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There might be one exception to such a rule, although we are not aware that church ordinances permit it.

Now who was wronged in this instance? Certainly not the Colonist. It was, to say the least, a party to the injury.

It appears, moreover, that the name of the culprit is withheld, the only information vouchsafed being that His Lordship has received his statement and as a consequence absolves the Colonist from blame.

In the matter under consideration, the Bishop's confessor must be regarded as anonymous, and the public must judge how far a clergyman may be imposed upon by an artful, if rather ancient, device.

what may be accomplished by the enlistment of private capital. We cannot enter into competition with the street railway company in the business of providing citizens with power, heat and light generated according to the principles of modern science.

The capital upon which we must necessarily depend for the provision of these things demands a reasonable guarantee of permanency and security for its investment.

There will be no horse racing in the state of Washington during the present year. Nor will there be in a good number of other states in the American Union.

We propose to have some further remarks to make on this subject and raise the question now in order that His Lordship may clearly indicate his position.

ONE MAN ONE VOTE.

To the Editor: It is at least amusing to hear the attorney-general and the premier tell the legislature that the Conservatives are anxious that everything connected with the franchise should be fair.

Do they consider it fair that each man who lives in Vancouver city should have five votes, whilst each man in North Vancouver city has only one vote?

Why should a man in a city south of Burrard Inlet have five times as much voting power as a man who lives in a city north of the inlet?

Look at the temptation to bribery. Bribes enough loose to carry the election and you have five men elected.

If they wish to do the fair thing, give each one voter one vote, not five.

J. N. MUIR.

PUBLIC SAFETY.

To the Editor: Has it occurred to you in view of the frightful disaster in Mexico, that the responsible parties in our own city for the supervision of places of amusement are courting through their apathy, a second Point Ellice disaster?

The apparatus is placed in the most dangerous part of the theatre, viz: immediately in front of the main entrance. In the event of fire not only would the main exit in all probability be immediately cut off, but the machine standing beneath the balcony, the danger of the balcony at once catching fire, and these two exits also being at once cut off, is apparent.

H. C.

THAT "UNHAPPY INSTANCE."

To the Editor: I hope you will not allow the Colonist to throw dust in the eyes of the public, as attempted in its recent transparency, "A New Standard."

May I put it in a nutshell, abandoning for the moment the questions of "investigation" and "resignation?"

The Times and other influential papers of different political views charge the Colonist with "forgery," which your contemporary at last admits by referring to it as "a recent unhappy instance."

The Colonist as a set off charges you with "telling stories" or lies, but you cannot possibly be sent to penal servitude or gaol for this go with me.

I think, sir, we may go with the Colonist and admit thousands of lies were probably told during the recent elections, of which your contemporary no doubt contributed its fair share in addition to the now notorious "telegram forgery."

To use the Colonist's language, "to use the Colonist's language, instead of 'marching with stately step and slow' in this matter for so many months, I think it would have been more becoming for your contemporary to have employed a detective at any cost to find the forger, assuming the rest of the staff were unable or unwilling to do so."

A CONSERVATIVE.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Father Vulliamis left by the Princess Royal this afternoon en route to Europe by Northern Pacific railway via New York and Liverpool.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Leiser leave to-morrow on a southern states, going by way of San Francisco, then to New York from which point they will sail for the Old Country and Europe.

FUTURE OF VICTORIA.

The publishers of the new directory of Vancouver Island estimate the population of Victoria at between thirty-six and thirty-seven thousand.

The estimate is based upon the usual allowance in such cases of three persons to a family. It is a conservative calculation and bears out the opinion of every person who has paid attention to the progress of the past few years as exhibited in the large number of new residences which have been constructed.

The question that will naturally be asked is whether there is a possibility of this growth being maintained. We believe it will be, for the simple reason that, apart altogether from the attractions of this district from a residential point of view, people are flocking from all sections of the world to the Pacific Coast, and naturally there must be a strong overflow in this direction.

While giving publicity to the letter of "H. C.," because it touches a matter of great public interest, we have no reason to doubt that the officers in charge of the Victoria theatre and the responsible authorities have taken every precaution necessary for the public safety.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wood and Mrs. A. Pawsena, of Burlingame, San Francisco, are staying at the Dominion hotel.

John H. Griffith, of St. Vincent, with Mrs. Griffith and children, are spending some weeks here at the Dominion hotel.

THAT ANONYMOUS CONFESSION.

Ten days or more ago, after the Times had been daily demanding some defence to the public of its conduct in publishing a forged telegram from Mr. Borden on the eve of the last election, a statement was given out by the management of the Colonist that a satisfactory explanation had been obtained through the medium of a confession made to Bishop Perrin by a man who declared he was the culprit.

