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over the dividing line and informed his principals from the East that here was a cinch indeed, as they had the government in a hole and could refuse to pull it out until all their demands had been acceded to. Then the Attorney-General and Mr. Greenshields drew their daggers and went at each other. The result of the great duel is fully set forth in the option, called a contract in deference to the delicate position of the government.

It has also been proved out of the Premier's own mouth that he expects if the necessary legislation be put through the House and the option be taken up by the railway men, that the railway line of which he is one of the principal owners will be converted from a losing concern of a large amount every year into a paying one. He even admits that he may yet dispose of his road to the company, Mr. Dunsuir possibly believes there is nothing wrong in the position in which he has placed himself. No doubt he reasons that while he may be a gainer to some extent under the arrangement, a large section of the country will be benefited to a greater extent. But such a conclusion is no justification whatever for his position. There are men in the House also supporting him who know better. They know that such a deal would drive a Premier out of public life in the Dominion or in any of the provinces in which members of Parliament have a proper regard for their oath of office. All these things the evidence given before the royal commissioner has proved, and it does not matter a button what the findings of the presiding officer of the court may be as far as the opinion of the country is concerned.

BRITAIN'S PROGRESS. It is not always safe to accept conclusions of the Associated Press as final upon any matter relating to Great Britain. Gentlemen of the American press, or at least a large number of them, cannot be convinced that the one thing necessary to secure the unquestioned supremacy of the United States, commercially and industrially, is proof of the decadence of Great Britain morally, physically, politically and in every other way. Canadian papers have been furnished with absolute proof of British decadence all along the line many times within the last year, but all this data has been gathered for the American press. We have not been told that during the last fiscal year there was a considerable reduction in the foreign trade of the United States, notwithstanding the stimulating effects of the vast quantities of supplies, materials and horses purchased by Great Britain for the use of the armies in South Africa. But there was. When we get the facts from a source which is unimpeachable we find that the decadence of Britain is a tremendous work of the imagination. The Scientific American, always fair in its opinions and logical in its deductions, has called the attention of its wistful and sensational contemporaries to some facts gathered from official reports. From these it concludes that the wave of pessimism which is passing over Great Britain as the result of her feeling the first phases of that stress of competition, which was bound ultimately to come upon her, does not seem to be warranted by the statistical facts of the last board of trade returns, according to which the foreign commerce of the United Kingdom during 1901 amounted to the enormous total of \$4,353,585,000. The foreign trade of Great Britain is \$750,000,000 greater than it was six years ago, and is now equal to 106 per cent of population. These figures suggest that the antiquated British methods, of which we have heard so much recently in the public press, cannot be so altogether futile, especially when we consider that her foreign trade last year was more than double that of the United States. The total foreign commerce is made up as follows: Imports, \$2,611,105,000; exports, \$1,402,480,000; and re-exports of foreign and colonial merchandise, \$338,233,000. If to these figures be added a vast sum of \$7,500,000,000, representing the total overseas trade of the British Empire, we cannot but feel that the long-deferred decadence is at least a healthy and vigorous one.

AN OUTRAGEOUS DECISION. The government has finally made up its mind to disfranchise North Victoria for an indefinite period. If the path cannot be made straight for a supporter of the administration to take his seat in the House, the constituency may be kept without a representative until the present Legislature dies a natural death by the grace of some members, who claim to be Liberals, who tolerate, condone and defend one of the grossest outrages that was ever contemplated in a community which is said to be possessed of constitutional government. No defence of this extraordinary piece of political infamy is attempted. The ridiculous plea has been set up that an election at the present time would create an agitation, disturb the House and distract its attention from the important measures it has under consideration. That argument was worth of the source from which it proceeded and of the able Minister of Mines who made the most of it. Why was the election in Victoria not brought on at the proper time, before the House met? Simply because the government dreaded to place its case before the people and ask for judgment, and for months could

