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TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

British Columbia Gold	18
Ontario Gold	22
California Gold	25
Alaska Gold	30
Yukon Gold	35
Northwest Gold	40
British Columbia Silver	15
Ontario Silver	20
California Silver	25
Alaska Silver	30
Yukon Silver	35
Northwest Silver	40

LOOK OUT FOR ATHABASCA!
GEO. E. G. BROWN, Local Manager, 44 Court Street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

- TO LET**—New modern 7 roomed house, No. 175 Pandora avenue; rent \$14. Apply No. 177 Pandora avenue. 125-21
- AN ENTERTAINMENT** will be given on Tuesday, 26th, by the Young Woman's Christian Association, at 8 o'clock. Admission 25c. 125-22
- THE NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY OF B.C.** meets this evening at 8 p.m. in the Victoria Library. 125-23
- WANTED**—Carpenter and glazier for 7 ft. S. A. Stoddart, 65 Yates street. 125-24
- OLYMPIA REBUILT A DEGREE LODGE** will hold a concert at 8 p.m. on Jan. 28th at Oddfellows Hall, Douglas street. 125-25
- FOUND**—A pig; the owner can get it by paying expenses. A. Matheson, Langford's road, Victoria West. 125-26
- THE RUSS HOUSE**—We serve the best people in Victoria with our 15c. dinners. Why don't you call and give us a trial? We use the best meats of the B.C. Market; roast turkey twice a week, including tea or coffee and a glass of beer. Who else can do it but the Russ House? 125-27
- GOOD WALLPAPER** at half price at Mellor, 1978 Fort Street. 116-01-02
- PURE MIXED PAINTS** 25c per gal. Mellor's Fort Street, above Douglas. 116-03-04
- COAL**—\$5 per ton, delivered; weight guaranteed. Mann, Holland & Co., 24 Broad Street. 125-28

Victoria Building Society.

The Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Victoria Hotel, on Monday, 26th January, 1897, at 8 p.m., for the following business: To receive the directors' and auditors' reports, also the secretary's report and balance sheet, and such other business as may be brought before the meeting, and to elect officers and a board of management, and the 5th drawing for an appropriation. By order, A. E. G. FLINT, Secretary. 125-29

SAVAGE'S CIGAR STORE

Government Street, near New Postoffice. 125-30

TO-MORROW, at 2 P.M.

Parlor, Diningroom, Bedroom and Kitchen Furniture. Including some very fine pieces in oak and mahogany, including parlor chairs and sofas, Brussels and tapestry carpets, Brnoles, hanging lamps, etc. Terms cash. W. H. HARDACKER, W. T. HARRISON, Auctioneers. 125-31

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FROM THE CAPITAL

Twenty-Two Baiter Zero Registered by the Ottawa
Interim

Report That Premier Laurier Will Visit California, Not
Cor. ect.

Governor of the Northwest Takes a Holiday to Visit British Columbia.

Ottawa, Jan. 25. (Special)—The thermometer was 27 degrees below zero at two o'clock this morning; the coldest night of the season.

The report that Premier Laurier is going to California is not correct. The lieutenant-governor of the Northwest Territories has got three months leave of absence to go to Rossland and Justice Richardson will manage the affairs of the territories during his absence. The Governor-General after consultation with his advisers has undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion towards the relief of the distress in India. He has telegraphed all the lieutenant-governors asking their co-operation. Lord Aberdeen himself has given \$1000 to the fund.

Jas Russell, who met his death in the railway accident at Barry's Bay on Thursday last, was insured for \$3000, \$2000 of which was in the United Workmen. Two months ago Russell joined a religious sect known as the "Latter-days" or "Horner", who is head of the body, ordered Russell to give up all his insurance as it was against the rules of the order. Russell did so, and his young wife and family of two are now left penniless.

WAR EAGLE MINE.

New Owners Take Control But Make Few Changes.

James Clark, superintendent of the War Eagle, T. H. Lucas, secretary of the old War Eagle company; J. E. Hastings, expert for the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate, and Percy Galt, of Toronto, the lawyer who came out to look after the transfer of the War Eagle property, arrived from Spokane yesterday afternoon and proceeded immediately to the office of the War Eagle company. There they found A. G. Galt, brother of Percy Galt, who had been instructed by telegram from Spokane at 2 o'clock yesterday morning to go up and take possession of the War Eagle mine as agent of the new purchasers. They also found Charles Robbins, the

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

Splendid Building Site for Sale.
Tenders will be received to 2 1/2 hrs. for lots 22, 23, 24 and 25, being part of section 1 of lot 26, section 1 of the Fairfield estate. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Address: TENDER, Times office. 125-40

VICTORIA CITY FOUND.

Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock a.m., in the city of Victoria, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, I shall sell by public auction one ha. or so, and the said animal is redeemed on payment thereon paid in or before the hour of sale. A. McINNES, Auctioneer. Victoria, B.C., Jan. 22nd, 1897. 125-41

NOTICE.

Application will be made to the Parliament of Canada during its next session, for an act to incorporate the British Columbia Railway Company, with power to construct a railway from Victoria, British Columbia, to Winnipeg, Manitoba, via Fort Lacombe, Carlton, Edmonton and Prince Albert, with a branch line to a convenient port on Hudson's Bay, and a branch down the valleys of the Canoe, Columbia and Kootenay rivers, and the 8th parallel of latitude, with power to purchase, lease, acquire or make running arrangements with existing lines or companies on the line of the proposed railway or connect with therewith. Montreal, 11th Jan. 1897. 125-42

NOTICE OF SALE.

The Sealing Schooners Vira and Beatrice will be offered for sale at Public Auction by the undersigned at his office, Bastion Street, Victoria, on Tuesday the Second of February, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon.

The Schooner Vira is 92 tons, coppered, and will be sold with gear, sails and main.

The Schooner Beatrice is 40 tons, and will be sold with her boats and sails.

J. E. McMILLAN, Marshal Eschequer Court, Admiralty District, B.C. Dated at Victoria, 25th Jan., 1897. (Colonist copy.) 125-43

YOUNG MEN'S LIBERAL CLUB

A meeting of the above association will be held in PHILHARMONIC HALL, FORT STREET THIS EVENING, AT 8 O'CLOCK.

The club has 40 members, and is doing the most successful business of every young liberal in Victoria, and all thoughtful young men are cordially invited to be present at this meeting. G. BYRNE, Secretary. 125-44

book-keeper of the old War Eagle company, there.

Mr. Clark announced to Book-keeper Robbins that he could open the books on the following day—that is, to-day, under the name of the new company.

It is presumed Mr. Robbins is to remain at his old post. Mr. Clark to remain as superintendent. This, however, Mr. Clark could not do, as his own interests demand his entire attention. However, he will remain at the War Eagle long enough to get things running smoothly under the new management.

Mr. Clark warmly recommended John Bressahan, the present foreman of the mine, for the position of superintendent. Bressahan has been ill at the hospital in Spokane, but is recovering and will be here in a few days. In the meantime Mr. Hastings will have general charge of the work on both the War Eagle and Crown Point mines, both of which now belong to the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate.

Mr. Hastings said to a representative of The Miner that the new company had a large fund set aside for development purposes, and that development work on the War Eagle would be pushed as rapidly as possible. This will consist in pushing the long tunnel being run in from Centre Star gulch, in continuing the mine now being sunk from the level of No. 2 tunnel and in following up any ore bodies which may be discovered. He said the mine would continue shipping ore right along, as it had been before. It will be seen, therefore, that no radical changes are to be made at the mine for the present.

Mr. Galt said the title deeds had passed to the new owners of the property and that the entire amount of the purchase money, \$200,000 in cash, had been transferred through the Bank of Montreal in Rossland yesterday to the treasury account of the old War Eagle company. He seemed to think there would be no further trouble from those who opposed the sale.

He said he had seen the statute in the laws of British Columbia relating to the disposal of incorporated mining properties. The matter had been carefully considered before he left Toronto. The question had again been brought up at the meeting of the War Eagle stockholders in Spokane, but he did not anticipate any inconvenience from the provisions of the act as they did not apply in such cases. The charter of the company gave it certain powers, one of which was to buy or sell. In making the sale the old company had exercised one of its chartered rights. This was all there was to it. Rossland Miner.

SMALLPOX PATIENT
Died at the Quarantine Hospital This Morning—Victoria Goes to Tacoma.

Topeka Arrives from Alaska—A Desperado Liberated from Juneau Jail.

British Ship Dredbope Chartered to Load Lumber at Chemainus.
for Liverpool.

William Heat Quarantine station has now a good sized colony of Chinese and Japanese in consequence of a Chinese fireman on the steamship Victoria having contracted smallpox and the attention of the ship's officers having been called to the case, the patient was immediately isolated in the hospital on board the steamer. He was kept there during the whole of the voyage. The patient was the most unlikely man on the steamer to "catch" smallpox. He had the dread disease before, as his face and body were extensively pock-marked. Upon the steamer's arrival at William Head, the patient was removed to the quarantine hospital and the 153 Chinese and Japanese who made up the steamer's stowage passengers and crew were sent ashore and detained there. The steamer remained at the station for 10 hours and was thoroughly fumigated as were also her mails and baggage. At six o'clock on Saturday evening the officers brought the Victoria to the outer wharf, and 200 tons of freight was discharged. A new crew was engaged here and she left yesterday morning for Tacoma. The quarantine officials at Port Townsend gave her but little trouble and after again fumigating her, she was allowed to proceed to Tacoma. The Tacoma had otherwise a pleasant voyage across the Pacific. Fine weather was experienced the whole way and the trip was made in the least time of 13 days. Among her stowage passengers were Mr. and Mrs. Sherer, missionaries who are returning from Japan. J. J. Ellis, E. Wheeler and E. Klotchowski, a Russian government engineer from Vladivostok. The Victoria had a full cargo of 3,300 tons freight.

A telephone report received from William Head to-day stated that the smallpox patient died this morning. The case was rather a severe one and the officers of the ship had but little hopes for his recovery. Dr. Watt has vaccinated all the other Chinese and Japanese at the station. They will be detained there for another two days, which will make fourteen days since the patient was isolated in the hospital on board the steamer.

