





# CABLE FROM LONDON

It is the Scarcity of Wheat not the Price That Causes Distress in India.

Lesser Powers Want the Same Privileges in the Dardanelles as Greater Ones.

London, Dec. 1.—The Earl of Elgin, viceroy of India, telegraphs to the government that the rain there is too late to be of much benefit to the autumn crop, but it is in time for the late sowing. Prices, he says, show a tendency to fall, though the full effect is not yet apparent in the Deccan. The condition of the people is good, and the pressure upon them is due to prices rather than to the failure of the crops. Since the rain prices have fallen 20 to 50 per cent. in the northern districts.

The Constantinople correspondent of the Standard discusses the refusal of admission to the Dardanelles of Greek, Dutch and American ships, which is attributed to Russian influence. The American and Greek subjects, add the correspondent, "are annoyed at their governments for not showing more energy with a view to obtaining the privileges granted to the great powers."

Lord Saville, P.C., C.G.B., first baron, is dead. He was born in 1818, entered the foreign office in 1841, and in the same year accompanied the Earl of Westmoreland to Berlin as private secretary. He became an attaché in 1842, was secretary of the legation in 1854 and secretary of the embassy in 1861, being many times chargé d'affaires.

The Daily Mail states that the fetes at Blenheim castle in honor of the visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough cost £20,000.

A dispatch from Rome to the Standard says that a great sensation has been caused in that city by the attempted murder of an English lady, who wrote for the press under the non de plume of Contessa Lara; she was the wife of Captain Mancini, the son of a former minister. An artist friend shot her after a quarrel and she is said to be dying. She was formerly Miss Eva Catermole, daughter of a former British consul at Florence. She had some time been separated from her husband. The name of the artist who shot her is Pierantoni and his motive is said to have been jealousy.

Thirteen signed letters from George Washington to Arthur Young, the agriculturist, dated from 1786 to 1793, on farming in America, were sold today at auction at Sotheby's London. After some smart bidding the documents finally fetched £170.

Representatives of the Associated Press have been making inquiries in various British and continental trade centres as to the effects upon trade already traceable to the result of the presidential election. These inquiries have been made among the leading expert houses, at the American consulates and of the larger forwarding agents. In England the increase in the number of invoices at all the consulates in the first week after the election of McKinley was more marked than during the second and third weeks. But the increase for the second and third weeks over the same period of October was at many consulates over 50 per cent. Among forwarding agents there is the general belief in good times abroad, many of them having since November made contracts for large amounts of cubic space. Exporters and large commission houses report greatly increased activity, which they expect to continue for some time. American stocks of dry goods, etc., have been allowed to fall very low. The winter buyers, due shortly, are expected to order heavily. In Dublin the election of McKinley has been very cordially received by the exporters. There is everywhere noticeable a general expectation of improved trade during 1897. This feeling is based in part upon the assurance of a policy of continuity in monetary affairs, and partly upon the indications of the past few weeks of the returning prosperity in the United States.

At a meeting of the Royal Society yesterday, Sir John Lister, foreign secretary, presiding, medals were presented to Prof. Roentgen for his ray discovery and to the French professor, Moissan, for his discovery of the isolation of the element fluorine. At a banquet at the Hotel Metropole in the evening the United States ambassador, Mr. Bayard, toasted the Royal Society.

## MISSOURI NATIONAL FAILS.

Unable to Withstand a Heavy Run Which Was Started on It.

Kansas City, Dec. 2.—The Missouri National bank closed its doors on Monday, owing to the heavy withdrawals by one of its principal depositors. The deposits are \$1,500,000. The bank was closed as one of the strongest in the Southwest. Shortly after 11 o'clock the following notice was placed on the door: "By order of the directors this bank has been closed, and is in the hands of the comptroller."

This action was precipitated by withdrawal of \$50,000 in one lump by Helmu a wealthy local brewer, whose action was quickly followed by others.

The last statement issued by the bank showed \$1,561,000 cash, and exchange of \$540,000. D. V. Reiger is president and D. E. Covington, cashier. In the panic of July, 1893, the Missouri National was one of the local institutions to go under, but it soon re-opened.

The bank had been open to-day just an hour when the comptroller took charge. The officers were too excited to make a statement. The same surprise was evidenced everywhere. No fears were expressed by other local bankers that the failure would spread agitation.

Two critics are assigned for the suspension. One is slow collections, and the other, the prime reason, is dissension among the directors. These finally led to a clash with the government. President Reiger said this afternoon: "I have little to say except that there is no doubt whatever that the depositors will get every dollar deposited here

and if the business is judiciously handled the stockholders should get fair returns."

H. A. Forman, of St. Louis, national bank examiner for Missouri, is in charge.

The bank opened for business at the usual hour this morning, and numerous persons made deposits before the closing notice had been posted. These deposits, according to Cashier Covington, will be paid back, probably in a few days. The bank had between 2,200 and 2,300 depositors, most of them for small amounts, and there are probably 12 stockholders of the concern.

That the failure cannot involve, even indirectly, any member of the Kansas City Clearing House Association is the consensus of opinion among all the clearing house members, and an opinion that is expressed in no uncertain terms. At no time, it is claimed, has the cash reserve been held in all the banks at such a high percentage of demand deposits. From the twenty-four hour reports on currency made by the different cashiers of the various banks it would appear that since the election and as the direct result of the uneasiness felt in regard to the effect of the national election on monetary legislation, most of the local banks called in loans and hoarded up cash in their vaults until from 45 to 65 per cent. of all deposits were held in the vaults.

Washington, Dec. 1.—The Missouri National bank has a capital of \$250,000, and at the date of the last report the surplus and profits were \$230,000; deposits were \$1,131,000; due to other banks, \$294,000.

The failure of the First National bank of Tyler, Tex., was also reported. It has a capital of \$200,000; surplus and profits, \$62,000; due to other banks, \$9,000; deposits, \$231,000; borrowed money, \$224,000. Bank Examiner McDonald has been placed in charge.

## WANT ANNEXATION.

Hawaii is Flourishing but Would Like to Join the United States.

Washington, Dec. 1.—John W. Foster, former secretary of state, has returned to Washington from a four weeks' visit to Hawaii, whither he went as the representative of the Pacific Cable Company. In speaking of his visit, Mr. Foster said:

"The condition of business in Hawaii is flourishing. The islands are prosperous, and their future is bright. The Pacific Mail has recently doubled its service, sending a steamer twice a month, instead of only once, as formerly, and a new line is soon expected to be established by the Japanese, which will touch at the islands on the way to San Francisco. The people of Hawaii wish to be annexed to the United States. The present government has the approval of a majority of the native Hawaiians, and there is no likelihood that there will be a restoration of the monarchy. The English and German elements, however, are opposed to annexation to the United States, because they believe it will interfere with their contract labor and so affect their interests commercially."

"The present government in its administration is giving satisfaction. Yet this government is only temporary, and the people want to be annexed to the United States. The members of the government are pledged to it, and the present constitution of the republic expresses this expectation. So it is the general belief that the matter should be decided at an early date, if possible."

Mr. Foster said it was not apparent that Hawaii could maintain herself as an independent government in case the United States should refuse to annex the islands. Although her people are law-abiding, and the present government is being run smoothly, and successfully, there is a continual fear, said Mr. Foster, that some change may occur. So far as the Hawaiians are concerned, they are incapable of self-government."

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## NEW YORK LAWYER DEAD.

Ira Shafer, Noted Lawyer, Dies After a Long Illness.

New York, Dec. 1.—Ira Shafer, the noted lawyer, after an illness of about four months, died at Poughkeepsie, last night of congestion of the brain.

Ira Shafer was born in Northern New York state. Soon after he was admitted to the bar he became the attorney of Albany and represented Albany in the state senate. Coming to New York with a reputation well established, he soon built up a large practice. He became noted as an impetuous, yet stubborn, fighter, and his triumph in the Barrow case and his defence in the Stewart estate case attracted much attention and added to his fame.

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NOTHING WAS DONE

City Council Made no Progress in the Inquiry into the Bridge Delays.

They Disagree as to the Plan of Procedure—Some Pointed Insinuations.

The city council met last evening to continue the Engineer Wilmot investigation. All the members with the exception of Aldermen Wilson and Cameron were present.

Mr. Belyea understood at the previous meeting that charges against the engineer would be formulated for this meeting.

Mr. Belyea was of the opinion that Mr. Wilmot had a perfect right to be heard. Mayor Beaven concurred in what Mr. Belyea had said.

Mr. Wilmot was responsible for the delay. It was useless beating about the bush in the matter. Some gentlemen should make specific charges.

Ald. Marchant remarked that he was not a lawyer and probably would not put matters in a way suitable to Mr. Belyea, but he proposed to act in a way that was suitable to himself.

At the request of Ald. Marchant City Clerk Dowler then read a report from the city engineer dated June 15, in which the engineer estimated the cost of the pile bridge with coppered piles at \$3,200.

Several questions were then asked by different persons of different persons and confusion resulted. After some time order was restored.

The engineer replied that he employed the men through the foreman. Ald. Tiarke was the foreman willing to carry out your orders?

Mr. Wilmot replied that Mr. West refused to work at night, and refused to allow other men to use his tools. Ald. Macmillan—Had you not the power to dismiss Mr. West?

Mr. Wilmot—Yes, but it would not do to have different foremen on the one track. Ald. Glover—That is all bosh. Are there not more bridge carpenters in the city besides Mr. West?