not find a man with so little regard for his reputation or his future as to attempt to uphold its cause. If it had been permitted it would have continued to conduct the business of the country with a Ministry two short of the legal number, instead of one, as at present, and with a House but partially representative of the people. In attempted extension of this offence it has been urged that there are precedents for such a course. It is said the Liberal government of the Dominion kept Winnipeg vacant for a whole session and that West Hastings was unrepresented for a year and a half. It is perfectly well known that no Liberal government could be guilty of such an act of wanton injustice as to deliberately disfranchise any constituency for any length of time, and if an attempt were made to perpetrate such an outrage in such circumstances as prevail here there would be an agitation which would swiftly bring matters to a crisis. In the case of Victoria the very existence of the government was at stake. In the case of North Victoria it would be in peril if it brought the election on. Its majority now is so uncertain that no one knows the day it may be voted out of power. The elements behind it are very capricious. In the case of Winnipeg the government had such a majority as placed its standing beyond question. There was no voters' list on which the election could be held. The Conservative party understood the circumstances or it would have made the most of the strong case it would have had against the government. Neither was there a protest raised in the case of West Hastings, because Mr. Corby, the member who resigned, was responsible for the vacancy during a portion of a session. But all these matters have nothing to do with the case. North Victoria has as much right to representation as any other constituency in the province. If it has a right to representation it is wrong to deprive it of representation. Precedents might be cited by the room, and still the fact would remain that a great injustice is contemplated and a grievous sin against the constitution has been committed. There is as substantial a reason for the Lieut-Governor exercising his prerogative as there was in the case of the Victoria vacancy.

Our energetic provincial librarian, Mr. Scholefield, having observed the useful work that is being done by the library associations of other provinces and states, is, we understand, endeavoring to organize the librarians of British Columbia in order that they may meet together for the effective discussion of all questions affecting library economy and management, for the promotion of harmony, and to secure concerted action in all movements likely to be of benefit to the patrons of these useful institutions. It has been suggested that measures might be considered: (1.) To promote the establishment of free libraries throughout the province, and as far as possible give information to the reading public respecting the best books on important subjects of local and general interest. (2.) To disseminate among librarians information respecting library management—methods of cataloguing, classification, indexing, etc. (3.) To hold annual meetings for the discussion of matters pertaining to library work; such meetings to be held in the different cities of the province. (4.) To obtain the cooperation of all librarians and of those interested in their efforts. (5.) To promote fraternity and good feeling among library officials. Mr. Scholefield will be pleased to hear from anyone in sympathy with his proposal and desirous of assisting in the formation of such an association.

It was Colonel Prior who said the constituency of North Victoria could not suffer for lack of a representative, because it is so near the point where the majority have their seats that a reputation could be sent in at any time to make the wants of the people known. That is just the sort of argument one would naturally look for from such a source. Why not run the business of the country entirely on a deputation basis? It would be a great saving of money, and the province has little to spare at present. The business of the province has been conducted for the greater part of the year by one cabinet minister, although four have been drawing their salaries. Why not deliver the affairs of the province entirely into the hands of one man and save the salaries of the other four? Why not turn all the forty-two proposed members of the Legislature adrift and let the constituencies send down deputations occasionally to our one ruler to make their wants known? Forty-two times eight hundred dollars would mean a considerable annual saving. By such means a British Columbia would stand a better chance of being governed according to the wishes of its people than it does at present.

It should not be forgotten that the government could not afford such another bye-election as that of Victoria city more than once a year. It costs money for a minority to retain control of affairs. The report of Mr. Dewdney on the Coast-Kootenay route establishes the fact that the government is more careful of its friends than of a treasury that is in none too healthy a condition. The peace announcements were premature. The Poor delegates have scarcely yet assembled for the conference. They are not the men to do anything in a hurry except declare war. The majority of them were said to be against that too. There is yet hope, however, that

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Friday Bargains In Men's and Boys' Clothing Department. Fine Wool Underwear, regular \$1.50, Friday 75c. Fine Striped Underwear, mixed wool and cotton, regular value 75c, Friday 50c. Heavy Wool Ribbed Socks, Friday 25c. Black Cashmere Socks, very special price 25c. Heavy Wool Socks, English made, worth 50c, Friday 25c. Heavy Wool Socks 25c. Boys' Serge Pants, lined 15c. Boys' Caps, large assortment of peak and fancy caps 25c. New Collars. FOR MEN.—The latest shape turn-down collar, 2 1/4-in. high, Friday \$1 dozen. FOR WOMEN.—New stock, all the new shapes 10c. each. New Ties. Coronation Bows, Strings and small bows. New Hats. The Harvard, unbound edges—the very latest shape, black and grey, \$1.50 each.