The Topeka arrived down from Alaska yesterday morning, and after remaining a short time in port left for the Sound. She had but few passengers on board. From the Alaskan papers it is learned that William G. Birch, a notorious desperado who was convicted of the murder of a woman and sentenced to three years in San Quentin penitentiary, was released from jail at the coast house in Juneau. Sheriff Williams was going to leave shortly with the prisoner for San Quentin, but three masked men entered the court house and rapped on the door of the jailer's room. The jailer opened the door and was at once covered by revolvers. Birch was taken from the jail and it is supposed that the party left on a schooner which was in the harbor. The Alaska Mining Record states that Jack Hayes left on the Rustler for the Yukon with the second lot of mail dispatch under his contract with the United States government. It comprised about 1000 pieces and weighs 75 pounds.

The Northern Pacific steamer Tacoma has been delayed at the repairs which are being made at Tacoma and she will not probably sail until to-morrow. She will have a large cargo and among her stowage passengers will be Dr. Frank A. Keller, of Albany, N. Y., and Edward G. Bevis, of Toronto. They are going as medical missionaries to the province of Hunan, China.

In consequence of the low prices for sealskins, the owners of the Beatrice and Vira considered it inadvisable to pay the fines of \$400 levied against the vessels in the Admiralty Court. The schooners will therefore be sold on the 2nd of February by Sheriff McMillan.

The large fleet of sailing vessels that congregated in Esquimaux Bay, B.C., last week during the past month has dispersed, all having been chartered. The last to leave is the Duffhope, Captain Lowe, which has been chartered to load lumber at Chemainus for Liverpool.

Yesterday the British ship Marlborough Hill, Captain Lane, was towed to Port Townsend by the tug Pioneer. She there received orders to load lumber on the Sound for Port Pirie.

VICTORIA HAS COMPANY.

Other Cities are Having Wintery Weather.

Buffalo, Jan. 25.—Yesterday, last night and to-day the coldest weather of this season was experienced at Buffalo. The mercury ranged yesterday between zero and 10 above. At 9 this morning it was four above, owing to a change in the direction of the wind from north-west to southwest.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 25.—Intense cold prevailed yesterday. Last night the local weather bureau reported 13 above and still falling.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 25.—A cold wave struck this section yesterday and increased in intensity until last night, when a drizzling rain began which froze as it fell. Reports from the stock ranches west say that much apprehension of severe loss is felt. Many herds are without shelter. The mercury dropped from 4 to 16 and snow fell last night. This is a novelty in Texas.

CLEVELAND'S INTENTIONS.

Will Take up His Residence at Princeton After His Retirement.

New York, Jan. 25.—Princeton is already making preparations to receive the president and Mrs. Cleveland when they begin housekeeping in that town. It is understood that the Cleveland family will arrive on March 6 or 7. Three receptions will be given to introduce the Cleverlands to Princeton. The first one will be by the faculty of the college and will be held at President Patterson's house. The second will be for the purpose of introducing them to Princeton and Mercer county society. The third social function given in honor of the president will have a political aspect as well. This will be a general reception to Mr. Cleveland at the Democratic League club rooms given by the Democrats of Princeton. The retiring president, soon after his arrival, will give a reception to all the people of Princeton.

PATAL MISTAKE.

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Don't you believe it. The liberal fall of "the beautiful" is full of significance here. General clearance of all winter lines—everything reduced.

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 - 44 inch Shot Tweeds, 50c. all at 25c. yard.
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 - 65c. Wide Amazon Tweeds, at 30c.
 - All Pure Wool Scotch Tweeds, yard and a half wide, \$1.25 to \$1.75, all go at 75c. yard.
 - Balance of Blouse Silks all at 25c. yard.
 - Sale prices for all lined Kid Gloves.
 - Knit Wool Gloves for boys and girls, Black, White and all colors, 20c., 25c.
 - Grey Lambskin Blankets, pair 90c.
 - White Lambskin Blankets, 75c and 90c pair.
 - Batting Filled Comforters, 90c
 - Elderdown Comforters all reduced.
 - Scarlet and White Sax. and Welsh Flannels, 25c, 35c.
 - Ladies' Black Wool Gaiters. 90c. for 50c.
 - P.D. Corsets, \$1.30, all sizes.
 - (Rain Umbrellas).

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GOSSIP OF EUROPE

How the Various Continental Co. nfrs View the Plague and Fatigue in India.

German Press Hopes Salisbury's Alleged slap at Prince Bismarck.

Coercive Measures to be Taken by the Powers to settle East ern Question.

London, Jan. 23.—Plague news from Bombay is not reassuring. The government sanitary commissioner has reported seriously on the situation, but Englishmen regard the chances of the plague getting a foothold in Great Britain as being remote on account of excellent sanitary conditions.

of breaking the laws of the country daily. Sir Wilfred questioned the attorney-general, Sir Richard Webster, Q.C., regarding the sale of liquor within the precincts of the house, Sir Richard had to reply, amid a continuous roar of laughter, but after a prolonged inquiry into the matter he had come to the conclusion that the sale of liquor within the precincts of the house was illegal, and that the remedy was to pass an act exempting the house from the licensing law.

Some excitement was caused in Paris during the week by the stopping of a small steamer, bound from London to Paris, at Bougival, a village on the Seine, about four miles north of Marseilles. It was said the steamer was infected with the plague and it transpired she had on board carpets and bedding from India. But it developed later that the cargo had been stored in London for the last six months, and the authorities allowed her to proceed to Paris.

FEAR THE PLAGUE.

Sudden Deaths in Marseilles Cause Much Alarm.

Marseilles, Jan. 25.—The greatest feeling of alarm prevails here among the masses of the population on account of a number of sudden deaths which have occurred in one street. Some ten days ago a report was circulated here that a case of bubonic plague had been discovered.

This was promptly denied and precautions taken to guard against the introduction of the plague were doubled, especially in the vicinity of the old and new ports, where the maritime population congregates. In this neighborhood seamen from all parts of the world are to be found in great numbers, and in the vicinity of the old port especially, the streets are narrow in the extreme, lined with many old, over-painted houses, and in every way unhealthful, the cobble stone roadway, as a rule, having gutters through which the drainage flows. Since the alarm steps have been taken to clean the streets as much as possible, and sanitary measures have been made by the health officers in the most dangerous quarters.

Under the circumstances it is not extraordinary that the authorities were greatly alarmed when the report was first spread that a case of bubonic plague had been discovered. It was announced that nine sudden deaths had occurred in one street within a few days, and of course, the plague was blamed, rightly or wrongly, in every case. The health officers declare that all nine cases were deaths from "infectious pneumonia," but the public is very far from being satisfied.

London, Jan. 25.—A special from Milan says that upon the arrival from Brindisi of a railway train a second class carriage was sealed by the Italian government. An Englishman from Bombay, who was in the carriage, was refused a permit to cross the frontier. The carriage was finally shunted to a siding, where it remains, pending government instructions.

Don't worry. Don't run in debt. Don't trifle with your health. Don't try experiments with medicine. Don't waste time and money on worthless compounds. Don't be persuaded to take a substitute for Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It is the best of blood purifiers.

STRINGENT RULES.

Proposed by Davitt for Governing the Irish Party.

London, Jan. 23.—At a meeting of the Irish parliamentary party to-day, John Dillon, the chairman, presiding, Michael Davitt presented a long resolution providing for the expulsion of anyone opposing the decisions reached by a majority of the party in meeting or in the parliamentary action of the chairman in behalf of the party, or in supporting a fund to maintain a portion of the party in rivalry to the Irish national federation.

BISMARCK SNUBBED.

Because of His Recent Exposures of Secret Treaties.

Berlin, Jan. 23.—It is stated that the action of Emperor William in refusing to meet Count Herbert Bismarck at the wedding breakfast last week of the daughter of Count von Wedel, a minister to the Imperial household, who was married to Count Bismarck-Holen, to which the Bismarck family had been invited, is due to the discovery that Count Herbert Bismarck is at the bottom of the von Tausch-Norlin-Schubert intrigues, and a new Bismarck press law is expected.

MANY WERE KILLED.

San Francisco, Jan. 23.—Advices from Foo Chow received at Hongkong on January 2, report a terrible catastrophe in a temple at Kwang Fou on December 8, 1896.

The Kreuz Zeitung says the Marquis of Salisbury, "instead of mentioning the names of two powerful personages, would have done better to have openly admitted that such treaties are of little use, since they must be repudiated in all instances involving vital national interests."

With the exception of the proceedings yesterday evening when Sir Henry Howarth, Conservative, representing the south division of Stafford, moved an amendment censuring the government for releasing the Irish political prisoners, which called forth a heated defense of the action of the home secretary, Sir Matthew White Ridley, upon the part of Mr. Balfour, who declared Sir Henry's attack was an insinuation upon the whole treasury bench, and upon himself and his colleagues, were no words to lead the party. The debates in the commons have been tedious and only enlivened by an amusing incident on Thursday last, when Sir Wilfred Lawson, Radical representing the Cookernouth division of Cumberland, decried British legislators in the position

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LITTLE PETE KILLED

San Francisco's Chinese Sport the Victim of a Highbinder's Fraud.

His Ass a Prize, who Shot Him While in a Barber's Chair, Arrested.

San Francisco, Jan. 23.—Little Pete, the most noted Chinaman in San Francisco, was murdered by his countrymen in Chinatown Saturday night. He was sitting in a chair in a Chinese barber shop when three Chinese entered and shot him, inflicting a wound from the effects of which he died in a short time. The murderers were arrested.

The murder is the outcome of a quarrel between two of the Chinese Six Companies, and it is supposed the murderers are highbinders hired to do the job. Little Pete has had a varied and remarkable career in San Francisco, and for years has been the most influential Chinese in this part of the country.

Little Pete was once convicted of jury bribing and served a term in the penitentiary. He is who gave to Chris Buckley, for many years a power in local politics, his name of "Blind White Devil." Little Pete had many friends in Chinatown, and it is a certainty that his murder will be avenged.

Northern Pacific Railway to Rosland.

If you are going to Rosland be sure to travel via the Northern Pacific railway, the all-rail route. Ship your freight and express by Northern Pacific, that line has inaugurated through all-rail freight and express service to Rosland as well as to Nelson and other Kootenay points.

E. E. BLACKWOOD, Agent.

SOLD HER DAUGHTER.

A Poverty-Stricken Mother Sells Her Daughter to a Chinese Cook.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 23.—Mrs. Melvin Atwater, a poverty-stricken woman of this city, has sold to a Chinese cook her fourteen-year-old daughter, Rachel. The family, which consists of Atwater, her mother and ten children, residing in a tenement house, had been in the city for the first time in the place, and was attended by a large crowd of natives and a few Europeans. One of the female inmates was overpowered, setting fire to the building. The panic-stricken crowd tried to force a way through two small doors. In the crush 300 persons were trampled to death. The victims were principally women and children. Of the thirty actors only four escaped alive, and two of the survivors are in the native hospital suffering from internal injuries from which they may die.

