to you for your kind appreciation of the work that has been done. The proceedings then terminated.

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O. J. B. LANE, 614 COURTNEY ST. UPSTAIRS.

To introduce our Specialties, we will for a few days, sell at greatly reduced prices.

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And CHEAPEST LIGHT of the AGE, the Star Incandescent, only mantle lamp made in Canada, regular 75c, \$4.00. TITLON SOAP, quickly removes dirt from any surface; half price; 3-lb. cans, 15c; 5-lb. cans, 25c; 10-lb. tin, \$1.15. AMBERINE OIL, the finest floor dressing, for boards or linoleum; 1 gallon cans, \$1.00; 5-gallon cans, \$4.50. CLOVER'S ANTI-DERM PHONE WAXES increase sound, and for health's sake ought to be on every phone; 1 dozen in box, reg. 25c; 60c. RENOVATOR, for furniture or oil-cloth; incomparable; 5c. bottles, two for \$1.00. ACME METAL POLISH, superior to any other; 5c. per can; 25c. 1 gallon tin, reg. \$1.00; 5c. per can; 25c. DUSTLESS WAXINE, as used in chief buildings in city; 20-lb. box \$1.00.

THE IMPERIAL WAXINE CO

1002 Douglas St. (Next City Hall). Open until 7 p. m.

THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1909. Dr. To Capital, To Reserve Fund, To Deposits and Current Accounts, To Bills payable and other Liabilities, Provision for Contingencies, To Rebate Account, To Liabilities on Endorsements, To Liability under guarantee in respect of which no Claim as anticipated, To Do, To Profit and Loss Account, Balance brought forward from 30th June, 1909, Dividend paid October, 1909, Net profit for the half-year ending this date, after deducting all current charges, and providing for bad and doubtful debts, Deduct: Transferred to Bank Premises, Transferred to Officers' Life Insurance Fund, Transferred to Officers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, Transferred to Officers' Pension Fund, Staff Bonus, Balance available for April Dividend and Bonus.

Dr. Cr. By Cash and Specie at Bankers and in hand, By Cash at Call and Short Notice, By Investments, Consols, £125,000 at 85, National War Loan, £50,000 at 90, Exchequer Bonds, £115,000, at 95, Dominion of Canada Bonds, £195,000, at 95, Other Investments, By Bills Receivable, Loans on Security, and other Accounts, By Bank Premises, etc., in London, and at the Branches, By Deposits with Dominion Government, required by Act of Parliament for Security of General Bank Note Circulation.

NOTE:—The latest monthly Return received from Dawson in the month of 30th November, 1909, and the figures of that Return are introduced into this Account. The balance of the transactions for December with that Branch has been carried to a Suspense Account, pending the receipt of the December Accounts.

We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the Books in London, and the Certified Returns from the Branches, and find it to present a true statement of the Bank's affairs as shown by the Books and returns. GEORGE SNEATH, NICHOLAS E. WATERHOUSE, Auditors. Of the Firm of Price, Waterhouse & Co., Chartered Accountants. London, 16th February, 1910.

AMUSEMENTS

VICTORIA THEATRE
 Thursday, March 31st.
HENRY B. HARRIS presents
Robert Edeson
 In His Greatest Success
"A Man's a Man"
 Prices: 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50.
 Seat Sale opens Tuesday, March 29. Mail orders now being received.

VICTORIA THEATRE
 MONDAY, APRIL 4.
 Third Season Still Playing
 L. S. SIRE'S PRESENTS
AMERICA'S FOREMOST COMEDIENNE
MAY ROBSON
 In the Great American Comedy
THE REJUVENATION OF AUNT MARY
 By Anne Warner.
 Prices—50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50.
 Seat sale opens Friday, April 1st. Mail orders now being received.

New Grand Theatre
 Week March 28th, 1910.
 Mr. and Mrs. James McCann and their company in
"UNCLE CHARLES OF CHARLESTON"
"VAUDEVILLE ARTISTIC FEATURE"
 Guide.
 In a delightful vocal creation.
"CLEVEREST YET"
 FRANK WHITMAN.
"THE DANCING VIOLINIST"
FOX & WARD
 The thorough exponents of minstrelsy.
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NEW MOVING PICTURES
OUR OWN ORCHESTRA

PANTAGES THEATRE
 MONDAY, MARCH 28
 Last week of the
Hunt's Mu ca Come v o
 Presenting the biggest hit of the season
The Rev. Up to Date
 See the Famous Broken Scenes.
 Elaborate scenic effects and costumes.
 Evenings at 7:15 and 9.
 Matinees at 3 o'clock.

