

COLORED PICTURES

A Marvellous Discovery by Which Photographs are Treated to a Liquid Bath and Colored.

All the Original Colors Restored by a Process Which any Person Can Work.

Paris, Sept. 15.—For many years, ever since the art of photography was first developed, scientific investigation and ingenuity have been directed to the discovery of a process by which natural colors might be reproduced by means of a camera. A German chemist named Lippmann, by an ingenious application of the principle known to optical science as "interference" whereby certain rays of reflected light are made to interfere with or cancel one another, leaving the remaining colored rays visible—produced a phenomenon of great beauty and interest, but it has never had any practical value.

Some years ago discovered a process by which he took composite photographs of the same object through blue, green and red glass, respectively, and reproduced imperfectly several of the colors of nature. By this process colored lantern slides are now made.

The attention of those who are giving their time to this subject has been directed of late to the development of a process by which colors may be restored. These experiments have been remarkably successful, and an invention is being placed upon the market in Paris this month which has many remarkable features, and, according to the opinion of accomplished chemists, is capable of still further development.

There is something uncanny about the new process, although the results are beautiful, and it is so simple that any child can produce them with the same effect as an experienced artist. In fact, a person can easily color a photograph with his eyes shut. An ordinary plate or film before exposure is immersed in a colorless solution, the properties of which the inventor declines to reveal. The negative is made and the print is taken in the ordinary manner, but the paper, before printing, must be treated with the same mysterious liquid. The print looks like an ordinary photograph, but is capable of mysterious and apparently miraculous transformation.

Placing the print upon a sheet of blotting paper, the finisher takes a brush, dips it in a colorless solution and bathes the surface thoroughly. It is then dried with a piece of blotting paper. The same brush, which is made of ordinary camel's hair, is then dipped into the blue liquid and rubbed over the surface of the print. Again the blotting paper is applied. The brush is wiped on a rag and dipped in a green liquid which is rubbed over the face and dried. A red liquid is then applied in a similar manner, the moisture is soaked up by the blotting paper, and the picture is done. If it is a landscape the trees and grass will be green, the sky blue, the fences brown, the roadway gray, the brick houses will be red or yellow, the blinds will be green, and all the colors in the original will be reproduced with remarkable accuracy, although the person who has applied the liquids did not know what they were and could not have reproduced them even if he had been trained in a school of fine arts and furnished with a box of pigments and brushes. The woman that washes the dishes in the kitchen or scrubs the sidewalk could make as accurate a picture by this process as Michael Angelo or Sir Joshua Reynolds.

If the photograph is a portrait the face, hands and neck will have the tint of warm, vital flesh. The eyes and hair will reappear in the natural color, the dress, the ribbons, the shoes and stockings will be yellow, red, purple, blue or green, according to the original, and the rings and other jewelry will assume a golden glow.

I saw the process used the other day upon a large photograph of a lady. The print was a monochrome that did not differ in appearance or in finish from a thousand others that I had seen, and I watched a young lady bathe it in the four liquids in a methodical manner, as if she were simply varnishing a painting. Within five minutes the photograph was transformed in what seemed a miraculous manner. If the act had been done in the middle ages she would have been burned as a witch. The dress of the lady proved to have been of yellow satin under a fine film of black lace. Her belt and ash were yellow, and a bunch of pink roses appeared in her hair. Her gloves came out tan color, her necklace gold, and other portions of her garments recovered the tints of the original, although the girl who was doing the work had never seen her, and did not know the colors in which she was dressed. Her eyes and hair were brown, her face and ears, her neck and arms, took on flesh tints, and the background of the picture showed the color of the wall paper and the screen that stood behind the chair.

I stood by while the process was applied to a number of other photographs, while I was allowed to select from a pile of 100 or more, and I was informed that the girl who was handling the brush had never seen the originals of any of them. Yet the application of these four liquids one after the other in a careless manner transformed them from monochromes to brilliantly colored pictures.

The inventor explains that the treatment of the photographic print by the mysterious chemicals causes it to absorb and assimilate from the primary colors as they are applied to it the exact quantity and proportion of each that is required to reproduce the hues of the original. A British scientist has described it as "selective absorption." The red, necessary for any picture, and by combining these the desired result may be green and blue liquids are supposed to contain all the different tints that are produced, but the artist is an involuntary agent. He rubs on the stuff and the paper automatically absorbs the col-

or that is required. What is even more strange is that the same result can be produced on glass. You can get all the shades of gray and purple, pink and yellow exactly as they were in nature, simply by rubbing on this mysterious stuff. It is a luxury within the reach of everybody, for a box of materials sufficient to color 500 photographs can be bought for \$5.

The process was invented by a young Frenchman named Adrien Danase, who has since become insane from overwork and is now confined in an asylum near Paris—a hopeless case. His patron and instructor, M. Villéden Schassagne, took up the investigation as he left it and developed it to its present state of perfection. Curiously enough, French chemists and capitalists had no faith in the practical merits of the enterprise, and the inventor was compelled to go to England for money to continue his experiments. The patent is controlled by an English syndicate, which is now inundating the market. The greatest value, of course, is in the secret properties of these preparations, and it will remain a strictly guarded monopoly. No scientific explanation is offered of the principle of "selective absorption" which is conferred upon the photographic prints in such an astonishing manner.—William B. Curtis.

MR. GEORGE'S IDEAS

He Favors Free Trade and Single Tax and Says Silver is Not a Cure All

The Author of Progress and Poverty Thinks That Tammany is Already Badly Scared.

New York, Oct. 4.—Henry George, in an interview to-day, said:

"I have been informed that there is a panic in Tammany camp. The leaders are alarmed at the sudden uprising of men who are tired of the despotism of the machine.

"According to all reports, there is good cause for fear. But it is not confined to the managers of any one party. Of course, I am not speaking of my own knowledge. I only give what comes to me from trustworthy sources. According to confidential information received last evening, a 'hurricane' was sent out yesterday by Tammany managers, summoning the district leaders to immediate council. A great danger is said to be imminent. It was reported that offers for substantial aid for our movement had been made by responsible men, who said they stood ready to help the cause in all directions.

"I am willing to express myself clearly on all the questions at issue. My plan of campaign is to tell the truth. I have nothing to conceal. The fact that I am a candidate for mayor will not cause me to change any of my views. My opinions are founded on principles that are not to be changed because of the campaign. I am a free trader. It may prevent some persons from supporting me. If so, I cannot help it. I am not adjusting my views to the exigencies of a political canvass. What I believe to be the best for the country and the people I shall advocate.

"I recognize no difference between a national and municipal campaign so far as honest politics are concerned.

"In both cases we want honest men who believe in honest administration of the laws.

"That is why I say the men are right who went before the grand jury asking for an indictment of the tax commissioners, and if they keep on fighting they will surely win.

"The central labor union has assumed an impregnable position. It demands that the laws shall be enforced without respect to the wealth and position of the individuals against whom the charges have been made.

"And right here the principles of single tax come into play. The insurance cases are particularly pertinent just now. The central labor union claims, as I understand it, that the Equitable Life Insurance Company valued its property at \$12,000,000 in its returns made to the state insurance board at Albany. But when the local New York assessor came around, it put its valuable property at \$2,000,000. With single tax in force, these subsidies and corruption of men in office would be avoided.

"But why should I go on to illustrate. These questions have been discussed and spread broadcast in our literature. It has been shown that most of the present evils are the result of political conspiracy and crime.

"In regard to the silver question I have nothing to conceal. I say now what I said repeatedly during the Bryan campaign: That, while I was supporting that gentleman and would vote his ticket, I was not a believer in the theory that silver was a remedy for the evils that beset the country.

"I shall discuss the silver question exactly as I discussed it during the presidential campaign. We have nothing to present but the truth. We have no schemes, no secret policies, no political traps for our enemies—nothing but the cold, naked truth.

"I am well satisfied with the resolutions we have made. The young men on our committees are able and enthusiastic. The Cooper Institute meeting will be a success, judging from the reports coming from our friends, coming to us from the ranks of the different parties.

"In my speech at Cooper Institute on Thursday evening I shall speak freely, avoiding no questions which politicians are handling gingerly. I am a free trader, and on that line I shall fight it out. I believe that single tax will bring prosperity and equalize the burdens that now oppress humanity, bearing heavily on the poor and lightly on the favored rich."

Former Congressman Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland, O., has come to this city to work for Henry George. Mr. Johnson has won fame by his bustling campaign in Ohio.

OUR OTTAWA LETTER

Scramble for the Position of Senator for Ontario—Britain and the Sealing Dispute.

The New Postage Stamps—Possible Cabinet Changes—Our Next Governor-General.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 30.—There is a very active scramble going on here for the position of senator for Ontario which will become vacant when Sir Oliver Mowat goes to Toronto to take the lieutenant-governorship of the province. All the old Liberal politicians who have done service for the party are putting in their claims and getting their friends to advocate their cause. In the past senatorships have gone to men as reward for political work done or for large subscriptions to election funds. In this way the upper chamber became the refuge for the played-out politician and the wealthy government contractor, and consequently its usefulness became impaired. Sir Wilfrid Laurier intends remedying this. While political services will no doubt still continue to be recommended to those who are to be selected as senators, something further will be required. They must be comparatively young men, able debaters, and rank as statesmen. This will partly make up for the scarcity of votes the government now have in the real chamber, and will permit of certain legislation being introduced there instead of in the commons. It was upon these grounds that Hon. David Mills and Hon. C. W. Cox were called to the senate from Ontario. A similar course will be pursued in regard to the selection of a successor to Sir Oliver Mowat. There are also two vacancies in the province of Quebec, caused by the death of Senators Bechard and Robitaille, and two active politicians will be appointed for that province. In this way the senate can be partially reformed, so that its opponents will not have so much cause to be calling out for its abolition. The speedy party follower will require to look to the service rather than the senate for reward.

