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Repairing

We do all kinds of Watch, Clock, Jewelry and Spectacle repairing at popular prices. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Challoner & Mitchell,

Jewellers, Etc., 47 Government Street.

Some Rare, Ripe Bargains

To-day, and be sure there will be others to-morrow and next day and the day after. Winter stock that escaped our big January clearance is now ticketed at a price that makes its speedy departure a foregone conclusion. In the language of a noted historical lady, we say to it, "Stand not on the order of going, but go at once." Every day counts. None of our fall selections must be in sight after the 20th.

When Howe Discovered

"That the eye of the needle was on the wrong end," he upset the older methods of production; we, too, have made a discovery, i. e., that the plan of selling goods at the season's close for what they will bring, upsets the old method of keeping goods till they grow gray from long occupation as storekeepers, or sad from constant refutation of offered services.

The opportunity presented just now at the WESTSIDE is golden, and the crowds that daily through the store show that people know a good thing when they see it. If the testimony of the many buyers who have favored us during the sale is to be relied on (and who daren't question it?) we give for the money the greatest values. It's a great opportunity, as "Birdette" says, "give us two twos and a five for a one."

In these times one might just as well plant broomstick and expect blossoms as to try to build a business on mere "Buncombe." Our success—such as it is—was never attained by any application of the truth. When we advertise BARGAINS, WE HAVE THEM.

The Westside.

J. Hutcheson & Co.

Victoria, 5th February, '96

Don't You Believe It, There Is Nothing In It



But the "Simon Pure" ones. That talk about mill sweepings is all "high Biddy Martin" and a great big Helephant on THEIR hands. You try a 7 lb. sack of

Our Rolled Oats

And if you do not find them all right we will eat them ourselves—they are the clean Bourgoit.

We offer this week a tin of Peaches, Apricots or Plums for 20c. Fresh Island Eggs 25c. Sugar has gone up 1-4 c. per lb.

DIXIE H. ROSS & CO.



GEO. POWELL & CO., Cheapside.

The Oxford Range

Leads them all in Style, Economy and Price. Just the Range you want.

Our Lines of Tinware, Glassware, Crockery and Hardware are complete. Carpenters Tools a Specialty.

CHEAPSIDE, 127 Government St.

For Fifteen Years

We have been engaged in the Merchant Tailoring business in this city, and while we have not amassed a tremendously large fortune, we have built up a reputation for reliability and square dealing of which we are somewhat proud.

We offer exceptional bargains in Suits, Trousers, and Overcoats during this month.

A. Gregg & Son,

Merchant Tailors, Yates Street.

Curling Iron Heaters

We have just received the latest assortment of these goods ever shown here. Also a full line of Curling Irons.

John Cochrane, Prescription Druggist, N. W. cor. Yates and Douglas streets.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED—Position as general servant; best of references. Address "E. T." Times office. Feb-2t

THE VICTORIA HOTEL is now ready for the reception of guests. Has been thoroughly renovated and placed in first-class condition. Meal tickets, \$4. Byrne, Proprietor. Feb-2t

FOR SALE—\$1,000 appropriation in Building Society. Address "W." Box 335, City. Feb-6

SMALL ADVERTISEMENTS, set in type like this paragraph, cost but one cent per word each insertion, and are received at the Times office each day of publication up to 4 p. m.

RAFFLE—A fine Irish setter dog, at the King's Head, Johnson st., to-morrow, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Feb-2

WANTED—A second-hand 1895 Bicycle, about 28 or 30 lbs. Give lowest cash price and particulars of wheel. Address "Bicycle." Times office. Feb-11

WANTED—To purchase on the installment plan, a cottage, with not less than 2 lots, ten minutes' walk from Christ Church cathedral, South side preferred. State lowest price, and location. E. Times office. Feb-3t

THE DANISH PLAY "Stora Bodeliden's Aften," and Social Dance, in "Valhalla" hall, Thursday, Feb. 6, 8 p. m. sharp. Colls & Beard's orchestra. Admission, guests 25c., ladies free. Feb-3t

FOR BUSINESS MAN—Bedroom to let, with fire, 91 Fort street. Or with use of kitchen for married couple. Feb-3t

THE PERSON is known who took lady's handkerchief, rubbers and gloves from A. O. U. W. hall Tuesday evening, and by returning them immediately to Times office will save further trouble. Feb-2t

TO LET—House containing three bedrooms, parlor, dining room, kitchen, bath room, pantry, large closets, patent water closets, good drainage, etc. Rent, including water, \$12 per month. Apply Messrs. Holland & Co., Broad street, opposite Driford. Feb-2

A RARE TREAT for the people of Victoria. The celebrated painting "Christ Before Pilate," by N. A. Primus, now on exhibition in A. O. U. W. hall, Yates street, every afternoon and evening from 4 o'clock until 9 p. m. Painted on canvas 21 feet long, 14 feet high; 40 life-size figures. Descriptive lecture every half hour. Admission 25c. Feb-1m

DO YOU WANT TO KEEP WARM—Buy Wellington coat at lowest market rates. Apply Messrs. Holland & Co., 20 1/2 Broad street (opposite Driford). Feb-2t

Notice.

I hereby give notice that from this date I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, Aletia McCrimmon, without my written order.

ARCHIE McCRIMMON, Victoria, B. C., Feb. 5th, 1896.

