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TAXI DRIVERS HAVE GONE TO THE FRONT

That is Cause of Shortage of Competent Chauffeurs in London

London, Feb. 19.—The taxi shortage in London has caused the public to fill the mail bags of the newspapers with complaints regarding the insolence of drivers and the whistling nuisance. During the rush hours, especially during dinner and theatre times, drivers often refuse to take fares unless they chance to be going in the direction the driver favors. This is due to the rule that drivers when not carrying passengers must pay for their own gasoline. A movement for a law to prevent the use of whistles to call taxis is suggested, but while putting down a nuisance, it would not help transportation facilities. The real trouble is traced to the enlistment of competent drivers because of this some of the taxi companies have temporarily retired from business. Scotland Yard has hindered the substitution of new drivers by a refusal to relax the strict geographical examination of former data. Thus every candidate has to show an intimate knowledge of London's streets and by-ways. Many women could easily qualify on the mechanical side and show a fair general knowledge of London if the rules were relaxed. Meantime, Londoners who used to look down on piebald modes of travel are taking to the underground and the buses, which maintain excellent services notwithstanding the war.

SET OFF MINES AND REPULSED ATTACKS

French and British Artillery Broke Up Attack South of Frise

London, Feb. 19.—The following official statement was issued last night: "Our artillery bombarded enemy positions north of Ypres and the Comines canal. The artillery of both sides generally has been active along the Ypres front. On the rest of the front there have been minor artillery bombardments at various points." "Mines Set Off." Paris, Feb. 19.—The following official statement was issued last night: "In the Artois region, to the northwest of Hill 140, we exploded a mine beneath a German trench which was considerably damaged. Another of our mines produced between the two trenches a big crater. The southern side of which was occupied. An attempt to dislodge us was stopped short by our fire." "In the region to the south of Frise, our artillery, in concert with the British artillery, carried out barrier fire which made the enemy give up the attacks he was preparing. To the north of the Aisne, we directed, in the region of the 'Cholera' Farm, the enemy's artillery preparation, the enemy directed an attack against our position to the north of Lagniton. The Germans were able to gain a footing for some little time in one of our trenches, but a counter-attack promptly threw them out."

GERMANY SOUGHT PEACE WITH JAPAN

All Doubt on That Point Removed by Count Okuma

Tokio, Feb. 19.—Confirmation of the reports that gained currency about two months ago that Germany had tried to conclude a separate peace with Japan has been made by Count Okuma, the premier, in an interview with a press representative. Count Okuma said he believed this indicated that Germany was showing certain signs of suffering, chiefly as a result of the weakened condition of her finances. "While no details of the peace negotiations were made public, the premier said it was hardly necessary to announce that Japan would adhere to the London peace declaration, by which she had agreed not to make a separate peace." "Criticism in some quarters has arisen because Japan's declaration to the London peace declaration was undertaken by the government without consultation with the privy council, but in defending the government's action, Count Okuma declared it was a natural result of the declaration of war by Japan on Germany." "The fact," he said, "that the anti-Japanese sentiment in Canada, the United States, Australia and other countries, has gradually subsided and is being replaced by a favorable sentiment towards Japan is due to our acts of loyalty to pledges." "Saghalien Island." At the same time Count Okuma made the important announcement that Japan is about to obtain from Russia certain concessions in forestry, mining and other industries in the northern part of Saghalien Island, which is owned by Russia. The southern half of this island was acquired by Japan at the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese war. "Russia," said the premier, "is very grateful for the material and moral support extended to her by Japan since the outbreak of the war." He referred also to the visit to Tokio of the Grand Duke George Michailovitch, a cousin of the czar, as another indication of the growing friendship between Japan and Russia, which many people believe will grow into an alliance.

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WILL STRENGTHEN PATRIOTISM OF SWISS

President's Opinion Regarding Excitement Caused by the Charges Against Colonels

Paris, Feb. 19.—Camille de Coppet, president of the Swiss Federation, says that there is no crisis in Switzerland involving the political unity of the country, according to the Berne correspondent of the Journal, with whom M. de Coppet discussed the agitation aroused in Switzerland by the disclosures made during investigation of the cases against the two Swiss colonels arrested on charges of having communicated military secrets to Germany. "Switzerland to-morrow will be the same as the Switzerland of yesterday," said the president. "Sympathy entertained by the Swiss for foreign causes simply shows that they are using fully their constitutional liberty to think as they like. Should a movement of assimilation take place on our borders, it will be a movement of endosmosis, as we say in physics, rather than of exosmosis. In other words, our neighbors are far more likely to become Swiss than are the Swiss to enter into the life of the belligerent nations. All this popular effervescence will quiet down when the federal council meets. Everything will be cleared up and Swiss patriotism will come out of the affair strengthened if anything."

A dispatch from Geneva on January 11 said that Colonels de Wattenwyl and Egli had been accused of communicating to Germany information regarding French positions along the Swiss frontier and, according to other accounts, of having delivered to the Austro-German military attaches the reports received at Swiss headquarters regarding the movements and the disposition of Swiss troops along the frontier. Later dispatches referred to the popular excitement which had been aroused with regard to the accusations made against the two colonels, and which culminated in the tearing down of a German flag by an angry crowd in the city of Lausanne.

Left Arm Became Powerless Saved From Paralytic Stroke

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RUSSIAN TROOPS COMPLETING WORK

