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SATURDAY'S BARGAIN Crosse & Blackwell's New Season's Orange Marmalade 2 Tins 25c Dixie H. Ross & Co., The Independent Cash Grocers.

Sash and Doors Wholesale and Retail. J. W. Mellor & Co., Ltd., 78 Fort Street. KILLUME For destroying lice, fleas and mites in hen house, 70c a quart; sprayer, 75c. DIRECTIONS.—Spray or use with brush on top, sides, floor and roosts of hen house one hour before birds retire for the night. For young fowls, keep them out of house for six hours after spraying. The same may be used for dogs, hogs, etc. SYLVESTER FEED CO., 87-89 Yates St. Tel. 413.

THE CUSTOMS REVENUE deficit deficiency which has been caused this month. Returns For Ten Months Show Increase of \$3,388,377 Over Same Time Last Year. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, April 30.—The customs revenue of the Dominion for the ten months ending to-day was \$33,377,039, an increase of \$3,388,377 over the same time last year. There was a small decrease in the revenue for the month, probably caused by the lateness of navigation and the backward season. This is the first decrease in several years. The growth of the customs revenue since 1897 has been steady and continuous. The next two months will make up any

GREAT BATTLE IS NOW IN PROGRESS Japanese Attacked Russians Who Held Fortified Position—Report of Victory of Mikado's Troops.

(Associated Press.) Koupang, Manchuria, April 30.—A m.—The first battle of the war is persistently reported to have occurred on the Yalu river. Sixteen thousand Japanese crossed the stream on Thursday and attacked thirty thousand Russians, who were strongly fortified. It is thought this morning that the Japanese were reinforced, and the battle continues. The Japanese sharpshooters, killed many Russian officers, whose uniforms were conspicuous.

ANOTHER REPORT. News of Complete Japanese Victory Has Been Received at Washington. Washington, April 30.—Reports have reached the state department, the source of which the officials do not care to divulge, to the effect that a great battle has been fought on the Yalu river, resulting in a complete Japanese victory. Details are unobtainable. The Japanese legation here has no news confirming these reports. Reports which have from time to time reached the Washington government from its agents in the field indicated that two great armies would meet before May 1st, and that what has heretofore occurred was nothing more than mere outpost skirmishes and collisions between scouting parties. It is believed now, however, that the weather conditions in Manchuria have improved sufficiently to favor the movements of troops and artillery, and that the two main armies have consequently come together a few days in advance of the expected date.

AWAITING NEWS. Japanese Officials Believe Kourapatkin Will Vigorously Oppose Advance Into Manchuria. London, April 30.—Officials of the Japanese legation expect news of the fighting on the Yalu river early next week. The information, despite Russian statements to the contrary, leads them to believe that Gen. Kourapatkin intends to vigorously oppose the Japanese advance into Manchuria in his earliest stages. The advance, it is believed, is now on the verge of being made.

VIEWS OF OFFICIALS. While News of Battle Is Not Confirmed It Is Regarded as Possibly True. London, April 30.—Later.—The Japanese legation up to the present has received no confirmation of the reported engagement between the Japanese and Russian forces on the Yalu river, but the officials think it possible. The main body of the Japanese army is believed to have traversed the mountain passes and crossed the Yalu a hundred miles from the sea, with the object of taking the Russian forces near the mouth of the river in the rear. The legation is of the opinion that the Japanese operations at the mouth of the Yalu were merely in the nature of a feint.

LEFT MANY WOUNDED. Japs at Mouth of Yalu Fired on Russians, Who Retreated to Mountains. Tokio, April 30.—Admiral Hosoia, commander of the third squadron, reports that on the morning of April 29th the gunboats fired on the enemy at the mouth of the Yalu river, but the Russians did not reply. Later a flotilla of small ships, armed with cannon, opened fire on 150 of the enemy at Sandoroto, and the latter returned to the mountains, leaving many wounded. The Japanese had no casualties.

MASSING FORCES. Concentration of Japanese Troops Along the Yalu River Still Continues. St. Petersburg, April 30.—The Japanese troops are still concentrating in the neighborhood of the Yalu river, but nothing of particular moment has thus far been reported. The Emperor received a telegram from Gen. Kourapatkin, under to-day's date, as follows: "General Sasselitch reports that the night of April 28th and 29th passed quietly. Small bodies of Japanese are moving on the right bank of the Yalu,

ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION. Thousands of People Were Present at the Opening Ceremonies.

(Associated Press.) St. Louis, April 30.—Notwithstanding the ominous prediction of the government forecaster, who prophesied rain for the latter part of the day and lowering skies for the morning, St. Louis put forth her best and bravest effort to-day in honor of the opening of her great exposition. The morning was bright and the most was made of it. Long before the hour for the opening exercises the grounds were filled with nearly half of the population of the city of St. Louis, and the remainder apparently was thronging to the exposition grounds. To the many thousands of the local population were added many more, who came in on excursion trains last night and this morning. Promptly at the hour appointed the participants in the exercises took their places at the base of the Louisiana monument, where a small stand had been erected and seats provided. The assemblage was called to order by President D. R. Francis, of the exposition, who requested the audience to rise while Rev. Frank C. Gausausius, of Chicago, delivered an invocation. Dr. Gausausius concluded his eloquent invocation with the Lord's Prayer, in which the audience joined. President Francis, as the chief executive of the exposition, then delivered an address. At the conclusion of the address Isaac S. Taylor, the director of works, delivered to President Francis the key of the exposition, and presented diplomas of merit to the chiefs of his staff. After the march "Louisiana" had been played by Sousa's band, President Francis transferred the exposition buildings to Frederick J. V. Skiff, the director of exhibits.

Hon. Wm. H. Taft, secretary of war, acting as the representative of the President of the United States, delivered the last address of the day. At the White House at Washington President Roosevelt was waiting to touch the golden key that would open the fair and set its manifold machinery in full operation. Mr. Taft had not turned to resume his seat before the signal had been flashed to Washington. Instantly there was a returning flash which started the machinery in the machinery hall. Operators here were waiting for the response from the White House, and when it came they touched the keys which released the fastenings of the thousands of banners that were secured to the rafters on the roofs of the exhibition palaces.

GREATLY PLEASED WITH HIS TRIP. W. Whyte Tells of Conditions in West. Business Enjoying a Fair Measure of Prosperity—The Dulness in the Lumber Industry.

(Associated Press.) Winnipeg, April 30.—William Whyte, second vice-president of the C. P. R., returned last night after an extended trip over the lines west of Winnipeg. He was accompanied by Lieut.-Governor McMillan. They arrived by the Moose Jaw local, which reached the city shortly after 8 o'clock, after a tour covering in all about three weeks. They left with the Duke of Sutherland, and instead of returning direct to Winnipeg from Vancouver, took a trip through the Kootenays.