MAJESTIC THEATRE
YATES STREET
 Just Below Government.
 WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY.
IN THE SERPENT'S POWER.
 It's a Scorching, Full of Action.
THE COURSE OF TRUE LOVE.
 The Highest Standard A. B. Drama.
THE OLD MAID AND THE BURGLAR.
 One of These Picklers.
CHARLIE FORCED TO FIND A JOB.
 A Big Laugh.
ILLUSTRATED SONGS.
 Continuous Performance, 2, 5:30, 7, 11.
ADMISSION 10c.

\$35.00 FOR THE MISSING WORD
 It was a fire. Nearly every one in town was there.
 The missing word for last week was "Optician." Six persons guessed it.

EMPRESS THEATRE
GOVERNMENT STREET.

A. O. U. W. HALL
The Pringle Stock Co.
 Monday, Wednesday Matinee and Night.
"TO DIE AT DAWN"
 Prices: Night, reserved 60c; general, 25c; children, 15c. Matinee, adults, 25c; children, 10c.

ROMANO THEATRE
 Government St., between Yates & Johnson
GOVERNMENT RATONS—Drama.
FOOLSHAD RECEIVES—Good Comic.
FOOLSHAD PREDICATES TEMPERANCE—Comic.
HERMIT'S LIFE STORY—Drama.
MONEYBAGS—Comic.
TICKLED TO DEATH—Comic.
LIFE IN A FLAT.

TO LET
 The WOMEN'S BUILDING at the Fair Grounds, the cleanest, most sanitary building for balls and other entertainments. Ball room 500, concert hall, supper room and cloak rooms upstairs, with furnishings. Further particulars by phoning 129

DOMESTIC HINTS

Never take a house without having the drains tested, or illness may speedily overtake you.
When kerosene is spilled the stain may be entirely removed by the application of lime-water.

A favorable table flower of the present season is a blooming primrose placed in a fern bowl.
Enamelled ware, which has become discolored can be cleaned with a paste made of coarse salt and vinegar.
White silk will turn yellow if washed in too hot water. It must also be well rinsed, or the silk will feel hard.
Hot dripping must never be poured into a vessel containing cold dripping, or it will turn rusty in a very short time.

Never allow bits of bread of vegetable to remain in soup over-night. Strain it or it will probably become sour.
Babies' clothes should never be washed with soda or washing powder. Their delicate skins would be irritated thereby.
Discolored cups and dishes used for baking can be made as new by rubbing the brown stains with a flannel dipped into whiting.
A pointed tin gravy strainer with a handle is very useful for straining gravies and sauces, and should be found in every kitchen.
Wooden tubs, which are not in daily use, should have a little cold water left in them. If allowed to dry they will crack and fall to pieces.
Coke should be mixed with coal for use in the kitchen range. It makes a stender heat and diminishes the amount of soot and smoke.
Many families will really suffer from a squeaking hinge for weeks, when one application of machine oil or a little heated lard will result in perfect silence.
The despised fried beef takes on quite an air of festivity when mixed with chopped green pepper. Another combination is the chopped yolks and whites of hard-boiled eggs.
Variable lace should be kept wrapped in blue paper. White paper is often bleached with chloride of lime, which injuriously affects any delicate fabric that lies against it any length of time.
To make bread crumbs quickly cut the soft part from a stale loaf, put it in a clean muslin bag, tie the bag at the top and gently rub it with the hands for a few minutes. The crumbs will then be fine enough for anything.
Porcelain-lined bathtubs and wash bowls are quickly and effectively cleaned with a soft cloth dipped in gasoline. Have a bottle tightly corked in the bathroom closet, where it is at hand, but avoid accident by keeping this dangerous fluid away from lights and fire.
Soap jelly for washing flannels and fine woollen goods is easily made. Shred a piece of yellow soap into a saucapan of warm water and let it simmer by the side of the fire till dissolved. Add sufficient of this to warm water to make a nice lather. If too strong the flannels will be hard.
To make the rich mahogany-colored apple sauce which farmers' wives are noted for, peel, quarter and core sour apples and fill them into a deep earthen jar with a little sugar and water. Cover the jar tight and bake slowly for several hours. Old-fashioned cooks used molasses in place of sugar and some modern epicures like it better.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