Pursuing and Destroying Remnants of Turkish Forces From Erzerum

Petrograd, Feb. 19.—The following official statement was issued last night: "The completeness of the defeat sustained by the Turks and the terrible losses they suffered in the fighting at Erzerum are becoming more and more clear. The forts in the fortress itself and in the surrounding country are full of Turkish dead." "The remnants of the Turkish army, chased by our troops, are fleeing in disorder, at many points in different directions. A severe snowstorm has failed to cool the ardor of our men in pursuit, who are close on the heels of the enemy, and are annihilating them or taking prisoners at the tail end of Turkish columns." "We captured at Erzerum the entire fortress artillery and a large part of the enemy's field artillery. Up to the present we have counted 300 guns. We took a huge quantity of artillery ammunition and arms, several dozen motor cars, wireless apparatus and a pontoon bridge park. The numbers of other trophies taken and of the Turkish soldiers captured in the vast region of Erzerum are being tabulated." "The troops of the Caucasus army, notwithstanding the efforts demanded of them in the ceaseless fighting for over a month under most difficult geographical conditions, have suffered but slight losses, and are ready for fresh exploits when their sovereign chief gives the order." "Sailing Ships Destroyed." "Black Sea—Our warships have continued their operations in the coast regions. West of Trebizond, permanent bridges have been demolished and 15 sailing ships destroyed." "In the Caucasus coast region our troops have dislodged the enemy from a series of positions and captured prisoners, arms, ammunition and engineering material." "Enemy Zeppelin and aeroplane raids are becoming more frequent above the sectors of Riga and Dwinsk. Bombs have been dropped in many places in both regions. Near the Balton road there is violent cannonading. Our airmen have bombed German lines south of Dalen Island." "In the Jacobstadt district the German sent clouds of asphyxiating gas upon our trenches." "In Galicia, on Feb. 16, our airmen threw bombs on Buczac. On the Dniester, after prolonged artillery preparations, the enemy launched an attack against our trenches near Uscieszko, which we repulsed; North-east of Czernowitz (Bukowina), our heavy artillery destroyed an enemy battery." "On Black Sea Coast." An official statement issued earlier in the day said: "With the help of warships, our troops occupied a fortified position on the Vitzein river, in the Black Sea littoral region of Armenia. The warships went close in shore and shelled the retreating Turks. The casualties on board the ships consisted of only a few men wounded by rifle bullets." "Carried by Assault." A semi-official news agency reported yesterday: "The exact number of Turkish troops captured at Erzerum is not known, but the greater part of the garrison got away, as the fortress was not invested, but was carried by assault. The number of guns captured reached 1,000. "Before the evacuation, Kurds mercilessly massacred thousands of Armenians." "The city's defensive work was organized by the German command. Posen, and are spoken of as admirable and as embodying all the resources of modern artillery and engineering." "The latest advice indicate that the heavy Turkish reinforcements which had been hastening to the aid of Erzerum failed to arrive in time."

CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—Brigadier-General A. C. Macdonnell, of the 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade, has been wounded in action. An official cable message to this effect reached Major-General Hughes last night. The nature of the wound was not stated, but apparently it was sustained during the recent onslaught made by Germans, when the Canadians held their lines and took such heavy toll of the Germans. This is the first casualty among the Canadian brigadier-generals.

Brigadier-General Macdonnell is a Winnipeg man, a former member of Strathcona's Horse, and a cousin of A. Claude Macdonnell, M.P., for South Toronto.

Lieut. J. W. Van den Berg, of the Princess Pats, also is reported wounded.

- The following casualty list was issued last night:
- Second Battalion—Slightly wounded: Pte. C. Aiguir, Northfield, Ont.
- Seventh Battalion—Wounded: Pte. W. J. Williams (no address given); Pte. Robt. Harting, Ireland.
- Ninth Battalion—Seriously ill: Pte. E. Banks, England.
- Tenth Battalion—Wounded: Lieut. Cpl. B. H. Greer, Hampton, N. B.
- Eleventh Battalion—Seriously ill: Brigier Robert Clark, Winnipeg.
- Thirteenth Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. A. Ball, Fort William, Ont.
- Twenty-second Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Arthur Langevin, Ottawa.
- Twenty-fifth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. T. Timlins, England.
- Fifty-fifth Battalion—Seriously ill: Pte. J. Howe, St. Mary's, N. B.
- First Canadian Mounted Brigade—Wounded: Pte. Henry Cole, Edmonton.
- Seventh Artillery Brigade—Died of wounds: Cpl. G. Galloxy, Toronto.
- No. 1 Canadian Auto. Machine Gun Brigade—Wounded: Pte. J. M. Boby, England.
- Severely wounded: Cpl. S. V. Harcreaves, England.
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TREATED HIM TO TAR AND FEATHERS

How Soldiers in Melbourne, Australia, Handled an Objectionable Man

Melbourne, Feb. 19.—A motion passed by the Melbourne Trades Hall council directing unionists to ignore the recruiting cards which the government of Australia has mailed to every man of military age resulted in the tar and feathering by returned soldiers of the man who introduced the motion.

A number of labor bodies in the Commonwealth have shown hostility to the government's scheme for creating the new army on the ground that it is virtually conscription, but the most pronounced action thus far taken was that by the Melbourne Trades Hall council.

A member of the government appeared at a meeting of the trades council while it was debating further time to discussion of the recruiting cards. He spoke to the delegates in plain terms upon their duties as citizens and as British subjects, denounced the council for its course and advised it to rescind the motion as soon as possible.

He was met, however, by the point that copies of the circular containing the motion already had been sent to the various unions, and that as the council would not meet again for some time, about a month must elapse before a motion to rescind, of which due notice must be given, could be discussed. It was decided, therefore, to defer action for a month.

Meanwhile, 40 or 50 returned soldiers entered the office of Frederick Katz, secretary of the clerks' union, who had introduced the motion directed against the recruiting cards, and picketed the telephone. They had with them a can of tar and a quantity of feathers, and

when they had tarred and feathered Katz, they bundled him into the street. A woman who was in the office and was mistaken for Mrs. Katz also was tarred.

TOLD CONSTANTINE THEY APPROVED HIS COURSE

Athens, Feb. 19.—The officials of the chamber of deputies, during an audience with King Constantine this morning, complimented the king of the fact that, acting under powers conferred on him by the constitution, he had saved the country at a most critical juncture from the horrors of war which had overtaken other small states. They expressed the hope that he would continue to work for the preservation of the resources of the nation, so that they might be used for its best interests, and thus fulfill the wishes of all those whom the Greek parliament represents.

The king returned his thanks for the laudatory expressions.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT HAS CONFIDENCE OF CHAMBER

Paris, Feb. 19.—The ministry of Aristide Briand was triumphant in the chamber of deputies yesterday over the extreme Socialists and the Radical Socialists, who, after long preparation, endeavor to overthrow the government on the question whether it was not delegating too much authority to the general staff.

M. Briand met his opponents by declining firmly to have their interpellation discussed in the chamber, and demanded a vote of confidence in the government. This was given, the members voting 394 to 169.