The news that Britain has withdrawn from the conference at Washington over the preservation of the seal in Behring sea was not altogether unexpected, here. This conference was for the purpose of obtaining evidence of experts who had studied seal life on the spot. These experts were to give their testimony before two commissioners, one chosen by the United States and the other by Britain on behalf of Canada. Strictly speaking, Canada is not a party to the conference; it is between Britain and the United States. But for all that Canada is the power behind the British throne, since it is the country most interested. It appears that the United States is anxious to have Japan and Russia represented by commissioners. That is what British objects to. Whatever testimony experts from Russia and Japan can lay before the two commissioners would be accepted, but evidently what the United States now wants is to get commissioners appointed for Russia and Japan so that there would be three votes against one from Britain in respect to the admissibility of evidence. Such a proposition would not be accepted by Britain because it would be unfair to Canada. After all, what the United States government want is to change the existing regulations, and that is something neither Great Britain nor Canada will submit to under the Paris award expires. As for the evidence of the experts, it will show that pelagic sealing is not exterminating the seal, as is claimed at Washington. Even the reports of the American experts will not, it is said by those who should know, bear out the contention of their government.

Hon. Mr. Mulock, the postmaster-general, has approved of the design for a new postage stamp. There is a portrait of Her Majesty as she appeared at the coronation, except that a coronet is substituted for a crown. The portrait has been engraved from a photograph pro-

They All Come Back

"There are tins in medicine as well as in other things," said a busy druggist, "but the most remarkable thing about Hood's Sarsaparilla is that customers who try other remedies all come back to Hood's, and this is why the enormous sales of this great medicine keep up while others come and go in a short time out of sight entirely.

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During the Jubilee ceremonies upon which was the Queen's own autograph, so that it is authentic. The corners of the stamp will be decorated with maple leaves which were pulled from maple leaves on Parliament Hill and engraved directly from them. Everything indeed is correct and up-to-date, and the new issue will reflect credit on Mr. Mulock's good taste. The engravers will take care to make this permanent and ordinary issue a tribute to their skill. The present stock of stamps it will take some months to exhaust, and not till they are done will the new stamps be issued. It may be about November of this year.

So far only two British colonies—Canada and Newfoundland—have issued special memorial stamps in this jubilee year. The Canadian is known as the Victoria Jubilee issue; the Newfoundland is commonly called the Cabot issue, being designed to commemorate the discovery of the island by John Cabot four hundred years ago; though one of the series—the one-cent stamp—is a portrait of Queen Victoria. Hence it is sometimes called the Jubilee-Cabot issue. While Newfoundland has got a design for each value Canada has the same design for the sixteen values.

Hon. David Mills was in the city this week looking over the ground before he comes here to fill the office of minister of justice. He had a long talk with Sir Oliver Mowat, the premier being out of town. Sir Oliver will not likely go to the government house, Toronto, until about the end of October or the 1st of November. The taking of Mr. Mills into the cabinet at an excellent political move on the part of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Besides adding strength and stability to the cabinet, the justice department will have at its head a statesman in whom the people generally have every confidence.

During the last session of parliament a general understanding was reached between the party and the government that the cabinet would be reduced as soon as possible by abolishing one of the departments. That promise will be fulfilled in the near future, but once departments have been created it is no easy job to get rid of them. Sir John Thompson was the first to bring into force the act for the appointment of minister of trade and commerce and two controllers. This was done by Mr. Clarke Wallace, the Orange grand sovereign of British North America, so that he might help to hold down the Protestant scales when Sir John Thompson, a prominent Roman Catholic, was over-weighted with the premiership. The Liberals then protested, but now that these departments are in running order it is very difficult to disturb them. In fact it is just probable that the department of commerce, which has become very useful, may have to remain, and to make up for this the state department may be joined to the privy council. In a very short time Sir Henri Joly will be leaving the government and a reelection of the cabinet may then take place.

There has been a good deal of talk about Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, better known as Sir Donald Smith, becoming governor-general when the time of Lord Aberdeen is up. The appointment of Lord Strathcona, who is the owner of the old estate in Scotland of Glencoe, which never had any one but a Lord Macdonald at its head until it fell into the hands of a Smith, would be in every way agreeable to Canadians, and also comes within the list of those whom the home government might very well send to Canada. But while this is the case with a man like Lord Strathcona, who has been Liberal and Conservative in politics by turns, the same thing could not be said of many Canadian statesmen. As a matter of fact, the country has not yet reached that point when a Canadian politician could be sent to the government house, without some fear that he might use the position in some cases in the interests of the party in which he had formerly been attached. When a Canadian is selected then it will be better that the governor-general should be elected by the whole people and not appointed by or through the influence of the Dominion government. There is very little to be said against the present system of appointing the governor-general. Those who would object to the office going to Sir Donald would only do so on account of a new precedent which it would establish and not on account of any objections to him.

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MISCELLANEOUS

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EXPLORING AFRICA

News of the Cavendish Expedition—A Trying Trip.

London, Oct. 4.—A letter received here from Kikuyu, British East Africa, discloses of the story received at Rome from Benadir that the Cavendish expedition, which left Herbert, East Africa, last year, arriving at Lake Somaliland about the middle of November, and proceeding thence towards Lake Rudolph, had been attacked by a band of natives, who murdered all the members of the expedition, consisting of two Englishmen and fifty natives.

The letter now received says that Cavendish, who is a nephew of the Duke of Devonshire, and Lieut. Andrew, his companion, arrived at Kikuyu on Aug. 5, after a trip around Lake Rudolph, which up to that time had been unexplored. They had a trying time. Their head men led the natives of the party to mutiny, and the two Englishmen were forced to yield to their demands. But hear Kikuyu Cavendish and Andrew seized the two wing leaders, who have since been sent to the coast for trial.

The expedition discovered a new lake and two active volcanoes, and crossed the Gulf of Aden to the Zanzibar coast by much the same route as that previously followed by Dr. Donaldson Smith, of Philadelphia.

DANGEROUS POISONS IN PLASTER

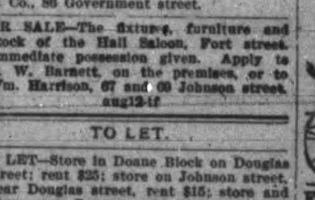
Belladonna and Aconite plasters would not be used at all if their dangerous qualities were more generally known. These drugs may be absorbed by the system and cause serious trouble. "Quicker" has been recommended as being entirely free from anything which could possibly injure even a child and no plaster removes pain so quickly. The 50c. and \$1 size pots of "Quicker" hold three and nine times the quantity of trial size; only a little is required.

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DEATH AND DESTRUCTION

Great Bush and Prairie Fires Work Terrible Havoc in Eastern Manitoba.

Immense Damage in All Sections—The Beausejour Settlement Suffered Severely.

Winnipeg, Oct. 4.—The reports wired last night of death and destruction by brush and prairie fires in Eastern Manitoba during the heavy gales of Saturday are by no means exaggerated. There is destruction in all sections. Fortunately the fires are confined to districts where there is but a sparse settlement or the loss of life would have been much greater. No fatalities are reported from prairie fires; it was in the wooded settlements where loss of lives occurred. The district east of Winnipeg, between Darwin and Whitmouth stations, is heavily wooded and almost entirely swept. The Beausejour settlement, where seven German women and children lost their lives. There is great distress. The families of the following lost everything and are destitute: Thomas Dimlap, T. T. Myskosky, A. Seryer, John Pfifer, E. Jones, W. Wyckens, D. Brown, W. Saunders, J. Huggins, D. Rocksieder, E. Huffman and three other German families whose names are not known. The families of the following lost everything but their homes: W. Buchanna, A. Beatti, J. Garland, R. McPherson and John Bush. S. Turner lost 200 tons of hay and J. D. Campbell 200 tons of hay and a hay press; John Sinnott, 1,200 cords of wood. The fires are now somewhat abated.

J. Landery, a hunter and trapper, was caught in the flames at Scott's hill, near Whitmouth. His body was found in a swamp this morning, charred beyond recognition. A German woman is also missing from the same locality. Section men and their families along the line were picked up by conductors of trains and carried to the stations for safety. At Sinnott's siding 2,000 cords of wood were destroyed. Mr. and Mrs. Young, living five miles south of there, lost everything, and only saved their lives by staying in the river for hours. Wm. Slander lost everything except his team, which was working on another farm.

Passengers from the east say that the scene from Cross Lake to Beausejour is one of black desolation. No fires were burning near the track, but in the distance on either side heavy banks of smoke could be seen, betokening the presence of large bush fires.

While reports from western points today indicated that the prairie fires which raged with such fierceness on Saturday had pretty well spent their fury, nevertheless, further reports of severe loss were brought into the city. Messrs. Mitt, Sissons, Greave and Mulgan lost everything, barely escaping with their lives. From Lake Frances reports come in that fourteen out of seventeen settlers have lost everything, and fears are entertained for the lives of some.

Bad reports are also coming in from Fort Laurent. Around Reaburn several haystacks have been burned. Cattle have been burned by dozens out north. Some miles north of Reaburn two brothers named Upjohn were living together, and on observing the fire approaching their premises on Saturday, they took precaution for the preservation of their lives and effects. They took shelter in the cellar, and after a time one, Hamilton Upjohn, went out to see how matters were. Some minutes later the other brother was driven out of his shelter by the burning of the building, but could not find any trace of his brother Hamilton. It is feared he was cremated in one of the buildings.

W. W. McMillan, one of the proprietors of the elevator destroyed at Bagot, returned from the scene today and confirms the report of the destruction there. He says the men must have worked like Trojans to have saved the buildings now standing, as all state that the fire came upon them with great fierceness.