To Rent or Lease

THE SIDNEY SAW MILL

Equipped with all modern improvements. For Terms and further information apply to

HEISTERMAN & CO., 15 Government St.

DEAN & HISCOCKS,

CHEMISTS and DRUGGISTS, Corner of Yates and Broad sts.

E. H. Hiscock, late with Langley & Co., and a Chemist and Druggist by examination of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain.

THE GARRICK'S HEAD,

Easton Street, has been reopened by the undersigned, where he will dispense the best of wines, liquors and cigars. GYSTERY COCKTAILS a specialty. Visitors can depend upon polite service.

J. JOHNSON, Victoria, Feb. 5, 1896.

Dominion Election.

Opposition

Ward Committee No. 3,

Will meet at Central Committee Room, Broad Street, on Wednesday evening, 5th instant, at 7:30 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

A MINER MEETS WITH DEATH

W. Bray Killed in Protection Island Mine Last Night.

Nanaimo, Feb. 5.—A miner named W. Bray was killed in Protection Island mine last night. Bray was in the act of mining, when a slip in the top coal gave way and completely buried him. He was soon extricated, but only lived a few minutes.

Cable News.

London, Feb. 5.—Miss Clara Barton, president of the Red Cross Society, departed today for Constantinople via Calais, Paris, Geneva, and Vienna, accompanied by her private secretary and party. Before her departure Miss Barton declined the proffered honor of a public reception.

Lady Jane Francesca Splanza Wilde, widow of Sir Wm. Robert Wills Wilde, M. P., surgeon oculist to Her Majesty in Ireland, and mother of Oscar Wilde, is dead.

—Down comforters at reduced prices to clear; all nice goods and splendid value. Weller Bros.

—Coal hods at Cheapside.

—The best value for your money at Shore's Hardware.

A ROYAL FUNERAL.

Magnificent Obituaries Over the Remains of the Late Prince Henry of Battenberg.

The Queen, Many Members of the Royal Family and Distinguished Officials Present.

Religious Services Simultaneously Held at Westminster Abbey—Very Impressive.

Coves, Isle of Wight, Feb. 5.—In spite of the damp and foggy weather, Coves and neighborhood were crowded with visitors this morning. Business over the Isle of Wight was pretty nearly suspended, the mass of inhabitants flocking towards this part of the Island to pay the last tribute of respect to the remains of Prince Henry of Battenberg. The remains were brought here from Portsmouth by the royal yacht Albert, escorted by the Prince of Wales, Princess Beatrice, the Duke of Connaught and Princess Louise and Francis of Battenberg. Upon arrival at Trinity pier the body was met by Queen Victoria and Prince Battenberg's children. The remains rested on board the Albert all night. Half-masted flags and other emblems of mourning were displayed on all sides ashore. Nearly all those present from different towns on the Island or from the mainland, were dressed in mourning or half-mourning, and the Roadstead, where rode at anchor a magnificent squadron of warships, including the new flying squadron, was most picturesque, the effect being added to instead of lessened by the frowning skies and the vaporous atmosphere. On board the Albert, beneath a canvas canopy, the casket containing the remains of the dead Prince rested upon a bier covered with the British ensign and surrounded by a guard of marines, whose red coats contrasted finely with the otherwise sombre surroundings.

About ten o'clock the Duke of Connaught and the Duchess of Albany, and later the Princess Beatrice, her children and Princess Louise, drove from Osborne House to Coves and embarked on board the Albert. The fatherless children, clad in deep mourning, placed wreaths upon the coffin. Only a few cabinet ministers were able to be present. They included Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Geo. J. Goschen, first lord of the admiralty, and Mr. J. A. Balfour, first lord of the treasury, and Viscount Cross, lord privy seal. The Marquis of Salisbury and other ministers at the same hour were attending special funeral service in membership of the late Prince Henry of Battenberg which was held in Westminster Abbey. Lieut. Commander W. S. Cowles, naval attaché of the United States; Ambassador and Mrs. Thomas F. Bayard were present at the services at Westminster Abbey. Among the officers assembled at the pier were the Prince of Wales, in a field marshal's uniform; the Duke of York, in naval uniform; and the Duke of Connaught, Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar, Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, Prince Francis of Battenberg, Commander-in-Chief, Viscount Wolsey, Gen. Sir Redvers, adjutant general, and other distinguished officers, all in brilliant full dress uniforms of their respective ranks. A few minutes after these officers had assembled the Queen's carriage was driven to the pier. It contained Her Majesty, Princess Beatrice and two children, all in deep mourning. The casket was then shouldered by eight naval officers and conveyed from the Albert to a gun carriage in waiting at the end of the gangway. A flowing union jack hid the coffin, upon which rested the busby and star and ribbon of the garter, formerly worn by the deceased. The funeral procession then started for Whippingham church.

TIRED OF LIFE'S TROUBLES.