T. Hooper left last night for Sound points.
Miss Billinghurst is visiting friends in Vancouver.
Capt. Crichton returned to Vancouver last night.
H. Bayfield was a passenger for Vancouver last night.
A. J. Woodward has left on a short visit to Vancouver.
Dr. Hastings left on the Victoria last night for Vancouver.
A. Blyth returned to his home in Vancouver last night.
The Pimley left on business to Vancouver last night.
G. W. Carter went over to Vancouver last night on business.
F. J. Elliott left on his return trip to Vancouver last night.
Mrs. N. Bain and Mrs. Parsons left for Vancouver last night.
B. Mansell crossed over to Vancouver last night on the Victoria.
Mrs. C. Harrison is spending several days visiting friends in Seattle.
H. J. Smith sailed for the Terminal city on the Victoria last night.
S. McR. Smith went over last night to Vancouver on a business trip.
W. C. Mitchell went over on a business trip to Vancouver last night.
H. E. Madcock was a passenger on last night's Princess for Vancouver.
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Knight returned from a visit to Seattle yesterday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. J. Lyle of Seattle, are spending several days in this city on a visit.
E. H. Johns has left for Seattle where he is spending a few days on business.
Mrs. Julia Glocher left last night via the Northern Pacific on a visit to Baltimore, Md.
R. C. Stuart was among the passengers on the Princess Royal last night for Seattle.
J. E. Gray was among last night's passengers for Vancouver on the Princess Victoria.
Capt. J. W. Troup was among the passengers from Seattle yesterday afternoon. He had been in the Sound city for the past few days on business.
Mrs. G. A. McNicholl, of Vancouver, accompanied her husband to Victoria yesterday, leaving again last night. Mrs. McNicholl visited a number of friends in the city.
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A party of friends gathered in Christ Church yesterday morning to witness a pretty Easter wedding, in which Mr. Gordon Trevor Rant, of Victoria, and Miss Henrietta Lindsay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Lindsay, were united in marriage by Rev. C. C. Owen, says the Vancouver Province. The beautiful Easter decorations were still in place in the church and made a charming setting for the happy ceremony. The bride was handsomely gowned in white broadcloth, with a large white hat, and was attended by her sister, Miss Lorna Lindsay, who wore a costume of white broadcloth and a white hat trimmed with pink roses and finished with black velvet ties. Mr. W. Pollard Grant was best man. After the ceremony a number of guests were entertained at a reception, at the bride's home on Beach avenue.

In the forthcoming production, "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary," which L. S. Sire will present at the Victoria theatre on Monday, April 4th, local theatergoers will have an opportunity of seeing May Robson, the foremost comedienne in America, in one of the best comedies ever presented on the stage. In the role of Aunt Mary, Miss Robson, it is said, has one of the best parts of her entire career.
Fresh from her triumph of two seasons on the road where she has been playing to laughing audiences nightly, Miss Robson and her company will be seen here in this delightful comedy as presented in all the large cities. There are many funny situations in the play and Miss Robson as Aunt Mary is screamingly funny all the time.
The play is divided into three acts. The first and last take place at Aunt Mary's home in the country, and the second is laid in New York city. The story has to do with a maiden aunt who lives in the country. She has a nephew, Jack, who is attending college in New York, and who is always getting into all kinds of scrapes, causing his aunt no end of trouble and worry. She at last decides to go to New York and see him. The boys give her such a good time she does not want to go back to the country again. After returning home she sends for Jack and decides to go back to New York and live with him.
There is plenty of comedy throughout the entire three acts, and a pretty little love story is also interwoven, and surely all the world loves a lover. The company supporting Miss Robson has been carefully selected and contains many well-known people.
The Glasgow fire department uses four motor driven and operated engines, one truck with 55-foot ladder and a first aid hose wagon.
White paint which is enamelled or varnished requires careful treatment and should be washed with fine oatmeal, not soap.