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The official announcements of the British Columbia Gazette do not usually form very interesting reading, still, if examined closely are found to contain enough information which is on the border of startling. Under the title "Private Bill Notices" it will be found on making a summary of the many applications for private acts at the approaching session of the legislature...

- 1. To supply water to Sayward and the country within ten miles of it, using the waters of Beaver creek and its tributaries, and supply electric power or light for 30 miles, including Nelson and the Sa non river country.
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6. To take water from the Columbia and Kootenay rivers and their tributaries for electric works in East and West Kootenay.
7. To take water from the north fork of Kettle creek and Manly creek for waterworks for Grand Forks and for water and electric works, with power to appropriate.
8. To take 5,000 inches of water from Dog falls on Okanagan river for electric light and power purposes.
9. To take water from Kootenay river to furnish 2,000 horse power, from Murphy creek where the Rossland trail crosses it 3,000 horse power, from Kootenay river above the C. & W. railway crossing 2,000 horse power and to transmit this power to surrounding towns, and to operate tramways, etc.
10. To take the water of Sheep creek for electric light and power purposes.
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Quite a large number of the towns of British Columbia have found it necessary to buy the plant of waterworks companies organized before towns had populations to provide such or were incorporated. In most of these cases the city was obliged to pay considerably in advance of the cost of the works.
Though the organization of so many companies show a spirit of enterprise, the water powers as they now exist are the property of the people. Granting these powers sought in most instances means the granting of a monopoly and care should be taken to see that if any privileges are given out of what is now the public domain, that the rights, present and future, of the people as a whole are safeguarded, which has not always been the case in times past. In the matter of waterworks especially it should be kept in view that in these districts before many years municipalities are likely to be organized and that it is generally accepted as wisdom for such municipalities to own their own water supply. These proposed enterprises are not such as can be looked upon as new ideas entitling the originator of the plans to special consideration. Some, in fact, most of the districts are in a very undeveloped state and works of the nature proposed are not likely to be erected for some years. To all appearances the charters are sought chiefly with a view to obtaining and holding franchises, and franchise seekers are entitled to little consideration. Among the provisions that should be put in all these acts is one granting the powers sought only for a comparatively short period, with the right to any municipality that may be formed to purchase at the end of every four years at a price to be fixed by arbitration, no allowance to be made for the value of any franchise at an advance of more than 8 or 10 per cent a year on the investment, after deducting the profits earned. With such exclusive land grants as have been made in the southern part of British Columbia, the giving away of these privileges about to be asked will leave little for the everyday miner or settler.—The Rosslander.

NEW GEM DISCOVERED.

The accidental find made by an opal miner in Mexico has given a new semi-precious stone to the world. It is announced as the result of a secret examination by experts from the United States and Europe that this new gem is unlike any stone previously discovered, and is fitted to set in any kind of jewelry.
The new stone approaches the opal in value, and this is a matter of considerable moment, for it is one of the oddities of the year that the superstitious avoidance of the opal has largely disappeared, and it is now coming to rival the diamond in popularity.
The stone first came to the notice of the jewelers several months ago, when a leading Chicago firm received from a miner operating in Mexico about twenty specimens which the miner said he had discovered while searching for opals in that country. Their appearance first was not such as to attract particular attention, but upon being treated an astonishing beauty developed. While in the rough some of them bore the appearance of small small shells, while others were like tiny roses. They varied from the size of the French pea to that of an ordinary hickory nut.
In shape they were hemispherical. The appearance of the round part resembled that of translucent quartz, and in the centre of the flat side a faintly colored nucleus was seen. Over this nucleus the substance of the stone appeared to be laid in strata. In accordance with the request of the man who found in the stones, an immediate and thorough examination was made, and to

the surprise of the men engaged in this work, they were found to be gems of great beauty. After the upper side had been polished the nucleus was distinctly in evidence, and almost invariably appeared a dusky red in color.
The eye-like centre was not well defined in some of the stones, but in almost every instance it was noticeable that the coloring matter was clouded across the entire stone. A striking feature was the remarkable resemblance to an eye of the centre of each stone, and it is this fact which caused Edward J. Smith, the Chicago diamond expert, who examined them, to give them a name. He declared that a stone of this sort would certainly be dubbed "cyclops," and cyclops it has been christened.
Following the examination by the Chicago expert, a specimen of the new gems were sent to George F. Kunz, the well known diamond expert, who indorsed all that previously had been said. The men who had the stones in charge then sent Mr. Smith to Europe to submit specimens to important continental experts. Each of these gentlemen highly praised the stones, and at once classed them as gems of a high order.
As a result of this investigation and general approval, an effort is now being quietly made in Mexico to locate the exact source of this sort of gem, and to ascertain whether enough of them can be found to yield a fairly continuous supply. The utmost secrecy is being

HEREDITY AND ENVIRONMENT.

At the usual Sunday evening public meeting of the Theosophical Society, 28 Broad street, a paper was read on "Heredity and Environment," the speaker saying: "The human soul is a progressive entity, having evolved through the lower kingdoms in the past centuries it will proceed into the infinites beyond when its evolution has been perfected in the human kingdom. Ever expanding, each plane or condition through which it passes adds something to its consciousness, or evokes in a greater degree the radiance of the Divine within. Its heredity and environment—which are limitations—are of its own making by reason of past life and thought, and upon seeking reincarnation it chooses the line of least resistance and is drawn by the law of affinity to those parents who will provide the body with its tendencies which are required by the soul for the expression of its own characteristics. The heredity and environment are effects the causes of which were generated by the soul in past lives, but the soul is free and has the power to choose whether it will transcend its limitation or be dragged down by them; and in proportion to its strength will it overcome. We are the arbiters of our own destiny.
If in a prior life we by folly and evil living produced diseased and unhealthy bodies we in a subsequent life return to that family down to which the unhealthy tendencies have been trans-

RAILWAY ON A DUKE'S ESTATE.

The English Railroad World contains an interesting article on a railway of very light construction on the Cheshire estate of the Duke of Westminster. Eaton Hall lies about three and a half miles southwards from Chester general station, and hitherto everything has had to be carried either from Chester or from a siding on the Great Western railway, the latter being three miles from the Hall. Few who have seen this immense establishment can have any idea of the needs of the place, but when it is stated that at least 2000 tons of coal are required for house purposes alone it will be understood that an immense amount of carting is entailed. As a matter of fact the traffic which will be put on the new line is estimated at 5000 tons, rather than under. But 5000 tons, though it involves a vast amount of horse haulage, is not a sufficient quantity to make the construction of a standard gauge line payable, however lightly laid. A further consideration in this case was of course the necessity for hiding as much as possible the unsightly features of the line. Having inspected a small 15-inch gauge railway laid down by Mr. Percival Heywood at Duffield Bank, near Derby, the Duke's agent decided upon constructing a similar line on the Eaton estate. The work was taken in hand about two years ago, and the line has now been open for a sufficient length of time to enable it to be pronounced a complete success. The

A REAL JEKYLL AND HYDE.

Truth is always plagiarizing from fiction in the most indecent fashion, says the St. James Budget. There is a regular Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde case before the courts just now. It is not known whether Mr. Charles Grant, of Liverpool, St. King's cross, alias Dr. Montague, of Douglas road, Canonbury, is guilty of the burglaries for which he has been committed to take his trial. But there seems to be no doubt that he lived the double life with a certain success. At Canonbury he was in the odor of medical sanctity. He was a retired doctor of steady habits and irreproachable tastes. When he was tired of the tea parties and "blissful" conversation of the Douglas road, Jekyll would put on his hat and become Hyde of King's Cross, where he "frequented low class houses" and did other things of which Canonbury would not have approved. The case, at least shows how easy it is to be lost in London. A few streets separated the "Mr. Grant" of King's Cross from the "Dr. Montague" of Douglas road as effectively almost as 3,000 miles of sea. Once upon a time there was a middle class Londoner who lived in Baywater and grew tired of his wife. So he decided to disappear. It was a simple operation. He turned his balance at the bank into cash, put on his hat, said he was going out to buy an evening paper and did not return for nine years. He had been at a quiet lodging in Battersea all the time, but nobody ever thought

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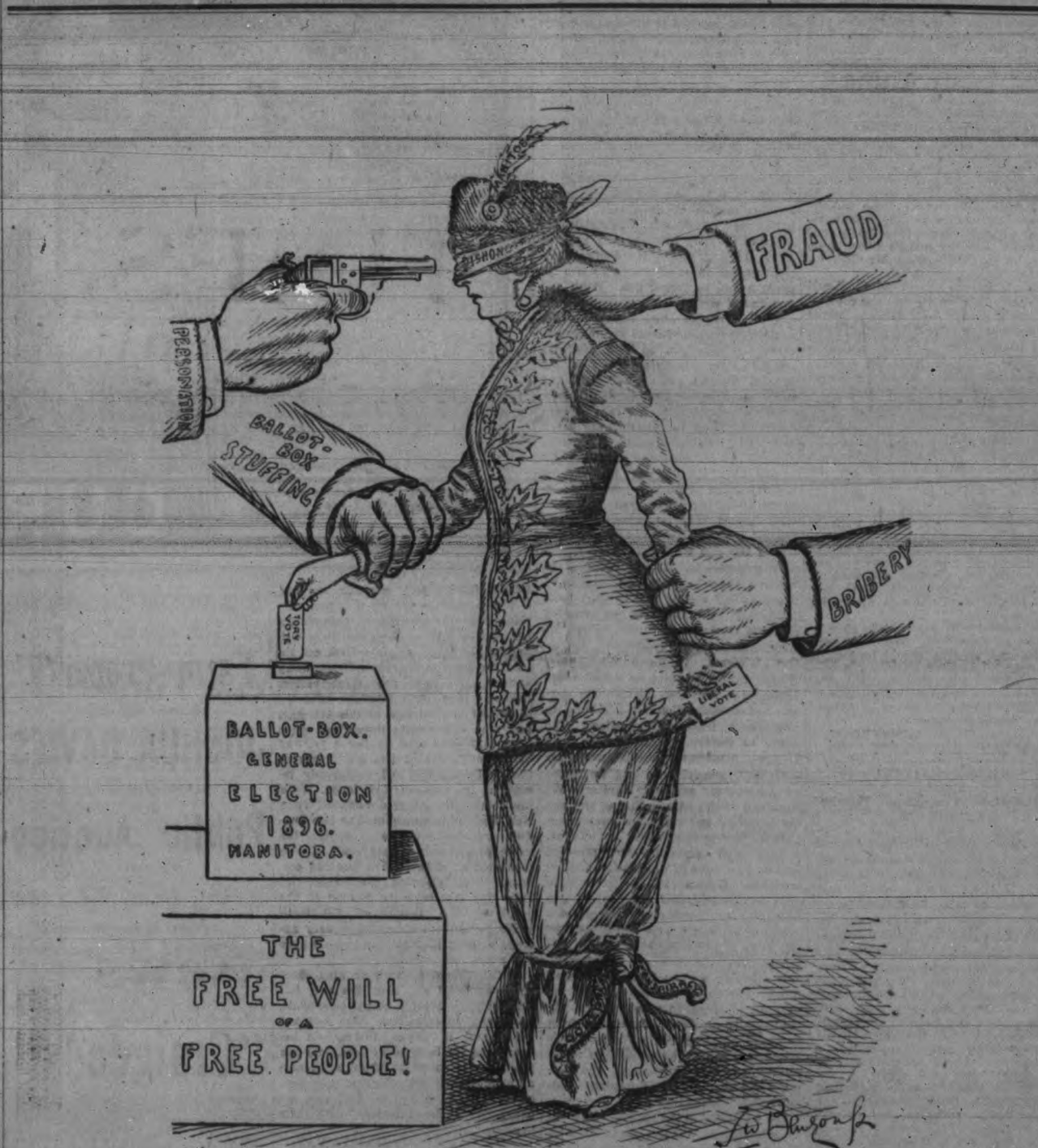
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Why Manitoba Voted in Favor of "Coercion."