Ald. Tiarke—No. Not any to do his work. Ald. Macmillan—I can get a good bridge man in half an hour.

Ald. Macmillan asked the mayor if he had given Mr. Wilmot instructions to cease operations on receipt of Mr. Gamble's letter.

The dates of the injunctions were then read and also when they were dissolved. Ald. Marchant then wanted Mr. Wilmot to be sworn to give evidence.

Mr. Belyea protested against such a course. He characterized it a fishing expedition by the council to get evidence against the city engineer and contrary to all rules of evidence. Particulars should be given.

Ald. Marchant again reiterated that he would refuse to act as prosecutor. He had always been friendly in his relations to the city engineer, but it was known there had been undue delay at Point Ellice.

Ald. Marchant asked the city engineer he should be dismissed. The engineer did not send that explanation, but asked for an investigation.

They knew that between June 17 and July 22 no legal proceedings stopped the work and the bridge was not built. Why was it not built? Again, why was it not built more speedily after October 8 when injunctions were dismissed?

EAST OF THE ROCKIES

Postal Telegraph Company's Property Seized by Commercial Cable Company.

Municipal Nominations in Manitoba—Tariff Commission at Hamilton.

Montreal, Dec. 1.—A number of employees of the C.P.R. repair shops in Montreal have been discharged as there is no work for them.

Great satisfaction is felt here at the consummation of the deal between the Commercial Cable and Postal Telegraph Companies. The Cable company secures the Postal property on the basis of a four per cent. guarantee.

The mayor then appealed to the city solicitor, who held that Mr. Belyea was certainly right in the position he had taken. Building Inspector Northcott then appeared.

Hamilton, Dec. 1.—The tariff commission opened its investigation here today. The fruit-growers wanted the ad valorem duty on plums and pears changed to a specific duty of one cent.

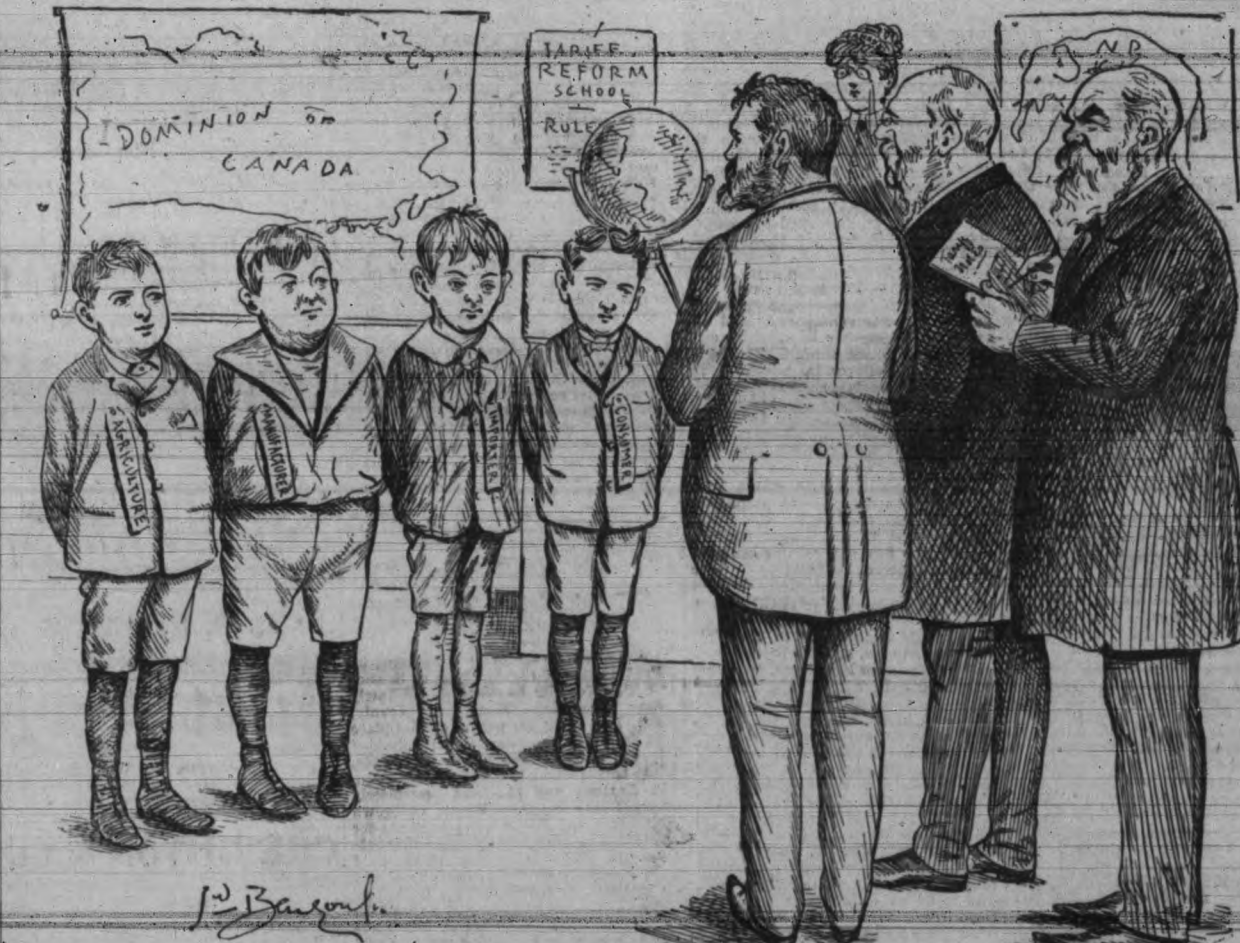
Toronto, Dec. 1.—Early this morning a man giving the name of Martin Meredith, and who said he was a Pennsylvania miner, visiting a friend named Edward Drobun, grocer, was found in an old sewer at the foot of West Market street.

The men who found him carried him to the Army hotel and summoned the police ambulance. Meredith was removed to the general hospital, where he told a story to the effect that last night about nine o'clock he was attacked by footpads on Front street between Church and Yonge streets, and robbed of \$7.

Caled Dunning, a prominent resident for forty years died yesterday. Chatham, Dec. 1.—John Stringer, one of the oldest and most respected residents of this city, is dead, aged 78.

Amherst, Dec. 1.—Charles Tupper Hillson, inspector of buildings for the intercolonial railway, has received notice that after December 31 his services will not be required.

THE GOVERNMENTAL EXAMINATION.



FINANCE MINISTER—How should a just and equitable Tariff be made? I want each boy to give his own idea in his own way. MINISTER OF TRADE AND COMMERCE—Come now, boys, speak up; don't be afraid!

proved, and he was asked questions regarding the bills of quantities for the pile bridge. These bills were read and explanations made by Mr. Northcott.

By this time Ald. Williams, Tiarke and Partridge had left and there was no quorum. The question of meeting again was then discussed, but no decision was arrived at.

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one-third of the entire cable company's traffic last year and is of so much importance to the cable company that the latter realized that they must control this property. The capital of the Postal is \$15,000,000, while their property account at the end of 1895 stood at \$15,344,145.

The Postal Telegraph Cable Company's submarine cables between New York city and Hayti were completed today, and will be opened to the public after midnight to-night for the transmission of messages to Hayti and other places in the West Indies.

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Winnipeg, Dec. 1.—The municipal nominations were held in Manitoba today at all points outside of Winnipeg. In this city the nominations take place next Tuesday. The polling will be held in all the municipalities on December 15.

Portage la Prairie, Mayor H. S. Patterson and Edward Brown. Assiniboia—Revo, A. Mitteray. The supporters of the Manitoba Club dropped giving a dinner to Hon. Mr. Sifton before his departure for Ottawa.

The writ for the bye-election in North Brandon has been issued. The nomination takes place on December 12 and the election on the 19th.

A most distressing and serious accident occurred last night at Langdon near Calgary. Miss Pencock, operator at that place, was alighting from the front of the caboose of a freight train going East, when she slipped on the snow and fell under the train, both her legs being badly mangled. She was immediately taken to Calgary and placed in the hospital. Dr. Mackie found it necessary to amputate one leg.

OTTAWA LETTER

Ottawa, Nov. 24.—The annual report of the inland revenue department, which was issued to-day, shows that the Canadiana whiskey bill for the fiscal year ending June 30 last, was the lowest it has ever been in the history of Canada.

The quantity of beer drunk per head has increased. In 1860 the quantity consumed was 2.200. It kept about the same—sometimes a little higher, sometimes a little lower—until 1881, when the quantity consumed per head was 2.543. Each year it kept going up until 1891, when it reached its highest point, 3.700.

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SALE OF MINING PROPERTIES

By Order of the Mortgagee.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain indenture of Mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be offered for sale by Mr. William Hardaker, Auctioneer, at his auction room, Douglas-street, Victoria, B. C., on Tuesday, the 10th day of December, 1896, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, subject to conditions of sale to be then and there produced the following properties:

Lot 1—Two equal undivided one-third shares of and in a certain mineral claim known as the "Joe Dandy" Mineral Claim, and being lot No. 417, group 1, Osoyoos division of Yale district, British Columbia.

Lot 2—A certain mineral claim known as the "Silver Crown" Mineral Claim, and being lot 418, group 1, Osoyoos division of Yale district, and known as the "Homestake" Mineral Claim.

Lot 3—One equal undivided one-half share of and in a certain mineral claim, situate at Fairview, in the said Osoyoos division of Yale district, and known as the "Homestake" Mineral Claim.