Mr. Whyte said last night that he was greatly pleased with his trip. He had found that business at the coast and in the mountains was enjoying a fair measure of prosperity, and showed every indication of improvement. In the East Kootenays the mines were showing great activity, and at the St. Eugene mine, in the interior country, considerable work was being done. In the West Kootenay, or Boundary country, there was also great improvement in the copper mines. Several new propositions were being opened up and the ore shipments were considerably heavier than during the same period of last year.

"The only place I noticed any dulness," said Mr. Whyte, "was in the lumber industry, and this applies both to the coast mills and to the mountain mills. The market is simply overstocked and lumber is so much of a drug on the market that many of the mills cannot dispose of their product. Understand me, this is not due to any dulness in the country, but can simply be blamed to over-production. During the last year there have been a great number of mills put up, both on the coast and in the south. There has been a dulness on the American side, and the American mills have been dumping their surplus product into Canada at very cheap prices, and have fairly well covered the markets of Manitoba and the Territories. Then, again, there has been a great falling off in the export demand. All these circumstances have combined to give the lumbermen a setback, though it has not affected any of the other industries."

"Through the Territories and Western Manitoba I was pleased to see the progress which the farmers are making in their seeding and work generally. In many localities seeding is well advanced and the land appears to be in excellent shape. Many of the new settlers are



BURNED BUILDINGS WILL BE REPLACED Inhabitants of Fire-Scorched Fernie Display Commendable Energy in Preparing to Resume Business.

(Special to the Times.) Fernie, B. C., April 29.—Of the greater part of Fernie's flourishing business centre nothing is left but smoking ruins, with here and there a vault and a towering chimney, where yesterday stood smart-looking business blocks. The fire started this morning near the southern end of Victoria avenue, the main street of Fernie, and, with a wind from the south, it spread, carrying everything before it, and in a few hours almost the entire length of the main street was cleared, leaving only a few business houses at the northern end of the town. The buildings, being all wooden, made them an easy prey to the flames, despite the valiant efforts made with hose and buckets.

The fire started, "no one knows how," in the rear of Charles Richard's general store, and was not large when first discovered. The chemical engine was on the spot twenty minutes after the fire started, and the windows were broken in to give the hose play. But the chemicals did not work, and the broken windows made a draught which soon sent the flames through the roof. The hose reel then arrived, but there was so little pressure in the pipes that the stream was not sufficient to quench the flames.

A southeast wind was blowing, and when the flames reached the Victoria hotel they threatened the residential part as well as the business section. But the wind changed slightly to the west, and, decreasing at the same time, swept the residential part, but the fire swept resistlessly with the wind down Victoria avenue. From the starting point, on the west side of Victoria avenue, it burned a warehouse, the office of Dr. Donnell, Corsanka's milliner and tailor shop, and the Fernie drug store, and then caught in the Victoria hotel. From there it crossed Wood street to the offices of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal & Coke Company. The next in line was the Crow's Nest Trading Company's store, including the post office, then the three buildings of the Trites-Wood Company, one of which contained the opera house.

It then caught in the Royal hotel, which is the commercial hotel of Fernie. From there the fire leaped across Cox street, and took in the Canadian Bank of Commerce and the Cuthbert block, after which it was got under control before crossing a vacant lot. The fire had crossed from the starting point to the east side of Victoria avenue, first destroying the Muskoka hotel and a cottage. It went down the east side, taking on its way Parly's confectionery parlors and the Fernie setting down to work, and there is every indication of a big area under crop this year. BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS. (Special to the Times.) Phoenix, April 30.—This week the Mother Lode smelter blew in the furnace that had been in course of repairs and blew out the other for the same purpose, there being one day that neither were in blast. This cut down the ore shipments somewhat for the week. The Senator has also dropped from the shipping list after having sent out over 1,700 tons of ore. Following are the shipments from the several Boundary mines for the current week: Granby mines, to Granby smelter, 10,140 tons; Mother Lode, to Greenwood smelter, 1,694 tons; Emma, to Greenwood and Granby smelters, 600 tons; Oro Denoro, to Granby smelter, 130 tons; total for the week 12,594 tons; total for the year to date, 272,815 tons. For the past week the Granby smelter treated 11,572 tons of ore, or a total of 29,351 for the year.

Straw Hat Polish 15 Cents. Campbell's Prescription Store. Cor. Fort and Douglas Streets.

Now is the Time to Instal Electric Wiring. B.C. Electric Ry. Co. 35 YATES STREET.

HARRASSING THE JAPANESE ADVANCE. NUMEROUS SKIRMISHES BETWEEN OUTPOSTS. Russian Army Supplies Being Moved Nearer the Yalu—Survivors From the Kinshu Maru.

St. Petersburg, April 29.—Victory Alexieff's report that a Japanese squadron was off Port Arthur last night, followed by another announcing that ten Japanese cruisers and six torpedo boats were seen in Ussuri bay, adjacent to Vladivostok, has aroused anxiety, and naval circles are speculating whether the enemy will venture to approach Vladivostok at closer range than last time.

The daily papers commenting upon Russia's repudiation of mediation display the customary anti-Russian bias, and consider Russia's official note as solely intended for home consumption, as none of the powers would be likely to intervene unless previously assured that mediation would be welcome.

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HE COULD NOT STRAIGHTEN UP TILL DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS HAD CURED HIS KIDNEY DISEASE.

Well-Known Prince Edward County Farmer Tells of Quick Relief After Years of Suffering.

Consec. Ont., April 29.—(Special).—Few men in Prince Edward County are better known or more highly respected than David Rowe, who resides on his farm about three miles from Consec. And Mr. Rowe is always ready to tell what Dodd's Kidney Pills did for him.

Alarming cablegrams have been received at Lima, Peru, from Santiago de Chile, saying that the Chilean government has instructed its minister at Washington to inquire if the United States will defend Peru in case Chile should proceed forcibly on the question of annexing the provinces of Taana and Arica, which that country is disposed to do.

Young Girls

Are often engaged in doing the work of a home under the most trying conditions. Nature cries out against the stooping and lifting, the running up and down stairs at times when labor should be as light as possible.

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RE-ARRANGEMENT OF C.P.R. STEAMERS. PROVISION MADE FOR SEATILE SUNDAY RUN. The Service Will Be Inaugurated May 15th—All Daylight Vancouver Schedule.

Commencing May 15th, the C. P. R. Company will inaugurate a Sunday service to Seattle, operating a steamer thereon on the same schedule as now in vogue.