ing maintained as to the place where the original discovery was made. Enough is known, however, to make clear the fact that it is one of the comparatively inaccessible districts, unlikely to be visited by any other than a solitary opal hunter.
Of course, this means that an organized search can only be conducted at a large expense. It upon such investigation, however, it is found that the results will be well worth the cost. The attempt will certainly be made.
Whatever may be the result it is certain that there has been added to the category of jewels a new and most attractive gem.

Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of William H. Penn, chief clerk in the railway mail service at Des Moines, Iowa, who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to frequent severe attacks of pain in the stomach and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Sold by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros. wholesale agents Victoria and Vancouver.
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mitted which we originated or accentuated. Thus do we return again to our own, and have another opportunity to raise the matter with which we are associated, and by doing so we evolve a purer line of heredity which will influence both now and in future ages ourselves and all mankind. And perfect justice is worked, for while we are suffering our deserts, the men or souls will all be compelled to incarnate in other bodies of similar condition.
But heredity does not transmit either power, capacity or learning, which are all conserved in the soul. And history supports our contention, for the ancient Egyptians have long disappeared without transmitting their character and mentality to their descendants, who are a degenerate race. And the same applies to other ancient and extinct races.—Com.

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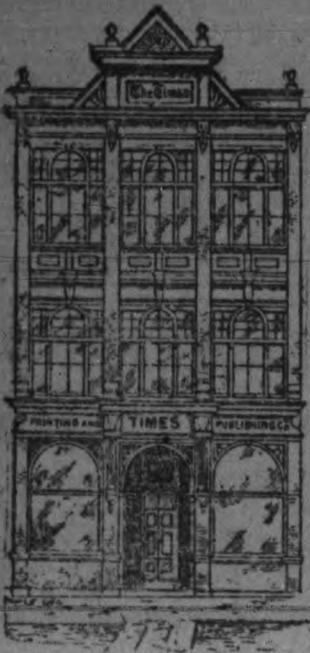
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total length of the main line is two miles 1,740 yards. There is besides a branch three-quarters of a mile long to the estate pines, and various other sidings bring the total length of line laid up to four and a-half miles. The rolling stock, all of which is capable of passing a minimum curve of two feet radius, consists of a four-wheeled coupled locomotive, one brake van, one tool passenger van, thirty four-wheeled goods wagons. The goods wagons are six feet long, three feet wide, three feet three inches deep and weigh seven and a-half hundredweight. They are capable of carrying from fifteen to twenty hundredweight of coal; the bodies can be lifted off and the trucks used for carrying timber or other bulky goods. The passenger car runs on two four wheel bogies, is twenty feet long, has seating accommodation for sixteen passengers and weighs twenty-five hundredweight. The engine cost £400.

My daughter, when recovering from an attack of fever, was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes Louisa Grover of Sardin, Ky. "After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. Sold by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros. wholesale agents Victoria and Vancouver.

of looking for him there, though he had been advertised for in the colonial papers and diligently inquired after in New York.
The progressive ladies of Westfield, Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and contains the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's cough remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." For sale by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros. wholesale agents Victoria and Vancouver.

Painting the eyes and eyelids is considered a great aid to the fascination of the female orb. A Circassian, to be really lovely, must, in addition to being very corpulent, have golden hair and jet black lashes. A girl afflicted with kahl kohl is also used by the Persians and Armenian women to lengthen their eyes. The bazaar women and match girls of most Eastern countries dye their finger nails with henna, and where they wish to be thought great ladies they allow their finger nails to grow to immense length and keep them in finely-wrought gold sheaths.



The Daily Times

A NORTHERN OPENING.

A few days ago a resident of Vancouver was quoted by one of the newspapers there as saying that Vancouver had succeeded in diverting trade of Texada and other islands to itself, and was likely to attract more of it. This has stirred the Free Press to urge action on the part of Nanaimo people to secure this trade. More regular and frequent communication is set down as the first essential in this direction. What is being done on behalf of Victoria in connection with this northern trade? Nothing, and the prospect for the future is of the same negative character. Vancouver people have the admirable habit of helping themselves in such matters, instead of waiting for mail subsidies or other coddling from the outside. In these days the man or the city with the most enterprise and self-reliance has most emphatically the best chance of success. The Free Press points out that the trade with the islands is at present of some importance and is quite certain to increase. Those who cultivate this trade early are likely to keep it, a fact which the Vancouverites are quick to appreciate and act upon.

AN ANTI-SOCIALIST.

Mr. Herbert Spencer, the most prominent and most inveterate opponent of the state socialism which at the present day is finding so much favor, has sent out the closing volume of his "Synthetic Philosophy." As the eminent sociologist is now in his 70th year, it is very unlikely that he will undertake anything new in the scientific or literary line, and in taking farewell of the public he offers some pleas and objections which are worthy of attention both from those who agree and those who disagree with his views. While Mr. Spencer objects strenuously to Socialism, he finds himself compelled to acknowledge that it has conquered, and he believes that it is on the eve of a complete triumph. The change, he thinks, will not come suddenly, but by gradual process, as indeed it has been coming for years. This is the picture he draws of the situation which the near future is bringing to England: "If the central administration and the multiplying local administrations go on adding function to function; if year after year more things are done by public agency, and fewer things left to be done by private agency; if the businesses of companies are one after another taken over by the state or municipality, while the businesses of individuals are progressively trampled upon by official competitors, then, in no long time, the present voluntary industrial organization will have its place entirely usurped by a compulsory industrial organization. Eventually the brain workers will find that there are no places left save in one or other public department; while the hand worker will find that there are none to employ him save public officials. And so will be established a state in which no man can do what he likes, but every man must do what he is told." Mr. Spencer believes that this state will hold only for a time, and that in the distant future it will disappear, to be succeeded by a social system of which individual liberty will be the keynote. The many who believe in state socialism will be much interested in the prediction which this eminent opponent of their doctrine has offered. Perhaps they will not pay so much attention to his eloquent arguments for individualism and against what he calls the tyranny of socialism, though these are hardly to be ignored, coming from so able and profound a student of sociology. The important matter for the present is that the socialist experiment seems almost sure of a complete trial.

The fight in the Washington legislature for the United States senatorship now seems to be between Turner and Cline. In the last vote taken on Saturday Cline received 37 and Turner 27. Deany lost three votes, falling back to 23, while Squire, the present incumbent, received but six votes. The thirty-five Populists in the legislature have signed an agreement not to vote for Judge Turner, so he cannot be elected without the votes of the Republican members, which he is not likely to receive. It is possible that Squire may be elected as a compromise, as he is the second choice of both the Turner and Cline men.

Golden Cariboo. To the Editor: I missed the two first letters written by Mr. Chas. H. Lugin to the Times, but have just had the pleasure of reading the third and fourth of the series. I may at once state that my views coincide so well with Mr. Lugin's that were I to write on the subject I would not wish to change a word of these two letters. A fortnight ago I had a conversation with the speaker of your house of assembly and I recommended exactly the course advocated by Mr. Lugin. To me it is clearly in the general interest of the province that railway communication be provided with the least possible delay. It is equally clear to me that the proper route is that from Bute Inlet, and this conclusion I have come to after an exhaustive investigation into every possible route. These points being settled, the next question is that of cost. I have been able to go into this question very fully with Mr. Marcus Smith, C.E., who unquestionably knows more about it than any other man, and also with Mr. Bell, C.E., who appeared to have made the most of his opportunities when making his last examinations, and there is no doubt in my mind that a line equal to all requirements and substantially built in every respect can be constructed within Mr. Bell's estimate. I think that the line should be constructed to Barkerville Junction in the first instance, i.e., well into the mountains, which would mean 44 miles beyond Quesnelle mouth, or 274 miles from Bute Inlet. This section Mr. Bell estimates at, say, \$9,000,000. The provincial government should guarantee the interest on one-third of this amount, say \$3,000,000, for 25 years. This would mean \$120,000 per annum, and it would be a good investment. Should it do so the Dominion government can be depended upon to do its share and the immediate construction of the line would be assured. As you say, the extension to Frederick Arm, the ferry, and the line down the island follows as a matter of course. Until these extensions are completed Victoria can surely hold her own for the trade of the railway, while the other coast cities can have as much of the business as their push and enterprise will entitle them to.

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If the coast cities do not work in harmony in connection with this enterprise another route will be opened out to Cariboo which so far seems to have been overlooked, one that will send all the trade of Cariboo to the East, and leave all the coast cities to mourn its loss. The Dominion government is already considering its railway policy for next session, and no time should be lost in pressing the claims of Cariboo. Kootenay opposes to such an extent the public mind at the moment that Cariboo is likely to be overlooked unless its friends make themselves heard. C. N. ARMSTRONG, Montreal, 18th January, 1897.