NEW GRAND THEATRE

The playing on the violin of Frank Whitman is the opening act at the Grand, where every night the house is filled to the limit this week, for Whitman is a marvel in trick business on the violin. He disposes with the regular bow after having played the instrument from every conceivable attitude and plays tunes with an ordinary playing card and whisky bottle in place of the bow. He has several amusing imitations and dances a breakdown, singing and playing the violin while doing so. The act goes well and is loudly applauded.
There is more fun when Fox and Ward, those old-time minstrels, tell what they do with crazy people in Victoria and several other things relating to the home life. Their fun is of the rich kind that embraces all kinds of life and provided the audience with a hearty, honest laugh all the time.
James R. McCann and Mrs. McCann have brought with them this time a clean-cut comedy story that carries its own moral and is admirably acted in the principal characters by Mr. McCann and his wife, and with Stephen Cornelius, Corwin Luskmoor, and Barton Adam in the subordinate parts. This is one of the best little one-act comedies in vaudeville to-day.
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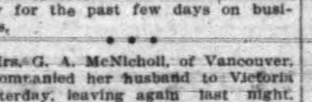
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BALFOUR ON ASQUITH'S PLAN

DECLARES GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN ILL-ADVISED

Nationalists Will Support Ministers if Budget is Not Interposed

London, March 31.—A. J. Balfour's reply to Premier Asquith in the House of Commons on Tuesday, declared that the government's proposal neither ended or mended the Lords. The Premier had talked, said Mr. Balfour, as though aggressive hereditly had made it impossible to carry on the country's legislation. Coming down to an analysis of the government's three resolutions,

Mr. Balfour said in regard to the first time that no authority had ever suggested that the Lords had no power to reject money bills. They had the right he insisted, and ought to keep it. The proposal that the Speaker should decide whether or not a bill was a money bill, said Mr. Balfour, made the Speaker not merely the guardian of the rights of the Commons, but in a certain sense the author of their legislation. It was madness, contended Mr. Balfour, for the government to make a change in the constitution. The whole plan was really grotesque. It was impossible that a scheme so intrinsically absurd as this parti-colored legislation could survive. The government, said Mr. Balfour, was going to initiate a period of constitutional controversy which he believed would be utterly inconsistent with the genuine pursuit of social reform. The government, he believed, had been ill advised in the course they were taking from every point of view, and he should offer at every stage of these resolutions the strongest opposition that it was in his power to give. John Redmond congratulated the Premier upon the substance of the resolutions which Mr. Redmond said he and his followers would heartily support. He was glad that all reference to reform had been dropped in

the resolutions for the last thing that he wished for was the strengthening of the other House. Mr. Redmond, however, would not bind himself to say that no amendments could be made. He made it clear that subsequent support of the Irish would depend upon pressing the veto question without interposing the budget. He said that if the Lords rejected the veto measure, the Premier should appeal to the throne and if the throne's prerogative is refused he must not delay, but must appeal to the country without interposing other measures. He could be assured of Irish support on these conditions. The opposition's amendment to the Asquith resolutions will be moved to-day. It will declare that a strong and efficient second chamber is willing to consider proposals for reform of the existing second chamber, but declines to proceed with the proposals which would destroy the usefulness of any second chamber and remove the only safeguard against great changes being made by the government of the day without the consent and against the wishes of a majority of the electors. Sanitary conditions in Berlin have been so much improved in the last thirty years that the average life of a resident is now nine years longer than it was in 1872.

BERNIER COMPLIMENTS CAPTAIN BARTLETT

Regrets Peary Did Not Take His Captain With Him to Pole

Captain Robert A. Bartlett, ruddy-checked, and in a mood as jovial as man ever was, was the guest at a banquet given him by his compatriots of Newfoundland in Montreal a few nights ago. Several hundred men, many of them old sea-dogs themselves, including Capt. Joseph E. Bernier, assembled at the Edinburgh cafe, where the event was held. Lieut.-Col. E. M. Renout acted as toast-master, and in introducing the speaker, referred to him as the "most distinguished Newfoundlanders of the day." "Our guest to-night," he said, "has accomplished what no other man of any other nationality has accomplished."

"There is talk now about an Antarctic expedition to the South Pole. There's nothing I'd like better than to go," Captain Bartlett spoke with the ring of true love in his voice when he referred to the projected Polar exploration. "It's good to look around the table at the faces of fellows I've known from infancy," he said. "When in 1897 I first went north with Capt. John Bartlett, the Polar fever first struck me. If you will excuse me for seeming egotistical, I might say that we have all in the Bartlett family been northern navigators from the expedition made in 1889 by Capt. John Bartlett. Then Capt. Harry Bartlett went up, then Capt. John again, and later Capt. Samuel Bartlett. When first I met Peary, I knew as well as I knew anything that he would get to his goal, and determined that the honor of taking up the expedition was not going to die out of the Bartlett family. When I realized that next to the American flag, the flag of Newfoundland was planted nearest the Pole, I was pleased mightily. "I might just mention that Britain has never asked a Newfoundlander to participate in one of its Polar expeditions. America has done it, and I am glad it did. It's a man's business, and it's up to us Newfoundlanders to put it through. You know that when a Newfoundlander goes to the fisheries he leaves his vessel in the morning and does not know if he's every going to see it again. That's only child's play, though, compared with Polar work. "Bringing cheers broke out at the close of the Captain's address. Then the man who had claimed possession of more land in the name of Canada than any other was called on to speak, and Captain Bernier arose.