ONLY ENGLISH IN MANITOBA SCHOOLS

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—The government decided last night to annul all teaching except in English in the public schools of Manitoba, wiping out the amendment to the Manitoba Public Schools Act introduced by Thos. Greenway and reverting to the Joseph Martin arrangement as drawn up by E. C. Wade, K. C.

A commission will be appointed to hear delegations from other nationalities report their alleged grievances next session.

BURNED HERSELF AND TWO OF HER CHILDREN

Rock Island, Ill., Feb. 19.—Crazed by domestic troubles, it is said, Mrs. Veronica Polski, aged 32, at Kewanee early last night during the absence of her husband and three sons, locked her two daughters, aged 5 and 7, in a room, set fire to their clothing and then touched a match to her own garments. All three were burned to death.

BOMB IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Feb. 19.—A bomb exploded to-day at the home of Modestino Mastrogianni, blew out the front of the house but injured no one. Mastrogianni formerly was head of a private bank; the affairs of which now are in the bankruptcy court. He said he believed the explosion to be the work of a depositor angered by the loss of his money.

BIG BREAK BETWEEN TWO ASSOCIATIONS

Split in Prince George Conservative Party Past Possibility of Healing

Prince George, B. C., Feb. 19.—The Bowser patronage system is reacting against the Bowser machine itself in this city and district. There are now two Conservative associations here, one working against the other and both working for the "patronage." The break between the two warring factions has become so wide that it is expected the president of one of them, W. J. Ogilvie, a barrister, formerly of Vancouver, will run in the Fort George riding at the coming provincial election, with the backing of one of the local associations and the Peace River Conservatives.

When the Conservative nominating convention was held here last spring, Mr. Ogilvie was a candidate for the nomination and very probably would have won it had the Peace River county had a say at the convention. That part of the constituency was represented by proxy and was for Mr. Ogilvie, but the meeting ruled that those votes could not count. The meeting was controlled, through manipulation of one kind or another, by the forces of A. G. Hamilton, who secured the nomination, but who, it is now well known, has a very slim chance of being elected.

At the annual meeting of the Prince George Conservative association, held here recently, there was a standing vote on some question regarding the admission of new members. The vote was 65 to 64, and the side which had Mr. Ogilvie's name on it and forming association No. 2, belonging to it, besides Mr. Ogilvie, are Mayor Gillett, two of the aldermen and a large number of other influential Conservatives.

The breach between the two associations is now too wide to be healed and the new association is framing plans for a candidate of its own, presumably Mr. Ogilvie. It is openly admitted, and boasting too, by Association No. 1, which consists largely of Hamilton hangers-on and provincial government job-holders, that any man who even gets a job on a road or bridge must be recommended by Mr. Mayor Gillett, who is a contractor, was appointed foreman on the job of a temporary bridge across the Nechako—which has not yet been started, by the way—but it is stated that he will never superintend the job, because he is persona non grata with the Hamilton faction of the party. This is in spite of the fact that he was appointed superintendent of the work in writing by the deputy minister of public works.

Meanwhile those who do not belong to either of the two associations (most of those who do are only members "pro tem") are paying no attention to them, but waiting for a chance to express themselves at the general election.

MORE CREDIT NEEDED BY THOSE ON FARMS

Liberal Members at Ottawa Urge Broader Measures; Two Bills Yesterday

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—Two important financial measures were given second readings in the house of commons yesterday. One is the bill to extend the powers of the banks in making loans to farmers. The bill, in addition to making permanent the legislation of last year in regard to loans on seed grain, provides that loans may be accepted on the security of livestock.

The other bill is an amendment to the insurance act. Certain insurance companies have been incorporated, but before the license is issued they have to secure a certain proportion of the capital subscribed. This is difficult at the present time, and the bill extends the period for one year to enable them to get their capital and take out a license.

Sir Thomas White, the minister of finance, said the amendment to the Bank act had been asked for by the United Farmers of Alberta, and had been introduced solely with a view to encouraging the livestock industry in western Canada and helping western farmers to get necessary financial assistance.

Western Liberal members were doubtful as to the advantages which would accrue to the farmers of the prairies from this legislation, but they were not prepared to oppose it. They urged that steps should be taken soon to provide a more extended line of credit to the farmers than it is possible for them to secure at present.

The Yukon estimates were under discussion after the two bills had been disposed of, and Dr. Thompson, the member for the Yukon, told the house of the conditions in that far northern part of the Dominion.

The house adjourned at six o'clock, owing to a dinner which Sir Robert Borden gave to Hon. William M. Hughes, prime minister of Australia, and to which all the cabinet ministers and leading members of the opposition had been invited.

RUSSIANS IN AUSTRALIA TO TAKE PART IN WAR

Sydney, Feb. 19.—The 20,000 Russians resident in Australia have just been notified through consular channels that all men among them of military age must take part in the war. They are given the option of either joining the armies in Russia or enlisting in the Australian Expeditionary forces. The Russians in Australia are nearly all of the working class, largely employed as miners.

The Russian consul here said in explaining the call to the colors that the regulations of that country make obedience to military commands imperative and that shirkers are regarded as deserters and are subject to martial law.

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ATTENDED MEETING OF CABINET AT OTTAWA

Prime Minister of Australia Made Member of Canadian Privy Council

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—Announcement was made last night that Hon. William Morris Hughes, the prime minister of Australia, who had been in the capital for two days en route to England, was sworn in yesterday as a member of his majesty's privy council of Canada by His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall.

Immediately after the ceremony the head of the Australian government, upon the invitation of Sir Robert Borden, attended a meeting of the cabinet. The event was unique, but was not without precedent, as Sir Robert Borden, when in England last summer, attended a meeting of the imperial cabinet.

It is understood that at the cabinet session attended by Mr. Hughes, imperial affairs of interest to both Canada and Australia were discussed. The opinion was expressed subsequently by a minister of the crown that closer intercourse between representative men of the different parts of the empire inevitably will lead to a better appreciation of their importance to one another, and of all that the empire stands for, especially during the present crisis.

It is expected that when Mr. Hughes arrives on the other side of the Atlantic, he will be asked to attend sessions of the imperial cabinet.

ANOTHER AMERICAN UNIT

Winnipeg, Feb. 19.—The military authorities have given authorization for the raising of an American battalion in this city to be known as the 212th. Major Pitman, now with the American Legion in Toronto, will be in command.