Confirming the news published in the Times several weeks ago to the effect that Japan was negotiating for the C. P. N. steamers Tartar and Athenian, comes advice now from London that the vessels have been sold.

Under Arrest. J. J. Tidley, mate on the British ship Beifora, now at Vancouver, has been arrested on the charge of wounding, with intent to kill, a man named John Clarke.

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Kingham & Co. VICTORIA AGENTS FOR THE WESTERN FUEL CO., NANAIMO, B.C. NEW WELLINGTON COAL.

The Bon Ton Silk Co. Douglas street, will move to their new premises, 156 Government street. Ladies' and Children's Underwear MADE TO ORDER.

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Retail by all Grocers. Wholesale by
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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 30—9 a.m.—An extensive high barometer covers the North Pacific slope; it is causing a general fair and light to moderate winds from northern British Columbia to California and heavy frosts have also occurred in Cariboo. Light frosts have also been general on the Lower Mainland. The weather has been quite warm in the Territories and Manitoba; it is now turning much colder.

Forecast.
For 26 hours ending 5 p.m. Sunday. Victoria and vicinity—light to moderate winds, generally fair and warmer during the day.
Lower Mainland—light variable winds, generally fair and warmer during the day.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 30.11; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, 2 miles N. W.; rain, trace; weather, fair.
New Westminster—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 32; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, clear.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, 34; minimum, 32; wind, calm; weather, clear.
Barkerville—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, 18; minimum, 16; wind, calm; weather, clear.
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, 50; minimum, 48; wind, 14 miles N. W.; weather, cloudy.
Edmonton—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 34; minimum, 30; wind, calm; rain, .08; weather, fair.

"NOT IF IT COST TEN DOLLARS."
A bottle would I be without Polson's Nerviline, writes J. A. Ruth, a fitter living near Trenton, Ont. "Nerviline is the best household remedy I know. We use it for stomach troubles, indigestion, headache and summer complaint. I know of nothing better to take in hot water to break up a cold, or to rub on for rheumatism or neuralgia." Every farmer should keep a few bottles of Nerviline handy and have smaller doctor bills.

PASSENGERS.
Per steamer *Charm* from Vancouver—Jessie Stewart, F. L. Fisher, J. Anderson, E. C. McCall, Mrs. Westover, P. E. Crickman, C. Fisher, G. H. Burnham, W. H. McDonald, H. W. Neiland, C. C. Cliff, Mrs. Marsh, W. A. Marsh, F. J. Fulton, J. L. Jenkins, W. Merdel, E. D. Herman, R. H. Spelling, M. H. Leggett, W. D. Hood, Wm. Gill, Mrs. C. H. French, M. Hutchison, T. M. Henderson, A. L. Belyea, W. D. Bruce, N. Laban, W. E. Sachtel, J. L. Laumann, W. Leighton, Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Neelands, Miss Stewart, G. C. Porter, H. M. Pramm, J. W. Aubrey, H. W. White, J. W. Miesner, F. Wright, Dr. E. Hall, A. S. Robertson, H. Mill, Mr. Fraser, A. Stock, Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Gillam, R. Clark.

Per steamer *Princess Victoria* from the Sound—G. W. Boyd, Mr. Burdett, A. J. McMillan, H. H. Seavey, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Miller, W. H. McEwen, Mr. Gould, Mrs. Gould, A. Dayton, R. C. Fair, Mrs. Palk, A. E. Rindley, Mrs. Brimley, John J. Miller, T. W. King, Mrs. M. B. Smith, E. N. Bell, J. G. Genelle, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Mann, Mr. Moran, Mrs. Moran, Rev. A. W. Gassett, Mr. Berg and brother, A. M. Shand, H. C. Johnson, Mrs. Johnson, Jas. Miller, John Cain, F. Smith, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Bromley, Mrs. Bromley, D. W. Stetson, J. M. Channing, Miss Clara O'Brien, R. Hayden, John Holt, T. F. Graham, Mrs. Graham, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Johnson and child, F. W. King, Mary Manning Theatrical Company (21 persons).

Per steamer *Whateon* from Seattle—S. McNeil and wife, H. V. Wooten, A. Millcock, Mrs. Campbell and sister, J. Knight, Mrs. M. E. Knight, Mrs. Gibson, R. V. Coombs, T. S. Raff, J. H. Clark, wife and daughter, C. Arthur, Joe Lee, S. P. Eaton, Joe Greer, H. M. Martin, J. A. Fitcher, W. H. Martin, Chas. Eckles and wife, H. S. Ward, A. L. Johnson, Dr. A. Devoe, 2-B. Dawson.

THE HARDEST PLAN TO ENDURE
Is the pain of a tender corn, but experience proves that corns are cured quickest by Putnam's Painless Corn Extract, which acts in twenty-four hours. Putnam's never burns or causes soreness. The only painless cure is Putnam's. Use no other.

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Greatest English Tenor's Letter

Canadians must feel gratified when the highest musical critic of the motherland speak in glowing and complimentary terms of one of Canada's leading pianos. Mr. Ben Davies, England's greatest tenor, who delighted every one who was fortunate enough to hear him with Sir Alexander MacKenzie Festival Chorus last spring, was so pleased with the New Scale Williams piano that he has written the following appreciative letter to the Williams Piano Company, "Gentlemen, I want to tell you how much pleased I am with the New Scale Williams piano you supplied me; it is magnificent. The tone color strikes me as very beautiful. It is everything I could desire and I predict for it a distinctive place among the great pianos. I trust it will be my good fortune to use your instrument frequently."

The New Scale Williams is a piano which has been constructed along entirely new lines, and possesses so many advantages over other makes that it is well worth one's while to visit the local warehouses to examine them. The Williams Piano Co., Oshtawa, publish three booklets on the history and construction of a piano, which can be had direct by mail on application, or from the local representatives of this celebrated Piano. Fletcher Bros., 93 Government Street.

The Colonial Adventures of Shamrock Holes.
MYSTERY OF THE RIGHT-HANDED SHUNT.

CHAPTER II.
That I must swiftly pass over without do tell our tour of the Empire is possibly less matter for regret to my readers than a personal grievance, inasmuch as although I have been censured out of a round score of magazine articles, I must admit that they consisted largely of guide book padding and court circular standing-for, if the truth be told, the journey was entirely lacking in those mysterious crimes and family skeletons that make so much for the happiness and financial welfare of Shamrock Holes and myself.

Throughout all the colonies there seemed to be a positive epidemic of peace, rendering Holes's position a wearisome one, and mine, the inevitable lot of silently bearing his recumbent ill-nature.