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Pole. Captain Bartlett looked after the building of bridges and the carrying of provisions right along up to the last dash. I understand how conditions were, but it might have been possible for him to have gone with Peary right to the Pole, and that would have established beyond doubt the latter's claim to have discovered it. "I can say at least that I am very glad Captain Bartlett was the instrument used to put the American flag on the Pole. It was quite an accomplishment for a man to take a ship into the ice-fields and bring it back. I advise you if you ever go to sea to see that the captain's name begins with a 'B,'" he remarked, to the delight of Bartlett, who gave him a smart congratulatory pat on the back. "Why did the crew of the Arctic get on so well?" he asked. "Because they trusted everything to their captain. He it is who deserves credit for taking an expedition farther north than any other has ever gone, and bringing it back." Referring to the question of exploration in general, Captain Bernier said: "Men will never stop until he knows what is on the earth. You may throw cold water on him, but you cannot quell his ardor." Then he told briefly of his own explorations in the ice-bound region, and expressed the hope that Canada might claim possession of one more island that was sighted by Commander Peary. He hinted that there was great fishing wealth around the islands in the Hudson's Bay region. "We want Canadians to scratch the ground before the eager Americans rush in," he said. In closing, the speaker expressed himself as strongly in favor of the confederation of Newfoundland with Canada.

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JUBILEE OF THE LIFEBOAT.

Life-Saving, However, Has Gone on Longer Than That.

This is the jubilee year of the charter of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, and in a paper on the subject of "The Lifeboat and its Work," which he read before a meeting of the Royal Society of Arts, Sir John Cameron Lamb, deputy-chairman of the institution, naturally dipped into the history of the work of life-saving on our coasts. It was impossible, he said, to assign to any one person the merit of inventing the lifeboat. Lionel Lukin, a coachbuilder in Long acre, with his plans for increasing the buoyancy and stability of boats, was first in the field in this country. Having purchased a Norway yawl, he converted her into what he called an "unmergible boat," tested her on the Thames, and took-out a patent. The earliest known attempt to establish a life-saving service was made in 1786, when Archdeacon Sharp, one of the trustees of the estate of Baron Crews of Stene, sent a cable to London to be converted by Lukin into a safety boat, which was afterwards employed for some years at Bamburg in saving life from shipwreck. The humane plans of Archdeacon Sharp had been varied from time to time, but they had never been interrupted, and the lifeboat came now received from the trust substantial support in the shape of contributions towards the maintenance of lifeboats in the neighborhood of Bamburg. At a preliminary meeting in the city of London, however, promoted by Sir William Hillary, a resident in the Isle of Man, there was founded in 1824 the National Institution for the Preservation of Life from Shipwreck, which was the parent of the present institution. In the early years of the movement the nation was passing through a time of deep distress and agitation, with the result that the cause received little public attention. But it kept the flickering flame of pity for the shipwrecked mariner alive, and in its worst times was the means of encouraging and rewarding heroic deeds. At the present time there were 184 self-righting boats in the service, which showed how popular they were with the lifeboat crews. The institution also possessed four steam lifeboats, which were very useful at the carefully selected stations where they had been placed, but it did not seem that their number should be increased.

ELECTRICITY AND HEAT.

Whenever electricity is flowing through a wire the temperature of the wire is more or less raised above the surrounding atmosphere. The amount of heat developed depends upon the nature of the conducting wire and its size. It is a fact that every path through which electricity flows offers some obstruction to its flow. This quality is known as resistivity, and the resistance of a definite length of wire of a given diameter of any material can readily be measured. If in a circuit of low-resistance copper wire a small piece of fine platinum wire, having a very high resistance, is introduced, a current which will barely warm the copper wire will heat the platinum wire white hot. This is because the electricity, so to speak, has to work hard to get past the platinum obstacle in its path, and this work produces heat. Upon this very principle all the electric-heating devices of to-day are constructed. Take, for instance, the electric chafing dish. Without the above explanation it is difficult for the layman to understand where the heat comes from which cooks the fudge or the Welsh rabbit. One can see no flame, nothing that even looks as though it might be hot, yet the contents of the pan are bubbling away, emitting clouds of steam. When the flexible cord is connected to the electric light socket and the current turned on the electricity flows down the wires in the cord to the "resistance," concealed in the bottom of the chafing dish. This "resistance" is a leaf of special alloy metal, does not allow the current to pass readily, and the energy expended in overcoming this causes it to get very hot. From "Electricity as a Source of Heat," by Donald Cameron Shafter, in the Review of Reviews.