Lot 4—Fifteen per cent. cash; balance on 2nd day of January, 1897.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. Bodwell & Irving, Solicitors, Victoria, British Columbia, or to

WM. T. HARDAKER, Auctioneer, 2017-18 Douglas Street, Victoria, B. C.

Notice of Sale

The British Columbia Paper Manufacturing Company, Limited.

IN LIQUIDATION. Notice is hereby that under and by virtue of the authority of an order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, made on the 19th day of November, 1896, by the Hon. Mr. Justice Wilken, I will sell, subject to the approval of one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, all the real and personal property other than book debts and other choses in action of the said British Columbia Paper Manufacturing Company, Ltd., subject only to the mortgage charge upon same.

The said property consists chiefly of the equity of redemption in part (160 acres) of Section VII, Alberni district, British Columbia, together with a paper mill and saw mill situate upon the same, and also of the plant, machinery and tools, etc., used in connection therewith.

The mortgage charge upon the same is \$28,000.00, with interest upon the same from the thirtieth day of September, 1896, to the date of sale, together with the costs of foreclosure proceedings to the said date of sale, less a rebate of \$30.00 per month from the said 19th September to such date.

This is a good opportunity for investors, as the saw mill is in good running order, and the rapid development of the mines in Alberni district ensures a very ready market for all the lumber that can be cut.

There is a good water power on the site, a plentiful supply of timber, including cotton wood in the vicinity, and with the addition of some modern machinery, it is believed that the manufacture of paper can be carried on at the lowest possible cost.

Above sale will be made at public auction, at the auction rooms of William T. Hardaker, Douglas-street, Victoria, British Columbia, on Wednesday, the 10th day of December next, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

Further particulars may be obtained from the undersigned, at his office or at the office of Messrs. Fell & Gregory, Board of Trade Building, Beaton Square, Victoria, B. C., 10th November, 1896.

F. ELWORTHY, Liquidator.

TENDERS

Will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon of Friday, the 14th day of December next, for the supply of a horse, about 1,200 pounds, not more than six years old; must pass examination by veterinary surgeon.

Person tendering must bring the horse tendered to the City Market for inspection at 3 o'clock on the above named date.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

TENDERS

WM. W. NORTHOTT, Purchasing Agent for the Corporation.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., November 25th, 1896.

Tenders Wanted.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Friday, the 14th day of December next for the purchase of all those pieces or parcels of land situate in the City of Victoria, more particularly known as subdivision lots numbered 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, of block eleven of the Hillside Extension A, to the Work Estate, as set out in the Land Registry Office, Victoria.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

FELL & GREGORY, Solicitors for the Mortgagee, Board of Trade Building, Beaton Square, Victoria, B. C., 25th November, 1896.

NOTICE

Mortgagees' Sale. Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to the nineteenth day of December next for the purchase of all that said four Town lots situate in Courtenay Townsite, District of Comox, and described and known as Lots 35 (fifty-five), 36 (fifty-six), 37 (fifty-seven) and 38 (fifty-eight) on the plan of Courtenay, and the hotel thereon known as "The Riverside Hotel," situate in Courtenay, in the District of Comox, Province of British Columbia.

Dated: this 16th day of November, 1896, no 29 in GEO. E. FISHER.

NOTICE

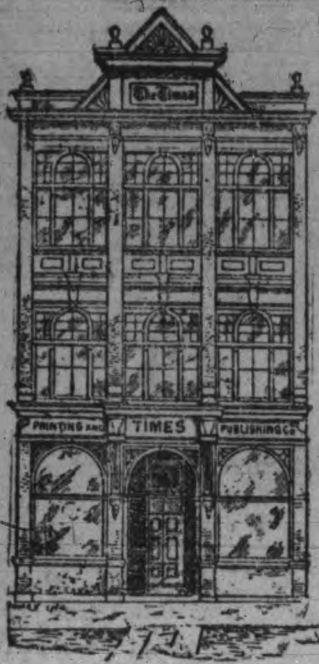
Quadra street, bet. Chatham and North Park street, is closed to public traffic.

E. A. WILMOT, City Engineer.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS

Changes for standing advertisements must be handed in at the office before 11 a.m. of the day the change is desired to appear.





The Daily Times.

MR. GAMBLE'S LETTER.

Those who read Mr. Gamble's letter to the public works department in the Point Ellice bridge must naturally wonder why a public official should so far indulge in misrepresentation and exaggeration. Surely in such a case an exact adherence to the truth and an avoidance of twisted arguments are especially called for. Yet we find Mr. Gamble gravely telling the department that if the city were allowed to complete the bridge then commenced it would have the "right to erect a closed bridge across the harbor at the foot of Johnson street on the site of one which was erected there some years ago." This is a sample of the dishonest arguments used by Mr. Gamble to effect his purpose, for he knew that there was not the slightest danger of any person proposing the restoration of the old Johnson street bridge, and that the allowance of the Point Ellice structure would not convey any such right as he suggested. Then Mr. Gamble's palpable exaggeration of the probable obstruction to traffic might well cause surprise. Who ever heard anything more ridiculous than the statement that one mill above Point Ellice gives employment to fifty men? Was the engineer deceived in this matter, or was he deliberately attempting to deceive the department? In either case the public will be able to draw the proper conclusion. It is very much to be regretted that any man occupying a position of responsibility should be found capable of concocting a report of this character.

POWER TRANSMISSION.

The success achieved in transmitting electrical power from Niagara Falls to Buffalo, 26 miles distant, in quantity sufficient to propel the whole of Buffalo's system of street cars, has increased speculation as to the possibilities in this direction. Winnipeg is now discussing the project of securing power from the falls at Keewatin, 130 miles away, the company controlling the water proposing to furnish 4,000 horse power if customers can be found in the prairie capital. The distance is much greater than any that has yet been bridged over by electricity, but with the improvements constantly devised in the means of transmission that difficulty is likely to vanish. The Globe notes the fact that five years ago, when a proposal was made to utilize power from the falls in Toronto, Mr. Edison, in answer to a request for an opinion, expressed the belief that, in the then condition of long distance transmission appliances, it would be cheaper to generate electricity by steam in Toronto than to attempt to convey water-produced electric power from Niagara. "It is doubtful," says the Globe, "whether Mr. Edison would give such an answer to-day, and an absolute surety that he would not venture to prophesy for five years ahead." One may reasonably ask why greater distances should not be overcome in the near future, when the 26 miles between Niagara Falls and Buffalo has not been found too great an obstacle. The development of the transmission line may mean much for this purpose, which is precariously the land of water power. Hundreds of active currents in British Columbia could be chained and made to furnish electrical force much more easily than Niagara. Cheap power would do a great deal for mining and for many other industries with which the margin of expense would otherwise seriously interfere. British Columbia may wish that the progress in this line should continue.

BAD POLITICS.

The Star has never ceased to remind the Conservative party that it has the majority of votes in Canada, but it is employing such a minimum of brains that it cannot possibly do much business. The school question has been settled. Will the Conservative party be kind enough to write it down that the school question has been settled and leave it alone? The Canadian people want more arguments over this thing. There is nothing in it for anybody but trouble.

and the greatest amount of trouble came to those who did the fool act of offering remedial legislation.

Does anybody intend to offer remedial legislation again? If not a cessation of talk is the only thing to quiet the matter. If the Conservative party keeps on making such a noise with his mouth, while there are no discoverable brains behind anything that is being said, remedial legislation may for a moment come up again, for the Bishop of St. Boniface is fanatic enough to try almost anything. He thinks that the mission of his life is to restore separate schools to Manitoba, but if he works for a hundred years he will never get separate schools in Manitoba. The politicians who are anxious to associate themselves with him can easily effect a combination, but the newspapers who are supposed to represent the Conservative party might very well examine the condition of the ground before they try to jump on it.

The school question is a closed incident; we imagine that it is through with, and everybody who plays with the gunpowder will get burned. For once the people of the country were quite willing to stay with the hierarchy until everyone was tired. Ordinarily the church wears the lily and gets what it desires, but this time the lily wears the hierarchy, and will stay with them until the end of the piece.—Toronto Star.

Communications.

The Times is not responsible for the opinions of correspondents, and must not be understood as endorsing the views expressed by any of their appearance in these columns. The names of correspondents must always be given to the editor.

GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT.

To the Editor.—Mr. B. W. Pearce's letter to the Colonist this morning might have been allowed to pass without comment had he only affixed dates to two statements. The paragraphs culled from the Royal Commission were written in 1891 and the state of things therein animadverted upon took place prior to that date. The grand jury's presentment was and is considered to be applicable to the present council, and as a reflection upon my colleagues, I declared it to be a "falsified pure and simple." The grand jury were certainly not expected to explore ancient history, but to framp a charge against the present mayor and aldermen, but it was within their province to call attention to existing evils. Now it is notorious that not one single member of the present council held office in those years the Royal Commission was considering, and it is simply disgraceful that the grand jury should seek to fasten a stigma upon men absolutely innocent of those transactions. For myself, I have spoken and written in the strongest possible terms against the increase of interest bearing debt, and have urged in Mr. Pearce's presence before the parliamentary committee that the government should restrain if necessary the increase of such debts. There is no need, however, for argument. The printed annual statement of Victoria for 1894 left a net debt (after deducting sinking fund and accrued interest from the gross debt) of \$1,839,230. The 1895 council reduced that to \$1,600,000, a reduction of \$239,230. The 1896 council will reduce the debt to \$1,565,500, or a still further reduction of \$35,401, making a total reduction of \$274,730. In the Monday night meeting of the council I quoted from memory and said it was about \$75,000. Now, as to whether there is the slightest justification for the grand jury's presentment, I like Mr. Pearce, leave to the public to look. Neither the council of 1895 or 1896 borrowed money for future generations to pay. The only attempt that was made was the late by-law for Point Ellice bridge of \$125,000, a loan that the majority in the council characterized more than once as a scandalous waste of public money. It would furnish fare reading if Mr. Pearce will kindly look over the names that petitioned the council for this addition to the public debt. Only two aldermen, as far as I know, voted for the by-law.