Fortunately, some two months out of a happy thought struck me. Poison? I broached it to Holes, he to the Equerry, he to the First Lord, and so on to the Duke, with the result that a lady served to their Highnesses and staff were first inspected and tasted by Holes and myself.

Holes's original idea was that he should do all the tasting; but when I pointed out what a hampering condition it would be, he should some modern Medici change our comedy into a tragedy, he allowed me to share with him, and even insisted on giving me precedence.

Thence onward the days passed more pleasantly, even at times joyously, for the suite was large and the quantity and variety of liquor that required sampling was not inconsiderable.

Shortly after Halifax, however, we were considerably annoyed to learn from the chief commissary that His R. H. Majesty's decision to patronize nothing but "Canadian Club" and such was his confidence in the sturdy backwoodsman who supplied this spirit, that he would not allow them to be haunted by the faintest breath of suspicion.

Thereafter all bottles were unceremoniously opened and the quantity of liquor passed on the smallest provocation, and although it does not become an individual his duty to criticize such high strung character as his, I was not, very much surprised that his petulant behavior resulted in Holes's being sent to the provinces on our further attendance was not absolutely essential to the Royal progress.

As a matter of fact, the car on which we travelled was sidetracked off I have the term aright and the train went on without us.

For a time Holes was stubborn and refused to leave our abandoned carriage, but in the course of two days hunger compelled us to evacuate and make terms with a hotel.

We were in a desperate situation. Holes had little more than a thousand pounds in his pocket, and I about as many.

We concentrated our resources; that is, he commanded my twenty dollars, and locked himself in his room with a pound of black sand and a syphon, and proceeded to evolve a plan.

At three in the morning he rapped on the wall of my chamber adjoining; hurriedly donning a bath robe and slippers, I passed in and found him pacing like a caged lion in an atmosphere dense with smoke.

"Sit down, Watson," he said, "I want you to listen for a few moments to my theory, and slip on if I am wrong," with a smile of humor.

"I have been balancing probabilities," Watson, excluding the necessary, avoided the inevitable, tracing the inevitable, and have arrived at this conclusion: Who cut us loose at the switch? And why?"

"Well," said Holes, "the general traffic superintendent said that if you persisted in thrusting your feet out of the car window at when stations he would shunt you into a Borrow Pit, so I suppose—"

"Suppose, suppose!" he retorted. "Did you observe, Watson, which hand he waved to us at the conclusion of our argument?"

"Yes," said I. "He waved his right hand." "He waved his right hand," he said, "holding the door handle."

"Exactly," said Holes. "If left-handed—fact one. And in what direction were you travelling? West? You admit it—fact two. And the side track was north of the main line—that is the right as one travels westward—fact three. And my deductions? That we were switched by a right-handed miscreant. And where is the right-handed person to be found with the malignity to conceive, the skill to plan, and the daring to execute the feat of turning Shamrock Holes adrift in the wilds of Winnipeg? Watson, I feel the rapier of my old enemy in my back!"

"You mean—I began—"

"None other," he said. "But I thought you had killed him in Switzerland, and I saw a three-pound tin written in the 'Stranded' about it."

"And what blood money did you get for my obituary?" asked Watson.

"Fear you balked me of fifteen bob when we divided two pounds on that score. But no matter for the present. I don't error in reporting my death, why not his? I tell you I know his touch, the utter absence of all concealment, the baffling logic of system, the amazing audacity of his taunting message. Did you see the message?"

"He hastily pulled open the top drawer of a chest of drawers and produced an old newspaper, folded to fit squarely across the bottom, evidently to preserve the stray tourists from seeing it."

"Here," he said, "in the very room and hotel that we have chosen as a temporary retreat. I find evidence of his diabolical foresight and wide-reaching influence. See in the literary notes this item is printed: 'Entomologist Hobbies' note in which he where he can procure a copy of that delightful lament beginning, 'Oh when shall I gaze on the Shamrock?'"

"That paper was published a year ago," I said, glancing at the dated headline.

"It was, Watson, and it shows how joyfully my enemy calculated his possible combination of human events. Watson, this has revived my spirits. We have one to do with who is worthy of the highest efforts of even Shamrock Holes—and Shamrock Holes will rise to the occasion!"

He refilled his pipe, lit it, and continued to pace up and down the room as he talked.

"There are three questions to settle, Watson, before we make a move. First, what is his object? Second, what has he counted on as our next proceeding? Third, what is our next proceeding?"

"Roughly speaking, his object must be either to detain in order that he may carry out his pet schemes unimpeded, or he wishes to turn us back in some way without proceeding to the Pacific Coast. Indeed, the latter is so obviously his intention that it must be a trap, which leaves only the former assumption to deal with."

"But a man of his mental calibre in laying plans for one of his pet projects would certainly act on the theory that he could only seduce me in an explicit direction by allowing me to discover that his intention was to draw me westward. Therefore we must go west, to foil him. Is that clear?"

"Yes," I admitted. "To keep us from the west he blocks us from the west, so as to convey the impression that he is trying to draw us from the east."

"Exactly. But he will have foreseen our analysis, and so reversed his operations. It is then obvious that we must go east to check him. Therefore, since it is our best move to battle his calculations, we will go west. And now to bed."

The next morning Holes called for a railway time-table, and the careful landlord accompanied it with his bill, having exercised his faculty of analytic deduction in the same happy combination of nomenclature that characterized Molier's Bourgeois when he spoke prose without knowing it.

Holes settled the account in gloomy

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Dissolution of Partnership

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RUSSIA'S CONFIDENCE.

From the manner of their tone and conversation it is evident that the Russians have no misgivings as to the result of the war with Japan. They will brook no interference now, nor will they tolerate intervention when they have the Japs down and are exacting terms of peace.

The outcome of the war may depend very greatly upon the internal condition of Russia and upon the extent of her financial resources. We know that the morale of the Japanese forces is all the more ardent patriot could desire.

Empire, numbering 140,000,000, which is rapidly increasing, is the strength of Russia. The mediæval power of the Orthodox Church is the bulwark of the despotism.

AN AGITATION TRANSFERRED.

The days of Irish evictions are over. The people of the Emerald Isle are well represented on the press of the world, and the consequence is that their grievances have been well advertised in the world.

COURAGEOUS MORMONS.

There is one thing to be said for the Mormons—or at least for the Mormon elders and apostles who thrive upon the tithes collected for the benefit of Zion of the latter days.



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powers regularly conferred. This creates an interesting situation for the Republican party. Its candidate may not be strong enough to permit of the certain loss of the support of Utah.

THE TRYST.