A Man Kills His Father, Mother, Wife, Children and Himself.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—An entire family of six, father, mother, wife and three children, were murdered last night by Richard Klattke, Lakeview carpenter, who then completed his work by killing himself. The dead are: Richard Klattke, carpenter, 38 years; Kate Klattke, his wife, John Klattke, his father, aged 78; Mina Klattke, his mother, aged 78; Mina, a daughter aged 9 years; Anna, a daughter aged 8 years; and the Klattke family were found dead early this morning in their little cottage on Berseau avenue, two blocks from Cuyler station, a suburb on the Chicago and North Western Ry. The discovery was made by Matthew Brown, a saloon keeper. Mr. Brown, wishing some work done, called at the Klattke residence to secure the services of the carpenter. He found the premises a veritable charnel house. On the floor lay seven corpses. Each had a bullet wound in the head. In each case the bullet penetrated the brain, so that death was evidently instantaneous. A heavy permanganate solution was used to preserve the bodies. A coroner's jury found that Richard Klattke had chloroformed the entire family, and then at his leisure, taking deliberate aim, had shot each of the bodies of each. Brown took a hasty survey only of the premises, and then hurried to notify the police. A detachment of officers was sent to the scene in a patrol wagon, and a more careful examination was made of the surroundings. Everything pointed to a deliberately planned murder by Klattke, and a desire to place himself and family beyond any further earthly troubles.

BUSINESS IN TORONTO

A Bad Season Showing Its Effects—Outlook Still Cheerful.

Toronto, Feb. 5.—February 4th, a day well known as settling day, has brought us no great business failure, but has been severely felt by a number of wholesale houses. An unusually large amount of paper, mostly drygoods, matured, and while much was taken up, most of the houses report a cheerful outlook, though the bad season is showing its effect. The Sanson-Kennedy smash is regarded as responsible for a large portion of the small drygoods failures, which have been going on lately.

The Toronto Land & Loan Company has assigned to E. R. C. Clarkson; liabilities about \$40,000, assets nominally the same, but consisting principally of unproductive real estate, which would bring little at forced sale.

DOMINION CAPITAL.

Mr. Joseph Martin's Insolvent Bill Meets With Considerable Opposition.

Senator McInnes is Inquisitive About Matters Concerning the Victoria Election.

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—Mr. Martin's insolvency bill, which was introduced in the house yesterday, provides for a trader or producer being declared insolvent on the application of a creditor before a judge; for equitable distribution of the assets; for the abolition of preferential claims; for the selection of a liquidator for the creditors; for the government's discharge of an insolvent; for making other than the insolvent person parties to an investigation, for instance, an insolvent's wife, etc.

Mr. Martin explained the bill at great length, speaking for an hour and a half and a long discussion ensued in which several members took part. Mr. Davies opposed the bill flatly. He said the wholesale merchants were behind it, and he did not believe that the evils complained of were sufficiently widespread to demand such legislation. Prior to 1880 there had been a similar law on the statute book, but it had been repealed, owing to the difficulty experienced in enforcing it.

Mr. Edgar favored the bill, while Mr. Mulock said he would support it with certain modifications. Other speakers thought there should be some enactment of the kind to prevent creditors being defrauded, and give honest traders who met with business reverses a chance to re-establish themselves.

Mr. Foster's notice of motion to take Thursday for government business elicited a strong protest from the Liberals, who, led by Mr. Laurier, debated the point all the evening. The Liberals' contention was that the proposed action was unprecedented. The order paper was crowded with bills by private members, while there was but one trivial government notice of motion. The session has been especially called to deal with the Manitoba school question, the militia and the improvement of the defenses, increasing representation of the western territories and other important matters, but the house had not heard a word about them. If the motion passed private members would be practically choked off, as they would only have one day for their business.

Mr. Foster could not see the strength of this position. The only object the government had was to dispose of business as quickly as possible. It was an extraordinary session, and the usual rules could not be followed. The life of this parliament expires about the middle of April, and it was necessary that the government business should be expedited in order to finish it before that time. He disclaimed that the house had been called to deal with remedial legislation solely.

A number of the French Liberals spoke in a fiery way, demanding that the remedial bill be laid before the house. All favored legislation for the relief of the Manitoba minority, but they said they would probably differ from the government as to the method of procedure.

At midnight the opposition agreed to a compromise, Mr. Foster withdrawing his motion on the understanding that the budget debate will be proceeded with on Thursday.

Senator McInnes has given notice in the senate to-day of a number of questions which he will ask the premier on Monday regarding the Victoria election, and the telegrams sent by the premier and other ministers.

The government are disappointed over the majority for Tupper in Cape Breton. He failed to do as well as expected, and but for the political manifesto of Bishop Cameron he would have had a narrow escape. There are 34,244 of a population in the riding. Of these 17,904 are Catholics and 16,250 are Protestants. It can easily be seen that Bishop Cameron and the clergy had a great influence in a constituency of this character. From the beginning of the fight the priests were all in favor of Tupper, and took an active part in the campaign.

ROCKEFELLER REIGNS.

The Standard Oil Company Has Killed Its Greatest Competitor.

London, Feb. 5.—The Press Association announces that the Scotch oil combine has completely dissolved, with heavy losses to its investors, and the Standard Oil Company is again master of the situation.

—Gilmore & McCandless quote some attractive prices in men's clothing.

INSURGENT VENGEANCE

Cuban Patriots Meet Out Very Draconic Punishment to Non-Sympathizers.

Citizens of Havana Apprehensive of a Selge by and Capitulation to the Insurgents.

Spanish Vigilance Doubled to Prevent the Landing of Supplies and Stores.