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WEATHER BULLETIN. Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 11.—5 a. m.—An ocean disturbance is hovering off the coast of Vancouver Island, and the barometer is low over the whole of British Columbia. The pressure is increasing on the Californian coast, but the main high area is centred in the Northwest Territories and Montana. Some showers have fallen on the Coast, but over the Pacific slope the weather is chiefly cloudy and mild. East of the Rockies fair and cold weather prevails, except in Manitoba, where higher temperatures have occurred.

Forecast. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday. Victoria and vicinity.—Moderate or fresh easterly winds, shifting to westerly, chiefly cloudy and mild, with showers. Lower Mainland.—Light or moderate easterly winds, cloudy and mild, with showers.

Reports. Victoria.—Barometer, 29.00; temperature, 44; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles N. E.; rain, .02; weather, cloudy. New Westminster.—Barometer, 29.95; temperature, 38; minimum, 28; wind, 2 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy. Kamloops.—Barometer, 29.94; temperature, 38; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles S. E.; weather, cloudy. Barkerville.—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, 24; minimum, 20; wind, calm; weather, cloudy. San Francisco.—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 12 miles W.; weather, clear. Edmonton.—Barometer, 29.18; temperature, 20; minimum, 24; wind, 20 miles S.; weather, cloudy.

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The sailing schooner Mary Taylor, which put into Banfield creek last week to secure fresh supplies, will, it is expected, leave that port to-day. The schooner, after hunting out the season on this Coast, will probably cross to the Copper Island coast, there to join the half-dozen or more sailers already on the Asiatic coast, and use the guns which have to be kept sealed during the cruise on this Coast. There are a number of schooners which may follow the Mary Taylor across the Pacific.

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A couple of seven-roomed houses and one of eight rooms are being erected on Simcoe street, James Bay, for Mrs. Sutton. D. H. Role is contractor.

A splendid line of men's light colored flannel shirts, all sizes, Saturday's price 25c, at 'The Mammoth Bankrupt Clothing Sale,' 111 Government street.

The sisters in charge of the Protectorate wish to acknowledge the receipt of a cheque for \$30.00 from Alderman G. H. Barnard and to thank him most sincerely for his very generous donation.

The committee having charge of the arrangements for the presentation of Hayda's 'Creation' in the Metropolitan church on Wednesday evening next have issued a very neat programme containing the words of the oratorio. Copies may be obtained at the warehouses of the Hicks-Lovick Piano Co., 88 Government street, where seats may be reserved. A large platform to accommodate the great chorus has been erected in the church, and at the last rehearsal almost every chair in it was occupied.

A drunk was fined \$2.50 and \$1 costs in the police court this morning. Edward Lav was charged with stealing a watch from C. Lugin. Lav is an ex-soldier of the United States army. He was arrested by Detective Macdonald. He was remanded until to-morrow. A charge against a young man of an infraction of the Public Moralities law was withdrawn. The cases of the five sailors charged with an infraction of the Market By-law in offering for sale bread on Friday night, went over until to-morrow. An account of these charges appears in another column.

'Way Down East,' the famous metropolitan success that is to be given at the Victoria on Monday night, is from the pen of Lottie Blair Parker. The central figure of the story is Anna Moore, who has a cloud on her past embracing a mock marriage. Anna finds a home on a New Hampshire farm. The farmer's son falls in love with her, and then a simple plot unravels itself to a happy end. The play is pure and wholesome in tone, possessing a quaint humor, and affording a lesson that is made acceptable and pleasurable in the receiving.