I leaned out of window, I smelt the white clover, Dark dusk was the garden, I saw not the gate; "Now, if there be footsteps, he comes, my one lover"

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THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. Big Prizes Offered For 215 Trotters at Empire City and Brighton Beach. (Associated Press.)

New York, April 30.—Horsemen have been notified that the management of the grand circuit trotting meetings in August at Empire City and Brighton Beach tracks contemplate offering \$30,000 for a stake race for 215 trotters at each track.

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ON FREE TRADE PLATFORM. Liberals of Northwest Manchester Select Winston Churchill as Candidate. (Associated Press.)

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A special dispatch from Warsaw says that the authorities there are about to create martial law at Warsaw, Lodz and other large cities because the Socialists are preparing for bloody May Day demonstrations.

John W. Martin and wife were found dead in their bed at Toledo on Friday as a result of asphyxiation from illuminating gas. It is believed to be a case of double suicide.

The United States treasury department on Friday forwarded to the secretary of state for transmission to J. P. Morgan & Co., New York, financial agents of the Republic of Panama, one million dollars on account of the Panama canal purchase.

FAILED TO AGREE. More Miners in Ohio Will Go on Strike Monday. (Associated Press.)

Wheeling, W. Va., April 30.—A strike of eight thousand coal miners in the eastern part of the fifth Ohio sub-district will occur next Monday as the result of a fruitless conference of operators and miners for ten days.

A LENGTHY VOYAGE. The Ship Roanoke Sailed Eight Thousand Miles Without Her Mainmast. (Associated Press.)

New York, April 30.—The big full rigged ship Roanoke, eight months out from Chinese ports, came up the narrow yesterday with a bare stump where her mainmast ought to stand, says the Sun.

Several additions are to be made to the already long list of women's clubs in London, and among them will be the Ladies' Athlonium.

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—You will now want boots for summer. We have them—ladies', gentlemen's and children's of all sizes. They are light, and the best wearing lines for the price. Our heavy wear boots are hard to beat and worth trying. Watson's shoe store, 65 Yates street.

—The first meeting of the B. C. Association of Stationary Engineers is being held in Vancouver. The association has recently been organized. It is intended for social and educational purposes only, and is not a trades union. A number are in attendance from Victoria.

—We have just received another large shipment of Canada's leading bicycles, the Massey-Harris and Ramblers. If you intend purchasing a new mount and want a reliable one, call and see us. Central Cycle Depot, opposite post office. Thos. Plimley, proprietor.

—At the meeting of the council of the board of trade yesterday morning, C. H. Lugin called attention to the Indian reserve question, and for a time the matter was discussed. A committee of five was finally appointed to confer with the corporation, the Indian agent and the provincial government to see if the settlement of this notorious question cannot in some way be advanced. The names of those on the committee are as follows: C. H. Lugin, W. J. Hanna, J. Kingham, W. Paterson and Harry Helmecken.

—The marriage of Mr. Andrew J. Smith, of Salt Spring Island, and Miss Maggie R. H. Halley, of London, Eng., took place yesterday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. Leslie Clay, B. A. Miss Halley, accompanied by her brother, Mr. J. D. Halley, arrived from England on Wednesday evening. Miss Jessie S. Brown, of Salt Spring Island, acted as bridesmaid. The honeymoon will be spent on the Mainland, after which Mr. and Mrs. Smith will take up their residence on Salt Spring Island.

—In connection with Rev. W. C. King's lecture, "Up the Nile," at Calvary Baptist church next Tuesday evening, the favorite hymn, "Rock of Ages," will be rendered by Mrs. A. J. Clyde, and illustrated with six striking stereoscopic views. Among the many beautifully colored views of fascinating interest that will be used in illustrating the lecture may be mentioned "The Mosque of Amen," "Mummy of Rameses the Great," believed to be the Pharaoh of the oppression; "The Rosetta Stone," "The Temple of Karnack," "The Island of Philae" and views of the Great Dam.

—Commencing to-morrow the extra reduced excursion rates go into effect on the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway. The rates offer an inducement to families to spend a day at one of the many numerous delightful spots along the line either at Goldstream, Shawinigan Lake, Koksilah or Cosiniana river, where picnic parties can indulge in their usual favorite pastimes as the fancy may devise, affording an opportunity for boating, fishing or cycling which is of the best, while an unlimited field is offered for the snap-shot man. The rates are: To Duncan and return one dollar, children fifty cents; Shawinigan Lake, seventy-five cents; Koksilah, fifty cents; and to Goldstream and return fifty cents; children twenty-five cents.

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—A meeting to discuss the preliminaries of the formation of a Housing Society has been called for Wednesday evening next. The meeting will be held in the rooms of the Merchants' Service Guild, 32 Langley street.

—Manager Smith, of the Rainier Bottling Works, is going to give the people of Victoria a treat in the celebrated Root Beer, which will be on draught for one week at the Imperial and Bank Exchange saloons.

—Special rates to or from Europe by Cunard, White Star, Anchor, French, Hamburg-American, Allan and Holland-American steamship lines. Berths reserved by wire. Fire, Life, Marine & Accident Agency, 100 Government street, Hall, Goepel & Co.

—Amateur Theatricals.—"Turned Up." Fives Court, Work Point barracks, Tuesday and Wednesday, 3rd and 4th May, at 8 p.m. Tickets at Fletcher Bros.' music store. Reserved seats, 50 cents. Admission, 25 cents. Soldiers and sailors in uniform, 10 cents.

—The creditors of the Lenora Mount Sicker Copper Mining Company, Ltd., are to hold a preliminary meeting on Monday at the office of Oliver & Johnson. The object of this is to discuss the proposal of a sale of the property. The following day the creditors are summoned to appear before Mr. Justice Irving in the matter.

—As previously announced an exhibition baseball match will be played to-morrow morning between the Victoria senior and Fernwood intermediate teams. Play will commence at 10 o'clock at the Oak Bay grounds. The personnel of the "Victoria" team has already been published in these columns. Following is the line up of the Fernwood nine: Catcher, Robertson; pitchers, Smith and Camusina; first base, A. Shanks; second base, A. Potts; third base, S. Shanks; short stop, A. Gray; left field, Camusina & Smith; centre field, A. Jeffs; right field, J. Sylvester.

—Dr. Jamieson's audience was highly entertained last evening in Labor hall, the subject for the evening being "Returning of the Human Spirits." He gave some wonderful demonstrations from those beyond, also some astonishing psychic tests. He was given articles from the audience, such as watches, handkerchiefs, described the owners and found owners among audience; he read sealed letters without being unsealed; answered their questions. Decidedly it was a phenomenal exhibition, and he will lecture again to-morrow evening at 8 p. m. in Labor hall.