It was further alleged by the Colonist management that the Bishop in his letter absolved the paper mentioned from all blame, and that the document in question had been forwarded to Mr. Borden to be used in the same place where he had repudiated the paper's action, and declared it to be guilty of adding the words "and the total exclusion of Asiatics."

The whole circumstances were so extraordinary that we refused at first to believe that any such document had been written. Later the letter itself was shown to various people with the signature of the Bishop of Columbia attached, and as a second forgery was scarcely believable we inquired of His Lordship if he had received such a confession and had written a letter of the nature mentioned to the Colonist.

Bishop Perrin's reply was that it was a private matter between him and the Colonist and that it would come out in due time.

We gathered from this that the document would be read in parliament, or that the Colonist itself would gladly publish it. We have waited for almost two weeks in vain. The Colonist will not publish the document, but reserves it for private circulation.

His Lordship insists that it is private between him and the Colonist, although the heads of the latter show it freely about the city; and Mr. Borden evidently declines to use it.

We confess we are not surprised at the reticence of the Colonist. Neither are we surprised at the refusal of Mr. Borden and Mr. Barnard to employ such a clumsy device. In any event both the newspaper and the Conservative leader are free agents in the matter and may do as they please.

Although we were not aware that the confession is recognized in the Anglican denomination, it is possible that His Lordship may in the exercise of his clerical office solve from the lips of one of his flock, or we presume, from the mouth of any one, an acknowledgment of guilt or wrong doing.

As we understand the canons of the church in question, we would do so only for the purpose of furnishing spiritual advice or direction. We were not aware that such a confession would, in any circumstances, be communicated to the outside world, as seems to have been done in this case.

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DEPT. OF MILITIA AND DEFENCE NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. SEALED TENDERS for the supply of meat, bread, groceries, vegetables, forage, straw for bedding, coal oil, and for the washing of bedding and other barracks services for the permanent force at Esquimalt for the fiscal year beginning April 1st, 1909, will be received up to noon of Monday, March 15th, 1909.

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Ocean and Coastwise Shipping

Movements of Local Vessels—Trade Expansion in B. C. Waters—Cleanings of Interest From the Seven Seas.

SOUND SHIPPING MEN AND PILOTAGE BILL

Qualification of Applicants Before Marine Inspectors is Considered Sufficient.

(Special to the Times.) Seattle, Wash., Feb. 20.—Shipping men of Seattle have banded together for the purpose of defeating the pilotage bill, which is now in the hands of the harbor committee of the legislature, and which will come up for hearing next week, probably Monday.

STEAMER QUEEN ARRIVES.

Ethel Anderson is Again on Board, But She Did Not Attempt to Land Here.

On two occasions a young lady giving her name as Ethel Anderson, has attempted to pass the immigration officers at this port, but has been prevented from landing by those ever watchful officials.

MARINE NOTES

Steamer Vadso will probably arrive from the north on Monday. British steamer Yeddo is due here within the next few days to coal. Steamer Princess May is not expected to reach port until to-morrow.

SHIPPING REPORT

Tatoosh, Feb. 20, 9 a. m.—Clear; wind E, 2 miles; bar, 29.77; temp., 37. Passed out a steamer, at 6:35 a. m. Estevan, Feb. 20, 8 a. m.—Clear; calm; bar, 29.77; temp., 45; sea moderate. Pacheña, Feb. 20, noon.—Clear; light N. E. wind; bar, 29.83; temp., 37; sea moderate.

C. P. R. TRANSFER STILL ON BEACH

Efforts to Raise Her Prove Unsuccessful—Queen City Arrives.

The C. P. R. transfer barge is still on the beach at Plummer bay, near Seymour Narrows, all efforts to raise her having proved unsuccessful. The work of transferring the transfer to the barge George is still going on, and it is expected that all will be moved by to-morrow, when she will proceed to Prince Rupert. The barge was brought this morning by the Queen City, which arrived at this port at 8:30 a. m.

FREIGHT FOR CYCLOPS.

Quantity of Salmon and Herrings for Orient and England. Steamer Oscar arrived this morning from the Fraser River with 2,173 cases of salmon from J. H. Todd & Son's cannery for shipment on the Blue Funnel liner Cyclops.

GREEN SICKNESS

A DISEASE OF YOUNG GIRLS. Interesting and Suggestive Advice That All Should Read. Many mothers will echo the conclusion expressed in a very interesting and suggestive letter written by Mrs. Zachariah Pollard, of Grand Bay.