Havana, Feb. 5.—Numerous rumors reach this city concerning the depredations and ravages committed by the insurgents in this and the adjoining provinces. Many of these rumors have their foundations, no doubt, in the fears of the populace who are almost paralyzed at the prospect of a siege of Havana, and its possible capitulation to the insurgent army. Some of them are literally true. Marked vengeance is taken upon the persons and property of the most bitter opponents of the Cuban struggle for independence.

Travel by rail to and from Havana is almost entirely suspended owing to the perils which attend such modes of transit. A train from Jovellanos was attacked by the insurgents, who wrecked it, although official reports of the occurrence speak of the insurgents being driven off by the train escort. The insurgents did not stay to rife the train or slay the passengers after having derailed it, thus showing that their motive was not so much for plunder as to interrupt traffic and prevent the conveyance of Spanish troops by rail. The insurgents do not hesitate to plunder villages where sympathy has been shown to the government, or whose resistance has been made to the Cuban army. From the village of Itabo considerable money and ammunition were taken.

The insurgents have been fortunate, too, in many engagements recently, by capturing ammunition and stands of arms; still their army is insufficiently equipped for a long war, and the necessity of landing more stores and munitions by boat is so manifest that Spanish vigilance has been redoubled and every effort is being made to intercept these expeditions which are expected to be heading for this island. But the eyes of the Spanish watch are fixed on the western and northern coast of Cuba, toward the United States, nearly all the coast ships have been concentrated here, leaving the southern and eastern coasts exposed, open to intrusion from Jamaica and San Domingo, on whose resistance has been made to the Cuban army. From the village of Itabo considerable money and ammunition were taken.

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MURDER IN WINNIPEG.

A Burglar Attempts to Kill His Pal on His Way to a Robbery.

Winnipeg, Feb. 5.—A most foul and deliberate attempt at murder was made here at an early hour this morning. Two men, John Nankville and William Smith, staying at the Salvation Army rescue home recently met in the penitentiary at Stony Mountain, and there formed an acquaintance. Last night they planned together to burglarize some house at Armstrong's point, presumably the residence of J. M. Manson, Q. C., and about 2 this morning both started by boat. When crossing the Osborne street bridge, Nankville stopping back shot Smith under the right arm, claiming that it was done by accident. Smith fell to the ground and begged his pal to go for a doctor, as he was dying. Nankville went away and returned in 30 minutes, when he again fired three shots at Smith, all taking effect. Then he beat his head into a jelly with the revolver and buried him under the snow. Smith after lying there about an hour managed to crawl to a neighbor's house. The police were sent for and obtained the foregoing story from the dying man. Smith also stated that Nankville was the man who attempted to murder Supt. Genwright, of the street railway company, a few weeks ago. Between eight and nine o'clock this morning Nankville was arrested and was identified at Glenwright as the man who fired the pistol shot at him. Smith is dying, and not expected to live.

ROYAL Baking Powder.

Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report.

THE SCHOOL SYSTEM

Members of the City Boards Discuss Several Amendments to the Act.

The Text Books Now in Use in the Public Schools are Severely Criticized.

The conference of city boards of school trustees was held in the city hall last evening. There were present the members of the Victoria board, W. Templeton, chairman, and Dr. Brydson-Jack, representing the Vancouver board and Dr. Boggs, chairman, and John McKenzie, representing the New Westminster board. Mr. Hayward was appointed chairman of the meeting.

Secretary Williams read a communication from S. Gough, secretary of the Nanaimo board, in which it was stated that the Nanaimo board had recently concurred in the amendments proposed and would have sent earlier notice had the amendments been sent to the board.

The meeting at once dealt with the amendments proposed by the Victoria and Vancouver boards. Several of them evoked considerable discussion. Dr. Brydson-Jack was in favor of abolishing exhibitions at the close of each term. The promotion examinations, oral or written, were a great strain on the pupils, and it was unfair to have immediately after them a public exhibition in which the pupils take a prominent part. The reading of the promotion lists might just as well be postponed till the beginning of the term. Heretofore the opening day of each term was marked by a small attendance and the distribution of promotion certificates will be an incentive for pupils to attend the first day.

Trustee Templeton stated that the Vancouver board considered that the hours for junior classes were too long, especially in winter weather, and the school boards should have the power to regulate the hours so that the teachers could discuss when pupils showed signs of fatigue. It was also expedient that the city boards should have the power of extending the midsummer holidays, as for several years the weather has been so extremely warm at the time for opening the schools. The Vancouver board saw no good reason why a member of the board should be debarred from acting as secretary.

Trustee Yates, while agreeing in the main with the remarks of Trustee Templeton, thought the clause regarding the dismissal of junior classes would be open to abuse, as no doubt some teachers would become expert in noticing signs of fatigue among the pupils. (Laughter.) He agreed to the introduction of German and Spanish as subjects to be taught in the High School, and also that the board might have the power to appoint one of their number secretary, with a salary.

Dr. Boggs pointed out that owing to the hot weather prevailing the attendance at the opening of the midsummer term was always small. It is a move in the right direction not to open the schools until the warm weather of August is over. The weather of the first weeks of July was never so warm as the first weeks of August, and if necessary the change might be brought about by delaying the closing of the schools till the middle of July.