GOVT. MARRIAGE BUREAU SUGGESTED IN GERMANY

Berlin, Feb. 19.—A government-conducted marriage bureau is advocated by Dr. E. R. Uderstadt, in an article in a monthly magazine. After the war, he fears, the young men will have to work harder than ever, and opportunities for them to make the acquaintance of young women will be few.

"If then—and this is urgently desirable—an increase of marriages is to take place," he writes, "it is absolutely necessary that men and women who love their nation take upon themselves the task of bringing the sexes together, perhaps with the support of the state, which is itself the most interested in this work."

ADMIRAL OF GERMANY PRISONER IN RUSSIA

Paris, Feb. 19.—Dispatches from Madrid say that as the result of intervention by King Alfonso of Spain, the emperor of Russia has commuted the sentence of death passed on a German admiral named von Mauter to one of imprisonment.

German naval records make no mention of an Admiral von Mauter, nor has any report been received here of the impending of the death sentence by Russian officers on a German admiral.

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Mr. Bowser said that they would be given a "chance"—that is, they would be given first chance and the settler would get what was left.

THE CONSUMER PAYS.

A Vancouver wholesale fruit dealer says the increase in the customs duty on apples will not restrict the imports of that product from Washington.

mind the vitally important fact that the pocket-book of the average consumer is more often empty than full these days.

HOW SEA-POWER OPERATES.

The remarkable celerity with which the Russians captured Erzerum affords a striking illustration of the enormous advantage an army enjoys if its operations are co-ordinated with superior sea-power.

Frequently during the last eight or ten months we have noted Petrograd bulletins announcing the destruction of numerous Turkish freighters, without realizing their significance.

More than three weeks ago the Russians pierced the Turkish centre thirty miles east of Erzerum, compelling the whole front to fall back.

PATRONAGE IN THIS PROVINCE.

The patronage or spoils system taints every branch of the administration of affairs by the government of this province. It is rampant in every department.

receive fifty per cent. value for its outlay. There can be no doubt that had there been a larger opposition, numerically strong enough to compel the government to explain every important item and to call a public accounts committee together for the detailed investigation of all expenditures.

We are in receipt of the February number of the Poultry, Pigeons and Pigeon Journal of the West, published in Victoria by W. Miller Higgs.

We are told that the position of President Wilson is exceedingly difficult on account of this being a "presidential year."

AND NOT VERY LONG.

It is just possible that there may be more than one German raider on the high seas, and the British fleet may take some time before they are all rounded up.

After past experiences and considering present conditions, one almost would expect our Conservative friends to be ashamed to open their mouths about the Canadian Northern Railway.

Major-General Hughes says that Captain Hahn, the Chief Intelligence Officer of the Canadian expeditionary force in Europe, is "as fine a fellow as ever stood in a jacket."

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One whole day has passed without a single incendiary act being chronicled in the United States. Whatever can be the matter? Is Kultur getting cold feet?

Under the new federal scheme of war taxation the C. P. R. will have to pay a large sum into the Dominion treasury. Wonder where the C. N. R. will get off?

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THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GOLD AND LIVES. Boston Transcript. An interesting revelation of the German point of view and its radical difference from our own was afforded the other day by Dr. Edmund von Mach.

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COLLOSSAL CARELESSNESS. Toronto Telegram. Canada should be able to find out whether the fire was accidental or incendiary origin more readily than the country can explain a colossal and phenomenal lack of care in the guardianship of life and property on Parliament Hill.

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FASHIONABLE ATTIRE FOR THE SPRING BRIDE

Her Frock, Veil and Bouquet, According to the Newest Modes

New York, Feb. 19.—Fortunate indeed is the young daughter of the American home, who may indulge if she wishes, according to the old-time custom brought down through the ages, in the filmy, dainty wedding gown of white, with its ethereal veil of net, bordered, perhaps, with an edge of rare old lace which had long decked the gown of her grandmother. Were she compelled by tradition to wear a jacket of red or black, or cumbersome draperies of silk and brocades, she would lose much of her spirituelle charm and take on a burlesque not suited to her type.

The wedding gown of to-day has lost some of its dignity with its train, but it has gained a youthful charm which is to be preferred. In the wedding frock to-day, there is much of the quaint charm and sweetness of grandmother's gown; smocking, puffing, quilting, shirring and numberless other hand-made trimmings are used in its



The Short Bride's Gown.

furnish, and it is fashioned of the sheerest, most airy of fabrics and lace.

Attractive Use of Lace.

Laces, chiffons, and nets were never daintier or more fairy-like than they are this season. It is to be a season of laces and transparent fabrics. Laces so graceful as the web of the spider, or the glistening, shimmering wing of the butterfly, vie for favor with the more substantial, Spanish and thread-run patterns the sheerest of silk crepes and the crispest of organdies are modish for frocks. Paper-like taffetas are often used in the gowns of the bride's attendants and then, again, they are of organdy, in the palest of tints, trimmed with bands of taffeta. This combination of taffeta and organdy will be a noticeable feature of all important frocks this summer. It is an unusually attractive notion, although not a particularly practical one, for Americans. The tub frock as such, is not known in Paris. One may say that, owing to the climate, it is solely an American idea. In most parts of Europe it is cool enough to wear a frock of silk or light-weight wool the summer through, even for sport purposes.

For the demure little bride who wishes to tread the beaten path of custom, for reasons sentimental or otherwise, there are gorgeously brocaded satins with a touch of silver in the motif. A court train lends formal dignity to such a gown even though the frock itself is considerably shorter than would have been dreamed of in mother's or grandmother's time. The smallest of pages or flower girls are often a detail of such a wedding, lending a novel, pretty note. There are softer satins, too, which may be used for the formal or informal frock equally well.

Quite the most important part of the frock for June, October, February, or any other bride, is the veil. It is often

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A simple length of tulle draped over the hair and caught with a wreath or cluster of orange blossoms or white cherries; then again it is a cap or ruche, but always there is the cluster of dainty, waxy blossoms, so absolute necessary to the true wedding spirit. The veil offers the best way of introducing the bit of rare old lace without which the wedding gown is incomplete, if such a bit is to be found in the family treasure chest. If there is none, the bride must be content to bring in her "something old" in a bit of brocade, cleverly introduced on bodice or skirt; a piece of antique jewelry, also will serve to keep the spell.