W. MARCHANT.

GERMAN TEXTILE OPERATIVES.

The growth of the textile industry in the German empire is shown in the result of last year's census of mechanics reported to the State Department by Consul Sawter, at Glauchau. In this industry over 1,000,000 persons are employed, and the interesting fact is noted that there has been a yearly decrease of male and corresponding increase of female employees. The exact number of employees was 1,017,112, against 932,592 in 1882. Since 1883 the males decreased from 582,070 to 552,230, a change of 29,840. Their places have been filled by females, whose number grew from 350,522 to 464,316 in the same period. One curious result of these changes is the improved sanitary surroundings and comfort provided for employees. Their every interest in this way is being considered to encourage good and satisfactory labor. Washrooms and lockers for non-working apparel are provided, and dining rooms, where coffee and potatoes (the latter one of the chief components of the luncheon), are roasted or boiled in a separate lunch room for whole families employed in the factories, where they can distribute food from the family basket and enjoy together the recreation afforded by the noonday meal. Some of the larger factories have a buffet where can be purchased at a merely nominal price, beer, sausages, rolls, coffee, cake or any little luxury in the form of pastry.

A QUESTION FOR NATURALISTS.

The entire absence of fish in Boundary creek and in the lakes at the head of the several smaller creeks tributary thereto, is a matter frequently commented upon but has never been satisfactorily explained. The generally accepted theory is, the waterfall immediately below Boundary Falls prevents the fish running up stream from Kettle river. This suggestion seems reasonable but for the fact that the species of fish usually so plentiful in British Columbia mountain streams—speckled and brook trout—are not migratory in their nature and would not ascend or descend the

creek in any case. To this it may be replied that the "first parents" of brook trout even have been unable to overcome the aforesaid article and start a pioneer hatchery. On the other hand, as every prospector and hunter knows, there are scores of small lakes with no outlet, absolutely landlocked, where fish are more than plentiful; one for instance, between Camp McKinney and Old Baldy which has a more than local reputation among those who are piscatorially inclined. The presence of mineral in the waters of Boundary district is another seemingly plausible explanation, when it is added that human beings—newcomers to the district—almost invariably suffer a mild attack of diarrhoea when first drinking water from Boundary creek. But the creeks running east into the North Fork, and draining the same mineral formation, are full of fish, and trout form one of the staple articles of provender with the miners of Pass creek and district. Long Lake, one of the sources of Boundary creek, is a considerable body of water a mile wide by one and a half to two miles long and very deep, with an abundance of insect and vegetable growth along its margin, and would naturally be thought to swarm with finny inhabitants; but the fact remains that not a fish has ever been taken from the lake.—Boundary Creek Times.

THE GERMAN ARMY.

Not long ago a German army officer was talking to me about the large amount of work he and his brother officers had to do. When I showed astonishment, and said that English officers do not do so much, at least in time of peace, my German friend explained to me the difference in these words: "We work for our money. The least that they could not afford to play at soldiering. If they were not serious and did not prepare themselves and their men for anything that might happen, the French, Russians, or some other neighboring nation would come upon them and cut their throats. It is this feeling that gives to the German army the air of intense earnestness which strikes a stranger. Each man seems to feel that the freedom and continued prosperity of the Fatherland depends to a considerable extent upon himself. Every one in Germany is proud of the army and regards soldiers. The people groan under the burden of taxes which they have to pay for its support; but they feel quite sure that the money is carefully spent, and not a penny wasted. They know that the French army, which is very little larger, costs nearly double as much. It is because of this wise expenditure that the Germans have money for every necessity in connection with their army. Splendid barracks have lately been built, and are now being built; well-appointed rifle ranges belong to every garrison; so do grounds for manoeuvring; and as for the number of horses of about 22,000, it is calculated that the firm has, up to the present, paid £1,000,000 in these royalties. Last year, in addition to the product of the mines, a good deal of amber was picked up on the beach at Pillau, in the province of East Prussia, having been washed up with the seawrack during the prevalence of the northwesterly gales. The shore at Pillau after a storm is sometimes covered with a layer of seaweed three feet thick, in which the amber is found entangled. Men, women and children find every year considerable quantities of it. The amber along this part of the coast. After a storm last year one man was lucky enough to notice a piece of amber the size of a child's head in the weeds near the shore, and with some little difficulty secured it, having had to dive for it. The people engaged in this precarious work sometimes earn £1 10s a day. The raw amber that goes to Danzig to be worked up is nearly all melted to make lac and varnish. The larger pieces are made into beads, which are sent all over the world, and are known as Legation coral. There is a great demand for them. Amber mouthpieces and ornaments, especially necklaces, some of which are very tastefully put together, are said to be gaining in favor abroad.—London Times.

PRUSSIAN AMBER.

Amber is a speciality of the Baltic Coast of Prussia, and the British consul at Danzig, in his last report, states that it is a monopoly worked by a firm which owns the two best mines, Palauwicken and Kraxteppel, and paid for the concession to the government last year a royalty of about £22,000. It is calculated that the firm has, up to the present, paid £1,000,000 in these royalties. Last year, in addition to the product of the mines, a good deal of amber was picked up on the beach at Pillau, in the province of East Prussia, having been washed up with the seawrack during the prevalence of the northwesterly gales. The shore at Pillau after a storm is sometimes covered with a layer of seaweed three feet thick, in which the amber is found entangled. Men, women and children find every year considerable quantities of it. The amber along this part of the coast. After a storm last year one man was lucky enough to notice a piece of amber the size of a child's head in the weeds near the shore, and with some little difficulty secured it, having had to dive for it. The people engaged in this precarious work sometimes earn £1 10s a day. The raw amber that goes to Danzig to be worked up is nearly all melted to make lac and varnish. The larger pieces are made into beads, which are sent all over the world, and are known as Legation coral. There is a great demand for them. Amber mouthpieces and ornaments, especially necklaces, some of which are very tastefully put together, are said to be gaining in favor abroad.—London Times.

FORTUNES MADE AND LOST.

A double move in the prices of any of the great markets; that is, way up and then axax down, or vice versa, is always followed in Wall-street by stories of fortunes almost gained by some speculators. One young trader in a large Broad Street office, who started in to buy wheat on a margin of a few hundred dollars, when the price of the cereal was low, had on Monday a profit of \$17,000—on a paper. It was a pyramid of kept buying, as the market went up. He refused to take his profits. Instead, he took his friends out to lunch, and over the champagne glasses told them how he intended to pyramid his profit on wheat or 91 wheat and then clean up.

Tuesday he did not go to lunch. He was busy watching the tape. Wednesday he was too excited to think of his stomach, and Thursday he couldn't buy a lunch. He did not have the money. When he had fallen to a price below the average cost of all his wheat, and he was wiped out, margin and all.

Several similar cases were heard in other brokers' offices. There was one lucky concern in the wheat market. It was the firm belonging to the Consolidated Exchange. Both members are quiet and retiring young men, but they sold out their long wheat early in the week and went short. Friday they covered their shorts and their books showed that they had made a clean profit in wheat this month of \$45,000.

HOOD'S PILLS are the best family cathartic and liver medicine. Gentle reliable, sure.

STOPPING POWER OF FIREARMS.

The French war office has, as has been the case of our own officials, woken up to the fact that small caliber rifles are deficient in that stopping power which a determined enemy exacts. And, with a certain sort of cynical appropriateness, it is the French army medical staff that has been chiefly instrumental in bringing this about. The other day in Africa, a military offender was condemned to be shot. He was put up at 12 paces and received six Lebel bullets in the breast. He stood up under this infliction "for several minutes." It is argued therefrom that the six millimeter bullet would go for nothing in stopping a business-like rush, and that the likelihood of doing so would be in the maining of the lower limbs. Statistics, however, show that the tibia enjoys comparative immunity in action. On the other hand, it has been demonstrated that the bullet of the now discarded Gras rifle, of eleven millimeter caliber, would disable the recipient, if struck on the thorax, abdomen or jaw. Further, while the six-millimeter Lebel would give five men, standing one behind the other, a sixty-kilogrammer shock each, and disable none of them, the old Gras would administer a shock in the case of two men similarly situated, of 230 kilogrammes apiece, and put both out of action. The cold-blooded conclusion of the scientist is that it pays better to put two out than to merely bore holes in five.—Pall Mall Gazette.

THE BIRMINGHAM COUNCIL.