At Marquette, farmer T. F. Hyde lost his entire crop. North of the city the fire swept from Parkdale to Selkirk, destroying hay and other crops along its route, also a house at Lower Fort Garry. In the Morris district five farms lost buildings and stock. In East Selkirk 1,000 cords of wood belonging to J. D. Daig were destroyed.

Subscriptions have been started in Winnipeg for the relief of the sufferers, as many have lost their entire belongings. During the past summer the Dominion immigration department have settled many families of Galicians and Scandinavians in the districts north of Whitmouth and Beausejour, and it is feared these new arrivals have suffered severely. Immigration Commissioner McCreary, accompanied by Rev. C. W. Gordon and immigration interpreters, left at noon to make a tour of inspection. The commissioner is of the opinion that great destitution has prevailed there, if not more fatalities than are already known. He took with him a quantity of provisions for the immediate relief of the destitute, while Rev. C. W. Gordon had gathered considerable clothing, etc., for the sufferers from the fire. The party will drive through the settled portion of the burned districts north of Beausejour and Whitmouth.

At Clearwater a terrific high wind from the southwest prevailed. It brought prairie fires from the United States side of the boundary, which swept over most of townships 1, 2 and 3, a range 12, 13 and 14. Joseph Lawrence lost 200 tons of hay, all his oats in stack, his stable, granary and all his implements. James Crookery lost his dwelling and contents, George Little lost two stacks of oats, and several farmers lost hay in stack. While saving his granary, Thomas Goughlin, Jr., was severely burned about the face and arms, his clothing catching fire.

Prairie fires prevailed along the Emerson branch of the C.P.R. on Saturday

and burned a number of ties and telegraph poles. Section men were sent over the line and things got in shape for the passage of the regular trains to-day. All available section hands have been sent over the several lines of the C.P.R. to repair the damage done by prairie fires, the company losing thousands of ties in various sections.

CAPTAIN IRVING'S PLANS.

Tells New Yorkers of Railway and Other Yukon Enterprises.

New York, Oct. 4.—Captain John Irving, of the Victoria & Sitka Steamship Company, commander of the steamer Islander, is at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Captain Irving, in an interview to-day, said:

There will be a railroad over the passes and down the Yukon to the foot of the White Horse river before midsummer next. This enterprise is partially responsible for my visit to New York. It will be an overhead trolley, chiefly for freight, and will simplify the trip to Dawson City to such an extent that we shall carry goods down the Yukon instead of up the river from St. Michaels. My first trip to that port, early in June, I shall carry lumber for barges, which will be taken to the upper Yukon. After the railroad is built our boats will rarely descend below Fort Yukon. The barges will be floated or pushed down stream

SPANISH REFORM

New Premier to Pursue a Liberal Policy—Will Give Cuba Home Rule.

Likely to Act on the Suggestions Made by the United States.

Madrid, Oct. 4.—The Queen Regent took a strong initiative during the crisis and profoundly surprised General Ascarra by leaving him no alternative but resignation. She frankly expressed her disapproval of the conservative administration, especially in its treatment of the anarchist prisoners imprisoned at Port Montuco.

She said she had allowed Senor Canovas to remain in office in the hope that he would modify the rigors of his repressive policy in Cuba and that she had, repeatedly called the attention of ministers to administrative scandals and abuses. Moreover Her Majesty said she waited patiently for two months after the death of Senor Canovas, in the hope that the new government would correct these evils. On failure to do so, she took it upon herself to consult General Campos and Senor Sil-

BANKS FORCED TO USE GOLD.

Greenback Currency Getting Short in New York.

New York, Oct. 4.—The plethora of gold in the banks and the treasury and the scarcity of greenbacks is causing banks some difficulty in making their payments at the clearing house in bills and may cause most of them in a short while to return to the practice of years ago and settle their daily debt balance in gold.

The first movement in this direction was made when the National Park bank paid its entire debt balance of \$500,000 in gold. Two other banks have also paid gold in settlement of the debt balance. It is considered likely that other banks will have to follow suit shortly.

Just at present the banks mostly prefer to receive bills rather than gold in payment of their credit balances. Gold is paid into the clearing house in shape of clearing house gold certificates, which is the most convenient form of payment, as it does not involve any counting or the handling of so much coin.

REPUDIATES ANARCHY.

Decisive Action by Federated Labor at Chicago.

Chicago, Oct. 4.—The anarchists who are arranging for a demonstration in memory of the men executed for the Haymarket massacre, have dropped a bomb, so to speak, in the council of Chicago Federation of Labor, by asking for official endorsement and co-operation of union labor. The invita-

THE NEW YORK ELECTIONS.

London Papers Indulge in Some Speculations as to the Outcome.

London, Oct. 4.—The newspapers here generally pay much attention to the New York political campaign, publishing editorials on the subject.

The Globe says: "Judging from the Times' dispatch Henry George will be the next mayor. Americans do not exceed a quarter of the whole population, and European anarchists, Italians, Poles, Hungarians and Russians, and all of the very lowest of the race, will support the man whose churlish economics and wild theories are derided in every capital in Europe. These being the people who sway public opinion, it is the height of absurdity to rave about blood being thicker than water."

The Pall Mall Gazette has an article, written by an American, which concludes with stating that Tammany will win.

CROUP QUICKLY CURED.

Mountain Glen, Ark.—Our children were suffering with croup when we received a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It afforded almost instant relief.—P. A. Thornton. This celebrated remedy is for sale by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale druggists, Victoria and Vancouver.

CHASE AND SANBORN'S SEAL BRAND COFFEE. ONLY IN 1lb and 2lb TIN CANS—FOLLOW DIRECTIONS.

OVER THE DALTON TRAIL. Large Lot of Hogs and Cattle Bred for Cloudydays.

Seattle, Oct. 4.—The prospects of a famine in the north have given birth to many schemes, more or less feasible, to relieve it. Among these plans none seem to have more prospects of success than one evolved by Chas. E. Peabody, manager of the Washington & Alaska Steamship Company, who will send north on the bark Colorado 425 head of hogs and cattle, with sleds, saddles and wagons. They will be driven over the Dalton trail to Fort Selkirk in charge of a party of 50 packers.

BEHRING SEA BLUE BOOK.

Washington, Oct. 4.—The British blue book of the Behring sea was received to-day and was scanned with interest by the few officials to whom it became available, owing to the controversy on the subject, in which not only this country and Great Britain, but also Russia and Japan have taken part. The volume contains 220 large printed pages. The cable reporter from London that Secretary Sherman's letter to Ambassador Hay had been printed only in part, the alleged discourteous portions being omitted, proves to be incorrect, as the letter is given in the blue book in full.

PERUVIAN AFFAIRS UNSETTLED.

Lima, Peru, Oct. 4.—The committee of deputies which was recently appointed to agree upon a plan to settle the affairs of the Peruvian corporations have not been able to reach an agreement. Several of the members of the committee advocate a plan to authorize the government by special act of congress to negotiate with the corporation creditors on a basis decided upon by congress. Other members want the commission to have full authority to make any terms with the creditors and the corporation debt, which debt the corporation assumed.

IMPROVEMENT IN ENGLAND.

Manchester, Oct. 4.—The improvement noted a week ago has continued. A fairly large business has been done in both yarn and clothes, but prices have been irregular, and according to the position of the market, and large orders have been sent back for better results. The minor makers have bought both miscellaneous and assorted lines. Home trade has been rather better. Printing cloths are beginning to feel the improvement. The wage dispute remains unsettled and the employers cannot reach a decision for some days to come. The cotton industry on the continent is not mending, either in France, Germany or Australia.

Bill—I understand Whopper has gone into the weather bureau. Jill—That so? What fitness has he for that position? "Why, he used to write circus posters."—Yonkers Statesman.

A TERRORIZING FORCE. THOUSANDS IN ITS POWER. Paine's Celery Compound Always a Victor Over the Dread Disease.

Nature has assigned to the kidneys the special work of filtering all impurities from the blood. When the kidneys do this work properly and with regularity, all is well and good health is maintained. Too often, however, the kidneys become disordered and diseased. Then it is that we have to contend against insidious and hellish foes like Bright's disease and diabetes, that are unsparring and relentless while they have the mastery.

Before Paine's Celery Compound came to the rescue of victims of Bright's disease and diabetes these troubles were considered incurable by doctors. To-day the great compound is prescribed by the ablest medical men, and in every case proves a sure victor over the death-dealing diseases referred to.

Thousands of strong and convincing letters from cured people all over the Dominion tell of the wonders done by Paine's Celery Compound. Mr. Wm. Davidson, 2 Oliver street, Quebec, P. Q., after using the great medicine, writes as follows: "It is with sincere pleasure and gratitude I refer to your Paine's Celery Compound and the wonderful blessings that I received from its use. 'To tell the truth, before using it I had little confidence in it, but concluded that if it did me no good it could not make me any worse than I was. 'I had suffered for years from indigestion, liver complaint and kidney disease, and began with Paine's Celery Compound to give it a thorough trial. After a fair use of the compound I was as well as ever I was, and all my troubles have disappeared, and I am enjoying good health. 'Your medicine is a wonderful cure; it is far superior to all others, as it truly gives life, and puts the entire system in a healthy condition. As a matter of fact the blood I had in my veins, and I heartily recommend its use to all sufferers.'"



"IT IS TIME FOR A CHANGE."

JACK CAPPUCK—Here, old lady, let up on this! I like fair play. Give the man a hearing. If you have any evidence against him let us have it in proper form, so that judgment may be rendered in accordance with British ideas.

from the end of the carrying trolley and towed back. We shall be able to make several of these short trips per month. There will be no fear of provisions running short then.

"Will the building of that freight trolley be an expensive undertaking?" was asked.