GRISMER-DAVIES. An Up-to-date Performance Promised for This Evening. The theatre-going public have been so often misled by promises made by different theatrical organizations as to the merits of their attractions that they have grown to place little faith in the promises made so temptingly by the posters displayed. So such being the case, an organization of real merit often suffers from the shortcomings of some barnstorming company. The public are ever ready in this city to liberally patronize the theatre, but they want value for the money they invest. They want a performance that has merit and a scenic production that is artistic, picturesque and novel. In a word, they must have a first class article or they will stay at home. To-night there will be presented at the Victoria by the Grismer-Davies company the English military drama "Humanity," a play dealing with the English-Bertr trouble in the Transvaal in 1884. The play, company and scenic production must assuredly be of a superior order or they would not have received the flattering notices in the cities where they have been seen. They played five weeks in San Francisco and have been making a tour of the coast since, returning East in the spring for an engagement in New York city, where, at the Academy of Music, the piece was originally produced. The company carry a full car of scenery, in fact everything needed in the elaborate production and also carry four thoroughbred English hunters and a pack of fox hounds. Ten horses are used in the performance, but it is only necessary to carry four specially trained horses, as the others can be drilled into their work in a few hours. This entertainment is thoroughly artistic and should receive the patronage of all the altiters.

Kolaka at Ploping Bros. Gov. Norfolk Island in the Pacific, which after it ceased to be one of the penal settlements, was colonized by seceders from Pitcairn Island, has been joined to New South Wales, and provided with a governor, as the inhabitants have proved incapable of governing themselves. Sir Joseph Lubbock's elevation to the peerage is the first instance of that form of recognition of merit being awarded to the medical profession in England. Baronetries to attendants on the Royal family have been common enough, and he regards them as almost sure of a complete trial.

Parla streets are constantly being renamed after persons recently dead. Among the names given this year are those of Messrs. Poutado-Roche, Jules Simon, Arsene Houssaye, Victor Duruy, and Andreais Thomas.

SOCIAL PROBLEMS.

(By a New Zealander.)

LETTER V.—TRUE SOCIALISM.

As a great many people look upon a Socialist in the light of an Anarchist or Nihilist, it will be as well to explain that Socialism as it is understood in New Zealand does not betoken dark deeds or dynamite outrages. On the contrary, it has for its object only the overthrow of injustice and the building up of the nation by wise, just and beneficial laws. It is, in fact, another word for progressive liberalism, which has for its aim improved social conditions, and for its motto: "In the Cause of the People." It is founded on the brotherly love taught by Him who said "the laborer is worthy of his hire," and who asked the unemployed "why stand ye idly in the market place?" Altered industrial conditions, the advance in mechanical appliances, the manifold applications of new scientific methods, the increase of money power—all these things are factors which constitute the chief feature in the picture of modern industry. To large owners of acres it brings more supplants for his benevolent relief—a competition wage, long hours and more crowded huts. The iron law of the survival of the fittest gets its full and unimpeded sway. But to the squeezed-out clerk or laborer it brings a sense of dependency and humiliation, or a feeling of revenge, a disbelief in Christian fortitude and a denial of all the virtues credited to a system that leaves him to seek humiliating charity or starve.

State Socialism, with its liberal palliative measures devised to mitigate the strain that is imposed on the wage-earning portion of the people. At no period was competition in every department of industry so vigorously keen as now. In any sphere the humane employer must do as others do or lose his position and be forced out. Bank and merchants' clerks, mechanics and laborers, all have the same struggle to get a place and without legal regulations to prevent it must put up with whatever conditions the selfishness of a few may impose. Capital does not formulate and carry out laws for the benefit of labor. Neither has education nor religion been sufficient alone to remedy the social evils and glaring anomalies which were beginning to overshadow the "Britain of the South" as they have long over clouded other countries. Socialism or Liberalism, whichever you choose to term it, said "The law must affirm our rights," and the law has affirmed them within the last six years under a people's government. It has reduced the working hours in shops and established a compulsory weekly half holiday. The conspiracy law has been so amended that the workman now runs no risk of imprisonment for "combining" to protect his rights. Wages are now a first charge upon contract or other work. Employers are now liable for payment of compensation for accidents to employes if traceable to neglect. The hours of factory operatives have been reduced; provision has been made for safeguarding machinery, and conditions of employment are more sanitary; the lives and health of women and children are protected and vigilant inspectors see that the law in this respect is observed. Strikes and lock-outs are provided against by means of conciliation and arbitration. Workers in coal mines have been further protected. Employers who undertake to provide necessary food, clothing or lodging for employes and fail to do so are liable to a term of imprisonment. Restrictions and disabilities affecting seamen have been abolished. The Truck Act provides for the payment of wages in money, and not in goods, and disallows deductions from wages by employers. The Workingmen's Wages Act makes the payment of workers' wages thoroughly secure, and Asiatic restriction protects European from the unfair competition of alien races.

The foregoing is the actual "work" of the Progressive Liberal party in New Zealand during six years, and it is in marked contrast to the eternal "talk" of the Conservatives, who, during their many years of office cannot point to half a dozen measures passed in the bona fide interest of workers. The Conservatives have talked reforms, the Liberals have put them on the Statute Book. In addition to the above, women's franchise has been passed and proved not unsatisfactory, while under the Advances to Settlers Act money has been cheapened to the farmers borrowing under it. With regard to the vexed drink question, this is referred to the "direct" vote of the electors, and the government recognize in this the initiation of the great principle of the referendum that will in the future minimize political dishonesty and prevent parliamentary corruption, making the political and social reformer master of the mere politician.

The government of New Zealand saw the glaring anomaly of a country as large as Great Britain, with a magnificent climate and resources, with a population of little over half a million and every winter the cities becoming overcrowded with the unemployed. Previous government had quibbled over what was a living wage and provided relief works which were only temporary to a few of the most needy cases. The present government bought up large tracts of land held by monopolists and absentee landlords, and this policy of settling the people on the land is bringing about an era of prosperity to the colonies. In the north island there are hundreds of sections, from 20 to 200 acres, on which the government has paid the men for fencing, fencing and grassing and lent a few pounds to put up a house. On this outlay the government charges 4 1/2 per cent as a rent. Although it is well known the more people settled on the land the more prosperous will a country become, yet there are Conservatives holding responsible positions who try to thwart any attempt in this direction and who gaily bestir themselves when there is a chance of getting a railway line through one or two big blocks at the public expense and enormously increasing the value of their lands. While the total value of gold exported from New Zealand has amounted to two hundred and sixty millions of dollars, the value of privately owned lands is now estimated at close on five hundred millions. The "Colonies and India" of July 25th last says the income of the people of the Britain of the South yields per annum the extraordinary average of over \$250 per head of all ages and sexes.

British Columbia, with an area three times as great as New Zealand, but with only one-seventh of the population, has equal opportunities. She has not yet begun to "make history"—it behooves her to be wise in time, and her people ought not to be afraid to express an opinion even if it verge on socialism, as so many have told me they are, because "it might interfere with their business." J. HATHAWAY. "Five years ago," says Anga A. Lewis, Ricard, N.Y., "I had a constant cough, night sweats, was greatly reduced in flesh, and had been given up by my physicians. I began to take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and after using two bottles was completely cured." —Hungarian Flour for \$1.35 at Johns Bros.

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Advertisement for Dry Goods Business for Sale. Text: Trades will be received by the undersigned until the last of February next. For the purchase of the stock in trade furniture, fixtures, and goodwill of the late W. G. Cameron, situate at No. 55 Douglas street, Victoria. The high or any lower price reasonably accepted. For further particulars apply to W. G. CAMERON, Executor, 48th Street.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Cleanings of City and Prov. Col. News in a Condensed Form.