The Bride's Bouquet.
 The bride's bouquet may be a stiff formal little bunch of white roses, with its quaint, stiff little paper man-



Frock for Bride's Attendant.

chette, or the graceful shower bouquet with drooping lily cups and ribbons. One of our exquisite florists always furnished his bride with a bouquet in shower effect of lilies of the valley, white orchids and pure white ribbons; lilies of the valley and white roses are equally effective and much less expensive. The serious bride may carry a flower-decked prayer-book, if she prefers, instead of a bouquet.

Small attendants, flower girls and tiny pages, are becoming more and more a feature of fashionable weddings. It is a pretty English custom, one that often saves much thought and planning. These small attendants are picturesque adjuncts to the ceremony, and whether they wear picture hats, small bonnets, or no head covering at all is a matter of no consequence; all three are correct and perhaps the prettiest and simplest thing of all, is to have the wet, curly head decked with a wreath of fresh flowers to correspond with those in her basket. Sometimes the small girl's dress is a quaint replica of the bride's own gown, and then again it is a Kate Greenaway frock, dainty and quaint to a degree.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

All personal items sent by mail for publication must be signed with the name and address of the sender.

Miss Palmer, of Cowichan, is a guest at the Hotel Strathcona.

John C. Saul, of Toronto, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

H. J. Jeavons, of Vancouver, is staying at the Empress hotel.

W. H. Crowe, of Vancouver, arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Lloyd Madden is here from Seattle and is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

J. Amurn is in the city from Glacier, B. C., and is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

D. D. Waldeck and T. S. Early, of Kansas City, are staying at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker and T. H. Mead, of Seattle, are guests at the Empress hotel.

J. C. H. Benson, of Parkville, is in the city and is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

J. M. Pollock, from Cowichan, registered for himself and Miss Pollock at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Barrington Foote are down from Westholme, B. C., and are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

R. R. Jones and family have arrived in the city from Cowichan and are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

Mrs. L. E. Pierce, of Rocabella, has left for Nelson, B. C., to visit her brother, traveling via the Northern Pacific.

Rev. H. C. Fraser, pastor of Cooke's Presbyterian church, Chilliwack, for the past two years and a half, has been offered the chair in English in the University of Washington, D. C., where there is an enrolment of 1,400 students. The position is an important one. Mr. Fraser has not yet decided whether he will accept the offer or not.

HOW FAT FOLKS MAY BECOME THIN

By Elizabeth Thomas.

Perhaps you are suddenly becoming stout, or it may be that you have been putting on weight for years. In either case the cause is the same—lack of oxygen-carrying power of the blood. This trouble occurs in adults of both sexes and all ages, but it may be overcome very easily and without any of the privations that most people imagine necessary to reduce their weight.

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AT THE THEATRES

ROYAL VICTORIA THEATRE.
 For the last time to-night, the Royal Victoria theatre will show pictures of the fire which took place recently at the Dominion parliament buildings at Ottawa. This picture alone is well worth a visit even without the feature which is in five acts and is entitled "A Man's Making." The story of the play is strong and gripping, and holds the attention of the audience from beginning to end. A good comedy finisher off the entertainment which is well worth a visit.

DOMINION THEATRE.
 What Marguerite Clark lacks in stature she more than makes up for in charm and ability. She has now added to her accomplishments the role of Peggy in the adaptation of Madeline Lucette Riley's celebrated play, "Mice and Men," which will be the Paramount Picture at the Dominion Monday. With the name of Peggy, are associated the performances of such distinguished actresses as Annie Russell and Lady Gertrude Forbes-Robertson, who presented the play in New York and London, respectively.

REVIVAL OF "FLORODORA."
 These three musical comedy stars, Zara Clinton, Billy Oswald and Harry Hoyland, will appear together again in P. Stuart Whyte's big revival of "Florodora," which will come to the Princess theatre on March 2, 3 and 4. Each of the trio has had previous experience in the piece, Miss Clinton having succeeded Ada Reeves in the first English touring production. Mr. Whyte has supplied an admirable supporting cast for his three particularly luminous stars, and a scenic production that loses nothing by comparison with original New York and London presentations. The ladies' costumes will appeal particularly to the famine portion of the audiences, as they are all advance models of the prevailing fashions for the spring and fall of 1916. As for the play and the particularly pleasing music, they will appeal to all. "Florodora" is conceded by musical critics everywhere, and admitted by all who have seen and heard it, to be the most superb example of musical comedy perfection ever conceived.

PANTAGES.
 A tiny canary will provide what is heralded as the biggest vaudeville sensation of the season as the feature act at the Pantages next week. "The Music Bird," with Master Paul Naffianelli, the boy violinist, is the way this novel act is billed. The little bird has the extraordinary ability of singing any song played by his master on his violin. The canary also imitates the calls of any singing bird named by members of the audience—and does it with marvelous fidelity. The bird was discovered in the Swiss mountains by

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Feb. 19—5 a. m.—The barometer remains high in this vicinity and low over Northern B. C., and fair, mild weather is general extending to the Alouette district and across this province to Alberta. Foggy weather prevails on the California coast.

Forecast.
 For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday, Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and mild.
 Lower Mainland—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and mild.
 Reports.

Station	Barometer	Temperature	Wind	Remarks
Victoria	30.12	30.12	max. 48; min. 36	clear
Vancouver	30.12	30.12	max. 48; min. 36	clear
Kamloops	30.12	30.12	max. 48; min. 36	clear
Prince Rupert	29.84	29.84	max. 48; min. 36	clear
Tatoush	30.10	30.10	max. 48; min. 36	clear
Portland, Ore.	30.12	30.12	max. 48; min. 36	clear
San Francisco	30.12	30.12	max. 48; min. 36	clear
Seattle	30.12	30.12	max. 48; min. 36	clear

Observations taken 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m., Friday.

RECEPTION AT ST. CLARE'S MONASTERY, THE WILLOWS
 All tertiary members, benefactors and friends of the "Poor Clare Nuns" are cordially invited to be present at a religious profession and reception, to take place at St. Clare's Monastery, "The Willows," on Monday, Feb. 21st, at 2.30 p. m.

First Lady—"I don't know what you want a censor for. He doesn't seem to know anybody." Second Lady—"Well, I don't wonder. Look at the price of lump sugar!"—Punch.