"On the contrary, it will be very inexpensive," replied Capt. Irving. "Remember, it will not carry passengers. The system employed successfully for transporting ore will be used. The packages will not exceed 100 or 200 pounds, and will be carried on an overhead wire, propelled by a series of endless cables. Elevators and truss along the route will serve to support the carriers. A large storehouse can be erected at the terminus and the goods shipped through all ordinary winter weather. This will do away with the hardships of the trip up, and any man can walk over the Chilkoot Pass if he is unencumbered. 'Twenty miles of climbing from Dyea takes him over that obstacle; then the lakes and rivers do the rest. We will undertake to deliver his supplies ahead of his arrival.'"

What Hood's Sarsaparilla has done for others it will also do for you. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures all blood diseases.

Why don't you try Carter's Little Liver Pills? They are a positive cure for sick headache, and all the ills produced by disordered liver. Only one pill a dose.

veas and others, as to the best means of pacifying Cuba by an endeavor to satisfy the autonomists and thus virtually steal a march on American diplomacy.

All the statesmen whom she consulted appeared to have advised a liberal cabinet as the best means of attaining the Queen's wishes. Thereupon Her Majesty thanked General Ascarra for his splendid services as minister of war, and intimated her intention to appoint Senor Sagasta president of the council.

The latter, in accepting the portfolio, expressed his intention to give the largest possible measure of Cuban home rule, to reverse the conservative policy in Cuba and the Philippines, to recall General Weyler, if he did not resign, and to propose for a dissolution of the cortes, and to select able representatives to go to Washington and European capitals, as well as to the colonies of Spain, to prove to America and Europe that Spain is at last going to do spontaneously and sincerely what the United States had suggested could be accomplished more quickly and better by mediation or interference, which the Spanish people would certainly not brook, and to which no Spanish government could assent.

Senor Sagasta met with a hearty response on the part of all liberal statesmen, and all the Spanish stocks and securities have steadily risen on the strength of the settlement of the crisis. The Daily News says editorially this morning: "If General Woodford has not presented an ultimatum at Madrid it seems clear that he has made representations carrying tolerably similar effects and practically resulting in the downfall of the cabinet. The change of ministry seems to tend toward an accommodation with America's desire."

tion stirred up half an hour's violent debate. At length the high council of union labor went upon record by repudiating any implied fraternal feeling between unionism and anarchy and satly refused to take any part in the coming exercises. An invitation was rejected by a vote of about 40 to 1.

After the vote a majority of the anarchist element left the hall in a body. Anarchists will hold a memorial meeting, as usual, but it is expected the gathering will be a tame affair.

TORTURED IN THIBET.

Bombay, Oct. 4.—Henry Savage Landon, well known artist, traveller and writer, has just returned to England after a terrible experience. He had undertaken an exploring tour of Thibet, but he was abandoned by all the members of his party except two coolies. Finally the Thibetians arrested him by an act of treachery, sentenced him to death, and, after torturing him with hot irons, actually carried him to the execution grounds. At almost the last minute the execution was stopped by the grand lama, who commuted the sentence to torture by the "stretching log," a species of rack, which grossly injured Mr. Landon's spine and limbs. After having been chained for eight days he was released. Mr. Landon has no fewer than 20 wounds, the result of his torture.

Did it ever occur to you whose hair is thin and constantly falling off that this can be prevented? Hall's Hair Renewer is a sure remedy.

FIRE AT CENTRAL PRISON.

Toronto, Oct. 4.—Fire this afternoon did from \$100,000 to \$150,000 damage to the Central Prison. A general alarm sounded and the whole brigade alerted out. The fire started in the broom factory department, and was so sudden that a number of convicts were compelled to jump from the second story windows. One man named Thomas Carlyle was seriously injured. The fire spread to the wine factory and the conservatory, but was kept to these buildings.

A few weeks ago the editor was taken with a very severe cold that caused him to be in a most miserable condition. It was undoubtedly a bad case of la grippe, and, recognizing it as dangerous, he took immediate steps to bring about a speedy cure. From the advertisement of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the many good recommendations included therein, we concluded to make a first trial of the medicine. To say that it was satisfactory in results, is putting it very mildly, indeed. It acted like magic, and the result was a permanent and speedy cure. We have no hesitancy in recommending this excellent Cough Remedy to anyone afflicted with a cough or cold in any form.—The Barber of Liberty, Libertytown, Maryland. For sale by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale druggists, Victoria and Vancouver.

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SPAIN AND THE STATES.

Fresh interest has been awakened in the dispute between the United States and Spain over Cuba since the Spanish government took up its present firm attitude in the matter. Senor Sagasta and the Spanish Liberal party have now entered into power, everyone will await with deep interest the development of the diplomatic war that has been going on for months between the cabinets of Washington and Madrid.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND THE PREMIERS.

At the recent conference of the colonial premiers with the secretary of state for the colonies it was suggested as a preliminary step that the British government should appoint a royal commission for the purpose of obtaining the fullest possible information as to existing commercial conditions in reference to the home and foreign trade with the colonies and other matters bearing upon the question.

free trade. The premier of New Zealand expressed himself desirous of meeting the views of Mr. Chamberlain, but he joined with Sir Wilfrid Laurier in denouncing as an essential preliminary to the establishment of reciprocal trade relations with England that the commercial treaties with Germany and Belgium should be revoked, since under those engagements the duties charged in the colonies on imports from Germany and Belgium could not exceed those levied on British goods, nor could a differential rate in favor of the colonies be imposed in England on Belgian and German articles of import.

THE LIBERAL CONVENTION.

The Rossland Miner is strongly in favor of the Liberal convention, and makes some very sensible suggestions in respect to the manner in which it should be conducted and the end which should be kept in view. As the Miner is understood to be a supporter of the provincial government, its candid support of the convention and of the organization of the Liberal party is all the more valuable.

the "oldest Liberal." It also declares that the coming convention is a fraud, and must be a failure, because, as we gather from its writings, Mr. J. C. McLagan was not consulted about it.

The Vancouver World persists in publishing false statements regarding the Liberal convention to be held in New Westminster on the 8th inst. We do not propose at this writing exposing further the discreditable tactics of the World in this connection.

WHAT CANADIAN EXPORTERS SHOULD REMEMBER.

In addition to the warnings that have been published already in reference to Canadian exports of fruit, fish, vegetables and other goods of a perishable sort, we might remark that the exporters cannot be too careful in preparing their goods for shipment to Great Britain.

THE OBJECT.

The Liberal Convention to be held at New Westminster on 8th October has been called "for the purpose of thoroughly organizing the Liberal Party throughout the Province and discussing any matters affecting Liberal interests."

for the producer, but the quality, the appearance, the condition of the goods, must be absolutely perfect. The British public may be very glib in many matters, but when it comes to hard cash and free choice in their inconvertible markets, they are hard customers to deal with.

Eloquent testimony to the remarkable growth of the Northwest Territories was supplied in the act passed last session by the Dominion parliament, granting to that vast region powers not equal to those permitted to a full-fledged province.

full provincial powers. Great as their advance has been, they are still thinly populated, and to lay upon their shoulders any such burden would be detrimental to their best interests.

Reading over a portion of the evidence and argument given before the sealing commission, just concluded, one is forcibly reminded of the fact that "great oaks from little acorns grow."

The Toronto Globe thinks that the solidest plank in a Canadian platform upon which Liberals and Conservatives can meet in thorough accord ought to be: The encouragement of scientific farming; cultivation of fine food products; cold storage and transportation; preservation of forests and the encouragement of forest industries.

CLAIMS ON E. & N. R. CO.'S LAND.

To the Editor: I should be much obliged if you would elucidate the meaning of the following letter, which, I understand, has been sent to the gold commissioners of the districts within the E. & N. R. Co.'s belt:

"I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant. (Sgd.) W. S. GOBLE, Gold Commissioner for the Province." Do you or any of your readers know what the understanding with the E. & N. R. Co. is? I suppose the government have already given Mr. Dunsuir the necessary information, the outcome of which is probably the E. & N. R. Co.'s notice to holders of claims to pay up the sum of \$125 per claim within a certain period or be treated as trespassers.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

A Recital at Institute Hall and a Band Concert at the Drill Hall. An entertainment which will undoubtedly attract a large audience will be the recital to be given by Miss Lillian L. Armon at Institute Hall to-morrow evening, assisted by Mr. J. G. Brown, Miss B. M. Jamieson and Mrs. Charles Miller. The programme to be presented is as follows:

THE REVERSE



Vancouver World, is rather loudly proclaiming his life-long adhesion to the Liberal cause. No doubt the gentleman is worthy of a great deal of commendation for his efforts in the Reform ranks.

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Jenkins-Why do you always call sailors "tars?" Pawkins-Because they're so accustomed to the pitching of the ship. Those who believe chronic diarrhoea to be incurable should read what Mr. J. B. Graham, of Gair's Mills, La., has to say on the subject, viz.: "I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoea ever since the war, and have tried all kinds of medicines for it. At last I found a remedy that effected a cure, and that was Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This medicine can always be depended upon for colic, cholera, indigestion, dysentery and diarrhoea. It is pleasant to take, and never fails to effect a cure. For sale by all druggists, foot a cure. For sale by Langley & Henderson, Brant, wholesale druggists, Victoria and Vancouver."