—To-night, at the Edison, the last performances of the Roberts' four, Ed. Fisher and John Mack, who have all made decided hits here, the very comic picture, "The Poachers," and the beautiful illustrated song, "Good Night, Beloved, Good Night," take place, and all who have not already done so should see the above turns, as they are all thoroughly enjoyable. For next week there will be an extraordinary strong bill of attractions headed by Bill Crosswell, who does larrikin twirling and gun spinning on a bicycle; Trask and Rogers, top liners in black-face and eccentric dancing; Walter Kellogg in the illustrated song, "I Want My Mama," and a fine novelty musical team, the Mazziottas. Besides this there is a very funny moving picture, "Buster Brown and His Dog Time," made up from cartoons in the New York World. Matinees will be given daily at 2.45 p. m., and evening performances at 7.30.

—We have several odd typewriters at prices from \$30. These are snaps. Hinton Electric Co.

—No permanent appointment to the position of organist has yet been made in the Metropolitan Methodist church. The position, however, will be temporarily filled by A. Longfield.

—In the police court this morning a fish dealer named Peter Brown was charged with selling grouse out of season. The game was sold to a Chinaman. He pleaded guilty, and was fined \$50 or one month's imprisonment.

—The monthly open meeting will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms to-morrow afternoon. Rev. W. C. King will give an address, and the choir from the Calvary Baptist church will assist with choral music. All are cordially invited.

—John Cain, of Port Angeles, returned to the city last night. It is understood that he is prepared to modify the terms under which the railway to the north end of Vancouver Island will be built. He is conferring with Premier McBride on the matter.

—A gun practice was held yesterday by No. 50 company, R. G. A., at Black Rock. They fired 25 rounds and scored 25 hits. Another squad from the Work Point barracks have been practicing at Fort Macaulay, and on one occasion made 24 hits out of 28 rounds.

—The death occurred yesterday of Mrs. Wm. Hicks, age 82. Deceased was seventy-six years of age, and a native of Lucket, Cornwall, Eng. She came to British Columbia thirteen years ago, and has resided in this province ever since. She leaves five sons and four daughters to mourn her loss. The funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

—The prospects are that the Derby sweep this year will out rival all others. Although subscription list has only just been opened, quite a large number of tickets have been disposed of. The St. Ledger sweep was subscribed for to the amount of \$7,500, the first prize, \$2,700, falling to a resident of Victoria, who received the cash within two days of result being known. Tickets are \$1 each, and can be obtained from H. L. Salmon.

—Jos. Peirson has received a copy of a souvenir volume presented by Henry Woodhead to the members of the Yorkshire Society in London. The little volume is finished in perfect style by the printing firm of which Mr. Woodhead is the head. It contains the history of the London Society, extending back over 200 years. The coats-of-arms of the principal cities in Yorkshire, together with some cuts of the principal members, make up the illustrations.

—An interesting number at the closing drill hall concert this evening will be the playing for the first time in concert of the new march "Husky's Dream," of which Miss Violet Powell is composer. Musicians describe this selection as masterful and catchy, and Miss Powell plays it in a most talented manner. She is a most promising composer. The concert commences at 8.20 o'clock, and will include, in addition to the musical programme, a fancy drill by members of Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 companies of the regiment.

—A quiet wedding was celebrated on Thursday, the contracting parties being Miss Pearl Matheson, daughter of R. Matheson, of Oak Bay avenue, and Mr. Frank Hawkins, an employe of the B. C. Electric Railway Company. The ceremony, which took place at the residence of the bride's parents, was performed by Rev. G. W. Dean. Mr. A. Ritchie supported the groom and Miss Maggie Matheson, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid. The happy couple were the recipients of a handsome array of presents, testifying to their popularity. They will take up their residence in this city.

—An incident indicative of the spirit which animates the members of the Kalevan Kansa Colonization Company of Maloom Island occurred the other day. The house of a man named Matheus, on the Nimpkish river, just opposite Alert Bay, was destroyed by fire, the unfortunate owner losing most of his effects. With their own frightful disaster fresh in their memory they deeply sympathized with the victim in his misfortune. But their sympathy was exhibited in the most tangible form, for they got to work and rebuilt his place in two days, supplying all the necessary material.

—A special dispatch to yesterday's Seattle Post-Intelligencer from Dawson, dated April 28th, says: "A private cable from London says that the famous suit for \$100,000 brought by Mrs. Alexander Calder, of Seattle, against Alexander McDonald, the Klondike king, has been dismissed by the Privy Council. A cablegram came today to M. Donart. The decision sustains the Yukon court. Judge Dugas, and the British Columbia Appeal court. This reverses the Supreme Court of Canada. This is the only Yukon case ever appealed to the Privy Council. The case was begun in 1880, when Calder died, leaving unsettled accounts respecting big mining deals with McDonald. The suit was begun by Belcher, executor, on behalf of the widow. Skeena river navigation has opened, and the ice is gone."

—A number of very aristocratic sheep were at the outer wharf last night, outward bound for Sydney, Australia. The sheep represent some of the best of Vermont's famous breed of Spanish-American merinos. One of the studs in the consignment is brother to a buck which sold last year at the Sydney sheep sale for 410 guineas, and it is said by experts that the animal now on the wharf has better points than his high-priced relative. Quite a number of sheep en route to the Antipodes carried off prizes at the Pan-American exhibition at Buffalo the year before last. Messrs. Clark and Jackson, who have been shipping to the Sydney sale for a number of years, prefer this route to that from New York for the reason that the former is shorter by some 33 days, and does not lie through the heated tropics as does the latter, much to the detriment of the health of the sheep.

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—Carelessness is again being shown about the cleanliness of the city landing on the waterfront. Fishermen have been throwing fish offal into the harbor at the point mentioned, and when the tide recedes the nuisance is most disagreeable.

—The attention of members of No. 3 company, Fifth Regiment, is called to the parade for Wednesday, May 4th, at the drill hall. "Fall in" will be sounded at 8 o'clock, and every man on the strength of the company in the city must attend. They will be inspected by the commanding officer, Lieut.-Col. Hall.

James H. Erickson, Prop. and Mgr. THE ROBERTS FOUR.
In the "Doll Maker's Dilemma,"
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Farewell tour of the extraordinarily funny comedian, MR. EDWARD FISHER, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, "Ole Oleson" Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Black Face Moving Pictures—"The Poachers."