WHEN YOUR BACK ACHES

A bad back turns every twenty-four hours into one dull round of pain and misery—you are lame in the morning, nagged all day by a dull, throbbing backache, can't rest in the evening or sleep well at night. It hurts to bend over, straighten up, get up from a chair, or lift even a light weight. Any sudden twist, turn or awkward movement sends a tearing twinge of pain through the weak spot. Backache is really kidney-ache. The kidneys are in the small of the back, and any pain there is enough cause to suspect your kidneys. If the urine is discolored, contains sandy sediment, or passes too frequently, then you have double proof. Keep the kidneys well and the kidneys will keep you well. Well kidneys filter the blood and keep it pure. Diseased kidneys only partly purify the blood. Neglect weak kidneys and you invite uric acid, poisoning, gravel, stone in the kidney, rheumatism, heart trouble, diabetes, Bright's disease, and a long list of other serious disorders now recognized as having their cause in kidney weakness. At the first sign of backache or urinary disorders, give the kidneys quick help, not with plaster, liniments, nor any other outside applications, but with a special kidney-medicine, and the simplest and most effective remedy for sick kidneys is Booth's Kidney Pills. If there is weakness, congestion, inflammation or soreness, Booth's Kid-

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ney Pills quickly relieve it. They gently stimulate, tone and strengthen sick kidneys, drive away backache, rheumatic pain and dizziness, clear up and regulate the urine, and restore a perfect filtering of the blood. Best of all, this relief is permanent. OTTAWA PROOF. H. H. Williams, No. 125 Gloucester St., Ottawa, Ont., says: "For many years I have been a sufferer with symptoms of kidney trouble. I have been so weak from the distressing pain across the small of my back that I could not get up from a chair without much suffering. I had spent hundreds of dollars doctoring, but found little or no relief as many of the prescriptions would cause me to suffer with my stomach. The urine was scant and scalding and the desire to urinate was frequent. I became weak and run down and suffered constantly. I tried Booth's Kidney Pills. The first box gave such relief to the distress across my back that I continued its treatment. I have used four or five boxes in all and the urinary disorders have been entirely corrected. I feel that I can conscientiously recommend Booth's Kidney Pills as the best kidney remedy on the market and one that may be relied upon." For sale by D. E. Campbell, Victoria, B. C.

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LIBERAL POLICY IS GOOD FOR WEST

HON. FRANK OLIVER ON LAND ADMINISTRATION

Canadian Sentiment Dominant in Provinces West of the Great Lakes

"The policy of the Liberal government is that all the land we have is to be given away to the men who will use it, and not an acre is to be sold for the sake of the money that it will bring. This is the action, and the spirit of the administration." Such was the declaration of Hon. Frank Oliver, Minister of the Interior, speaking before the Ontario Club in Toronto at the third of the series of banquets to Liberal leaders which the club is holding this season.

M. J. Haney, president of the club was, chairman, in proposing the health of the guest, Mr. Oliver. He said that he had a great compliment to the energetic, progressive, and statesmanlike policy of Hon. Mr. Oliver and his predecessor, Hon. Clifford Sifton.

Hon. Mr. Oliver outlined the policy of the government in relation to the problems of the land laws and the immigration regulations. As to the former, he said that what appeared under the Conservative administration to be equal dealing between the speculator and the settler turned out to be very unequal, but to-day all the land that was there for the homesteader and none for the investor. Nothing in the great West was too good for the man who would use it; that is, if he wanted it, on condition that he used it.