Lunch 25c. at the Oriental. The monthly business meeting of the Y. W. C. T. U. was held this afternoon. New Goods just received and cheap for cash at H. A. Brown & Co's, 30 Douglas street. "Built like a watch"—Sterling. The Young Liberal Association meet this evening at the Philharmonic hall for the purpose of reorganization. The Grismer-Davies Company open their engagement at the Victoria theatre this evening. Crowded houses on both nights are promised. The next musical examination to take place in this city in connection with the Victoria College of Music of London, England, will be held in April. It is announced by Eastern papers that Mr. E. Mohan, C.E. has been awarded the Goswami medal of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers for his article on the sewerage system of this city. A social will be held to-morrow evening in the Centennial Methodist church to celebrate the birthday of Mr. Noah Shakespeare. A good programme has been prepared and refreshments will be served by the ladies. C. C. Fall, of Cowichan station, was seriously gored by a Jersey bull on Friday afternoon. Mr. Mayo came to Mr. Fall's assistance and succeeded in driving the bull away, but not before Mr. Fall had been gored and trampled upon. The annual meeting of the Victoria Artillery Rifle Association will be held in the drill hall on February 6, when the different regiments will be presented and officers elected. The spoons and badges won during the past year will also be presented. To-morrow evening an entertainment will be given in the Y.M.C.A. hall by the members of the Y.W.C.A. Many well known entertainers have promised to contribute to the programme. Lieut. Col. Gregory will preside. The promoters of the railway to Kootenay held a meeting on Saturday evening and completed arrangements for the public meeting to be held in the city hall to-morrow evening. All who signed the petition calling the meeting as well as those who will address the meeting are requested to take seats on the platform. Mr. George Rowe, collector of customs for the port of Union, has imposed a fine of \$300 on Capt. Fletcher, of the Collier San Mateo, and \$100 on George Howe, hotel keeper at Union wharf, for endeavoring to smuggle tobacco into Union. The tobacco was found by Mr. Rowe on board the San Mateo upon her arrival from San Francisco last week. A concert which, judging from the programme already published will be a good one, will be given at Temple's Hall to-morrow evening in aid of the choir fund of St. Paul's church. The programme contains seventeen numbers including besides songs from well known vocalists, a military drill by a squad of young ladies under the leadership of Corporal D. Stewart, R.E. The drill hall was crowded on Saturday evening when the weekly band concert was given by the Fifth Regiment band. The band was assisted by Mr. Edouard St. John, who sang very acceptably "Honor and Arms" from Samson and Schumann's "Two Grenadiers." There was also a large audience at the regular concert given in the Y.M.C.A. hall. The programme was a very good one and included solos by Miss A. Stodert and Miss Munnell and a recital "The Progress of Madness" by W. H. Penock. On Saturday evening the Salvation Army barracks was turned for the meantime into a court. Sheriff McMillan acted as judge and twelve Salvation Army lads and lassies formed the jury. The prisoner at the bar was William Jackson and the offense with which he was charged was disturbing the peace by beating a musical instrument, to wit—a drum, upon the public streets. The prisoner, despite the vigorous prosecution of Adjutant Clarke, who acted as prosecuting attorney, was found not guilty. His Lordship Sheriff McMillan charged very strongly in favor of the prisoner and pointed out that a drum and a Salvation Army soldier were inseparable. This no doubt had the effect of prevailing upon the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty. It is the intention of the Army to give an entertainment every Tuesday evening. Some very pretty birch and curly maple bed room sets of Weiler Bros. A general meeting of the directors of the Royal Jubilee Hospital will be held at the office of Messrs. Yates & Jay on Thursday evening next. What organization has any greater opportunities for increasing membership, necessary to maintain low cost of protection, than the Macabees? None. A London dispatch says: "An English syndicate with headquarters in this city is likely shortly to own the Le Roi mine. It made an offer of £750,000, but the owners asked £850,000. An effort is now being made to split the difference. A small boy named McKenna is lying at St. Joseph's Hospital suffering from the effects of a pistol shot in the thigh. McKenna in company with another boy was playing with a pistol on Cedar Hill road on Saturday when the pistol went off, the bullet striking McKenna in the thigh. Officers will be elected for the ensuing term and the final work of reorganization completed at this evening's meeting of the Young Men's Liberal Club, in Philharmonic Hall, Fort street. As the club is desirous of adding to its membership roll the name of every young Liberal in Victoria all those not already members are invited to be present at this meeting. At Tacoma on Saturday night the Grismer-Davies company lost one of their most valuable horses. The unfortunate accident occurred while the animal was being led up the runway to the theatre to take part in the performance. He slipped, his right hind leg dropping through a hole, breaking it squarely off just below the hock. The poor beast fell over to the ground and officer Thompson ended his sufferings with a revolver. It is expected that the Shakespearean social to be given this evening in the school room of the Centennial Methodist church will be a very pleasurable affair. A programme of unusual excellence has been prepared, comprising many choice selections from the works of the great poet. During the evening tempting edibles will be dispensed by several of the most charming members of the congregation, and there will also be musical and vocal selections of an appropriate character. A Chicago dispatch of January 16 says: "Chief of Police Badenoch is in receipt of a letter from Toronto, Canada, requesting that the Chicago police make inquiries for T. F. Sinclair, late of Victoria, B. C. Mr. Sinclair left Toronto three weeks ago to come to Chicago, and is supposed to be in this city at the present time. His friends have not heard from him since he left Canada. Mr. Sinclair is a wealthy merchant and his friends fear some harm may have befallen him." An excellent recital was given at Christ church cathedral yesterday evening. The programme was in charge of Mr. Pauline, the organist, and was very effectively rendered. The audience, owing to the presence of "the beautiful," was a very small one. The first number was a grand fantasia, "The Storm," by Lemmens, which was played by Mr. Pauline in a first class manner. A recitation and air "In Native Worth," from the "Creation," followed, the solo being sung by the choir master, Mr. J. K. Middleton. Herr Adolph Friedman played a splendid violin solo, "Hymn to Sainte Cecile," and Mr. W. North rendered a good cornet solo. The other numbers of the programme were Sidney Smith's melody, "Eloquence," and Wagner's grand march from "Lohengrin." The Charlottetown Patriot, the late Henry Lawrence's old paper, now owned by the Hon. D. Laird, and still the vigorous exponent of the Prime Edward Island Liberals, refers as follows to its former owner and editor: "He possessed a clear head, a warm heart, and an upright character that is all too rare. He was a forcible writer and was master of a clear and direct style that made his articles pleasing reading. Though we have been separated from him for many years by the whole breadth of the Dominion, from the Pacific to the Atlantic, yet he never ceased to hold a very high place in our friendship and esteem. We mourn him as a brother editor who faithfully served his day and generation, and most deeply sympathize with his bereaved widow and respected family." John A. Lynch, more familiarly known as "Jack" Lynch, who was at one time a resident of this city, last week in Trail, where he has been living of late. He was returning from Seattle, where he had been on business, and while on the train near Northport was seized with violent pains in the abdomen. Before he reached Trail he was in a state of collapse, and was admitted to Dr. Coran's hospital at once. Owing to his weak condition it was considered inadvisable to perform an operation, as it was evident that he had only a few hours to live. The deceased, who was a native of Ottawa, was for some years connected with the postal service in and around Winnipeg. In late years he has lived at different times in Victoria, Seattle and the Kootenay country. Hon. Col. Baker, minister of education, presented the head pupils of the different schools with the medals given by the Governor-General. Leonard Sprague who was head of the school at the midsummer examination, 1896, secured the silver medal given for competition among pupils of the High School, Miss Nellie Marchant, who stood second in the list, was also complimented for her excellent work. Robert John Herbert of the Boys' Central School, being first among the candidates for High School entrance at midsummer, received the Governor-General's bronze medal. Miss Jessie C. Brown of South Park school, stood second in this examination. Hon. Col. Baker, in a neat speech, complimented the pupils upon winning the medals presented by the Governor-General. Dr. Pope, superintendent of education, and several others were interested spectators during the presentations.

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To-morrow at 2 p.m. Auctioneer Harbaker will sell at the residence, 215 Yates street, parlor, dining room, bed room and kitchen furniture.

The Behring Sea Claims Commission held a short sitting to-day when documentary evidence was submitted in several of the cases. No sitting was held this afternoon.

On Saturday evening the members of the Union Club held their annual dinner. Among the distinguished guests were the members of the Behring Sea Commission.

Mr. William Marchant has been officially notified of his appointment to the office of appraiser for the port of Victoria. He took charge of his new office this afternoon.

Hon. Don M. Dickinson, senior counsel for the United States before the Behring Sea Commission, has issued invitations for a banquet to be given to him at the Grand on Monday evening Feb. 1.

The fire department were called out shortly before six o'clock on Saturday evening to a fire on Pandora street. The fire was extinguished without the assistance of the department just previous to their arrival.

The Good Templars of Victoria West held their annual church parade to St. Paul's Presbyterian church yesterday morning. The Templars met at Temple's Hall at 10:45 o'clock and marched in a body to the church. The sermon, which was appropriate to the occasion, was preached by Principal Tait.

A. W. Vowell, superintendent of Indian affairs, has been visiting the Indians in Chilliwack and found that they were taking a great interest in the drying of the lands around Cocopoc slough and are ready to do their share of the work, the government furnishing them with the necessary implements.

The gymnastic exhibition to be given by the Capital club in A. O. U. W. Hall on January 27th, will be the best of its kind ever given in the city. The boys have been practicing hard and are in fine form and promise to give all those who attend a good time. The trapeze work of Mr. Winingham is something new and is well worth seeing, also the juggling work by Mr. P. M. Murphy, who is a star at the business.

George Rosson, accused of vagrancy, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment this morning by the police magistrate. Ah Tin also appeared in the police court charged with aggravated assault on Ah Sam, another Chinaman on the 8th instant, at Knowles' dairy on Moss street. He was remanded until to-morrow morning, when he will call several witnesses in order to prove that at the time of the assault he was playing dominoes in Chinatown.

The Coulticks, man and wife, appeared again in the provincial police court, this afternoon, the wife as complainant and the husband as defendant. The charge is the outcome of a family squabble between them on Monday evening last at their home on the Carey road. An adjournment was taken soon after the opening of the case and the matter settled out of court. The magistrate then allowed the complainant to withdraw the charge.

For some months past most pitiful accounts of famine among the natives have been received from India and charitably disposed people have been anxious to contribute towards giving relief. In order to give any citizens of Victoria an opportunity to give assistance, Manager Galletly, of the Bank of Montreal, announces that the bank is prepared to receive subscriptions on account of the National Relief fund in India, and the same will be remitted to the Governor-General at Ottawa, free of charge.

The Japan Advertiser reports a somewhat curious revolver accident on New Year's day to Mr. Chaloner, late second engineer of the N.Y.K. steamer Yamashiro Maru. It appears that he was just in the act of sitting down when the revolver, which was in his right hand side trousers pocket, went off and the bullet passed down his leg, remaining embedded somewhere in the vicinity of the knee. He was removed to the hospital at Yokohama and Dr. Munro will make a search for the ball by means of Roentgen rays.

Private advices received from Ottawa announce that the supreme court of Canada has dismissed the appeal in Adams vs. McBeath. The case is a chapter in the history of this famous case. A brother of the plaintiff died here some years ago leaving his property to McBeath. Adams brought suit and succeeded to recover the property. Judgment was given in favor of McBeath, and Adams appealed, with the result that the decision of the B. C. supreme court was upheld by the court at Ottawa.

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THE Purple Emperor. By ROBERT W. CHAMBERS.

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"That will do," I said, "it is perfectly true that I was walking on the Bannalee road last night..."

"Now M. Darrel," said the Purple Emperor, lifting a fat finger and pointing a wicked glance at me...

"Which was it? Shoes or sabots?" "Sabots, you fool."

"Are these your sabots?" he asked lifting up a wooden shoe with my initials cut on the instep.

"Then how did this blood come on the other one?" he shouted, and held up a sabot, the mark on the instep, on which a single drop of blood had spattered.

"I haven't the least idea," I said, calmly, but my heart was beating very fast, and I was furiously angry.

"You blockhead," I said, controlling my rage. "I'll make you pay for this when they catch Yves Terrec, and convict him, Brigadier Durand do your duty..."

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Freely translated, the contents of the first letter were as follows: London, 15th June, 1894. Dear Monsieur (sic): Your kind favor of the 19th inst. received and contents noted...

The next letter was even less interesting. It merely stated that the money had been received and the book forwarded...

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"The second, and the placing of bait upon the ground, such as decayed meat, dead rats, etc., was not only disagreeable, even for an enthusiastic collector, but also very uncertain. Once in five hundred times would the splendid butterfly leave the tops of his favorite oak trees to circle about the food-bait offered."

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"When I had finished this letter I folded it up and put it in my pocket along with the others. Then I opened Blowzer's valuable work on 'How to Catch British Butterflies' and turned to page 608."

"Now, although the Red Admiral could only have acquired the book very recently, and although all the other pages were perfectly clean, this particular page was thumbred black and heavy pencil marks incised a paragraph at the bottom of the page. This is the paragraph:

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I SEIZED THE PURPLE EMPEROR AND DRAGGED HIM TO HIS FEET.