—At a meeting of the Fish and Game Club, held last evening at the Driad hotel, there was a good attendance. The first business dealt with was the election of a president, and Richard Hall, M. P., was the unanimous selection. After some discussion the following motion was made by H. Cuthbert and seconded by G. Hartnagle: "Resolved, that a committee, consisting of Messrs. E. Musgrave, Bickford and Fox, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to redraft the Game Act with a view to the total prohibition of the sale of game for three years." This was carried unanimously, and the secretary was instructed to ask the co-operation of Mainland clubs. The meeting shortly after adjourned.

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MILITARY NEWS AND GOSSIP

All the companies of the Fifth Regiment are devoting practically every spare minute to preparing for the annual inspection which is announced to take place on Saturday, the 14th of next month.

Members of No. 1 company had an enjoyable outing on Sunday last. They started from the drill hall in the early morning in sections and marched to Landford Plains.

Owing to the small attendance at the time made by the first and third sections, members of the two squads mentioned are anxious for an opportunity to repeat the contest.

On Friday evening Lieut.-Col. Hall continued his series of lectures to the younger officers of the regiment.

Up to the present the attendance at the regular drills at the Macaulay Point fort has been most disappointing.

Sergt. Nesbitt, one of the most popular non-commissioned officers of No. 1 company, has announced his intention of leaving the city.

Owing to the approach of summer it was deemed necessary last week to discontinue the classes in different athletic sports.

Their services were of great benefit to those who took up the various exercises. It is the intention to make gymnasium work more of a feature than hitherto.

This evening an exhibition of mounting and dismounting field guns will be given by a squad from the Fifth Regiment as an extra attraction at the regular weekly concert.

Members of the Bugle band, in connection with the Fifth, have decided to take up baseball this summer, and have already organized.

ARE YOU GOING ON A JOURNEY? Be sure to take with you on your travels a supply of Pay Roll plug chewing tobacco.

REMOVED FROM NORTH. Jas. Anderson has got back from trip in search of timber limits.

Jas. Anderson has returned from a trip made to the northern part of British Columbia as representative of a syndicate of American capitalists.

"A VISIT TO PARIS." Lecture in French by R. Dupuy on Monday Evening at Institute Hall.

Mr. R. Dupuy, fellow of the University of Paris and a member of the association, will deliver a lecture in French at the Institute hall on Monday evening next.

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language in the city have signified their intention of attending. The Alliance Francaise, of which the lecturer is a member, was founded in Paris in 1884 to increase the interest in the French language and literature throughout the different countries.

MARY MANNERING IN "HARRIET'S HONEYMOON" The Ta'm'd Actress and Her Capable Company Gave Delightful Performance Last Night.

On beholding Mary Mannering's bewitching portrayal of her part of Harriet Baird in Dittreheitein's comedy one wonders just how luminously she would shine if a cast-iron contract with Frank McKee did not compel her to star in motion separate from her dashing husband.

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Miss Mannering's Harriet was so absolutely satisfying that further comment seems superfluous. She possesses a delightful stage presence, a clear, well modulated voice, the true artistic temperament, in short all the concomitants of developed talent.

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NOTICE. All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway Land Grant.

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FOR South Eastern Alaska LEAVE VICTORIA, 4 P. M. Cottage City, April 28, May 13, 28. LEAVE SEATTLE, 9 A. M. Steamers City of Seattle and Humboldt, April 28, May 1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26.

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NEWS OF DECK AND DOCKYARD.



SCENES FROM CANADIAN HISTORY.

In February next H. M. S. Grafton's commission...

The London correspondent of the Times says that early last month...

It is not unlikely that Vice-Admiral Rickford, C. M. G., will be appointed...

Eleven obsolete war vessels were recently put up for public auction...

The new Canadian cruiser for the Atlantic fishery service...

The next move of H. M. S. Grafton will be to Vancouver...

Rev. W. C. King will close a successful four months' pastorate in Calvary Baptist church...

Church Services To-morrow. CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

ST. JOHN'S. The services will be held at the usual time...

REGIMENTAL ORDER. Church Parade on Sunday, May 8th...

CHURCH OF OUR LORD. Morning and evening prayer at 11 and 7...

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CHAPTER XIII.—(Continued.) Dick Gives His Word.

Into the midst of Dick's thoughts broke sounds from outside...

"Did you think that I knew, and lied to you?" Dick demanded, hotly.

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The musical firm of M. W. Waitt & Company, Government Street, have bought out the stock and business of S. F. Smith, Granville street, Vancouver, and in future will conduct a branch in that city. With the transaction the company secure the British Columbia agency of the Steinway, Northmead, Dominion and Palmer pianos in British Columbia. H. J. Pollard will be manager of the Vancouver branch.

A life-preserver marked "Star of France," has washed ashore in Montague harbor, Galiano Island, British Columbia. Information to this effect came in a letter from J. L. Gray, of Montague, under date of April 26th. In part he says: "A life-preserver marked 'Star of France,' came ashore in Montague harbor on April 14th. The 'Star of France,' Capt. Bergman, a 1,522-ton vessel, sailed from Ladysmith for San Francisco about two weeks ago. Galiano Island is in close proximity to Ladysmith.

In connection with the item in the estimates for expenditure on the police department this year it might be pointed out that the bone of contention between the council and the commissioners, namely, a patrol wagon and increases in the salaries of patrolmen, amounts to \$3000. The sum of \$500 has been appropriated for the conveyance, and \$150 for maintenance, while the increases in the salaries will aggregate \$250. These are for six months, commencing on the first of June. The remainder of the difference between this year's estimate for the police and that of last year is made up in increases in general maintenance.

PERSONAL

E. A. Peabody, deputy United States consul, and Mrs. Peabody, left on the steamer Whatcom last night for Seattle, where Mrs. Peabody will visit relatives.

S. McE. Smith and wife returned yesterday from Seattle on the steamer Whatcom. Capt. J. S. Gibson was among the Whatcom's passengers yesterday afternoon.

A. C. Fatcher left on the steamer Whatcom last evening en route to Grand Forks, where he will reside in future.

Clement Livingstone, general superintendent of the Tyee mine, and Mrs. Livingstone, are at the Strand.

Mrs. G. W. Wales, of Yorkshire, England, is visiting the city. She is a guest at the Dallas.

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MR. CAIN DISGUSTED

At Manner in Which Government Dealt With Railway Project.

Disgusted at the discourteous manner in which they have been treated by Premier McBride and his government, John Cain and associates, who have been promoting the Island railway project, have abandoned all hope of carrying out the enterprise they had in view.

It will be recalled that the proposition they first submitted to the executive was given short shrift, but after communicating with the parties in New York, whom they represented, they approached the government with another proposal, which was a decided modification of conditions. They say they were willing to accept a hand subsidy without the cash, and desired to open negotiations with the Premier and colleagues as to the amount.