In the Century of November, Mr. George W. Parker explains, in his "Object Lesson in Municipal Government," what are exact conditions in Birmingham. Taking the council, its composition is thus described: "The council is a thoroughly representative body. Of the seventy-two members of the present council, twenty-three are manufacturers, six are classified as gentlemen, (such retired from business), six are provision merchants, five are brass and iron founders, solicitors, jewelers, and medical men, respectively, three are merchants, there are two each of auctioneers, chemists and drapers, while printers, teachers, butchers, bakers, glass workers, tin-plate workers, and newspaper managers each have one. So far as I can find out but one publican has ever been in the council, although this class had much influence prior to 1871. No members have any privileges on a railway, or public conveyance of any kind, even on the tramways belonging to the city, or admission to a theatre or entertainment, and none is permitted to vote on a question when he has a personal interest. He is subject to a fine of £50, with loss of office, if he enters into any contract with the city, or sells an article of even the smallest value to the council, or to any subsidiary or associated committee or departments. So strictly is this observed that a member of a committee, suspected of a desire to sell eligible property to the city, was forced to retire from public life.

AN IRON TREE.

A remarkable discovery is narrated by Prof. Carter of the Academy of Science of Philadelphia, as being made lately near Three Tans, Montgomery county, Pa. In a sandstone quarry at that place an iron tree has been found imbedded in the rock 10 feet below the surface. The tree is about 18 feet long and 18 in. in diameter and has been completely turned into iron ore, known as brown hematite; and Prof. Carter accounts for the phenomenon by the fact that the shale and the sandstone in that neighborhood are covered with red oxide of iron, and sometimes brown hematite. It is presumed that the iron ore was reduced by organic matter, and that it was made soluble in water containing carbonic acid gas; then, as the water holding the iron in the solution came in contact with the tree, the iron was precipitated on the latter, and there was an interchange of vegetable and mineral matter, so that the rocks were relieved of their coloring and the tree took it up.

NEWS FROM TORONTO.

A Joke on Lord Aberdeen. Toronto, November 3.—There was a little joke at Lord Aberdeen's expense at the Women's C. T. U. convention here to-day. The subject was tea, and the president had remarked that the Governor-General had praised the beverage supplied to him by the ladies at some public function—and observed: "That's the best tea I ever tasted." Upon this a second delegate rose to her feet and informed the meeting that His Excellency had also used the same words in speaking of tea supplied by her own branch of the union, and in a moment a third spokeswoman stated that she also had received similar praise from Her Majesty's representative on the occasion of a third function. "It appears," said the guest, amid laughter, "that we all use the same tea." "No many ladies now drink the delicious Tamilkande Tea it was no wonder that Governor-General should detect its delicious aroma and purity. Doubtless Lord Aberdeen's taste is sufficiently cultivated to appreciate the fine rich Darjeeling flavor which characterizes the famous Tamilkande blends of tea. Free samples may be had by writing to the Tamilkande Tea Co., Montreal.

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An exceedingly elegant and magnificent outfit of Under and Over Wear at hand fitted for every station of life's "gray threads." Under suits in solid colors of Gray, White, Black, Salmon, Flesh, Etc., Etc. ALSO—A telling display of striped shirts and drawers, Overshirts in plaid, striped, fancy, mottled and solid colors. Quantities of hosiery, materials unique. German linen shirts, white and colored, immeasurably the greatest in extent and by far the cheapest in the city of Victoria.

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Table with columns: TRAIL CREEK, MINE NAME, SHARES FOR SALE, PRICE. Includes entries for Alberta, Argentine, Valdeonilla, etc.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kosche Have removed their HAIR DRESSING PARLORS to 42 Government street, opposite E. M. Johnson's, where they will be pleased to welcome old and new patrons. nov-1m

Christmas ... Cheer!

LEAVE YOUR ORDERS EARLY FOR Xmas Cakes, Prawn Puddings, Mince Meat, Cadbury's, Bonnet's and Craven's English Confectionery, French Crystallised Fruit, and other Choice and Seasonable Delicacies.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

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Blank books, memo books and a nice line of stationery at wholesale prices, Johnston's, Kirk Block.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Municipal Reform Association, opened in the Board of Trade rooms at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

This evening the Companions of the Forest will meet at the Newport to arrange for their monthly social to be held on December 9th in A.O.U.W. Hall.

The annual election of officers will take place at the regular meeting of Victoria H.V., No. 1, Ladies of the Maccaubes, this evening at the usual time and place.

Cold Blast lanterns, coal hods, stove pipes, iron tea kettles, galvanized buckets and other household requisites cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street.

A farewell dinner was given yesterday evening by the chief and petty officers of H. M. S. Teanus to the officers of H. M. S. Satellite, which ship leaves to-day for England.

The death occurred yesterday from pneumonia of Wm. Moar, formerly employed on the government dredger, Deceased, who was a member of the A. O. U. W., leaves a wife and one child.

The Confraternity of the Lord's Tenth held a meeting yesterday when they selected delegates to attend the annual meeting of the Women's Council, which will be held on December 12th.

On Thursday evening a drawing room conversation will be held by the ladies of the Reformed Episcopal church at the residence of Mrs. Green, Gyppeswyk. A very good programme has been prepared.

The Second Victoria Company of the Boys' Brigade will give a concert this evening in their hall on Kingston street, James Bay. The programme, which is a very good one, includes a farce and fancy drills by the Boys' Brigade.

At the Conservative Club last evening the first of a series of whist tournaments was played, Mr. T. A. Ker winning first prize with 12 games, Mr. W. J. L. Hamilton second with 11 games, and Mr. S. H. Howell the bootly prize with 12 games lost.

This evening a concert will be given in the schoolroom of St. John's church, and as will be seen by the programme already published in these columns, it will be a first class entertainment. Prof. Leo Bradley is directing the concert, the proceeds of which go towards the organ fund.

The December number of the Designer, which has just made its appearance, is specially prepared as a Christmas number, and is not only full of interesting reading matter, but has a large number of the latest fashion plates, descriptions of dress goods and winter millinery. Christian Reid, the Southern novelist, and Lucia M. Robins each contribute bright Christmas stories.

Treasurer Flumerfelt, of the Protestant Orphan's Home, yesterday received from Mr. John Jessup a contribution of \$20 for that institution. The money was collected by Mr. H. Hooton in North Saanich. That gentleman wrote also saying that a large quantity of vegetables had been collected and would be sent to the Home in a few days.

Perseverance Lodge, No. 1, I.O.G.T., met last evening, and after routine business the juvenile lodge was admitted. The juveniles gave an excellent programme of songs, recitations and instrumental music. The juvenile lodge is now in a prosperous condition and has over 70 members. Prizes were given to Misses Wilson and Graham for the last quarter. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Constable William Clayards, of the city police force, was yesterday married by Rev. B. Haslam to Miss Goding. The ceremony took place at St. Barnas' church. They were the recipients of very many handsome presents. The city police, with whom the constable is quite a favorite, contributed many. His friends in H. M. dockyards, where Mr. Clayards was employed previous to his

joining the police force, also sent several gifts.

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The small debts court sat as usual this morning.

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Commencing yesterday the Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Canadian Pacific railways made a general reduction in rates on nearly all commodities from Eastern Canadian to British Columbia points.

Last evening at the Metropolitan church parsonage, Mr. George C. Ellison of this city was united in marriage to Miss Eveline E. Prothers of Seattle. The Rev. S. Cleaver, M.A. performed the ceremony. The happy couple will make their home in Victoria.

Lieut. Col. Gregory's first battalion parade will take place on Tuesday next, and not on Thursday, as announced. Lieut. Col. E. G. Prior, M. P., will take advantage of this parade to formally hand over his command to Lieut. Col. Gregory, who succeeds him in command.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Asher Oak Bay, yesterday afternoon was largely attended. Rev. Mr. Foster, assisted by Rev. Mr. Betts and Rev. Mr. Cleaver officiated at the house and cemetery. The pallbearers were E. Sherrill, E. Hume, R. Hetherington, A. G. Tait, W. J. Clarke, and W. Noble.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y.M.C.A. held a meeting this afternoon in the parlors of the Y.M.C.A. The business disposed of was the election of delegates to attend the annual meeting of the Women's Council and preparing for the New Year's reception to be held at the Y.M.C.A.

The Literary and Musical society of St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, held their first concert of the season in the schoolroom of that church yesterday evening. The following took part in the programme: Misses Nicholson, Gordon, Penwill and Blackie, and Messrs. Cave, Jenkinson, Ayres and Rev. W. D. Barber.

A large number attended the funeral of the late Annie Myrdal, which took place yesterday from Hanna's parlors and from the Baptist church, where the services were conducted by the Rev. P. H. McEwen. The pallbearers were W. Jackson, John Breidford, Henry Erickson, Christian Anderson, E. Brausen and A. Johnson.

Frederick Chadwick, an old man 57 years of age, who for the last ten years has been in the employ of various mineral water manufacturers of this city, was found dead in his bed this morning. Death was caused by heart disease. Deceased, who was a native of London, England, has no relatives in this city.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour of the First Presbyterian church at their regular business meeting held yesterday evening, elected the following officers for the ensuing term: President, D. A. Fraser; vice-president, John Wallace, re-elected; secretary, Miss Fitch, re-elected; and treasurer, Miss McKitterick, also re-elected.

From the Seattle papers it is learned that Messrs. Brady & Cody, attorneys for Mrs. Matthew Roderick, are preparing papers which will be sent to the provincial authorities asking the latter to look into the facts of the killing of Matthew Roderick by Foreman Keane of the Cariboo mine, Camp McKinney. Superintendent Hossey stated to-day that he had already looked into the matter.