Trustee Belyea thought it a mistake to add more subjects to the High School curriculum, as it was well-founded that the pupils were being tempted in the schools now, and such a suggestion might be construed by the education department as an endorsement of the length of the curriculum as at present constituted. He believed the trustees should ask that some subjects be dropped rather than that more should be added.

Dr. Brydson-Jack explained that all the Vancouver board desired was that candidates for teachers' examinations might be allowed to substitute German and Spanish for two languages out of Latin, Greek and French, already authorized by the department.

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Trustee Templeton explained why the Vancouver board wanted the Ontario rules governing the engagement of teachers adopted by the city boards. It was often inconvenient for a board to dismiss a teacher when it was in the interest of the school to do so, but if a yearly contract was entered into between the trustee board and the teacher his engagement would end at the end of the year and the board could re-engage him or quietly drop him out.

Dr. Boggs also wished a change made in this direction, as trustees often find it difficult to dismiss a teacher even when there was just cause for doing so.

Trustee Belyea wished to raise the status of a teacher above that of a common servant by having a yearly agreement such as in vogue in the eastern provinces, where three months' notice had to be given by the trustee or the teacher to terminate the contract. Here the teacher was in no secure in his position for a longer time than a month, and was simply engaged and dismissed like an ordinary servant. He thought the suggestion of the Vancouver board was too indefinite.

On motion of Trustee Belyea, seconded by Dr. Brydson-Jack, amendment 9 was substituted in place of that suggested by the Vancouver board.

Trustee McKicking brought up the matter of the number of text books authorized by the education department. Ontario had grappled with this subject and there was one text-book authorized for one subject. Something ought to be done, as the continuing changing of text books was a great expense to the parents of the pupils.

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much inferior to many other series. He saw no good reason why this province should be compelled to use those readers. No other province authorized such an inferior class of readers.

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Below are the amendments passed by the board and which were this morning presented to the minister of education:

1. That the written and entrance to high school examinations of pupils take place during the last days of each term, and as far as possible simultaneously in each school and class. Such examination to finish on the last day of each term.

2. That the exhibitions held heretofore at the close of the term be abolished in all city schools.

3. That immediately after the close of the term the teacher shall under the direction of the principal, examine, mark and report upon all examination papers. The principal shall as soon as possible forward the completed lists to the secretary of the board.

4. That the first day of each term shall after routine work be devoted to the presentation of certificates, medals, etc., to parents and friends are invited.

5. That the school board be empowered to regulate teaching hours of classes in the tablet and first primer divisions.

6. That city school boards have the power of extending the midsummer holidays, to any Monday not later than the first Monday in September.

7. That German and Spanish be included in the subjects which may be taught in the high schools, and that candidates for examination be allowed to substitute any three languages out of Latin, Greek, French, German and Spanish.

8. That the School Act be amended by adding after the word "secretary" in the first line, the words "who may be of their number" and that Section 21 be amended by adding to the same the words "except as provided in Sec. 22."

9. That city boards be empowered to make rules governing the engagement of teachers and the duration and termination of contracts with teachers.

10. Whereas it is expedient for the best interests of advanced education that the school boards of the province may be affiliated with one or other of the Eastern universities; and whereas some of those universities require that students affiliated with them must be managed by an incorporated board of governors; be it therefore enacted that the board of trustees of the city of Victoria be authorized by letters patent under the great seal to grant a charter of incorporation to any of the boards of trustees of the cities of the province, who shall petition therefor, constituting thereby these and such others as may succeed them a body corporate, to be called "The Board of Governors of the College," and on and after the execution of the letters patent the persons therein their associates and successors, shall thereupon be a body corporate and politic, and shall have full power to sue and be sued, and to hold lands and tenements, and to do all such things.

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Below are the amendments passed by the board and which were this morning presented to the minister of education:

1. That the written and entrance to high school examinations of pupils take place during the last days of each term, and as far as possible simultaneously in each school and class. Such examination to finish on the last day of each term.

2. That the exhibitions held heretofore at the close of the term be abolished in all city schools.

3. That immediately after the close of the term the teacher shall under the direction of the principal, examine, mark and report upon all examination papers. The principal shall as soon as possible forward the completed lists to the secretary of the board.

4. That the first day of each term shall after routine work be devoted to the presentation of certificates, medals, etc., to parents and friends are invited.

5. That the school board be empowered to regulate teaching hours of classes in the tablet and first primer divisions.

6. That city school boards have the power of extending the midsummer holidays, to any Monday not later than the first Monday in September.

7. That German and Spanish be included in the subjects which may be taught in the high schools, and that candidates for examination be allowed to substitute any three languages out of Latin, Greek, French, German and Spanish.

8. That the School Act be amended by adding after the word "secretary" in the first line, the words "who may be of their number" and that Section 21 be amended by adding to the same the words "except as provided in Sec. 22."

9. That city boards be empowered to make rules governing the engagement of teachers and the duration and termination of contracts with teachers.

10. Whereas it is expedient for the best interests of advanced education that the school boards of the province may be affiliated with one or other of the Eastern universities; and whereas some of those universities require that students affiliated with them must be managed by an incorporated board of governors; be it therefore enacted that the board of trustees of the city of Victoria be authorized by letters patent under the great seal to grant a charter of incorporation to any of the boards of trustees of the cities of the province, who shall petition therefor, constituting thereby these and such others as may succeed them a body corporate, to be called "The Board of Governors of the College," and on and after the execution of the letters patent the persons therein their associates and successors, shall thereupon be a body corporate and politic, and shall have full power to sue and be sued, and to hold lands and tenements, and to do all such things.