GRAY HAIR
 Dr. Tremblay's Natural Hair Restorative used as directed, is guaranteed to restore gray hair to natural color, or money refunded. Positively not a dye, and non-harmful. On sale at Deak & Hiscock's drug store, Yates and Broad Streets, Victoria. Price \$1.00 (postpaid). Write Tremblay, P. O. Box 107, Victoria.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

San Pedro, Feb. 18.—The str. Falchava arrived to-day from Mexican ports and is discharging a partial cargo for local importers. Lumber carriers arriving to-day were the str. Bee, from Puget Sound; str. San Pedro, from Portland, and str. Speedwell, from Portland. The str. Speedwell proceeded to Coos Bay and the str. Ekhar II. Vance sailed for Astoria in ballast to reload. The str. Arctic proceeded to San Francisco to-day with the str. Fort Bragg in tow.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 18.—Arrived: Str. Kentuckian, from New York; Sailed: Str. Assuncao and Johan E. Johnson, for San Francisco; str. F. A. Kilburn, for Coos Bay.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 18.—Arrived and sailed: Str. South Pacific, from St. Vincent for Coos Bay; R. C. Passer, Str. Cordelia, from Port Harford, for Vancouver, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 18.—Sailed: Str. Waluana, Arrived: Str. Cordelia, Tacoma, Feb. 18.—Sailed: Str. Hornet, for Mukilteo.

Victoria, Feb. 18.—Arrived: Str. Governor, for Seattle, and sailed for San Francisco. Arrived: Str. Hawaii Maru, of the O. S. K., from ports in the Orient.

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—Arrived: Str. Alvarado, Tacoma; Baja, California; Calista, Colosa; Col. E. L. Drake, Vancouver; Hardy, Coos Bay; Fair Oaks, Equinox, Admiral Dewey, Seattle; Tahiti, Port Mellon, Sailed: Strs. Yellowstone, towing the Ida W. Coos Bay; Olympia, Bellingham; Carmel, Portland.

Seattle, Feb. 18.—Arrived: Str. Gifu Maru, Vladivostok, via Yokohama; str. El Segundo, San Francisco, via Point Walker, str. Admiral Evans, Southwestern, via Southeastern Alaska; str. Admiral Schley, San Francisco; str. Northland, San Francisco; str. Redondo, Tacoma; str. Cordova, Nanaimo, B. C.; str. William Chatham, Tacoma; str. Clansman, British Columbia ports; str. Edith, British Columbia ports; Sailed: Str. Governor, San Diego, via Victoria, B. C., and San Francisco; str. Jefferson, Southeastern Alaska; str. Al-Kl, Southeastern Alaska; str. Ixion, Manila, via Oriental ports; str. Northland, San Francisco, via Everett; str. Northwestern, Port Blakeley; str. Admiral Schley, Tacoma; str. William Chatham, Tacoma; str. Inaho Maru, Vancouver, B. C.; U. S. S. Vicksburg, Puget Sound navy yard.

Antofagasta, Feb. 18.—Arrived: Str. La Habra, from San Francisco; Sailed: Str. Monolith, Feb. 18.—Arrived: Str. Hionian, from Seattle.

LINER WITHDRAWN. The American liner Kronland, which was scheduled to sail from New York, on March 18 has been withdrawn.

TIMES SHIPPING CHART

Table with columns: Steamer, Master, Tonnage, Agents, From, To, Date. Includes sub-sections for DEEP SEA ARRIVALS and DEEP SEA DEPARTURES.

URGES ASSISTANCE FOR SHIPBUILDING

Hon. W. Pugsley Says Industry Should Be Encouraged by Dominion Government

TIME HAS ARRIVED FOR PROMPT ACTION

Splendid Opportunities Now Exist, as Demand for Tonnage Will Continue for Years

During the discussion of the estimates in the Dominion House of Commons, the necessity of the government taking some steps to encourage shipbuilding on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts was brought up by Hon. W. Pugsley.

Hon. J. D. Hazen, replying to the statement that Canadian trade was likely to suffer through the lack of tonnage, said people at the present time were not disposed to put their money very largely in ships.

Mr. Hazen—That is true of other countries besides Canada.

Mr. Pugsley—The main trouble is that our regular liners on the Atlantic and Pacific have been commandeered by the admiralty.

circumstances and under laws which give to the British shipbuilder an enormous advantage over the Canadian shipbuilder.

Mr. Hazen—The Canadian shipbuilder gets a large rebate on the cost of the material that goes into the construction of a ship.

Mr. Pugsley—Gentlemen on this side of the house might hesitate to advocate general protection, but surely hon. gentlemen opposite, who impose a very high protective duty against almost every other class of people in Canada, ought not to hesitate to give some encouragement to the building of ships in this country.

My hon. friend says the matter is under consideration. He makes the same objection that the minister of trade and commerce made the other day, namely, that the war may end very suddenly, and that the people are not willing to go into this business.

Immediate Steps Necessary. If there was sufficient encouragement we could build ships in Canada, and now is the time when we may reasonably look forward to this as there will be an enormous demand for shipping for a good many years to come.

Mr. Pugsley—They are built under circumstances and under laws which give to the British shipbuilder an enormous advantage over the Canadian shipbuilder.

MEXICO MARU ON WAY FROM YOKOHAMA

Is Carrying Capacity Cargo; Awa Maru Due to Arrive on Thursday

R. P. Rithet & Co., agents of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha line, received advice this morning of the sailing of the liner Mexico Maru from Yokohama on Feb. 13.

The Tacoma Maru, outbound for the Orient, will sail from here at 5 o'clock this afternoon, and the Manila Maru will depart on Monday.

GOOD WEATHER ON TRIP FROM ORIENT

Hawaii Maru Had Good Voyage; Owner of Stranded Liner Will Examine Steamer

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner, Hawaii Maru, arrived at the outer wharf from the Orient a few minutes before 6 o'clock last evening, with a big cargo from Chinese and Japanese ports.

The liner had nearly 10,000 tons of cargo on board, including 525 tons for Victoria. The freight consisted of the usual Oriental merchandise and also included 1,956 bales of raw silk, valued at about \$1,000,000.