How was it, the speaker asked, that the land which lay idle from decade to decade as the "Great Lone Land" was to-day attracting the people of the world as no other country had ever attracted them? The condition was, he said, that the land was not an effect without a cause; that cause lay in the principles of Liberalism as expressed in the policy of the Liberal government. The conditions of the land laws which were brought about were the cause of the scene witnessed whenever a township was opened, as he had seen at Lettbridge, where a thousand men stood in line from Saturday evening till Monday morning waiting for their chance at the counter in the land office. And the money invested in land was put into something that had advanced in value. Whereas land in 1900 was worth no more than in 1881, it had under ten years of Liberal administration risen from \$1.75 per acre to more than \$11 per acre. The influx of people had given it value. And they came more because of the land policy than because of direct efforts to put to rest them.

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If Canada is to be a great country, said Mr. Oliver, it must be great not only in area, as it is, and in possibilities, as it is, but it must be a united country, a country of united sentiment. The speaker maintained that the forest speech he made last week, in which he would not help to build up Canadian citizenship, "wealth and prosperity are good," he exclaimed, "but good citizenship is a great deal better, and it is the best way to both wealth and prosperity."

Hon. Mr. Oliver, who was the guest of the Canadian Club at luncheon, delivered a short address there. "If you want to see Canadian sentiment," he said in part, "and if you like to say Imperial sentiment as well, without argument, without question, and without doubt, come west of the great lakes and I'll show it to you in every city, in every town, in every village, in every schoolhouse, from Lake Superior to the Pacific coast."

In support of this proposal the Minister of the Interior pointed out how until the West was known and appreciated Canada consisted of her Eastern provinces, and a man or a Nova Scotian, a New Brunswicker, or an Ontario man rather than a Canadian. But when there was a common object to be achieved, a common aspiration to be followed, a common purpose to be sought, as there was in connection with the opening up of the West, then the Canadians of these provinces found they had a Canadian national aspiration, and they became Canadians then as they are Canadians now, and no longer provincials.

FRIEND OF GREAT WRITERS OF THE PAST

Talked With Wordsworth, Scott, Carlyle and Campbell

In the cloistered quiet of the Charterhouse there is living to-day a delightful little old gentleman who is taking a keen interest in the present, endeavoring to celebrate the memory of the great poets that are gone. This is Mr. Francis Espinasse, one of the brethren of the famous hostel, and in his younger days an author and journalist of no mean repute. Hemmed round with the roar and bustle of modern London, though few would believe it, looking over that peaceful quadrangle, and the old garden-close, where Colonel Newcome might still be strolling with Clive's little son—Mr. Espinasse, in this his eighty-seventh year, can throw his memory back to days when he talked with Wordsworth and dined with Thomas Campbell and saw Mr. Walter Scott driving out from Abbotford.

Mrs. Espinasse is probably the last survivor of the real intimates of the famous Chelsea circle. In a talk over old times with a Daily Chronicle representative, Mr. Espinasse recalled this little fact with a sad smile and a shake of the head. "Excepting myself," said he, "they are all gone now. All dead! All dead!"

As for Mr. Espinasse's earliest memories, it is hardly believable that one should find to-day in the heart of London almost a first-hand link with Wordsworth. Such, however, is Mr. Espinasse. When he was a boy in Edinburgh, there was still living there an old lady of 82, Mrs. McLehose, once the famous "Clarinda"—to whom Burns made such desperate love. There was also a certain Mrs. Cumming of Logic, a "genial old Scottish dame," and friend of the family. This Mrs. Cumming had been in her youth a days house other than that "honorable Lesley" who "gazed over the border," and took Burns' heart with her.

"It was when I was at school at Marlborough," continued Mr. Espinasse, "that I saw Scott. He was driving in a carriage—a silver-haired old gentleman—with a little boy riding a pony at his side. The little boy was Hugh Littlejohn, for whom was at a Grandfather's will written. I remember how I envied him!"

"Another of my boyhood's memories—at Edinburgh—was the poet Campbell. He was being feted in the town, and a friend of my father's got permission for me to be allowed in with the desert. He was a dapper, jolly little fellow—none too sober towards the end of the evening—and saw the Kirk minister, who was very shocked at my presence. A friend of my father's, too, was Lord Jeffrey, of the Edinburgh Review. I was presented to him, and invited to breakfast at his beautiful house at Craighook. I remember how I had wonderfully brilliant piercing eyes."

But of those early years my most treasured memory is a visit I paid to Wordsworth at Rydal Mount. I was invited by his lady, and went for a long post-chaise journey and a walk of fifteen or sixteen miles. I arrived at the cottage about dusk, and found both the poet and his wife sitting half asleep in the little parlor. They had been forewarned of my coming by a relative, and were very kind to me. Wordsworth himself showed me round the house and the garden.