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LIBERAL CONVENTION

A convention of the Liberal Party of British Columbia will be held in the CITY HALL, NEW WESTMINSTER COMMENCING ON

Friday, Oct. 8, '97

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—Moulders' tools at 80 Douglas st.
—Two million bottles of Kops cheer sold in London in one week.
—Oysters in any quantity—Eastern and natives—at the New England Restaurant.
—The Ladies of the Maccabees meet this evening at 7:30 p.m. at the usual place.
—Winter jackets for ladies and children at the White House. Full stock now received.
—15 cent tea kettles, 15 cent dish pans and other cheap tinware at H. A. Brown & Co., 80 Douglas street.
—We are showing some very pretty designs in fall dress goods and trimmings. The Sterling, 88 Yates street.
—Jack, a NR Nat Indian, was fined \$5 in the police court this morning, he having yesterday inhaled too freely.
—The right place to get the right dress goods at the right prices is at the Lansdowne House, 86 Yates street. John Partridge, prop.
—The harvest home services being held at St. John's church will be concluded this evening, when a service of song will be held.
—A meeting of the shareholders of the Victoria-Texas Mining Company will be held this evening at the office of the secretary, Mr. Beaumont Boggs.
—The "Badminton" late Major House, Vancouver, under management of H. E. Stratton.
—SCHLITZ, the beer that made Milwaukee famous, on draught, 5c. per glass, at the Bank Exchange, the cosiest, cleanest, coolest and cheapest restaurant in the city.
—On Monday evening next Fidelity Lodge, No. 37, I.O.G.T., will hold an open meeting at the Oddfellows' hall, Spring Ridge. A first-class musical and literary programme has been arranged.
—Another large consignment of jackets (ladies' and children's) just received. Call and inspect. Opening on Thursday. The Sterling, 88 Yates street.
—Creighton & Co. have just received a large consignment of fall and winter woolsens right direct from Glasgow, and the Scotch tweed suitings now exhibited in their window are the finest ever shown in the city. The Reliable Tailors, 74 Yates street.
—Frank Turner left for New Westminster this morning to attend the annual dog show of that city. Mr. Turner took with him several dogs from Victoria, including Dr. Duncan's Irish setter, Harry Wright's Beagle and Belle, and T. G. Moody's Duchess and Nellie, cocker spaniels.
—On Friday evening Rev. J. C. Speer, pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist church, will deliver a lecture in A.O.U.W. hall, talking for his subject the somewhat creepy text of "Crawlers, Clutchers and Climbers." The proceeds of this lecture are to be placed to the credit of the Sunday school fund of the Metropolitan church.
—The congregation of Colquitz mission, on the Carey road, will hold their Harvest Home services on Friday evening. The ladies have already begun the work of decorating the hall. The service, which for the most part will be a choral one, will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Flinton, assisted by Rev. J. B. Haslam.
—The Methodists of Victoria West concluded their Harvest Home services yesterday evening, when a tea meeting and concert was held in Temple's Hall. At the conclusion of the first part of the programme, the tea meeting, in which all present took part, each assisting to clear the heavily laden tables, the following programme was presented: Piano solo, Master P. Shakespear; solo, Mr. Arthur Wheeler; solo, Miss Caryn; address, Rev. J. C. Speer; selection, Orpheus club; solo, Mr. J. G. Brown; violin solo, Miss Blackie; solo, Mr. G. P. Watson; address, Rev. H. H. Swinerton; solo, Mrs. Hicks; duet, Messrs. Firth and Brown; solo, Mr.

Park; solo, Mr. Cuvie; and address, Rev. J. F. Betts.
—LIPTON'S TEAS for sale at Jameson's, 33 Bofft street.
—New goods arriving daily; very latest, at The Sterling, 88 Yates street.
—Winter jackets for ladies and children at the White House. Full stock now received.
—Jackets, capes and walking hats in the newest shapes and colors at The Sterling, 88 Yates street.

—John Cochrane leaves in the morning for Vancouver to conduct the examinations in prescription and dispensing at the semi-annual examinations of the Pharmaceutical Association held in that city to-morrow and Thursday.
—The receipts of the inland revenue department for the month of September were: Spirits, \$7,204.73; malt, \$807.72; tobacco, \$1,461.10; cigars, \$841.20; methylated spirits, \$61.00; other receipts, \$14.80; making a total of \$10,000.34.
—We have just received another shipment of overcoats, suitings and pants. They are a very choice line of imported goods. If you are in need of an overcoat, suit or pants, you will find it to your advantage to examine our goods. Kinnaird, the cash tailor, 46 Johnson street.

—The annual meeting of the fruit growers of Salt Spring Island on Friday last it was decided to assist in the movement started by the Vancouver Island Farmers' Co-operative Association. The farmers of Burgoyne Bay will hold a meeting for the same purpose in a few days.
—The Girls' Friendly Society, of St. Barnabas church will begin their winter work to-morrow evening, when the annual service and address will be held. A business meeting will be held in the rectory at the close of the service. A cordial invitation is extended to the friends of the society.
—Sergt. Walker this morning received a dispatch from his brother, Constable R. H. Walker, who is at present at New Westminster, stating that his wife and son, who are visiting friends there, had met with an accident, the nature of which he did not state.

—The anniversary tea meeting at the Centennial Methodist church will take place Tuesday evening, the 5th inst. A sumptuous repast will be provided between six and eight o'clock. After supper there will be a very interesting programme consisting of solos, duets, choruses and short addresses. Chair to be taken by H. D. Helmcken, Q.C., M.P.P. Tickets fifty cents.
—The Victoria theatre was crowded yesterday evening when the curtain rose on the first scene of "The Heart of Chicago." This latest production of Lincoln J. Carter is in striking similarity with the remainder of his ultra-sensational scenic plays, a series of tragedies and narrowly-avoided tragedies, culminating, as is usual, with the triumph of virtue and the downfall of the villain. The company will play in Nanaimo this evening.

—The first-class gubboat Pheasant, on the Pacific station, is to be re-commissioned for another term of foreign service. The Pheasant was dispatched from England nine years ago, and has been continuously employed on the Pacific station, to which she will again be attached. Lieut. H. G. Smith will succeed Commander Garforth in the command of the Pheasant, which will be refitted at Esquimalt at a cost of £1,800. A new crew for her will shortly be dispatched from England.—The Broad Arrow.
—The inspector of fruit pests, R. M. Palmer, is still continuing his crusade against the San Jose scale, and to assist him in this work he is anxious to have the co-operation of all fruit growers. Recently he discovered the San Jose scale in an orchard on Salt Spring Island and in one in Nanaimo district. The trees in both orchards were destroyed in order to prevent the spread of the pest. A bulletin has just been issued by the agricultural department, in which a full description is given of this and other pests.

—Prof. Brooks, director of the Smith observatory at Geneva, N.Y., calls attention to an interesting conjunction of Mercury and Jupiter which will occur to-morrow morning. The phenomena will be best observed about five o'clock, low down in the eastern morning sky. Mercury and Jupiter will then be less than half the apparent diameter of the moon apart, and the spectacle of the smallest and largest of the planets in the same field of view will be seen. The phenomena will be visible without a telescope.
—The weekly meeting of the Natural History Society was held yesterday evening when Dr. Newcombe, who has recently returned from an expedition to the Queen Charlotte Islands, gave an account of his season's work. Dr. Newcombe intends writing a series of papers on his season's work, which when presented will be illustrated with charts, photographic views, drawings and specimens. At the close of Dr. Newcombe's address a general discussion followed on ethnological and other topics relating to the West Coast Indians.
—Mr. George Carter has received a letter from Herbert Roper, who, with a party of Victorians, are making their way over the Dyea trail. They had a fall trip, with lots of rain and mud, home-combated with a little fun, and had all their goods at the scales. Here they were camped when the avalanche came down. They were getting ready for breakfast when a man came down the trail, calling, "Run for your lives." Mr. Roper and his friends took to the hills, from which point of vantage they watched the cans, blankets, etc., being carried down by the flood. Their camp was fortunately pitched behind some trees, which acted as a barrier to the water, and their goods did not travel far, so they escaped very well. Several of the men at Sheep Camp lost all they had, and a few tents were washed away, while buggies and provisions of all kinds were scattered all over and buried in

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JOHN COCHRANE,
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the sand. Messrs. Roper and St. Cyr picked up the body of Choyrski, who was killed. The body, Mr. Roper says, was badly cut and mangled, and the skull was cracked from the forehead to the back of the head. The party hardly expect to get to Dawson this winter, and will probably camp at one of the lakes.
—The annual meeting of the Grand Lodge, A.O.F., opens at New Westminster to-morrow afternoon. The delegates from Victoria leave for the mainland in the morning. They are: A. P. Johnson and W. McKay from Court Vancouver; W. P. Fullerton and Simon Bantley, of Court Northern Light; and P. P. Watson and E. J. Salmon, district officers.

—All entries for the annual dog show of the Victoria Kennel Club must be in by Thursday. Those who have not already entered their dogs can obtain entry blanks at the office of Messrs. Spratt & Macaulay, Government street. The entries already in give promise of a good show. The best dogs from California, Oregon and Washington will be here to compete against the British Columbian.
—We are asked by Capt. Gaudin, agent of the marine and fisheries department, to contradict the statement of the News-Advertiser, copied in the Times, to the effect that the crew of the Quandra refused to work after 5 o'clock and before 8 o'clock in the morning whilst engaged in loading the supplies for the Sifton party at Vancouver. The men, said Capt. Gaudin, were working until 6:30 p.m., and were ready and waiting before 7 a.m. for the express people, who did not turn up before 8 o'clock. Had it been necessary the men would have worked all night, but the Hon. Mr. Sifton said that he did not intend to leave until after the arrival of the train on Saturday, so there was no occasion to work the men after ordinary hours.

—A very well attended meeting of the Friendly Help was held this morning. The reports for the month were received and proved encouraging. Very many new cases were reported and in many instances the use of intoxicating drink was the cause of their poverty. During the month of September 20 families received assistance. Ten of these had groceries, while some had fuel, some clothing, etc. The following donations were thankfully received: Money, the Corporation, I.O.O.F. and Mrs. Richards; clothing, Mrs. Wilson, Quebec street, Mrs. Monie, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Sweet Mrs. Baker, Porter & Sons. The ladies would like to ask charitably disposed people not to give help to parties begging at their doors, as in many instances of late there has been much overlapping. Kindly send such to the Friendly Help, where their cases will be investigated and systematically relieved.