Rev. J. H. G. Temple, D.D., of the Plymouth Congregational church, Seattle, will preach in the Metropolitan church next Sunday, morning and evening, and will address a mass meeting in the afternoon.—Dr. Temple is one of the most successful pastors on the coast. His church in Seattle is always crowded, and on a recent Sunday evening nearly four hundred people were unable to find seats, owing to the fact that a recent ordinance prohibits the placing of seats in the aisles of public buildings.—Dr. Temple will on Monday evening deliver his lecture, 'Fireside Musings,' under the auspices of the Epworth League of the church.

The Colonist this morning has a double-headed shipping paragraph of an alarming story, widely circulated, that there would be grave fears for the sailing schooner—Viva. Three klotchmen before leaving on the steamer Queen City were interviewed, according to the Colonist, and 'advised' to the statement that before they left Neah Bay on Wednesday the Quillayute Indians, who have a rancherie at the mouth of the Quillayute river below Cape Johnson, thirty miles south of Cape Flattery on the Washington coast, sent up a paper telling of how a sailing schooner had gone ashore and there were some broken canoes. The klotchmen said they tiller had seen the schooner and read the name Viva on her. After discrediting the report the Colonist adds: 'The Viva is a well found schooner, well equipped, and was in competent hands. She was commanded by Captain McPhee, and had a crew of six whites and eighteen Clayoquot Indians. All that is lacking in giving the above swash yarn some little color is the fact that the schooner is in the upper harbor, having never left the harbor this year.'

V. S. & T. E. R. An excursion train will leave Central Station (market building) every Sunday morning at 8 o'clock for Crofton. A delightful trip on the comfortable steamer Iroquois, three hours ashore at Crofton, arriving home at 6.30 p.m. Round trip, \$1.50.

Men's all wool undershirts and drawers in natural grey, all sizes, well worth \$1.50 each, to-morrow at 75c, at 'The Mammoth Bankrupt Clothing Sale,' 111 Government street.

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The American barque Sonoma, which was towed in from Port Townsend last evening, was hauled out on the Esquimalt marine railway this morning.

The death occurred at the Jubilee hospital yesterday of Janet Douglas Dickson, deceased was 43 years of age and a native of Scotland. The funeral has not as yet been arranged.

T. S. revenue cutter Grant, looking sick and span as though newly launched, dropped anchor in James bay at noon, having crossed the Straits this morning.

James Howari was arrested on a warrant on Fort street yesterday afternoon by Provincial Constable Dan Campbell, and appears in the provincial police court this afternoon on a charge of assaulting a Chinaman on Admiral's road, Esquimalt, last Monday. Two other provincial cases are also before the magistrate.

According to Frederick Nicholas, of Toronto, one of the underwriters in the salmon cannery combine now being organized, who was in the city yesterday, 50 per cent of cannery interests of the province has been subscribed towards the proposed amalgamation. A. E. Jarvis and D. J. Mann arrived in Vancouver to-day and are immediately to set out on an appraising expedition.

For beauty, elegance and charm, the new production, 'When Reuben Comes to Town,' which comes to the Victoria on Tuesday night, will prove one of the best musical comedies seen in this city. The popularity of the 'reuben beauty' chorus in this production is already gossip throughout the country. In the matter of stage garniture and scenic equipment, everything is carried in its entirety, leaving nothing to be desired even by the most fastidious playgoer.

The pupils of Mrs. H. Walsh-Windle, assisted by Mrs. R. Dunsmuir and the pupils of Victor Austin, last evening gave a recital in the school room of Christ Church cathedral. There was a fair attendance, and an enjoyable programme was presented, the youthful recitants acquitting themselves creditably. The numbers by Mrs. Walsh-Windle and the vocal selection by Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir were artistically rendered.