"He was nearly 70, but a fine figure, of a man—tall, upright, and stalwart still. He had a huge nose, and his face was not nearly so refined as I should have thought. Altogether he gave me the impression of a farmer rather than of a poet."

Later on, Mr. Espinasse came to town and entered upon literary life as an assistant at the British Museum Library, in the days when the museum was still Montague House. It was through his connection with the British Museum Library that Mr. Espinasse was able to be of special help to Carlyle over the Cromwell letters, but his acquaintance with the Sage of Chelsea began long before and continued long after.

CITY OF VICTORIA

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Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on Monday, 14th day of April, for the making and supplying the necessary clothing for the police department, to be made and supplied as per specifications which can be seen at this office.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT, Purchasing Agent. City Hall, March 29th, 1910.
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JOY KILLED HER.

Woman Had Just Received \$5,000 for Some Property.
"Killed by excessive joy was the verdict in the case of Mrs. Mary E. Hendrick, who dropped dead at South Norwalk, Conn., recently.
Mrs. Hendrick had just received \$5,000 in cash for some property from Zenos C. Bush, the purchaser. As the bills were counted out in her hand her face flushed, and when the last yellowback dropped Mrs. Hendrick gave a sigh and sank to the floor. She never spoke or moved afterward.
The coroner states that joy stopped her heart's action. Mrs. Hendrick was 50 years old.
Of the total working expenses of railways, about sixty per cent. goes in various ways to the wage-earners.

Dr. Jean M. Charcot, head of the French scientific expedition, which visited the Antarctic regions in the Fourquol Pas, has given out a story of the voyage from Punta Arenas, Chile.
The Charcot expedition left Punta Arenas on December 10th, 1908, touched at Deception Island and went on to Wendel Island. There, the Fourquol Pas grounded and could only be floated after three days, when a large part of her cargo had been removed. The vessel sustained serious damage on a reef, and it was with this handicap that the expedition did the remainder of its work.
"Our trip," says the leader of the party, "was accomplished while making two tons of water an hour, necessitating the continuous use of the pump. The boat showed itself remarkably seaworthy and solid, very well fitted for the object for which it had been constructed."
"From Adelaide Island we were in an absolutely unknown land. Alexander Land alone had been seen from a great distance, defended by an ice pack considered as insuperable. Adelaide Island, to which Bischoff gave the length of seven miles, really is seventy miles long and its shape is bizarre and interesting. To the south of this island we discovered a very large bay, and we made fast to the ice pack near a little island, where temporary observatories were set right up on the ice.
"Unfortunately the bay offers no anchorage, no shelter for boats which may happen to be there in a most dangerous position. We were obliged to be constantly under steam, manoeuvring and defending ourselves day and night against the ice. An iceberg capsizing near us barely escaped crushing us and our boats. We frequently flaked being ground up by ice, and we were powerless to defend ourselves against the icebergs pushed by the wind and the sea. Chance alone preserved us."
"At first, hindered by ice, we were unable to approach Alexander Land from a side where no one had been. But, renewing our efforts, after a hard struggle against the ice, we ended by reaching it and making a complete hydrographic chart of more than 120 miles of coast entirely new, to the south of Adelaide Island, beyond Loubet Land.
"The region is full of reefs on a level with the water, of thick ice and of icebergs whose sides consist solely of vertical cliffs of high cliffs of sharp ice. It is very difficult to navigate."
"We went to winter in a creek discovered by us on the island of Petermann Land, in condition particularly unfavorable for our land equipments and our scientific work."
"The winter was particularly laborious. Though the temperature was relatively mild, on the other hand we can say that we were obliged to submit to a great and continual windstorm from the northeast for more than nine months, accompanied by

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state of health of some among us left something to be desired.
"It was therefore necessary to resolve to end our campaign after fourteen months of work in the Antarctic."
"These excursions were made very difficult by the perpetual movement of the ice. This laborious winter had its influence on the health of several among us, who were attacked by a particular form of scurvy, accompanied in some cases by myocarditis. By the end of November we wished to get out, and did so with difficulty after a long and difficult navigation in very unfavorable and very abundant ice. In summer we reached Deception Island, where we were admirably received by the whalers, and secured more coal.
"After different incidents of navigation we reached as far as the 125th degree of west longitude. Unfortunately the quantity, really phenomenal and unexpected, of icebergs obliged us to use up in manoeuvring a great quantity of coal and our supplies were exhausted. On the other hand, the