"The Red Admiral gendarme at the gate saluted me respectfully as I crossed over to the Croix Ion. The inn was surrounded by an excited crowd and the hallway was choked with gendarmes and peasants. On every side they greeted me cordially, crying that the real murderer was caught, but I pushed by them without a word and ran upstairs to find Lya. She opened the door when I knocked and threw both her arms about my neck. I took her to my breast and kissed her. Then I asked her if she would obey me, and she said what I commanded, and she said she would, with a proud humility that touched me."

"Then go at once to Yvette in St. Julien," I said. "Ask her to harness the dog cart and drive you to the convent in Quimperle. Walk for me there. Will you do this without questioning me, my darling?"

"She raised her face to mine. 'Kiss me!' she said innocently, and the next moment she vanished. Then I walked deliberately into the Purple Emperor's room and peered into the gauze-covered box which had held the chrysalis of Apatura Iris. It was as I expected. The chrysalis was empty and transparent, and a great crack ran down the middle of its back, and a wing was protruding from a magnificent butterfly slowly waving its purple wings; for the chrysalis had given up its silent tenant, the butterfly symbol of immortality. As I bent over the box I heard a confused murmur below which ended in a furious shout of 'Farricide!' and I heard the gendarmes side away behind a wagon which rattled sharply on the flinty highway. I went to the window. In the wagon sat Yves Terrec, bound and wild-eyed, with two gendarmes at either side of him, and all round the wagon rode mounted gendarmes whose bare sabers pointed kept the crowd away."

"Farricide!" they howled. "Let him die."

Then I went back and opened the gauze-covered box. Very gently, but firmly I took the splendid butterfly by its closed fore-wings and lifted it unharmed between my thumb and fore-finger. Then holding it close behind my back I went down into the cafe.

"They are my apostasy," he said, astonished, looking at me. "It is very curious you ever heard of such a thing as erythryl?" "Schweiner's erythryl? Oh, yes. We use it in perfumery."

"Good!" I said. "Has it an odor?" "No—and yes. You are always aware of its presence, but really nobody can affirm it has an odor. It is curious, he continued, looking at me, 'It is very curious you should have asked me that, for all day I have been imagining I detected the presence of erythryl.'"

"Do you imagine so now?" I asked. "Yes, more than ever."

"I sprang to the front door and tossed out the butterfly. The splendid creature beat the air for a moment, flitted unceremoniously higher and thither, and then to my astonishment sailed majestically back into the cafe and alighted on the hearthstone. For a moment I was nonplussed, but when my eye rested on the Purple Emperor I comprehended in a flash."

"I left that hearthstone!" I cried to Brigadier Durand. "Try it up with your scabbard!"

"The Purple Emperor suddenly fell forward in his chair, his face ghastly white, his jaw loose with terror."

"What is Cytihaline?" I shouted, seizing him by the arm, but he plunged heavily from the chair, face downward, on the floor, and at the same moment a cry from the chemist made me turn. There stood Brigadier Durand, one hand supporting the hearthstone, one hand raised in horror. There stood Max Fortin, the chemist, rigid with excitement, and below, in the hollow bed, where the hearth stone had rested, lay a crushed mass of bleeding human flesh, from the midst of which glittered a pair of glass eyes. I rushed to the Purple Emperor and dragged him to his feet."

"Look!" I cried. "Look at your old friend, the Red Admiral," but he only smiled in a vacant way, and rolled his head, muttering: "Bait for butterfly! Cytihaline! Oh, no, no, no! You can't do it, admitted, I've seen it alone over the Purple Emperor, I alone am the Purple Emperor."

"And the same carriage that bore me to Quimperle to claim my ride, carried him to Quimperle, gagged and bound, a foaming, howling lunatic."

"This then is the story of the Purple Emperor. I can tell you a better one if I choose, but concerning the fish that I had heard of, whether it was a salmon, a haddock, or a trout, I may not say, because I have promised Lya and she has promised me that no power on earth shall wring from our breasts the fact that the fish escaped."

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One takes up a new book by Kate Douglas Wiggin with a sense of satisfaction. One knows that time is not going to be wasted however one is attracted to "Marm Lisa" by the title, if one can style it such, with a purpose. "Marm Lisa" is a girl of some intermable age—with marvellous hands and long arms sprawled in her lap as if she had no volition in them—to the superficial eye repulsive, but to the eye that pierces externals she was almost majestic in her mysterious loneliness and separation. In short, feeble minded, or with mental conditions undeveloped. Eden Place, where poor little "Marm Lisa" lived, was frequented mostly by the children who found it an admirable spot to dig up the hapless earth, and after them by persons out of suits with fortune. There were fewer women than men "because the unemployed woman of this class has an old-fashioned habit of seeking work by direct assault; the method of the male being rather to sit on a bench and discuss the obstacles, the injustices, and the unendurable insults heaped by a plutocratic government in the path of the honest son of toil." The home of Mrs. Grubb, where Lisa lived, was devoted to social progress "a hot-bed of world-saving ideas" with several benches in the parlor "in case one of her less flourishing societies should be ejected from its hall or in case she should wake up in the night and want to hold a meeting of any club." In the midst of this discomfort lived the twins also whom Marm Lisa tended. Into their unlively lives came Mistress Mary who had been born with a capacity for helping lame dogs over stiles and professions of lame dogs ever flapping towards them." With several other "lovely angels" she looked after the "children" of Eden and other places. As one neophyte remarked, when Mistress Mary proposed taking weak-minded Lisa to whom no school was open and for whom an asylum meant sinking into a worse condition, "We are now a home, a mother, a nursery, a labor bureau, a divorce court, a registry of appeals, a soup-kitchen, an advisory board, and a police force. If we take her what shall we do?" It is delightful to munch like these which make Mrs. Wiggin's books always readable. And it is the frankly unconvincing writing with a philanthropic object in view that commends her work to those to whom the world's wrong seem to need ever putting right. In the case of Marm Lisa the criminality of there being on this coast, the scene of the story is California, no retreat of an educational nature for those whose mental development has been arrested, where they can be gradually brought into light and shown how, as did Mistress Mary, how to use the useless powers that abide in them. The chapters that describe the patient intelligent effort of the young girls with poor repulsive Lisa are most pathetic. We have come to see here in Victoria the wickedness of treating the insane as criminals and a step further is needed to provide for the weak-minded a school with a skilled physician who is master both of body and mind, as well as a teacher who is capable of following out his principles." All honor to Mrs. Wiggin and women of her ilk who have devoted busy and useful lives to the righting of some one wrong and the training of those on whom the future of the commonwealth depends.

The story appeared first in the Atlantic Monthly and is now issued in a neat and suggestive binding.

The helpful lectures delivered by the Rev. John Watson (Jan. MacLaren) on preaching, at Yale University have been issued in book form and entitled "The Care of Souls." The author states in his preface that having himself paid "bitter premiums to experience" he has written a little book in which he might be able to save some brother minister from humiliation and suffering. The work is thus intended to give account of the "difficulties and dangers which were likely to beset the path of one who, as he modestly states, is like himself, an average man. The genesis of a sermon are first dealt with. The idea is to be wood and wondrous and domesticated. "This is a forenoon's work and four hours has not been wasted if by one o'clock the student can rise from his desk saying, what I have been thinking about for years and am going to preach about on Sunday, is not that sort of thing, but just this one idea, clear and complete idea." How carefully considered the idea then is, it is described, how illumined, how meditated upon, how elaborated, how cut down, how revised. The technique of the sermon is explained and six canons of public speech are enumerated, unity, lucidity, beauty, humanity, charity, delivery, intensity. Many trying problems in preaching are manfully faced and the benefit of the author's struggles given. The question of what the student is to do with his theology on leaving college is sympathetically answered.

"We are all apt," he writes, "to be brow-beaten and reduced to silence by the impudent assertion that an average audience has no interest in theology and will only listen to us upon the astounding condition that we do not give them the one thing they are supposed to have thoroughly learned." Which certainly contains food for reflection for

most of us. He goes on later, "the most accurate theology must underlie every sermon, to secure it with intellectual consistency and to invest it with spiritual force."

The evolution of dogma is related and another chapter is devoted to the elaborate machinery of a modern congregation, in which "the minister is a man of affairs, issuing a yearly programme, like a business circular," and for which church work has become a science. Mr. Watson's idea of comfort in a church is that the air shall be pure rather than the seats luxurious. "Fresh air and orthodoxy go together as well as good temper and charity." The work of the pastor, the public worship, and the minister's care of himself, are the topics occupying the last chapters.

Such a series of lectures must have been in the highest degree stimulating to the young theologians at Yale. Indeed no preacher of God's word will put aside the thoughtful advice of a brother minister as of no account, much less the earnest message of this gifted writer.

Dodo man has abandoned "The Babe, B.A." to the critical mercies of a cold world and hardly used as the infant been. There are a few good epigrams in the book and one very clever chapter in which a supposed and surreptitious royal visit is made to an undergraduate's rooms, which on the whole make one regretful for having read it. But still it is as much as one can say. The Babe is a type of college youth which is severely obsolete, although its garb is modern, "a cynical old gentleman of twenty" whose plan for dinner parties was to ask the first five people he met, provided that he did not know them too intimately. He referred to Miss Corbett as "the arch-humorous of English literature" and explained why he ate freely before playing Rugby. "Of course after a large lunch one cannot run quite so fast, but one is serene and sereneity has more to do with winning a match than pace." The description of the morning studying of the two young rascals is life-like in the extreme and anyone would revel in the conversation of the tutor, Mr. Stewart.

The Atlantic Monthly for January contains the opening chapter of a charming love story of unusual dramatic interest, "The Story of an Untold Love," "A Century of Social Betterment," a comprehensive survey of the advancement in well-being in the mass of people during the last hundred years. A review of the influence of Emerson from the present readers standpoint, a poem, "The House of the Silent Years," a continuation of "Cheerful Yesterdays," the next instalment of "The Jugglers" which is one of the most powerful stories of the year, and several other interesting articles, "Dominant Forces in Southern Life," "Memories of American Authors," "Park Making as a National Act," "The Convent Man-Servant," etc. The literary papers are timely including criticism of the work of Rudyard Kipling, James Lane Allen and other men of letters. The writers who form the Contributors' Club of the Atlantic and who keep regular readers guessing at their identity give each month some of the most pleasant and scholarly talks in current literature. One anecdote in this department in this issue will rouse the sympathies of collectors—book collectors of course.