The Seattle Consolidated Street Railway has been sold for \$120,000 to eastern capitalists. The road was offered for sale by the courts several times, but no bids were received. It was understood that the bondholders were endeavoring to repudiate the judgment for Mrs. Sears for \$10,000. Mrs. Sears formerly lived in Victoria and was permanently injured while riding on one of the Seattle cars. This judgment will now have to be paid from the purchase money in the recent sale.

The free library of Victoria during the month of November loaned 1,514 books; 910 to ladies and 604 to gentlemen. One hundred and thirty-three was the highest number lent in one day, and the average for one day was 76. During the month 50 new members have been enrolled, 30 gentlemen and 20 ladies. The following books have been donated by different gentlemen: "Taking the Bastille," by Dumas; "Daisy Berris," by Kavanaugh; "Reedford," by Hoeking; "Stories for Girls," by Mayo; "Inventors—Men of Achievement," by Humbert; the Report of the Department of Agriculture of Ontario 1894, and the proceedings of the Royal Society of Canada, 1894.

The cantata "Rebecca" was very acceptably given by the choir of Calvary Baptist church, assisted by several well known singers, under the direction of Mr. G. F. Watson. The part of "Rebecca" was taken by Mrs. Gregson, of the First Presbyterian church choir; Miss Anderson was "Achan"; Mr. J. G. Brown, "Abraham"; Mr. G. F. Watson, "Isaac"; Mr. H. Firth, "Eliezer"; Mr. W. D. Kincaid, "Leban"; and Mr. H. A. Howell "Bethuel." After the cantata Miss Rose Stoddart gave a piano solo, Mendelssohn's "Rondo Capriccioso," which was very well played. Rev. P. C. L. Harris contributed a vocal solo, and Miss Jennie Strachan a reading. Miss Ada Stoddart sang a solo, "A Day Dream," her usual well known style, and Messrs. Splice and Thomas gave a very good duet. Mr. A. L. Curtis made a very capable accompanist.

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WARRIMOO ARRIVES

Trans-Pacific Mail Steamer Reaches Victoria from Honolulu and Australia.

The Steamer City of Puebla Makes a Very Fast Trip From San Francisco.

Those having business with the R. M. S. Warrimoo upon her arrival at the outer wharf, at noon to-day, were considerably inconvenienced by the non-appearance of the acting quarantine medical officer. In the absence of the official paper giving the ship a clean bill of health, the customs officer, who has the privilege of first boarding incoming ships, would scarcely allow one to speak to those on board the Warrimoo unless one's voice was afterwards disinfected. After everybody's patience was pretty thoroughly exhausted, Dr. John Duncan was hunted up and he examined the Warrimoo on behalf of his brother. He found that everyone on board was free from the plague or other contagious diseases, and one hour and a half after the steamer's arrival, communication was established between her and the dock. The Warrimoo completed another quick run from the Australian colonies, having left Sydney on November 10th at 4 p.m. Light winds and fine weather were experienced on the trip to Suva, Fiji, which was reached on Nov. 16, at 9 a.m. After mails, passengers and cargo were landed a start was made again at 1:30 p.m. the same day. Fiji group was cleared and Alofa Island passed on the following day, and with moderate winds and fine weather the equator was crossed on Nov. 19 at 5 p.m. Strong head winds and heavy seas were then experienced which lasted till arrival at Honolulu on Nov. 24, retarding the ship's progress considerably. Instead of the usual stay of about four hours in Honolulu nine hours were passed there, departure being made on the 25th Nov. at 6:30 a.m. Fresh S.W. and southerly winds were met with and delay was occasioned by thick weather to the south westward of Cape Flattery, which was passed in a gale on December 2, at 8 p.m. Thick weather continued till arrival at Victoria.

The vessel brings a number of passengers and the first wool cargo of the season, consisting of about 2,000 bales, besides a quantity of general cargo. Below is the list of passengers: Captain White, A. Garrie, J. Stafford, Mrs. A. A. Smith, Miss Maxwell, Mr. Maxwell, W. J. Knowles, W. Cunningham, W. E. Fisher, J. H. Beaudin, Mrs. Beaudin, W. J. Greaves, Rev. D. Wright, Mrs. Wright, W. R. Thompson, E. E. Holt, G. Porter, J. Shannon, Miss M. Reed, Mrs. S. A. Williams, Mrs. H. Grimston, S. Smith, R. Oberwimmer, Mrs. Shearer, Law Lee, Eng Choy.

Thick weather at the Cape prevented the steamer Puebla, Captain Debuay, which arrived at noon to-day, from breaking the San Francisco-Victoria record, made by herself some months ago. The steamer left San Francisco at ten o'clock Monday morning and was nearly two hours ahead of record time when off Cape Flattery. There the weather became so thick that the steamer lay to from five o'clock until seven o'clock this morning. The result was that she did not arrive until noon making the trip last 50 hours. Her record is about 48 hours 35 minutes.

The sailing schooner James G. Swan sailed in Behring sea at the same time as the Anloko, being tried in the United States court at Seattle.

The C. P. N. Co's steamer Tees will leave for the West Coast this evening.

Rev. J. F. Betts last week performed two marriage services. The first was at the parsonage on the 26th ult, when Mr. Walter White, of this city, and Miss Fannie Fairfield, of Halifax, were united in marriage; and on the 28th, at the residence of Capt. Geo. Hester, King's road, brother-in-law of the bride, Rev. Mr. Betts united Mr. Moses Keel and Miss Lizale French.

An action for \$25,000 damages has been entered by the corporation of Victoria against the Victoria Electric Railway and Light Company and the Consolidated Railway Company, and N. Ferrell. The claim is for "damages sustained by the corporation of Victoria of the defendant companies or one of them, resulting in the collapse of Point Ellice bridge on May 26."

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FITZ THE FAVORITE

The Sporting Men are Placing Their Money on Lanky "Bob."

Sharkey, However, Expects to Win—He Gives His Reasons for Thinking So.

THE KING.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—The presence of mind of Bob Fitzsimmons prevented a postponement of his fight with Sharkey and probably saved the life of the lanky pugilist. Bob was out on the road near Sausalito yesterday taking a run before the fight. He was being peddled by a boy on a bicycle, while Mrs. Fitzsimmons drove in a cart behind. Behind Mrs. Fitzsimmons was a four-seated trap drawn by a spirited horse. The animal became frightened and dashed down the road, which wound around a hillside. The frightened animal passed Mrs. Fitzsimmons and was almost on top of the pugilist before he became alarmed by the clatter. Bob jumped for his life and rolled over and over down the hill. The wheels of the trap missed his head by about three inches, but he escaped unhurt. The boy on the bicycle was not so fortunate. His wheel was smashed and he was severely injured. Two children, who were riding in the trap were thrown out and badly hurt.

Ruth Fitzsimmons and Sharkey last evening ceased training and retired to their respective quarters, fully primed for the meeting in the arena in the National Athletic club to-night. When Fitzsimmons weighed yesterday morning in his fighting togs, for the last time, he tipped the scales at exactly 137 1/2 pounds and this will be about his weight when he goes into the ring to-night. King experts express the opinion that Sharkey is almost in top form condition, but say that owing to his youth and sound condition, the rest he will get to-day will counteract any weakness the seven weeks' exercise might have entailed. The "Sailor Boy" is also confident of victory. He believes he will win inside of seven rounds. He said he was going to put up a fight which would surprise "somebody."

"I can hit just as hard as Fitzsimmons can," he said, "and he will know before the fun is over that he has been in a fight."

Small amounts of money were placed on Fitzsimmons at 10 to 4 and 25 to 10, but the betting settled to 20 to 9 and big money went into the pools at this figure.

NEWS OF THE FIGHT.

Telegrams will be received at the Delmonico this evening giving the result of the Fitzsimmons-Sharkey fight by rounds.

FOOTBALL.

VANCOUVER V. VICTORIA. Owing to Vancouver being unable to bring a team down to Victoria next Saturday this match has been postponed to a future day to be mutually agreed upon. A practice game will take place on the Caledonia grounds Saturday at 3 p.m.

TRIAL OF SCHOONER VIVA.

For Being Within Prohibited Zone of Behring Sea. The third case arising out of the seizures in Behring sea was heard in the vice-admiralty court this morning. Mr. Justice Drake, deputy judge of admiralty, presiding. The charge was against the schooner Viva, and Hon. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., appeared for the Crown, and Mr. P. A. E. Irving and Mr. L. P. Duff for the schooner. The Viva is owned by the Victoria Sealing and Trading Co., and Capt. M. Pike was her master at the time of seizure.

Mr. Willis, the secretary to the Commander-in-chief of the Pacific station, produced official documents to show what American revenue cutters were in Behring sea last season. Capt. Hooper, commanding officer of the U. S. patrol fleet, gave evidence to the effect that the Viva was seized by the revenue cutter Rush in the prohibited zone.

Lieutenant Daniels, navigating officer of the Rush, gave evidence as to the Viva's position when seized. According to his reckoning she was only 35 miles from St. Paul Island. The Viva's chronometer was compared with the Rush's and showed a difference of 11 minutes 43 seconds. All boats were on the schooner at the time of seizure. The Viva was towed by the Rush to Onnalaska.

Lieut. Campbell, of the Rush, boarded the Viva with Lieutenant Daniels and remained on board until her arrival at Onnalaska.

The trial was not concluded when the Times went to press.

PERSONAL.

Robert Wingate, Tacoma, is at the Grand. Norman McLean, Vancouver is registered at the Grand.

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ANOTHER LETTER.