This morning when they went to take the matter up further with the government they were politely informed that the cabinet was too busy to listen to any proposal to-day, but suggested that a meeting be held on Monday.

Mr. Cain is indignant because of the way in which the matter has been dilatoryly dealt with, and has decided to call the project off. He will wire to this effect to New York.

ASSAULTED THE CYCLIST.

Alec Ritchie Was Fined Ten Dollars for Landing on Jones.

Pedestrians near the corner of Douglas and Fort streets about eleven o'clock last night were startled by a woman's screams. Hastening to the scene they were just in time to see a figure bolt up the street, clear a fence and disappear. He left a couple standing on the sidewalk who evinced a deep concern in his whereabouts. The man was one John N. Jones, who says he is a trick bicyclist with the endorsement of the New York World. The other was his wife, whom he married in this city about ten days ago. She appeared hysterical, and informed the bystanders that "a man had followed her husband from the Bee Hive saloon and slapped him," constant Murre went on the fugitive's trail not long afterwards, and eventually located him in a wooded. He was taken to the police station and looked for assault. He gave his name as Alec Ritchie.

As a matter of fact the assault was not altogether spontaneous. Previous to the launching of Ritchie's right or left there was a warm altercation on the corner. Everybody within a hundred yards could hear the conversation which was not strictly in keeping with the law of conventional. It was not until the blow landed that the woman screams fell on the still night air.

In the police court this morning Ritchie was charged with assaulting Jones. He pleaded guilty, but the magistrate wanted particulars, so Jones went on the witness stand and told his story. He said he met the accused in the Bee Hive and Ritchie threw half a dollar at him. Not to be outdone in generosity, Jones threw it back. He then went out and joined Mrs. Jones, who was patiently waiting for her spouse on the sidewalk. They proceeded towards the imperial hotel, where they were staying, but were followed by Ritchie, who overhauled them near the drug store. "You the assault," he said. "I told you to take your wife home," interrupted Ritchie from the prisoner's dock. "What did you hit me for?" queried the witness, with fine indignation.

The interesting dialogue continued. "Did you hit me for not taking you to my house?" Ritchie asked. "No," replied the witness. "I was crying because you were following my husband," broke in the wife from her seat in the court room.

The interesting dialogue continued. "I did not," returned the witness with emphasis. The conversation finally became so emphatic that the magistrate stopped it. He fined the prisoner ten dollars or twenty days' imprisonment. As Ritchie was led off triumphantly from the room. Jones is the man, it will be remembered, who announced that he would give an exhibition of trick riding on the corner of Yates and Broad streets about a week ago. This did not come off, although a vast crowd congregated. He claims that he is a traveller with a mission, namely, the accumulation of five hundred or a thousand dollars before he returns to New York. He has a typewritten document with the typewritten name of the manager of the New York World at the bottom of it, which is exhibited as his credentials. He has secured a number of contributions, and "fond" from citizens. The other day he and his wife rather surprised the police by reporting that some woman who belonged to the other side was here in pursuit of Jones. He said he gave her a thousand dollars to keep away from him, but this did not alter her determination, and she was bent on the disruption of his conjugal infidelity. He further reported that she was armed with an ivory handled revolver, with which she had threatened him.

In order to put him off the track, he said, she changed her hotel repeatedly and went around disguised. The police, after investigating, purchased a large quantity of salt to take with the story.

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BOY'S SAD DEATH.

Drank Antiseptic Fluid and Was Found Dead When Party Returned From Brother's Funeral.

"Police Constable Pitchford, of Nelson, came down with a lunatic, for confinement in the hospital for the insane, at New Westminster, and brought a sad story in connection with the death of little 4-year-old Allen Egerton Couffer, the son of Samuel E. Couffer, of Nelson," says the Vancouver World. "The story of the little lad's climb to death has already been told, but the saddest part is in the sequel. "While the family were away at the funeral, another little son, aged three, in his wanderings about the house, found a bottle of some antiseptic fluid, left by the undertaker. The little fellow toyed with the bottle, and in some way loosened the stopper. The temptation to taste followed and the return of the funeral party was made doubly tragic by the finding of another corpse, the fluid that had been used to preserve the dead having had a very ill effect on the living."

SPECIAL TRAIN WRECKED.

Dead and Injured May Number Fifty-Nine Bodies Have Been Taken From Debris.

(Associated Press.)

Kimmswick, Mo., April 30.—A World's Fair special train on the Iron Mountain & Southern railway was wrecked one mile and a half from here to-day.

The engine struck an open switch, and with the exception of the last sleeper, the coaches were derailed.

It is reported that the list of dead, and wounded will reach nearly 50. Engineer Bailey was killed, and Fireman Gaupert fatally injured. Nine dead bodies have been removed from the wreck, only one of which has been identified. Six passengers are seriously and 20 slightly injured.

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CREW DROWNED.

Schooner Runs on Reef and Is a Total Wreck.

(Associated Press.)

Halifax, April 30.—Schooner Duroro, twenty-one days from Puerto Rico, with molasses, ran on Duggan's reef, Ketch harbor, this morning, and is a total wreck. All hands lost.

THE MASTER MECHANIC'S PURE TAR SOAP cleans and softens the skin, while promptly cleaning it of grease, oil, rust, etc. Invaluable for mechanics, farmers, sportsmen. Free sample on receipt of 2c. for postage. Albert Toilet Soap Co., Mfrs., Montreal.

EIGHTY ARE IDLE.

Demand For High Wages Leads to Reduction of Staff in Cigar Factory.

(Associated Press.)

London, Ont., April 30.—Eighty employees of the Tuckett cigar factory have been laid off here because of the demands of the men for increased wages.

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ON WAY HOME.

Lord Curzon, Viceroy of India, Sails From Bombay For England.

(Associated Press.)

Bombay, April 30.—Lord Curzon, of Kedleston, Viceroy of India, sailed for home to-day on board the steamer Arabia. He was given a great send-off. The city was decorated, and large crowds gathered on the sea front to bid him farewell. The Viceroy appears to be in excellent health.



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DIED. CONNACHER—At Vancouver, on April 28th, Robert Connacher, aged 73 years.

BURSE—At Vancouver, on April 28th, Clara E. Burse, aged 16 years.

NICHOLSON—At New Westminster, on April 28th, Estelle Nicholson, aged 14 years and 9 months.

MINERS ON STRIKE.

Joggins Mines, N. S., April 30.—Three hundred miners, employed at the Joggins mines, have gone on strike because of the failure of the company to pay the wages due them for the past five weeks. Great excitement prevails, and the train service to the mines has been cancelled on account of the trouble.

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