ANNUAL MEETING

James Bay Athletic Association Re-elect the Old Board of Management.

Satisfactory Report Presented by the President, H. Daitas, Helmecken.

Much enthusiasm prevailed at the annual general meeting of the James Bay Amateur Athletic Association held last evening. All the members of the old board of management were re-elected with the exception of E. O. Finlayson, who retired despite the fact that a petition, signed by almost every member of the club, asked him to stand for re-election. The board of management is composed as follows: H. D. Helmecken, J. Stuart Yates, G. Byrnes, Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, D. O'Sullivan, C. E. Bailey, W. R. Higgins, F. A. Gower, A. J. Dallain, J. M. Miller, T. C. Boulton, Dr. J. D. Helmecken, W. S. Scott, Ross Eckhardt and E. E. Billinghurst. They will meet officers next Tuesday evening.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the officers, committee and lady friends of the club. The annual report of the president, H. D. Helmecken, follows:

It affords us great satisfaction in presenting our fifth annual report to you to be able to state that our year just passed has again proved more successful than our predecessors, and that our association is still maintaining the popularity which it has won for itself. We have not only continued steadily increasing as the year advanced, but we are pleased to be able to tell you that our membership has increased during the past year; we have received twelve new members. Our total membership is now some 100. The annual statement will be read to you, and we think you will be satisfied also with that part of our work.

You will have noticed that we have made several improvements to the premises, the most important being the new building which we hope that the incoming committee will see their way to further the improvements and to be allowed to substitute any three languages out of Latin, Greek, French, German and Spanish. The improvement is worthy of notice. Through the courtesy of Mr. Gamble, C.E., resident of the department of public works, we were enabled to have that part of the harbor where our boat-house floats situated at the water level. New piles have been driven to assist us in making our moorings, and to prevent any further trouble or expense from this source for some considerable time.

As in former years, we have held a number of successful entertainments during the year. The first of these was our annual regatta, which was held on the 28th of March last. For the first time on record we had to forego the pleasure of entering the regatta, as the water was so low that the boats could not be launched. We were warned by the inspector of buildings that we would not be allowed to use the harbor for the regatta, and we therefore held our annual dance in A. O. U. W. hall, which proved to be a most successful affair. The regatta was held on the 28th of March last, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all our guests. Our several kind lady friends again came to our assistance in providing for the dinner, and our thanks are due to them for their kindness.

The annual regatta on May 24, in honor of Her Majesty's birthday, was again entrusted to our association, as far as the amateur races were concerned. Unfortunately our friends on the mainland, and some of our members, were unable to attend, and we therefore resolved ourselves into committees to hold the regatta on the 24th of May. The regatta was held on the 24th of May, and was a most successful affair. The races were, however, contested and a source of great pleasure to all our members. The regatta was held on the 24th of May, and was a most successful affair. The races were, however, contested and a source of great pleasure to all our members.

We called your attention in our last report to the fact that the committee were endeavoring to secure the management of the annual regatta of the North Pacific Association of Amateur Rowers, and it held in Esquimalt harbor in 1895. As you all know, our efforts were successful. The regatta was held on the 17th of March, and was a most successful affair. The regatta was held on the 17th of March, and was a most successful affair. The regatta was held on the 17th of March, and was a most successful affair.

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Teacher—When did the thirty years' war commence? Pupil—I don't know, sir; but if you tell me when it left our calendar you will be the most successful teacher ever held on the Pacific Coast. As the association of the Victoria Amateur Athletic Association was organized, we were obliged to solicit subscriptions from other competitors. We were thereby enabled to give our visitors a rooming reception, and they all agreed that we had more than satisfied with our treatment of them. Turning to the regatta itself, which was held in Esquimalt harbor, our best thanks are due to Captain Flinn and the other officers of the fleet for the valuable assistance they rendered in securing and making the course, and officiating in the various positions assigned to them during the progress of the regatta. On the first day, crowded with sightseers and gay with hunting, the senior foursome race for the championship of the association was, of course, the principal feature of the day, in which five clubs were represented. These were: Portland last year's winners, Seattle, Vancouver, Burrard Inlet and our own club. The result was a grand race and we are proud to say, we won a glorious victory, with the Seattle men second, about five lengths in the rear; and judging from the cheering and other unmistakable signs of victory, the victory was a popular one. Our crew, which was composed of D. O'Sullivan (stroke), W. Scott, D. T. Jones and J. D. Watson (cox), deserve great credit for the steady way in which they stuck to their training and the grand race which they rowed. We hope we shall be so fortunate at the next regatta, in which case the valuable cup offered for the championship will become our own property. The junior sculls were won by Mr. J. Aden of our club, who rowed over the course. We therefore took two out of the four association races, and as this is the first

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

EIGHTH DAY.

Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1893. Mr. Booth, Speaker pro tem, took the chair at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. H. Sweet read prayers.

Hon. Mr. Turner introduced "An Act to encourage dairying." Read a first time and set down for second reading on Wednesday.