THE PROVINCIAL COURT.
Van Horst Being Tried for Breaking and Entering a Residence.
The case of Regina vs. Van Horst occupied the attention of Magistrate Macrae this afternoon in the provincial police court. Van Horst, who has already been committed for trial on the charge of entering several residences and stealing therefrom in the city police court, is now charged with breaking and entering the residence of George Parsons, on the Saanich road, and stealing from there two gold-filled watches, a silver watch, a razor, some chains and rings, all of which Mr. Parsons values at \$40. Parsons, who was the first witness called, identified the stolen property and related how he discovered the same, and after identifying the stolen property identified the accused as one of the two young men who were riding from the city towards Saanich on Sunday last. Sergt. Langley, of the provincial police, then related how he, acting on instructions from Supt. Hussey, had gone to Saanich, and from information received there he started on the trail of the accused, with the result that he was ultimately arrested at his residence on Elizabeth street. The case is still in progress.
At the close of this case William A. Gordon will come before the police magistrate on the charge of being in unlawful possession of a number of articles and goods belonging to his partner, Isaac Jones. Gordon is under detention on suspicion of having been implicated in the death of his late partner, and the present charge was laid in order to have him detained until a search could be made for the body of Jones and inquiries made into the matter.

If your child is puny, fretful, troubled with glandular swellings, inflamed eyes, or sores on the head, face, or body, of course Ayer's Sarsaparilla is needed to expel the scrofulous humors from the blood. The sooner you begin to give this medicine the better.
—A splendid stock of sporting goods just received direct from the best factories in England and the United States, comprising shot guns, rifles, sporting coats, etc., at Henry Short & Son's, Gunsmiths, 72 Douglas street.
—"Mary, you don't sympathize with me when I have to push the lawn mower."
—"No, it was a snow shovel you were free making the same fuss."—Detroit Free Press.
—A dollar bill will buy fourteen yards of fannelle at the Lansdowne House, 86 Yates street. Jno. Partridge.

—You would do well to see Weller Bros' stock of table, towels, napkins, towels, etc. They have a complete stock in that line.

300 Boys Wanted
To get into 300 of our boys' suits. Does your boy look shabby? It's your fault, not ours. We're doing our level best to please the boys. Bring them in and let us fit them up for Sunday, for school, or for work. Suits for \$2, good enough to cost more elsewhere. Suits for \$2.50 and \$3 that have quality, and a saving of 50 cents on each suit. What are they? Serges, tweeds and Scotch mixtures.

We Can Save Folks Money on Boys' Clothes.
We're going to sell more clothes to boys this year than ever before. Prices will do it, backed by full value.
Cameron (The Cash Clothing) 55 Johnson Street.
MARINE MATTERS

The Sealing Schooner Mermaid Returns from the Copper Islands This Afternoon.
The Freight Rates Still Firm at the Advance—Last Month's Shipping.

The sealing schooner Mermaid, Captain Anderson, returned from her sealing cruise on the Japan Coast and at the Copper Islands this afternoon, being towed in from the Straits by the tug Lorne. She brought to port the remainder of her season's catch of 1,125, the balance having been shipped to Victoria some time ago on one of the Empresses, and 720 skins sent to Victoria by the sealing schooner Geneva, which vessel is still hunting off the Copper Islands. Of the 1,125 taken by the Mermaid, but 142 were taken at the northern islands. The schooner Geneva is highliner of the Copper Island fleet, having captured as many as 800 skins in the vicinity of the islands. This year's catch will probably be much larger when that vessel returns to port, for it was the intention of her master to continue hunting until the middle of October, a month and a half from the time she was spoken by the mermaid. Captain Anderson says that he has found the weather near the islands very bad this season, and but few good sealing days were had. Seals are very scarce and scattered. Captain Anderson says, in fact, it seems as if the Copper Island herd had been annihilated. He reported that the Japanese vessels hunting in the vicinity were making good catches, but many of them were going within the thirty mile limit. The Japanese hunters are becoming expert, and soon they will be as adept as any of the white hunters. Unless things change considerably, Captain Anderson said, there will be few Victoria schooners hunting at the Copper Islands next season, for, taking all things into account, the trip does not pay well, and will not pay next year unless skins advance considerably in price. Japanese schooners may probably continue to hunt there for some time, but in a few seasons they too will be obliged to abandon the islands.
—That the shipping business is at present tasting prosperity is shown by the increased rates which have been prevailing during the past month. In their September report R. P. Rithet & Co. have the following remarks on the business of last month: "After an active month's business at increased rates the market for grain vessels shows some weakness at the close, and it seems likely that further chartering must be on a lower basis. At the same time, the number of unfixed vessels is not large, which makes owners pretty firm in their ideas and unwilling to meet exporters. Lumber vessels are not extensive, so rates may be quoted practically without change. The range of charter, too, is somewhat limited this month. Yet another admirable ship has been added to the fleet, the fixture of the City of Beauséjour being reported at 37s. 6d.; a very substantial advance on the last rate paid.
The steamer R. P. Rithet will arrive this evening with a full cargo of salmon, which, with the large number of cases loaded here yesterday evening from the steamer Yosemite, will be taken around to Esquimalt and loaded on the British ship Irby, which vessel is now loading at the naval station for Gravesend. The Irby will sail about the end of this week.
The C.P.R. steamship Empress of China arrived at Hongkong yesterday morning.
The Barbara Rosowits will sail for the north this evening.

A DESPERATE DEED.
"Why on earth should so bright and comely a girl as Annie have married that long haired poet?"
"It was the only way she could stop him from reading his poems to her."—Indianapolis Journal.
—Crossley's carpets in all grades at Weller Bros'. We have just opened up another line of new goods.

Windsor Salt
Purest and Best for Table and Dairy Purposes. Never eaten.

EVERY PAIR A NUGGET.
OUR STRICTLY UP-TO-DATE, RELIABLE, POPULAR PRICED **SHOES.**
MOCCASINS, RUBBER SHEETS, ETC.
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SALMON ARE RUNNING FINE TROLLING OFF BROTHIE LEDGE AND THERESAULTS. GET YOUR **SPOONS AND LINES AT** 78 GOVERNMENT STREET. **FOX'S**

Our Stock of Fall and Winter Goods is Now Complete.
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FOR... **SEAGRAM'S WHISKEY** THE SOLE AGENTS ARE **R. P. RITHET & CO., Ld., Wharf St.**

YOUTHFUL ROBBERS.
Rifle a Value Stolen From an Express Wagon Last Week.
Last evening a boy brought to the police station a value which he had found in an old shed at the foot of Johnson street. It proved to be one belonging to Miss Marecaux, which had been stolen from an express wagon. The thieves took it to the old shed, cut a hole in it and took out a few articles, leaving a lot of valuables in it. From the fact that some of the most valuable articles were left, it is presumed that the work was done by boys. The articles taken from the value were: A gold ring, mother of pearl opera glasses, lot of rare and valuable old coins, a diamond brooch and a moon-stone monogram pin. The value and the articles which were left were forwarded to Miss Marecaux, who lives on Thetis Island, by Acting Chief Walker this morning.

This afternoon Constable Cameron arrested four boys, Albert Earle, Angus McDonald, Stephen Cullum and Joseph Kelly, who admitted that they had cut the value open and taken the articles which were missing; in fact, they returned some of them and told where others could be found. But they stoutly denied that they had taken the value from the express wagon. They say that Cullum found it behind the Truck & Dray office at the foot of Johnson street, and that McDonald and Kelly cut it open, while all helped themselves to articles of jewellery. Most of this they returned, but some they threw away.

PARSON'S WRATH AROUSED.
Got Even With a Mean Man Who Had Invited Him to Dinner.
The Atlanta Constitution tells how a minister got even with a mean man who had invited him to dinner. The mean man had plenty of money, but he did not spend it on his table, which on that occasion showed but scant fare. "Parson," said the mean man, "times are hard and groceries high; but, such as it is, you're welcome. Will you as a blessing in?" "I will," replied the parson, "fold your hands." And then he said, "Lord make us thankful for what we are about to receive—for these groans without bacon, this bread without salt, this coffee without sugar, and after we have received it give thy servant strength to get home in time for dinner."
—Jackets, Jackets. New styles at the Lansdowne House, 86 Yates. Our prices make every dollar do double duty.

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Miners' Outfits A SPECIALTY.
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Private Funds to Loan.
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42 FORT STREET, VICTORIA.

NOTICE.
The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Union Colliery Company, of British Columbia, Limited Liability, will be held at the company's office, Victoria, on Wednesday, the 6th day of October, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.
CHAS. E. POOLEY, Secretary.
Dated Victoria, 30th Aug. 1897.

NOTICE.
The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company will be held at the company's office, Victoria, on Wednesday, the 6th day of October, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.
CHAS. E. POOLEY, Secretary.
Dated Victoria, 30th Aug. 1897.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER
MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. For Buns, Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

THE SETTLERS' COAL CLAIMS

Continuation of the Evidence Before the Commission in Session at Nanaimo.

Interesting Points Brought Out in the Examination by Commissioner Rothwell and Mr. Pooley.

John Hill, sworn— I reside at Cedar district. I have lived there 18 years. I hold 140 acres of land described in the deed dated 10 March, 1880, from the E. & N. Railway Company...

up." I did not doubt his word, but I hardly thought it possible that the land was locked up. I did not think about whether Mr. Prior knew or not...

Isaac Emblem, sworn— I reside at Nanaimo. My claim is for the land and minerals of section 8, range VIII, in Cranberry district, and 90 acres in the west of range I, Cedar district...