HALF MILE RECORD ON ICE

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 20.—On the Red River speedway Moth Miller, a green horse owned by Dr. Hinman and driven by H. Wilkins, covered a half mile straightaway on ice in 1.01 3/4, making a new world's record for the distance.

ON THE BRINK OF DEATH.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 20.—After the warden had announced that "All was ready," and the guards had prepared to lead R. Moan Shumway to the scaffold, the supreme court yesterday afternoon suspended sentence until March 6th. Shumway was convicted of the murder of Mrs. Sarah Martin.

MAURETANIA GETS OCEAN WIRELESS RECORD

Picks Up Message From Clifden Station at Distance of 2,300 Miles.

New York, Feb. 20.—What was said to be the longest wireless message, as to distance sent, caught by a ship at sea, was received yesterday from Clifden station at Clifden, Ireland, 2,300 miles away, according to the Mauretania's wireless operator, Philip Davies.

SHIPPING GUIDE.

Table with columns for Vessel, From, To, Date. Includes entries for Aki Maru, Princess May, Vadso, and others.

FERRY SERVICE

Princess Charlotte leaves here at 12:30 p. m. daily except Monday, arrives at Seattle 7:30 a. m. daily except Tuesday.

TIDE TABLE.

Table showing high and low water times for Victoria, B. C. on February 20, 1909. Columns include Date, Time High, Time Low.

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HOW TO DEAL WITH JUVENILE DELINQUENTS

Superintendent of Ontario Children's Department Speaks on Subject. Vancouver, Feb. 19.—A luncheon was yesterday tendered by the Canadian Club to J. J. Kelso, superintendent of the Ontario children's department, who is visiting the city.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Meeting Will Be Held in Colquhoun Hall on Tuesday—Strawberry Vale Notes. (Special Correspondence.) Strawberry Vale, Feb. 20.—A meeting of the Victoria District Farmers' Institute will be held at Colquhoun hall on Tuesday evening.

Canadian Pacific Atlantic Express

THROUGH TRAIN FROM PACIFIC TO ATLANTIC Carrying Standard and Tourist Sleepers, and connecting at Winnipeg with Winnipeg-Toronto Express. Tourist cars Vancouver to St. Paul.

Table showing Atlantic Express steamship sailings: Empire Britain, Lake Manitoba, Empress Ireland, etc.

Table showing Pacific Steamship sailings: Moano, Makura, Aorangi, Marana, Makura.

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Trains leave Victoria daily at 9 a. m. Afternoon trains on Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday at 3 p. m. L. D. CHETHAM, District Passenger Agent.

Club gave a very enjoyable dance at Strawberry Vale hall last evening. An enjoyable dance was given by Mrs. George Rogers at her beautiful home on Gianford avenue.

SEATTLE ROUTE

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The Times Nature Club

The only ferns to be found in the woods just now green and uninjured by the severe frosts of January, are the Polybodies. These are usually found on the rocks, where they grow among the moss and lichens, clinging to the cracks where a slight amount of soil suffices for their purpose.



POLYPODY FERNS, GROWING ON A ROCK AT ESQUIMALT.

made as to why gulls are so often seen on the inland meadows at this time of year. The same thing was noticed last year and on previous occasions.

The song of the swallow is also mentioned. Most of the bill-birds, those that live wholly or almost so on insect food migrate for the winter to a climate which is warmer, and where insect life is more abundant.

Young Gulls Brown. There is a very common opinion extant that the white gulls are a different species to the brown ones.

The sea is as full of changing life as the land. The receding tide often leaves strange wreckage behind it. One common and distinctive object is the egg case of the conch.

Curious Life Histories. Few things in natural history are more curious and interesting than the strange metamorphoses through which some lower forms of life pass before attaining their final stage of growth.

freshly-roaming creature until it has emerged from the chrysalis. "Baby" oysters or lobsters are free-swimming creatures at an early age, but later in life one attaches itself to a spot from which it never moves.

that the premier was still on the list in New Westminster, the minister of finance in Vancouver and the provincial secretary in Atlin, and therefore would be struck off under the attorney-general's proposal.

Agent Was Not Liable. George R. Naden (Greenwood), on the point of official probity, stated that a few years ago the collector of voters in New Westminster was the government agent, an absolutely fair-minded man.

REVISION OF VOTERS' LISTS (Continued from page 3) from the list till the voter had been absent at least a year, he proposed to vote for it and insist that it be included in the bill.

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number of the public officials are men of undoubted honor and integrity but there are many ready to strain a point in favor of the party which appointed them and which maintains them in office. The premier has given us one of his usual speeches; that he and his party are always willing to do what is right; they lie awake at night thinking of the interests of the people.

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