W. H. Hayward, M. P. P., has received a letter from England containing the news of the appointment of Capt. Francis as commodore on the South American Atlantic steamer, under the vice-admiral at Halifax, Commodore Francis is well known in this city, and while captain of H. M. S. Amphion on this station won a legion of friends. All were gratified to learn of his appointment to the command of the battleship Illustration, and his latest good fortune will be contemplated with equal satisfaction.

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BAKERS BEFORE MAGISTRATE. Charged With Offering for Sale Bread Under Weight.

Five of the leading bakers of the city appeared before the police magistrate this morning charged with offering for sale bread in loaves of less than one and one-half pounds weight, contrary to the Market By-law 1901. Mr. A. L. Belyea, K. C., who appeared for all the defendants, took the following preliminary objections: 1. That the information disclosed no offence. 2. That the Market By-law, in so far as it purported to establish an arbitrary weight for bread, was ultra vires. The cases were adjourned until to-morrow in order that the city solicitor might attend on argument of the objections. It is understood that the argument on the points involved will be heard on Monday afternoon.

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Amur's Trip Has Been Cancelled—Queen City for the West Coast—Shipping Notes.

It is probable that H.M.S. Shearwater, due here from the South on the 21st, will be assigned for patrol duty in the Bering sea this year, and if two vessels are dispatched on the same mission the Phœnix will possibly accompany her.

With the American preparations are being made to dispatch the patrol fleet North fully a month earlier than is usual.

HEAVILY FREIGHTED. Some of the wants of the residents of the lower portion of Vancouver Island were represented in the cargo of the steamer Queen City, which sailed last night.

CHINESE IMMIGRATION. Chinese immigration is again assuming large proportions. A big number of the Celestials have already landed here this month.

MOUNT ROYAL LAUNCHED. For the first time in a number of years the Rock Bay bridge was opened this morning to permit of the new steamer Mount Royal passing through.

AMUR RESTED. There is not being sufficient business on the route to warrant two steamers in service.

MARINE NOTES. Steamer Al-Ki called this morning on her way to Alaska from the Sound to pick up 10 tons of powder.

If you take a Laxa-Liver Pill at night before retiring, it will work while you sleep without a ripple of pain.



THE OAR. RACE POSTPONED. As a member of one of the crews has been suddenly called away from the city the four-oared race which was to have been rowed to-morrow afternoon has been postponed till Saturday, April 12th.

LACROSSE. AMALGAMATION. The Vancouver Lacrosse Club and the Y. M. C. A. have affiliated the whole organization taking the name of the Vancouver Lacrosse Club.

THE RIFLE. PRACTICE AT GLOVER POINT. If the weather is favorable, there will be practice at Glover Point rifle range to-morrow afternoon at the usual distances.

THE KENNEL. AND STILL THEY COME. Victoria dogs continue to distinguish themselves at Seattle. The appended prize list will show what they have done in the English setter class.

THE HUNT. TO-MORROW'S RACES. Everything is now in readiness for the regular spring racing meeting of the Victoria Hunt Club at Clover Point to-morrow afternoon.

PING PONG. CLOSING GAMES. Only one or two of the semi-finals of the J. B. A. ping pong tournament remain to be played.

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given way to testify. The same can be said of the soldiers, and the spectators are bound to be pleased either way.

NEW WESTMINSTER. The death occurred here on Tuesday morning of Miss Minnie Melrose, daughter of Mr. Neil Melrose, of Trueman.

LAXA-LIVER PILLS. Those who have used Laxa-Liver Pills say they have no equal for relieving and curing Constipation, Sick Headaches, Biliousness, Dyspepsia, Coated Tongue, Foul Breath, Heart Burn, Water Brash, or any disease or disorder of the stomach, liver or bowels.

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RADIUS MAP OF SIMILKAMEEN VALLEY. The map shows the location of the Company's coal land and their city of wonder, progress and prosperity, ASHNOOLA; water power, timber lands and electric light. Assets of the Company are now \$1,250,000. The ASHNOOLA COAL COMPANY, LIMITED, of Toronto, is also establishing its water office and power plant at ASHNOOLA.