Notice— I, the undersigned, make application for the purchase of the following land in Cranberry district, known as section 8, range VIII, and the west end of sections 8 and 9, range I, Cedar district...

A BY-LAW

To Authorize the Sale of Lands Within the City of Victoria Upon Which Taxes Have Been Due and in Arrears for Two Years.

Whereas, it is expedient that all lands or improvements or real property within the limits of the Corporation of the City of Victoria upon which Municipal taxes have been due and in arrears for two years, shall be sold...

Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows: 1. The Collector of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria is hereby authorized and directed whenever taxes on any land or improvements or real property have been due for two years...

2. It shall not be the duty of the Collector to make inquiry before effecting a sale of lands or improvements or real property for taxes, to ascertain whether or not there is any distress upon the land, nor shall he be bound to inquire into or form any opinion of the value of the land or improvements or real property...

3. The Collector shall prepare a copy of the list of lands or improvements or real property to be sold and shall include therein in separate columns a statement of the proportionate amount chargeable on each lot for (1) the amount of taxes unpaid up to the date of the passing of this by-law...

4. The advertisement shall contain a notification that unless the arrears and costs are sooner paid he will proceed to sell the lands or improvements or real property for the taxes, on a day, at a time, and at a place named in the advertisement. 5. The Collector shall, at least one month before the day of sale, serve, or cause to be served, a notice of the intended sale...

give notice by advertisement in the newspapers in which the original notice was advertised, and on such day he shall sell such lands or improvements or real property previously offered for sale for any sum he can realize...

10. If the purchaser of any property or parcel of land fails immediately to pay the Collector the amount of the purchase money the Collector shall forthwith again put up the property for sale. 11. Immediately after every sale the Collector shall return a list of the arrears satisfied by such sale to the Clerk of the Corporation and shall at the same time pay in the proceeds to the Treasurer of the said Corporation...

Recommended, adopted and finally passed in Council this 27th day of September, A.D. 1897. C. E. REDFERN, Mayor. WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

NOTICE The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria on the 27th day of September, A.D. 1897...

JNO. MESTON. Carriage Maker BLACKSMITH, ETC. Broad street, between Johnson and Pandora streets.

Canadian Pacific Navigation Co. (LIMITED). Time Table No. 26, Taking Effect December 24th, 1896.

Victoria & Sidney R'y. Trians will run between Victoria and Sidney daily as follows: Leave Victoria at 7:00 a.m., 4:30 p.m. Leave Sidney at 8:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m.

Pacific Coast Steamship Co. The Company's elegant steamer UMATILLA, CITY OF PUERTO and WALLA WALLA, carrying H. R. M. Mallis, leave VICTORIA, B. C., for San Francisco, at 8 p.m., Oct. 1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26, 31, Nov. 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, Dec. 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30.

Spokane Falls & Northern Nelson & Fort Sheppard Red Mountain Railways. The only all rail route without change of cars between Spokane, Rossland and Nelson, also between Nelson and Rossland.

ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RY. S.S. "CITY OF NANAIMO" W. D. OWEN, Master. Sails as follows, calling at way ports as per schedule and returning every day.

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Puget Sound & Alaska Steamship Co. TIME CARD No. 13. Effective August 24th, 1897. Subject to Change Without Notice.

Str. City of Kingston. FROM TACOMA, DAILY (EXCEPT SATURDAY). Leave Tacoma 8:00 p.m. Leave Seattle 10:00 p.m.

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TRANSPORTATION. ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RY. TIME TABLE NO. 28. To take effect at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, March 29th, 1897.

GOING NORTH. Daily and Sunday. Le. Victoria for Nanaimo and Esquimalt, March 29th, 1897.

GOING SOUTH. Daily and Sunday. Le. Wellington for Victoria, Esquimalt, and Ar. Victoria.

THE QUICKEST ALL-RAIL ROUTE TO ROSSLAND KOOTENAI and KETTLE RIVER MINING DISTRICTS.

THE NORTH-WESTERN LINE. Three (3) First-Class Trains Leave Minneapolis and St. Paul for Chicago on arrival of trains from Victoria, as follows:

THE LIBRARY CAR ROUTE. ROCK BALLAST—NO DIRT. GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY. BREAKS IN DINING CAR & LA CARTE.

THE DIRECT RAIL ROUTE TO KOOTENAI MINING COUNTRY. Ventilated cable through to St. Paul without change, only the reading Buffet Library cars for all points east.

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WELL-KNOWN. It is folly to build upon a poor foundation, either in architecture or in health. A foundation of sand is insecure, and to depend symptoms of nervous or nerve compounds is equally dangerous and deceptive.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. CURE SICK HEAD ACHE. Sick headache and relieve all the troubles best known to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, etc.

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THE STICKEEN ROUTE

C. Brown, of Butte, Says It's the Only Good One—He Tells About Its Points.

Many Men Will Go North Via Wrangle—Report of Placer Finds on Hootalinqua River.

J. C. Brown, of Butte, Mont., who has been over the Skagway trail, and who is familiar with other portions of Alaska, is in Seattle, and is shouting the praises of the Stickeen river route, says the Seattle Times. Concerning this route he said today:

"There has been a great deal said and done to devise a route for entering the Yukon gold fields, and to my mind it is a demonstrated fact—that the route by Skagway or Dryas is an impracticable one for any body or quantity of men at one time. The last rush to those points has practically demonstrated this fact with death to the human family and horses, and the hardships therein incurred.

"I have had the pleasure of passing over the route myself, and I found it in no sense of the term easy with only twenty-five pounds on my back. Timber and lumber is becoming scarce; boats sold as high as \$500 to \$1,000 in the last rush, and the trials in passing through the lakes and many rapids before entering the Yukon are dangerous to both life and property, and I believe before one year from to-day the only route that will be available to enter that country will be by the Stickeen, Telegraph creek and across to Lake Teslin. This route is favorable, and for many reasons. It is comparatively a level plateau. The first five miles out of Telegraph creek is only an elevation of two per cent grade and the Dominion government has expended upon the trail the sum of about \$5,000 the past season, and it is comparatively a first class trail.

"There are but two streams to cross between Telegraph creek and Lake Teslin, and those are perfectly bridged. A double team can be driven over this route with ease, taking from 1,000 to 2,000 pounds. Sixty miles this side of Lake Teslin a man can draw upon a sled from 800 to 800 pounds with perfect ease. It is a continuous incline from this point to the lake.

"There is now a saw mill erected at Lake Teslin, and other accommodations for man and beast, and also there is a steamboat being built to run down Lake Teslin and Hootalinqua river, and so into the Yukon basin.

It is also a demonstrated fact that when the rush penetrates this country the facilities are so limited that somebody must wait; therefore it has enhanced the price of packing and carrying such commodities or supplies as miners must necessarily need. On reaching Lake Teslin and the Hootalinqua river you are in the mineral region of that country, and it is a demonstrated fact that the new developments on the Stewart and near Fort Selkirk and the regions in and about Lake Teslin and the Hootalinqua are as rich in mineral as it is at Dawson or at any part of the Klondyke.

The same prospectors of the country and as the long workings of the Canadian mines in conclusion that this country is as rich in mineral as it is farther down the Yukon river. If such may be the case, to every man who thinks of entering the gold fields of Alaska let him use his better judgment and get into that country at the earliest possible moment, taking with him sufficient food, clothing, etc., to last through for one year, and while speaking of this, I advise any one going now to prepare themselves with such hardware as may be wanted in the use and construction of their cabin, while there will only be about 140 miles from Lake Teslin to water navigation, where it is easy to obtain a renewal of their supplies. And in my opinion those that get in this fall and at the earliest moment will reap the benefit of hundreds of dollars in savings, than to wait until the grand rush of the spring.

"Dawson shows in his reports for eight successive years that the climate is about the same as it is in Montana—if anything, averaging a little warmer. I advise every person thinking of going into the Yukon country to avoid Skagway and Dryas trails, and to pack their crib and provisions and start for Lake Teslin in the early spring, and thus save hundreds of dollars by so doing.

A Mr. Bennett, who has been over the Stickeen river route, says that four rich placer finds have been made on Hootalinqua river, twenty miles from Lake Teslin.

"For several months I was troubled with a persistent humor on my head which gave me considerable annoyance, until it occurred to me to try Ayer's Hair Vigor. Before using one bottle the humor was healed."—T. Adams, general merchant, Turkeville, Va.

Battan furniture at Weller Bros., competing with chairs, rockers, tables, occasional chairs, settees, stools, and many other desirable pieces of useful and ornamental furniture.

BEHRING SEA COMMISSION

Mr. Peters Summing Up the Case for Great Britain—Value of Four Vessels Not in Dispute.

Lansing's Blue Prints Criticized—Seal Hunting Not Regarded as a Lottery.

Halifax, Sept. 28.—At the Behring Sea claims commission yesterday, Hon. Frederick Peters, Q.C., commenced to sum up the argument on behalf of Great Britain in reply. He first addressed himself to the arguments advanced by the United States counsel in connection with the special claims.

Dealing with the case of the Oscar and Hattie, Mr. Peters contended that the grounds of seizure were manifestly insufficient, and therefore the seizure was founded on an illegal cause, and could not become the ground for a legal condemnation. Secondly, that the captain of the United States cruiser seized the vessel knowing she had committed no offence. The United States contended that the officer of the cruiser had acted simply according to instructions from Washington. Mr. Peters replied that the instructions given by the United States navy department went beyond the terms of the *modus vivendi* in taking away from the commander of the cruiser the discretion which he should have exercised in the matter. He submitted that the seizure being made without just or profitable cause and in violation of the *modus vivendi* of 1882, this was a case in which full compensation should be given.