"I will make a clean breast of it! Better to know and endure the worst at once than to suffer longer this paralyzing anxiety, which makes the present dreadful and the future terrifying."

So reflected Mr. Richard Foskett, as he sat, worn and haggard, in his handsome house at Baywater.

More than mere comfort surrounded the despairing man. His light-hearted wife and merry daughter chatted gaily together in an adjoining room. And in the town many a plodding city man envied Dick Foskett his snug berth of manager in the well-known house of Godfrey Avery & Co., stock brokers.

And yet this prosperous-looking gentleman had found no savor in his annual summer holiday, from which he had just returned, some days before his leave of absence had expired.

It was the old, old story—the sad one that reappears with new faces every day, alas! when commerce thrives. The genial friend, generous host, and trusted confidential servant was nothing more than that poor thing, a thief! He himself would have preferred to style his deceptions "irregularities." And it was with the wealth of his employer—his friend, one might say—Godfrey Avery, that he had tampered.

True, he had never dreamt of associating himself with mere vulgar plunder. He himself had speculated widely with money not his own, yet with such knowledge and acumen that it seemed impossible for him to make a false step.

But a most unlooked for fall in American securities had overtaken and overwhelmed him. With time all might be retrieved, but this was the very thing he could not command. A few days more inevitably see him exposed, and probably imprisoned.

Mr. Avery was known to be strict to austerity in all his business relations; stern and unbending in matters of probity and honor; but a curiously mild, shy, and nervous little man away from his office and in society.

Folk said that he needed a wife to draw him out a bit, and as Godfrey had never been heard to express any objection to the married state, he may possibly have agreed with these.

It was this knowledge of one side of his employer's character that led Mr. Foskett to at last hit on a plan by which he might hope to evade the most tragic consequences of a crime.

The wretched man reasoned with himself somewhat in this wise— "If I lay open the truth of my position before Mr. Avery in his office, his keen city instincts will make him treat me with rigor and harshness. It is quite likely that, for the sake of making an example of me before his clerks, he may immediately call in a constable and give me in charge. A better plan will be for my wife to invite him, in our joint names, to dine with us on Wednesday evening, which is the one preceding the morning when I should resume my duties. Thank goodness! Avery is not above accepting an invitation from his confidential clerk.

Once he had resolved on this course of action, the culprit felt easier in his mind. By the time his missing wife had written and despatched the all-important invitation, he had gained so much cheerfulness that his daughter Edith declared he had gone back ten years in age, and was now reaping the benefit of his recent tour.

"I am so glad you have invited Mr. Avery," said the somewhat staid young lady. "He is so gentle, and he has so much more sense than those bits of boys, who think of no one but themselves. Besides, his wealth must be great, and after all, money is the main thing in this world."

The question had been significant for Dick Foskett, but when he thought of his daughter so readily.

Scarcely had his note to Mr. Avery reached the local pillar-box when the postman brought the evening letter, the sight of which was almost sufficient to banish his fears, and make his heart fall like a dead weight within him.

CHAPTER II.

Only too well did he know the parchment-like envelope affected by his firm; and the address, so perfectly typed, could only be the work of Septimus Penn, the vain and feeble-minded young fellow who worked at the office under the immediate supervision of the despised man, who now trembled as he opened the missive, which he had no doubt came from Mr. Avery, to crush him with the news that his perfidy was discovered, and to warn him that only immediate restitution could save him from penal servitude. But as he read it a hopeless expression of bewilderment overspread his face.

"I am going mad!" he muttered, "completely mad!"

He sent for his wife. When she entered the room he handed the document to her, saying— "Read it to me, Martha, I cannot believe the evidence of my senses."

"Why, of course, you can't!" cried his flushed and bustling domestic partner. "I declare it is enough to take one's breath away. Fancy Mr. Avery, of all men, making a proposal for our daughter's hand! How modestly he wrods his letter, too! He calls himself unworthy; asks us to pardon his presumption, and talks about having 'the honor' of waiting on you on Wednesday evening to receive your decision. But, there! I never knew so unassuming a man as dear Mr. Avery. What a splendid match it will be for our darling Edith!"

"Of course," replied her husband, still feeling like a man in a dream. "Avery must be a queer fellow to have such a letter as that typewritten," added he, thoughtfully.

"I really do not see it," Mrs. Foskett protested, prepared to defend her prospective son-in-law against any attack, tentative or aggressive. "What is the use of having a typewriter if you do not use it?"

"That is all very well; but then, you see, he had to dictate that letter to young Septimus Penn and that empty-headed noodle is sure to have spread it all over 'Change by this time."

"And why not?" demanded the lady, bridling up. "We have nothing to be ashamed of, and I am sure Mr. Avery has not. As for Mr. Penn, I am very sorry for him. This will be a great blow to the young man. It was easy to see at our last party how deeply smitten he was with dear Edith."

"The insolent young puppy!" cried Mr. Foskett wrathfully. "Had he ever dared to hint at such a thing to me I would have kicked him from one end of Throgmorton street to the other!"

Miss Edith received the news with composure and dignity. Her manner implied that Mr. Avery had merely displayed that good taste she had expected from him.

The hours passed now with irritating slowness. When at last Mr. Avery's voice was heard in the hall his manager was bursting with excitement. The latter received his guest with the utmost effusion, and he literally dragged him into the room.

"I am delighted to see you, Mr. Avery—delighted! I must shake both your hands. This is indeed the happiest moment of my life!" cried Foskett, looking as though he wished very much to embrace his visitor.

"I am very glad to see you again, Richard," murmured the stockbroker, holding back an expression of alarm, growing on his placid face, "but really I see no occasion for such a vehement expression of joy."

"No occasion, sir?" protested the other. "Why, sir, when you condescend to propose an alliance with our humble family, when you express a desire to enter our circle by forming one of the boldest of ties, when you crave to become one of us, I say there is the greatest and highest occasion. Bless you, Mr. Avery—bless you!"

"Alliance? Your family? Holiest of ties!" gasped the amazed bachelor. "I do not understand you. Perhaps—perhaps you are not well!"

He stilled towards the door. "Intoxicated with happiness! That is all, sir," declared the beaming Foskett. "And this, sir—this is the precious document which has filled me with such gladness—your letter."

"My letter?" repeated Mr. Avery, taking the missive from the other's hands. He sat down, and smoothing the paper on his knee, he read it with great deliberation. When his gaze reached the signature, it appeared to remain glued there for at least a couple of minutes.

"Well, well," murmured he, half to himself, "this is remarkable. I had not thought of such an eventuality, but 'pon my word, I might do worse, and this is certainly a legal one!"

"Do worse!—a legal one!" exclaimed the astonished father. "Why, of course, my dear sir. Surely you—"

Whatever Mr. Foskett was on the verge of expressing a certainty about will never be known, for at this moment his wife came fustily into the room.

"Oh, Mr. Avery!" she cried. Her feelings proved too much for her. She fell on his bosom, murmuring: "My son!" and encircled his neck with her arms.

CHAPTER III.

Edith appeared in the nick of time to get to the rescue. She passed her "poor mamma" on to Mr. Foskett, who promptly dumped that agitated lady on to the nearest chair.

"It seems, Miss Edith, that you and I are to be married," said Mr. Avery simply and with less shyness than might have been expected. "I assure you that I am very glad indeed. I have had no experience in these matters, but I suppose it is proper for me to do something. Possibly if I make your father my partner that may do as a commencement."

"Oh!" gasped Mrs. Foskett, "how noble he is!"

"And if you will permit it, Miss Edith, we will spend our honeymoon on the Continent. It will do me good to get away from business for a few months, and the interests of the firm will be well guarded by your father during our absence."

"Yes, yes!" Dick broke in eagerly. "Come, my dear," added he to his wife, "let us no longer obtrude ourselves on these young people."

In the hall a servant informed him that Mr. Septimus Penn had called, and was waiting to see him in the study.

"Continued him," muttered Mr. Foskett. "What does he mean by bothering here now? Well, sir," continued he, when he entered the apartment reserved for the reception of callers of no importance, "what do you want?"

He spoke so blusteringly that poor little "Seppy" Penn trembled all over. "If you please, sir," the latter faltered, "I called about that typewritten letter I sent you, and which I fear I forgot to sign. Of course you knew at once it came from me, but I must apologize for my inadvertence."

"Typewritten letter?" murmured Mr. Foskett.

"Yes, sir, I do believe it is the one you have in your hand at this very moment."

"Well, sir, I couldn't help falling in love with Miss Foskett, for it isn't in human nature to be insensible to her beauty. I thought I would be strictly honorable, and first of all ask your permission to pay my addresses to her. After I had finished all the firm's letters I typed one to you, because you always say my handwriting is execrable. Before I could sign it Mr. Avery sent me out

on an important errand. When I returned Martin told me he had put all the letters in their proper envelopes, and had posted them. Mr. Avery signed all his, but of course mine must have reached you without any name to it."

"I am sorry for you, 'Seppy,'" said he, growing familiar in a patronizing way, "but you must prove the sensible fellow you are, and abandon all thoughts of my daughter. Indeed, you must forget that you ever sent this foolish letter and I will not think of it again, either. The truth is, 'Seppy,' my daughter has been engaged to Mr. Avery for some time past, and our esteemed principal is here to-night to get my dear child to fix the wedding day."

"Oh, my!" cried Penn, sufficiently impressed and dismayed.

"Yes. Now, if he ever learned you had once applied to occupy his position you would not be another five minutes in the office."