MOWSON TEA. Direct from Grower to the Consumer. C. R. King & Son, Wholesale Agents, Victoria. S. S. HAZELTON STOCK TAKING. Will Leave Port Essington for Hazelton. Stoddart's Jewelry Store. 63 YATES STREET.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its present session, for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate a single-track double-line railway, to be operated by steam, electricity or any other mode of power, and from the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, thence north-west by the most feasible route to a point at or near Seymour Narrows, in the Province of British Columbia, and with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate a railway ferry service for the purpose of transferring for reward passengers and passenger and freight cars from the said point at or near Seymour Narrows, in Vancouver's Island, to a point on the mainland of the Province of British Columbia; and with further powers branches, equip, maintain and operate a building, and operate a railway from any point on the main line thereof to any point in Vancouver Island; and with power to build and operate tramways in connection with the said railway and branches, and to supply of it to generate electricity for all, any and every other purpose mentioned in Sections 80, 81 and 83 of the "Water and Electric Light and Power Act, 1892," and to do everything necessary or incidental to the carrying out of all or any of the objects referred to in the said sections; and with power to exercise all the powers given to the company by Parts IV, and V, of the "Water, Gas, Electric Light and Power Act, 1892," and with power to build, own and maintain sewers, and to carry on a general engineering business, and to build, maintain and operate bridges, roads, ways, ferries, wharves, docks, steamboats, steamships, coal bunkers, and other arrangements and to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamship or steamboat and other companies; and with power to acquire lands for the purpose of the company, and to acquire lands, houses, privileges or other aid from any government or municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate, and to build, maintain and operate roads to be used in the said sections; and to levy and collect tolls from all persons using, and on all freight and other goods of such roads built by the company, whether before or after the construction of the railway, and with power to sell out the undertaking; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights or privileges as may be necessary or conducive to the above objects, or any of them. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 24th day of March, A. D. 1902. ROBERTSON & ROBERTSON, Solicitors for the Applicants.

"Municipal Clauses Act." Notice is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, B. C., I shall apply for a transfer to the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors in the Victoria theatre building, situate on the southeast corner of View and Douglas streets, in the City of Victoria, aforesaid, being the premises to E. W. Van Sickle, from my said license. Dated this 20th day of March, 1902. G. R. BROWN.

NOTICE. Application will be made to the parliament of Canada at its present session for an Act to incorporate the First National Bank of Canada, with the usual powers of banks under the Bank Act and its amendments. (Signed) S. B. WOODS, Solicitor for Applicants. Dated March 20th, 1902.

CAUTION. Notice is hereby given that John Mitchell, butcher, is not authorized to sell a certain horse (or mare) belonging to me, at present in his possession. THOS. POTTER, Lion Brewery Balcon.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Court for a transfer to the license now held by me for the sale of wines and spirituous liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Commercial Hotel, situate on Johnson street, in the City of Victoria. Dated the 25th day of February, 1902. J. M. D. HUGHES.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at its next session for a transfer to M. H. McQuinn, of the license now held by me for the sale of wines and spirituous liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Commercial Hotel, No. 94 Yates street, Victoria, B. C. Dated this 13th day of March, 1902. M. H. McQUINN.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to apply at the next sitting of the Licensing Court for a transfer to the license now held by me for the sale of spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Commercial Hotel, situate at the corner of Douglas and Commercial streets, in the City of Victoria. Dated this 13th day of March, 1902. S. WHITE, M. H. McQuinn.

NOTICE. All mineral rights are reserved by the Dominion of the Nanaimo Railway Company in that tract of land known as the south by the south boundary of Conson Georgia, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the west by the boundary of the N. & N. Railway Land Grant. LEONARD H. SOLLY, Land Commissioner.

Victoria-Building Society. The 80th Drawing for an Appropriation in connection with the above Society, will be held at the Secretary's Office, 181 Trounce avenue, on Friday, the 11th April, 1902, at 8 p. m. See that your Shares are in good standing. By order, A. ST. G. PLINT, Secretary.

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