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ATLANTIC TRAVEL WELL MAINTAINED

Visiting Agent Says Ocean Liners Are Carrying Full Lists of Passengers

D. W. Thomas, assistant general northwestern agent of the Allan Steamship line, with headquarters at Winnipeg, is paying a brief visit to the city.

Mr. Thomas says Atlantic travel has been holding up remarkably well, and that all steamers have been carrying full lists of passengers.

Mr. Thomas looks forward to a great influx of immigrants at the conclusion of the war, for many of those who left will be returning, and their numbers will be swelled by others who will be attracted by the opportunities in the Dominion.

DESERTER TO BE DEPORTED

To be deported nearly nine years after having deserted his ship, is the fate of a Chinaman, Fung Yin, who was second cook on the American steamer Lyla when she visited Portland, Ore., in August, 1907.

Another schedule has been issued calling for the sailings of the Missanabie on April 1 and the Metagama two weeks later, so it is supposed it is the intention of the authorities to turn them back to the company prior to that date.

ATTACHED TO NAVY

New York, Feb. 19.—Sir Thomas Lipton's steam yacht, the Erin, which has often been seen in American waters as a tender to Sir Thomas's challenges for the Abraham cup, now is an auxiliary cruiser in the British navy attached to the fleet that is guarding the North sea against submarines.

STEAMERS HELD AT KIRKWALL

London, Feb. 17.—Delayed by censors—the Norwegian steamship Fjordalen, Baltimore, January 25, for Gotenborg, and the Danish steamship Tyskland, Baltimore, January 26, for Esbjerg, each carrying a cargo of maize, have been taken into Kirkwall by the British authorities for examination.

JAPANESE INCREASE PHILIPPINE HOLDINGS

Manila, Feb. 19.—Japanese interests are negotiating for the purchase from an American company of its mills and business in the Philippine Islands for \$1,000,000.

CANADIAN BUOY IN POSITION

A few days ago it was reported that the San Juan gas buoy had drifted from its moorings a great distance.

NEW LIGHTHOUSE TENDER

Seattle, Feb. 19.—The United States lighthouse tender, built at a cost of \$110,000 for the seventeenth lighthouse district, whose headquarters is Portland, was launched to-day at the Anderson Shipyard.

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GIVES UP SEARCH FOR ONWARD HO Lighthouse Tender Estevan Unable to Find Any Trace of Missing Fishing Schooner

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CONDITION OF WOOD

The clearing of the snow, the repair of the asphalt paving on Fort street adjacent to the rails, and the removal of wood block paving between street car tracks, occupied a considerable amount of time at the meeting of the city council in streets committee yesterday afternoon.

BLOCK PAVEMENTS

Present Situation Arouses Attention of Aldermen; Cost of Snow Clearing

TO TERMINATE THE PIPELINE CONNECTION

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SHIPBUILDING FOR VANCOUVER ISLAND.

To the Editor.—Opinions seem to be divided regarding the prospects of success in operating wooden ships proposed to be built in this port. Many consider it to be a retrograde step, such as, say, a farmer reverting to the wooden plough and flail of the Japanese going back to their junks.

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LETTER BOX

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WILD LAND TAXES.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY CROSSLEY DECEASED.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY CROSSLEY DECEASED.—NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claim or demand against the late Mary Crossley, who died on or about the 21st day of September, 1915, in the City of Victoria, B. C., are required to send the same, with full particulars in writing, duly verified, to the undersigned solicitor for the executor of the will of the said deceased, before the 25th day of February, 1916, or after that date to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall have had notice.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

FURNITURE AND EFFECTS

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No. 2 Platoon, 1st Canadian Pioneers



A number of Victoria boys are in the above group, which was taken at Hounslow Heath, England, where they are encamped. The names are as follows, reading from left to right:

Top row: Pioneers Worth, Gardner, M. McDonald, Cluffey, Finmore, Guest, Young, Spencer, Hendra.

Second row: Pioneers McLellan, Bennett, Ricketts, McLean, R. McDonald, Lortimer, Roff, Stevenson, Weeks, Head, Guy.

Third row: Pioneers Phoenix, Findley, Munn, Moodie, Serz, Locke, Castle, Kyle, Foulds.

Front row: Pioneers McGregor, Bolton, Ricketts, Cpl. Manson, Hunter, Kenley, Pook, Kelling.

CHIEF EDENS TRACES AN ALLEGED MURDERER

Austrian Held on Charge of Having Killed Kamloops Policeman Months Ago

A few days ago Chief Edens, of the Kamloops police force, was mentioned as having gone east to Saskatchewan, and now comes west of his return after a smart piece of detective work.

Chief Edens brought back with him from Moosomin Mike Dromanski, an Austrian, who is now under remand on a charge of having murdered Constable Allan, of the Kamloops force, on June 12, 1914, and two witnesses whom he secured from the Royal Northwest Mounted Police at Prince Albert, an Austrian and his wife. Dromanski had just completed a term of twelve months for wheat stealing.

Although it is over eighteen months since Allan was murdered no evidence that would permit of an arrest was ever set together, and the crime had become almost forgotten. One of the first matters that Chief Edens took up when he assumed office was this of the killing of the member of the force.

After considerable labor and communicating with police officials in all parts of the country, a chance work of another prisoner brought attention on Dromanski. The two witnesses are Austrians, and the man, whose name is Zaleschuk, had also served a term in prison for wheat stealing. He had stated that he heard another prisoner make a statement regarding a murder in Kamloops. The man Zaleschuk was questioned by the police and repeated the statements made by Dromanski, which had also been heard by the wife of Zaleschuk.

Dromanski came to the former's home two years ago and after living with him wanted to go wheat stealing. Dromanski is said to have admitted to the witnesses that he had been in jail for two terms previous in the United States and in British Columbia, that he held up a woman in Vancouver, robbed her of a considerable sum of money and also had a fight immediately after with a policeman, from whom he escaped. Following this he left the coast and returned to the prairies, where he was arrested, and spent most of his time in the Moosomin jail since.

FLUMERFELT AND BIG INTERESTS

(Continued from page 1.)

But he did not at all subscribe to the truth of the sentiment. In all British countries by-elections were always the occasion for an expression by the electors of approval or disapproval of the policies of the government of the day. The election of Mr. Brewster would constitute one of the most damning indictments of the government, and the Colonist left it open to the Liberals to take this proper attitude, but it had shut the door in the face of any claim that the election of Mr. Flumerfelt would be an endorsement of the government.