Mr. Helmcken moved: Whereas at the present time American vessels are employed in fishing for halibut in Canadian waters, principally in Hecate Straits and destroy large numbers of immature fish, and if allowed to continue will in a short time ruin the fishery; and whereas it has also been brought to public notice that smuggling of merchandise is being carried on by foreign vessels in British Columbia waters; be it resolved, that a resolution be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to urge the Dominion government to place a revenue cutter in our northern waters, for the purpose of protecting the deep sea fishery and the prevention of smuggling.

Mr. Helmcken said that since giving notice of this motion he had learned the government had taken steps in a similar direction, thus relieving him considerably.

Hon. Col. Baker said there had been a long correspondence between the province and the Dominion government in this connection. The matter had also been dealt with personally by both the late Hon. Mr. Robson and also Hon. Mr. Davie. The result was that the Dominion government gave the province half the fines collected, in view of the province maintaining law and order. At present, however, the government were endeavoring to bring about some satisfactory arrangement.

SHIP SAVING SERVICE

Mr. Helmcken moved: Whereas cases of shipwreck have occurred in British Columbia waters, involving loss of life and much suffering to distressed seamen; and whereas prompt aid and assistance could be rendered in many such cases, whereby death might be averted, succor afforded, and much valuable property preserved, if a suitable vessel were kept in commission throughout the year, and stationed at the port of Victoria; be it resolved that a respectful address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to press upon the Dominion government the urgent necessity existing for providing such suitable vessel at an early date.

Captain John Irving, speaking to the resolution, said he did not think it went far enough. The West Coast deserves more attention at the hands of the government than it does. As shipping interests it will be necessary for the Dominion government to adopt a more liberal policy in this respect. The resolution, Captain Irving considered, should take into its scope the telegraph line between Cape Beale and Victoria, which is nearly always down, especially when most needed, as in the very unfortunate instance of the Janet Cowan. These matters have been brought before the Dominion government several times, not only by this house, but by the board of trade, but the Dominion government forget everything in this part of the country till an election comes on. The troubles and dangers of seamen are forgotten, and we only realize their full extent when some such catastrophe, as that of the Janet Cowan takes place. Captain Irving did not think the government could press too strongly upon the Dominion the necessity of keeping this telegraph line in shape, and having stations at proper intervals so that sufficient life saving means could be at hand when required. The Dominion government has a steamer here, but in the very time it is needed it is paid off. Now it would cost comparatively little extra to keep that vessel in readiness in case she should be required.

Mr. Huff had received a number of dispatches in reference to this line, and he hoped some action would be taken. Mr. Ribot promised to introduce a special resolution in regard to this line, and on motion of Mr. Sward, the debate on the resolution was adjourned.

SUPPLY

The house then dealt in the usual manner with the formal motion for supply, deciding to go into supply on Monday next.

MISCHIEVOUS ANIMALS.

The house spent another two hours in committee on this bill, and finally reported it complete with amendments.

REVISED STATUTES.

Hon. Mr. Eberts, in accordance with his statement to the house yesterday with reference to the revised statutes, withdrew the following bills: Respecting forest fire, dower, custody of infants, highways, infants' contracts and friendly societies.

THE NEW BUILDINGS.

Mr. Williams, speaking to a question of privilege, complained of the insufficiency of the answers given to his questions by the chief commissioner regarding the new parliament buildings.

Hon. Mr. Martin said the questions were vague; if a straight question is asked a straight answer will be given. Hon. Mr. Turner spoke to the same effect.

Hon. Mr. Williams said there was an evident intention on the part of the government to withhold from the public some of the information sought, but Hon. Mr. Turner appealed to the Speaker to call on Mr. Williams to retract such a statement, which the latter did, remarking at the same time that the government faced with the questions.

SECOND READINGS.

The infestate estates amendment act was read a second time. The amendment permits an administrator to mortgage the estate or part of it.

The act incorporating the Royal Inland Hospital on the lines of the Jubilee Hospital was also read a second time.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Graham—To introduce a bill to amend the line fences and water courses act and amending acts.

Mr. Graham—To introduce a bill to amend the cattle act and amending acts.

Mr. Sward—For a return showing the particulars of revenue and expenditure from 1st July, 1895, up to 31st December, 1896.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT.

Mr. Kelle—Why were Moore and Wronz refused their application for a hotel license at Sandon last year? Were there any objections raised by any persons that prevented Moore and Wronz from receiving a license? Who was the party, if any, who raised the objections?

Mr. Macpherson—Is it the intention of the government during the present session to amend section 26 of the assessment act as amended by section 8 of the assessment act amendment act, 1891, so that mortgages will be relieved from taxation on mortgages.

Mr. Semlin—How much money has been received during 1895 for surveyed land, according to the land amendment act of last session. Also how much has been received for unsurveyed land during said year under same law?

Mr. Williams—What sum has been retained from each contractor on parliament buildings as security for completion of contract?

NEW LEGISLATION. The Homestead Act, introduced by Mr. Walker, amends section 10 by the following: "10. The following personal property shall be exempt from forced seizure or sale by any process of law or in equity, that is to say: the goods and chattels of any debtor at the option of such debtor, or of the personal representative, to the value of \$500; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt any goods or chattels from seizure in satisfaction of a debt contracted for or in respect of such identical goods or chattels; provided, further, that this section shall not be construed so as to permit a trader to claim an exemption any of the goods and merchandise which form a part of the stock in trade of his business."