In connection with the Winnifred, seized on the high seas, outside of the three-mile limit for violation of the *modus vivendi*, she was taken to Oumskanik by the cutter Rush. The vessel was seized for a breach of the *modus vivendi*, but she was not proceeded against for that breach. Then the United States said she was seized for some imaginary breach of their revenue laws, but she was seized outside of the jurisdiction of the United States, and could not have violated the United States revenue laws on the high seas.

In the Wanderer claim the United States contended that they could not be called on to pay damages unless the officer of the cruiser had warned the vessel. But the proclamation was issued, and the fear of seizure was based on substantial grounds of which warning, in all human probability, happened. He submitted that the actual warning by the cruiser was not necessary to charge the proclamation was well known to the world, and did not require warning to be given to be carried out.

Mr. Peters referred to the argument of Mr. Lansing, referring particularly to some of the questions of fact raised. With regard to the mode of computing prospective catch, Mr. Lansing had criticized the table prepared by Great Britain, but he had proposed no better method of computation. From the table submitted by Mr. Lansing himself Mr. Peters estimated that in 1889 the average catch of six vessels carrying 27 boats was 630 seals per boat per day. This average catch of vessels not interfered with was 723 seals per boat per day. On eight vessels carrying 30 canoes per day the average catch was 379 per canoe per day. In 1887 seven vessels carrying 30 boats caught 518 seals per boat per day, ten vessels carrying 83 canoes caught 364 per canoe per day. In that year four vessels were not interfered with and they caught 523 per canoe per day, which shows the effect of the interference.

Mr. Peters then criticized the "Blue Prints" submitted by Mr. Lansing, arguing that it was fairer to take the average of the catches of all boats or canoes of all the vessels than simply the average catch of the boats or canoes of the vessel.

Mr. Lansing had referred to the seal hunting as a lottery, but on Mr. Lansing's own calculation and figures, Mr. Peters argued, that if seal hunting was a lottery it was a lottery in which every one who tried it drew a prize. Mr. Lansing had argued that there were no defined sealing grounds and no banks in Behring sea. On that point he was at variance, Mr. Peters said, with the position taken by the United States counsel at the Paris tribunal.

With regard to the duration of the season which Mr. Lansing claimed ended about August 20th or 25th, Mr. Peters said the calculations were made absurd on their face. It was claimed that the sealing season commenced on July 15th, which would give fifty-one days to August 20th, while Mr. Lansing only allowed 54 days as the average length of the season.

As to the value of the vessels Mr. Peters called attention to four vessels about which there could be no dispute, viz.: the Thornton, Dolphin, Anna Beck and Grace. They were steam schooners and built for special purpose, and as there were no others of that kind in Victoria or San Francisco the argument as to market value should not be applied. They were special cases and should be paid for at their cost. He submitted that from the peculiar conditions existing at Victoria the cost of either of building the vessels there or bringing them from Nova Scotia should be allowed.

Mr. Warren had argued at length with regard to the facts relating to the question of domicile. Mr. Peters referred briefly to the evidence to establish the domicile at Victoria of Frank Beck, etc. The question of whether United States citizens were owners of the vessels was largely one of fact. Mr. Warren had approached the question as if these men had all along intended to desert the United States, but Mr. Peters argued that there was no evidence to indicate any such intention. He referred at considerable length to the mortgage transactions, speaking until 5:30 o'clock.

Weller Bros. have just received nearly 5,000 yards of Chinese matting; good strong floor covering at low rates.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE RING. THE SPARRING MATCH.

A sparring contest between Lidstone, of H.M.S. Phoenix, and Toff James, of Victoria, attracted a large audience to Johnston street yesterday evening. After ten rounds the match resulted in a draw. Denver Ed. Smith acted as referee and Jack Hayes as timekeeper.

TOURNAMENT POSTPONED.

The boxing tournament which was to have been held at the Victoria Athletic Club rooms, Johnston street, last evening, was postponed until Thursday evening next. Denver Ed. Smith has kindly consented to act as referee. Tickets are on sale at the usual places.

RUGBY FOOTBALL. Y.M.C.A. WILL REORGANIZE.

The Y.M.C.A. Rugby Football Club will be reorganized for the coming season at a meeting to be held in the parlors of the Y.M.C.A. to-morrow evening. At this meeting the basketball team will also be reorganized. All last year's players, with the exception of Reid, who has left the city, have signified their intention of again playing under the Y.M.C.A. colors.

FOOTBALL. THE SCHOOL BOYS WON.

It was not the Boys' Brigade that won the junior football match at the hill on Saturday afternoon as previously reported. The Boys' Brigade failed to score and their opponents, the North Ward school team, scored two goals, thus winning the match by 2 goals to nil.

MISCELLANEOUS. GYMNASIUM BUSY.

The Pastime Athletic Association has begun work in their gymnasium over Brackman & Ker's store, and from the way in which the athletes are training it is easy to be seen that soon good gymnasts will be turned out by the association. Mr. T. Oliver has been appointed trainer.

THE MINES OF EAST KOOTENAI.

When the Railroads Come in Fort Steele Mining Will Boom.

Joe Davis has returned from the Fort Steele mining district, where he spent the summer doing assessment work on several claims he owns in that section and also locating some other properties. "When the railroad gets into that mining district there will be a great deal of ore ready to ship on the first trains that run, and the better means of transportation will at once awaken interest in many undeveloped prospects in that district which have only to be opened up in order to become as great as any in the Kootenays," said Mr. Davis. "Of course we know what the West Kootenays are, but just give the East the same advantage and it will develop into as great a mining country. The North Star is a great property, and everybody knows that the St. Eugene is one of the greatest mines in British Columbia. It is a fact, however, that there are other properties in the Fort Steele district which will equal those two in wealth of rich ore. The lead belt can be traced all the way from the St. Eugene over to the North Star, and many of the interesting prospects are showing high grade ore under development work.

"The plan of the St. Eugene as to getting out ore has been adopted by many smaller properties, and there are many that have several carloads of ore on the dump all of which is of shipping quality, and will be sent out as soon as possible. Lead is not the only product; there are gold properties up there that promise to yield richly. It is a good country for a poor man, and its possibilities have never been over-estimated."—Spokanean-Review.

Lord Byron is most inveterate smoker, and it is said that, like the celebrated cavalry officer, Colonel Oakes, he not infrequently has two or three pipes instead of breakfast.

Lord Byron is first cousin twice removed of the great poet.

The venerable Swiss engineer, Nicholas Hagenbach, some months back celebrated his eightieth birthday. Till he had passed his fiftieth year he was regarded as an inventive dreamer. But on his fifty-fourth birthday, in 1871, the dream of his life was realized, and the locomotive conquered the Alps. During the quarter of a century that has followed his triumph, mountain railways have become as plentiful as blackberries.

Queen Natalie of Serbia, the divorced wife of ex-King Milan, is one of the many victims of unhappy royal alliance. Strong-willed and full of ambition, she was the exact opposite of her vacillating, pleasure-loving husband. Now, while he spends his time at the baccarat tables of Paris, his unhappy queen is leading a ruinous life on the continent. Queen Natalie is still a woman of great beauty and attracts attention by the picturesque, old-fashioned habit of wearing her luxuriant dark hair down her back.

Dr. Alexander, Primate of Ireland, is not only the most notable figure in the Irish church, but also a very conspicuous and popular member of Irish society. His tall, stately figure and dignified bearing make him the physical ideal of a prelate, whilst his rich, melodious voice and national gift of oratory give him a rank as a popular preacher second only to the late Archbishop Magee. In spite of his seventy-three years, the Archbishop presides his youthful way of life, and his merry twinkle in his eye is the invariable prelude to an anecdote or jest, which sets "the table in a roar."

THE FUR SEAL AS AN ANIMAL.

Mr. David Starr Jordan, president of the Behring sea commission for 1890, and George Archibald Clark secretary to the commission, say in "The Fur Seal":

The male fur seal, or "beachmaster," reaches full maturity at the age of 7 years. At that time his weight is about 400 to 500 pounds, being considerably heavier when first in from the sea in the spring or after feeding in the fall than in the intervening period, when he fasts on land and grows gradually lean and weak. The males vary considerably in color, the general shade being black or dark brown, with longer hair or bristles of yellowish white. These are especially long and numerous on the thickened back of the neck, forming the so-called "wig."

The wigged males have a rough, coarse coat, and their skins are without market value. The animal makes its home on the rocky shores of the islands in large, closely-matted beds, forming what are called "rookeries." It is extremely gregarious, individuals seldom venturing far from the main body while on land, though wandering about singly in the sea.

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We sailed the great Yukon, Our bold and hardy crew; And the time ran on, nor day nor dawn Not a man among us knew.

Our light the northern star, To show the yellow gold, On Klondyke bar, where the long nights are.

And, Lord! but the winds were cold; That tale of ancient Greece Will never be very plain.

When we came in peace, with our golden fleece, It will ne'er be heard again.—Oakland Saturday Night.

NOT AFTER JINNY.

This Being Settled, the Traveller Was Made Welcome.

I was riding along a country road in the vicinity of Memphis when I came to a newly-painted house which gave such shining evidence of prosperity that it was an attraction to the barren landscape about it. A long lean man, stoop-shouldered and ungainly, sat on a post in front of the spick-and-span doorstep, and held a rife across his knees, at the same time that he peered from under his shaggy brows in all directions, as if he were in ambush and expected to be surprised.

I wanted several favors at this man's hands if possible, one of them being supper, another an investigating draught of moonshine whiskey, and finally, and the only demand I was certain of, a route to Memphis by that particular road.

"Evening," I said in as jocular a tone as I could assume. "Guarding the new point?"

"Evening, stranger," he answered, as short as pie crust.

"Could you tell me how to reach Memphis to-night?" I asked.

"Foller yer nose!"

"Then I am on the right road?"

"Git!"

He levelled the rife at me, and my horse shied at the sudden movement. At the same time I heard a cackling laugh through the half-open front door.

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