It was stated in the same editorial that there must be a new minister of finance, with which he agreed (cheers), but why had Mr. Bower gone outside his cabinet? Why had he not retained the portfolio himself and passed the office of attorney-general on to some of the other lawyers in the house? The reason was that he saw trouble ahead in matters financial, and he was willing to let this fall on someone else. The promise was being made that the province was to have a "clean, business government" now. Was this an admission that there was anything in the McBride-Bower administration that was not clean? How did Mr. Flumerfelt like the task that he would have if elected of explaining where the surplus had disappeared to and how the deficit had been piled up?

Do not think the finances are going to be looked after by Mr. Flumerfelt. Mr. Stacpoole continued, "There are two guardian angels who sit up aloft, Sir William Mackenzie and St. Donald Mann (laughter and derisive cheers). You can depend upon it that there will be no money taken out of the treasury that they do not know of. We know that where there is money lying around there they will be (laughter), but when it comes to carrying out their obligations to others it is in all cases just as here, where they are going to give us a \$20,000 log trestle, which will be an ornament to the city! They are pushing us back to the proper days when logs constituted the bridges, sometimes one log at a time."

"We are told they are laying steel up on the Patricia Bay branch. I am up that way from time to time, and I see they are laying steel, almost a whole mile of it. But the steel has run out apparently. They have not got the money, and they have not got it because we have not got it. It is as easy to smile over these matters, but the thing is serious."

"In Mr. Brewster," said Mr. Stacpoole in conclusion, "we have a splendid leader, a man whom we are all proud of and whom I will do all in my power to help elect, a man of the highest principles, of tried integrity, of excellent business ability, and a man with a good Anglo-Saxon name for which we have not to do any apologizing." (Cheers.)

F. A. Pauline.

F. A. Pauline said that there was a studied effort being made to induce the electorate to believe that a by-election was not a very serious matter, and therefore it was not so important that an opponent of the government should be elected. Recently the Colonist had written an editorial entitled "What's the Use?" which in the other paper but the Colonist would not be taken as serious. "Speaking seriously," he assured its readers, "what's the use?" It would not say, it continued, that there were no issues in provincial affairs to which the personal efficiency of ministers might be subordinated, "but we do say that there are no such issues now before the people of British Columbia."

What a piece of hypocrisy! If ever there was a time when there were great and serious issues before the people it was to-day, and for that reason the Colonist and other Conservative papers and speakers would try to make the fight along that line from now until March 4. If its argument meant anything it meant that the Colonist would advise the Victoria and Vancouver and Rossland electors that there are no serious questions and that there is no reason to make a change. It was known to everyone that conditions were never worse in the province than they are to-day.

The industrial development of the province had yet to make a beginning. Aid to agriculture was not really known. A settlement with the Canadian Northern Pacific and the Pacific Great Eastern had yet to be made, and it was to be hoped that it would be

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HOPES TO HAVE 88TH ALL TOGETHER SOON

Lieut.-Col. Cullin Plans Company and Manual Instruction for Victoria Fusiliers

Lieut.-Col. Ious Cullin, officer commanding the 88th Battalion, Victoria Fusiliers, discussing the affairs of his battalion this morning, remarked that he hoped soon to have his battalion all together again so that company and manual instruction could be undertaken in earnest. The 88th has been under the disadvantage since it was recruited of being split into three, or four sections because there has not been room at the Willows to accommodate all the four companies.

When the Western Scots move out Lieut.-Col. Cullin intends to transfer the 88th to their quarters and to begin the work of training the four companies thoroughly, so that they may go to England as proficient in their drill as possible. Some time ago the officer commanding started an evening class of lectures for officers, but owing to one company being sent to Duncan, another being housed down town and a third having to move to the Arena, these lectures for officers had to be abandoned, and the only work that could be undertaken was that which the officers could give the men. That the inclement weather of last month again handicapped the battalion. The men were unable to get even the outside drill by companies, and nothing could be done except the short marches about the streets.

With the improved weather and the hope that he will soon have them all in a central camp, Lieut.-Col. Cullin is encouraged to believe that a start soon will be made in the work he has planned out. The first essential, he says, is thorough training in company and manual, this being recognized as the groundwork of efficiency in England. Following this comes the specialising in bombing, bayonet fighting, trenching and other field work, which does not take so long as the groundwork on which the colonel bases the competency of the whole battalion.

Lieut.-Col. Cullin hopes that the 88th will not be moved from Victoria should there be an order issued for the general removal of troops to a central camp in the east for the summer. While such a move of troops might be beneficial from the point of economy in maintenance, he nevertheless considers that some battalions will have to remain in British Columbia, and as the 88th is essentially a Victoria command he believes it should remain here. Other reasons he cites for its remaining here are that there is no better training ground in the summer than in Victoria, and that a large portion of men in the battalion are married men with wives and families in Victoria.

SEWER OVERFLOW REMOVAL REQUESTED BY DEPUTATION—PETITION SIGNED BY 180 RESIDENTS.

A deputation from Victoria West, headed by Dr. Raynor, waited on the city streets committee of the city council yesterday afternoon, and asked for removal of the objectionable overflow from the sewer at Victoria West school grounds, as a preliminary to the improvement of the grounds by the school board. Dr. Raynor presented a petition signed by 180 residents.

The committee adopted a resolution from the city engineer recommending that part of the sewer system between Fullerton street and McCaskill street should be relaid, so that the sewerage would be discharged into the Northwest sewer. The cost will be about \$1,400.

The committee also adopted a recommendation to lay a sewer on Washington avenue between Gorge road and Burnside road, at a cost of \$2,500.

VICTORIA WEST SCHOOL SUNDAY NIGHT BAND CONCERT.

Bandmaster Henry Slater of the 11th C. M. R. has arranged a pleasing program for Sunday's concert at the Variety theatre. A special feature will be the Military and Nautical Fantasias, which have been specially prepared for the occasion, and should be of great interest in view of the large number of naval and military men now in the city. The other special numbers on the programme aside from the band items will be two songs by Mrs. Jesse Longfield, and Handman N. Fanson, and a musical monologue by Miss Scott. At the concert given last Sunday, hundreds of people were turned away through lack of accommodation, and those wishing to obtain seats should attend early.

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