"Of course not," agreed 'Seppy.' "But if you keep a still tongue to your head I will see that things go very well with you. Let me see, how much are you getting now?"

"A hundred and twenty, sir."

"From next month you shall take a hundred and fifty, and in the coming year we will see if we cannot make your salary the level two hundred."

"Oh, thank you, Mr. Foskett! thank you, sir!" cried the overjoyed Septimus.

"What an extraordinary bit of good fortune that proposal has brought me!" he soliloquized. "What a capital investment it has proved!"

Indeed, he was right, and it gave more than wealth and safety to the man who was soon to be one of the principals of the opulent firm of Godfrey Avery and Company. From that day Edith's father became a changed and a better man. His terribly narrow escape made a lasting impression on him, and he lives today a decent and kindly gentleman.

But Septimus Penn never guesses that all the favors which are being heaped upon him are but crumbs from "Dick" Foskett's prodigious slice of luck!

Getting Rid of Bore.

Quite small men occasionally find it necessary to expedite the departure of a bore, and it is both interesting and helpful to be told how big men do so. Dr. Holmes kept on hand a little pile of autograph extracts from his writings, and when the visitor had reached the extreme limit of a call, yet seemed unaware of the fact, he would kindly hand him one of these extracts, courteously asking him to take it as a keepsake.

"They can't stop after that, however," he said. "I call the extract my lubricant; it greases the way to send them off."

I know a humble Scotch parson, who, in such a case, arises and says, "But I must not detain you any longer." Bishop Harvey Goodwin, of Carlisle, told me how an extremely eminent man in the Anglican hierarchy used to do.

Taking upon his feet and affectionately taking the visitor's hand in both of his, he said, in a tremulous voice, "And must you go away?" Then the Bishop of Carlisle (it was at Bishop Wordsworth's table) arose, warmly grasped his right hand and went through the entire proceeding with a saddened face. I could not but say that had the great man so addressed my lowly self I should have hastened to reply, "I was just going; but as you seem so anxious I should stay with you, I can wait a little longer."

The sentimental expression passed from Bishop Goodwin's strong face, and he rejoined with firmness, "You couldn't say that if you saw the way in which the ex-Arch did it all. And I am entirely convinced the Bishop was right. Some men can carry a thing off, others can not."

Didn't Take It.

Not long since a Lancashire laborer, not feeling quite well, was persuaded by his wife to consult a doctor.

The doctor, after making a thorough examination of him, told him there was nothing serious the matter with him, but advised him to be more careful with his diet, not smoke as much as usual, and, above all, to abstain from whisky for a little time.

The laborer thanked the doctor and was preparing to leave when the latter called him back and said "I beg your pardon, but I charge half a crown for my advice."

"Mebbe you do," replied the laborer; "but I'm no 'takin' it." And he went out without paying it.

We Enjoy Likeness in Each Other.

What we truly enjoy in each other is likeness, not unlikeness. That is what makes the pleasure of good society. There is no rest save on the common ground. If I meet a man of different tradition, different religion, different race, different language, I am pleased with him for a moment, as I should be with a fairy or an amiable goblin; but he presently horrifies me, when the surprise of him is over. I find that we have no common ground. The perpetual yearning of our hearts is for intelligent response, and this can come only from our equals, from equality.

From "Equality as the Basis of Good Society," by W.D. Howells, in the November Century.

Loving the Lord.

It is evident that we love all beings who possess those principles or qualities of mind and heart which are congenial to us. Similarity of affection where it is not selfish is always a ground of conjunction between those who possess it. In the various relations of life we frequently meet with those who love the same things or the same principles that we do, and we are immediately drawn toward them, though we have never seen them before. There are also many whom we have never seen, but of whom we have heard, whose character we know from their writings, or from the records of history, for whom we feel a strong degree of affection. In the same way we can love the Lord.—Rev. Chauncey Giles.

More Curative Power.

is contained in a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla than in any other similar preparation. It costs the proprietor and manufacturer more. It costs the jobber more and is worth more to the consumer. It has a record of cures unknown to any other preparation. It is the best to buy because it is the One True Blood Purifier.

HOOD'S PILLS are the best family cathartic and liver medicine. Gentle, reliable, sure.

The Columbia toilet set is the prettiest thing of that class to be seen. Weller Bros.

Dr. Chase's

Millions die annually through lack of care for the kidneys—the first sign of kidney trouble noticeable is a single pain in the back which gradually develops into that dreaded malady Bright's disease—one of the most alarming symptoms is highly colored urine giving bricklike deposits—do not delay when the slightest symptom has appeared—Kidney troubles are easily prevented in their earlier stages—if neglected they may become obstinate, chronic and perhaps fatal—medical science has proved that all kidney diseases arise from an excess of uric acid or kidney acid poison in the blood—One of Dr. Chase's kidney-liver pills if taken weekly will neutralize this acid and prevent any tendency to Bright's disease or Diabetes.

Have you any of these symptoms? Back Ache, Dull Heavy Pain in the Bladder or Base of the Abdomen, Pains in the Back and Sides, Unusual desire to urinate, Scalding urine with passage obstructed, Red or White deposits, Tired Feelings, Weakness, Dropsical Swellings, these are sure signs of kidney troubles.

YOUNG MEN With backache, weak back, deposits in the urine and other symptoms of kidney decay should not postpone using Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

OLD MEN Troubled with stricture, impediments, obstructions, stoppage of the water, or a frequent desire to urinate at night will find Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills a great reliever.

KIDNEY-LIVER

TESTIMONIAL J. F. Browning, Carpenter and Joiner, of Kingston, Ont., writes the following testimonial: "Gentlemen, I was troubled with my kidneys for ten years and was compelled to arise four and five times a night to urinate. The pain in my back was terrible. I have used enough plasters and pills to stock a drug store, and obtained no relief. The doctors pronounced my case hopeless and advised me to go to Toronto Hospital and I had made up my mind to go when I read your advertisement in The Toronto Evening News calling your pill the great K. and L. Pill, which I took the meaning to be the KNIGHTS OF LABOR PILL, and being myself a member of that order I had confidence in the name and I pronounce them the Workingman's Friend, for since taking them regular for three months, I can say I am entirely cured, and had I taken them years ago, would have saved hundreds of dollars in doctors' bills. Very truly yours, J. F. BROWNING, Kingston, Ont."

Ask those who have tried and been benefited by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills about their wonderful curative powers. Don't be skeptical. One or two doses of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills may mean the saving of your life. They act gently and effectually, and do not in any way interfere with your daily avocations.

A POSITIVE CURE FOR KIDNEY TROUBLE Bright's Disease, Liver Complaint, Headache, Biliousness, Costiveness and Dyspepsia. One pill a dose; 25 cents a box, or 5 for \$1.

PILLS

We will give \$500 to any person troubled with disease of the kidneys that Dr. Chase's Combined Kidney and Liver pill will not relieve or cure.

Advertisement for "A Good Thing" featuring a rooster and the text "Bears Repetition." The ad describes the fact that the firm is still in the Merchant Tailoring business and continues to uphold the reputation established by a long business career. It promotes direct importations of Fall Woolsens and states they should be inspected by you before you order that Suit or Overcoat. Prices are satisfactory. The firm is A. GREGG & SON, Merchant Tailors, Yates Street.

Advertisement for W. J. R. Cowell, Mining Engineer and Assayer, and Walter H. Gibson, 78 Broad Street, Victoria, B.C.

Advertisement for WING ON, CLOSED, Merchant, Commission Agent and Intelligence Office, located at Belleville Street, between Menzies and St. John's. E. A. WILMOT, City Engineer.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, for a transfer from myself to H. J. Russell, of the City of Victoria, of the license now held by me for the sale of spirits and fermented liquors by retail at the Queen's Hotel, Government street, in the City of Victoria. Dated this 5th day of October, 1896. 1005-1m HORATIO WHITE.

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, B. C., application will be made for a transfer to Ross J. Ferguson, of the City of Victoria, of the license now held by me for the sale of liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Colonial Hotel, Johnson street, Victoria, B. C. Dated this 6th day of November, 1896. 1006 (Signed) GEORGE DOUGHERTY.

NOTICE Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners, to be held on the second Wednesday in the month of December next, for the temporary permission granted on the 22nd day of October, 1896, for the transfer from Hy. Hubber and Chas. Dixon to Kiarates Moore of the retail liquor license issued to the said Hy. Hubber and Chas. Dixon, for the premises known as the Aldion Saloon, Yates street, may be ratified and extended, and that the said license may be transferred to the said Kiarates Moore. Dated at Victoria, this 6th day of November, 1896. 1007-1m HY. HUBBER, CHAS. DIXON.

NOTICE Application for a license of the Board of Licensing Commissioners, to be held on the second Wednesday in the month of December next, for the transfer to the Board of Ross J. Ferguson, of the license now held by me for the sale of liquors by retail at the Queen's Hotel, Government street, in the City of Victoria, B. C., 20th October, 1896. 1008 M. H. McCABE, C. M. I. VICTOR.

NOTICE At the next meeting of the Licensing Commissioners, on December 9th, 1896, application will be made by Mr. Jensen for the transfer of the liquor license now held by me for the Queen's Hotel, Victoria, B. C., to Walter Harris Porter. 1009 WM. JENSEN.

NOTICE I hereby give notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at its next sitting, for a transfer to John Byrne of the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Queen's Hotel, Victoria, Government street, in the City of Victoria, B. C., 2nd November, 1896. 1010 WM. WILSON.

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