With the January number, "Romance" begins the eighth year of an eventful existence. It has secured a new home, a new dress and new parents. The original purpose of the magazine, the portrayal of the romantic side of life, is reverted to. In this issue are printed stories by Anthony Hope, Clarke Russell, John Habberton, Hall Caine and Miss Braddon.

A personage of much recent importance, Mark Hanna, is written of in the January issue of the Midland Monthly under the heading of "Mark Hanna and His Family" and illustrated by photographs of his various relatives and his home. A notable article tells "The Truth About Ben Holt and His Aunt." There are many bright stories in this issue including "An Old Maid's Canvas in Experience," and "The Most Peculiar Man."

The January number of the Art Interchange begins its thirty-eighth volume with most prosperous prospects. The good things promised for the year to come, especially the color plates as shown in miniature in the prospectus, are an evidence of the continued popularity of the magazine. In this issue are papers on decorative painting and design, on the decorative panels in the already famous Boston Public Library, on "Sincerity in Art," on pastel painting, on "The Lion in Art," on decorations. The pictorial features include reproductions of the head of Christ from the drawing in the Uffizi gallery of "The Last Supper," of Wertheimer's "Night in the Desert," of paintings by C. C. Curran, Thomas Moran and Henry Woodland, and of a number of sketches by Alice Barber Stephens of a summer sketching ground which she styles "An American Concombreau."

The January number of the "Ladies' Home Journal" has one of the prettiest covers the magazine has displayed. It has appropriate touches of holly color. Alice Barber Stephens begins her series of typical sketches of American women. The "notable event," the third in the series, is the Prince of Wales' visit to America. Jerome K. Jerome contributes a capital story, "An Item of Fashionable Intelligence." Judge of Jan. 10th contains two cartoons, which are at once timely and effective. One shows the "knocked-out" Dingley Bill threatening what its big brother, Bill McKinley, will do to the bad boys who have done better. The other illustrates the chief magistrate as a ludicrous hag of wind sailing congress. The related Christmas number of Leslie's Weekly has just reached me and I cannot forbear speaking of its excellence. Both in illustration and text it is a credit to the publishers. There are a number of entertaining stories by well known writers, including ones by Clinton Ross and Margaret Sutton Briscoe.

MORTGAGE REGISTRATION.

A Decision Rendered by His Honor Judge Bole on this Point.

In the matter of the Land Registry Act, in re Major et al. His Honor Judge Bole, local judge, gave his decision at New Westminster, the facts of the case being as follows:

On the 18th of February, 1880, John Patterson, the owner in fee, mortgaged certain lands in the city of New Westminster to one William Clarkson. Wm. Clarkson died in 1884, and probate of his last will was duly granted to C. G. Major et al. the executors thereof, on the 3rd day of December, 1884. Subsequent to the death of Wm. Clarkson, Patterson, executed a conveyance in fee of the lands comprised in the said mortgage, and the said deed was duly registered. Several judgments had been registered against the lands of Patterson, between the date of the mortgage and the date of the deed, and the then registrar of the Land Registry office endorsed on the certificate of title issued on the registration of the said deed, with the judgments then registered against Patterson and treated the mortgage as merged, it being the practice in the registry office to mark all mortgages merged where the mortgage registered a quit land or conveyance of the equity to himself. On the 23rd of September, 1893, Major et al. acting under the power of sale in the said mortgage, conveyed a portion of the land included therein to one J., and upon applying to register the same in the purchaser, free of incumbrances, the registrar refused to register on the grounds: (a) That the said mortgage had merged. (b) That, by the deed executed in December, the date of the mortgage of the equity to grantors, Major et al. had become owners in fee, subject to all judgments registered against Patterson, and that, consequently, those judgments attached to the lands conveyed to J., and could only be registered subject to the judgments.

Mr. Clinton (for Major et al.) the plaintiffs under section 67 of the Land Registry Act—There is no merger. Reads affidavits of Patterson and Clinton, showing no merger intended at the time of conveyance of the equity, and cites Forbes vs. Moffatt, vol. 28, Ad. Estates vs. Angel, 5 Ch. Div. 334; Liquidation Estates vs. Willoughby, S.S.L.J. ch. 486; Thorne vs. Cann, 1835, appeal cases 11.

Mr. Gaynor (the registrar)—It has been the practice of the office to mark the mortgage merged. I do not think it is right, but object to alter the practice without the decision of the court.

Bole, J.—I am of opinion that the mortgage herein has not merged, but is a good valid and subsisting security. The case of Adams vs. Anglo, approved of as it is by the House of Lords, in Thorne vs. Cann, shows that merger is purely a matter of intention, and, in this case, even without the affidavits of Patterson and Clinton, it is quite clear that there could be no intention to merge the mortgage, and so in judgments for several thousand dollars against the estates. When a mortgagee applies to register a conveyance of the equity of redemption, the registrar should not mark the mortgage merged, unless at the express request of the mortgagee or his duly authorized agent.

CLAIMS FOR SEALS.

North American Company Pay Nothing For Their Privileges.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The secretary of the treasury sent a statement to the senate of the public revenue derived from the North American Company, in respect of the seal islands of Alaska, in settlement for seals killed by the company. The secretary says that nothing has been received from the company since 1892, when his predecessor accepted \$23,972 in settlement for the government's claim for \$132,654, according to the contract as construed by the department. When the time for making settlement for 1896 arrived the secretary refused to enter into a compromise, as had been done the previous year, but demanded the full amount due under the contract and upon the company's refusal to pay it, brought suit therefor and also difference between the amount paid and \$132,654 per year for the three years prior. The decision gave the government \$94,687 per annum, but the case was appealed by the company.

The secretary says he seriously considered the advisability of cancelling the lease, but concluded that he would not be justified in so doing as long as the dispute is pending in the courts.

PASSENGERS.

Per air Islander from Vancouver, Mrs. McKnight, Mrs. T. Jackson, Mr. Roberts, D. A. Kennedy, R. Jamieson, E. Brummer, H. Lee, Mrs. Devine, W. McKnight, T. Ellis, C. H. Fisher, Miss McKnight, A. W. Smith, C. W. Robson, J. Booth, Mrs. Remey, J. L. Bone, Mrs. Johns, S. J. Gorman, A. W. Vowel, F. C. Cotton, E. J. Stephenson, R. V. Hamilton, J. Gronowson.

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The match between the Nanaimo Hornets and the Victoria Rugby Football Club attracted a large and enthusiastic number of spectators to Caledonia Park on Saturday, when the Nanaimos demonstrated their superiority over their opponents by a score of a try to nil. The game could not be said to be up to the mark from a scientific standpoint, but proved decidedly interesting, and the spectators (though not the players) were afforded much amusement when the play resolved itself into the mud patch close to the grand stand. The game commenced promptly at 3 o'clock, the visitors winning the toss, and electing to defend the southern goal. Victoria therefore kicked off and some rather loose play ensued, in which the forwards of both sides were principally interested. From one of the scrums the local forwards, ably assisted by Goward, rushed the oval across the line and all but scored, the ball just going out of bounds. From the kick-out the Nanaimo forwards worked their way to the muddy portion of the ground, and play centered around that spot until the visiting forwards broke away with a rush and Pettiferow was forced to say, "Nanaimo now commenced to press Victoria hard, and Hilton, Marshall and Quine were indulging in strenuous but ineffectual attempts to score. Victoria being twice again compelled to save, Pettiferow on one occasion using very bad judgment in endeavoring to kick into touch in goal, when he had ample time to touch-down. From a scrum in Victoria's 25 the leather came out to Quine, who immediately punted and Bamford secured, and being tackled, transferred to Stewart, who dashed over the line and scored the only point of the match for Nanaimo. The kick at goal was a good attempt, which failed. Half time was shortly after called. Play being resumed after the usual rest the Hornets' forwards, of whom Woodburn and Duffy were conspicuous, took the ball into the local team's territory, where it remained for nearly fifteen minutes. Victoria then began to get on their mettle, and played up much better, by a good dribble, passed the opposing forwards and halves, and Gamble following up, neatly engineered the leather through the three-quarters and looked a sure scorer, when he unfortunately slipped and lost the ball. Good work by the visiting forwards carried the play to Victoria's 25, where Scholefield relieved with a well-directed kick. On several occasions some good passing was indulged in by Haines, Scholefield, Goward, Gamble and Wilson, but the opposing backs resisted all their attempts splendidly, and at no time afterwards did either side have a likely chance to score. No sides were called while the forwards were engaging in a mud bath.

On the whole Nanaimo played a much better game than Victoria, which was mainly due to their forwards being somewhat heavier than the local club's, and owing to that circumstance were able to control the ball in the scrumming. Victoria were also handicapped in losing their captain, J. M. Miller, whose presence was sadly missed. The Victoria team, however, are not discouraged at the result of this match, and will make every endeavor to turn the tables in the return game at Nanaimo. Mr. C. Morton refereed the match with satisfaction.

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Victoria, B.C., Jan. 27. 1897.
MARY ANN CROFT.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next sitting, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a railway of standard or narrow gauge from a point on the Jackson River to a point on or near Dease Lake in the District of Cassiar, with power to extend to the northern and eastern confines of British Columbia, and to construct and operate branch lines and telegraph and telephone lines, and to construct and maintain wharves, docks, warehouses and to appropriate lands for the above purposes, together with all other useful, necessary or incidental powers in the premises.
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Victoria, B.C., January, 1897. Jd-5wts

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Chair to be taken at 8 p.m.
CHAS. E. REDFERN,
Mayor.
Victoria, B.C., 22nd Jan. 1897.

Annual Meetings of the Dairyman's and Fruit Grower's Associations.

By kind permission of His Worship the Mayor the meeting of the Dairyman's Association will take place on Thursday, the 28th inst., and of the Fruit Grower's Association on Friday, the 29th inst., at 8 o'clock, at the Council Chamber of the City Hall in this city. Free returns (free will) be granted by the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company from the 25th to the 28th inst., on condition of attendance, signed by either of the secretaries, being presented.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED

Victoria, 22nd January, 1897. J22 1w

Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for the passage of an act to incorporate a Company to be called "The Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company," in connection, equity and approval a line of railway from some point on Burrard Inlet or English Bay to New West, of the Fraser River and the northern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Rosland, with power to amalgamate with, lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway or portion of a railway, either as a branch or part of such main line, to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the coast line between the International Boundary Line and Point Grey, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable; to construct and maintain steam, electric, wharves and docks; to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

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