SHOOTING CONTEST.

Members of No. 1 Company B. C. R. G. A. With Morris Tubes.

Last night the members of No. 1 Company of Garrison Artillery took part in a series of shooting competitions with Morris tubes fitted in Martini rifles. The prizes offered by the Company Association were prettily designed silver spoons from Davidson Bros., jewellers. The men were divided into classes to make the competition more keen. The opening shot was fired by Mrs. Ross Munro, wife of the genial captain of the company. In the 1st class Sergeant Major Muleby and Lieut. J. D. Taylor tied with a score of 30, but by the rules the prize went to the Sergeant Major. Capt. Ross Munro scored 28 and Gunner Bailey 27. In the second class C. Kenward secured first place with a score of 29 and Corp. McLean second with 27. Gr. R. Harrup scored 23, Gr. Dickinson 21, Lieut. D. B. McConnan 21 and Gr. L. B. Trimen 20. In the 3rd class Gr. Vicer scored third place with 24 and Gr. A. Sheik scored 22. Trumpeter C. Harris made a close third with a score of 21. To-night the members of the company will entertain themselves with a whist party.

SERIOUS DAMAGE BY FRESHET.

During the sudden freshet, three weeks ago, the Lillooet bridge, across the Lillooet river, in Maple Ridge municipality, was carried away by the flood. The structure was built three years ago by the provincial government, at a cost of \$2,200, and was believed to be safe from any mishap of the kind. The numerous log jams between the lake and the bridge were swept away by the freshet and lodged against a great jam lower down, which has been there for four or five years. The lodging of this great mass of logs and brush filled the channel and forced the water out of its natural course, with the result that it cut a new channel right through the best farms in the locality, and doing much damage to lands and roads. The old channel is blocked with logs for half a mile, and in many places the jam is thirty and forty feet high.

The Dominion government is being petitioned to clear the channel at once, and unless this is done many farmers will be ruined.

The washing away of the bridge has cut off all the farmers on the north side of the river from communication with market, and their position, also, will be serious unless the provincial government comes to the assistance of the municipality.—Columbian.

THE WILD DOGS OF BURNABY.

The wild dogs of Burnaby are no myth, as some people are inclined to think. Constable Bart, when in the employ of the B. C. Cattle Company, had some interesting experiences with them. The company had a corral and pastures for sheep between the North road and Burnaby Lake, and in the summer of 1891 lost a lot of sheep by the dogs. On one occasion they broke into the corral and killed sixteen sheep, and in the pasture, one night, they killed twenty-seven. Constable Bart says he kept up a continuous warfare against the wild dogs, and shot as many as nine in a single day. He says the band is a large one, and composed of nearly all known breeds.—Columbian.

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed on exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago. Manufacturers of other sarsaparillas sought by every means to obtain a showing of their goods, but they were all turned away under the application of the rule forbidding the entry of patent medicines and nostrums. The decision of the World's Fair authorities in favor of Ayer's Sarsaparilla was in effect as follows: Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a patent medicine. It does not belong to the list of nostrums. It is here on its merits.

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The potlach was given by an old Indian named Bill Uslick, who had been studying medicine according to Strachan methods, for many years, and in December, his long term of probation being over, he was entitled to assume the full insignia and honors of a "big medicine man." To mark his admission to the ranks of the "immortals," he held a potlach, extending over three days, during which he gave everything he had in the world except his wife, and a few potatoes, which nobody wanted.

Uslick was a well-to-do Indian, owning several head of cattle, several horses, farm implements, etc. He sold a yoke of oxen for \$70 and expended the money in provisions for his friends, who assembled to the number of nearly 400, not only did he give away everything in his possession, but he borrowed to the full extent of his credit, about \$400, and gave that away also, and all persons owing him money or goods were informed that their debts had been cancelled.

Uslick made himself very popular with his liberality, and looked forward to doing a fine practice in his profession. Last Saturday, Indian Agent Devlin, who had been informed of Uslick's potlach, had the Indian arrested for breaking the law prohibiting potlaches, and the "big medicine man" was sentenced to two months in jail. This was the first case of punishment in British Columbia for potlaching, and it created much excitement among the Indians at first, but they calmed down when Mr. Devlin threatened to make an example of some of the most threatening individuals. Uslick was brought down from Chilliwack yesterday and handed over to the provincial jail authorities. Mr. Devlin and Mr. S. Mellard sat on the case. Before leaving Chilliwack, Mr. Devlin was obliged to supply Uslick's wife with food to keep her from starving, the house being entirely bare from all the necessities of life.—Columbian.

"The Common People." As Abraham Lincoln called them, do not care to argue about their ailments. What they want is a medicine that will cure them. The simple, honest statement, "I know that Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me" is the best argument among the "middle class" and this is what many thousands voluntarily say.

HOOD'S PILLS are the best after-dinner pills, assist digestion, cure headache, etc.

GEN. HARRISON NOT IN IT.

The Ex-President Positively Declines to Be Nominated at St. Louis.

Indianapolis, Feb. 5.—Capt. John K. Gowdy, chairman of the Republican state committee, called on Gen. Harrison last evening by invitation, and the ex-president handed him the appended explanatory letter.

"Hon. John K. Gowdy, Indianapolis: In view of the resolutions passed by the state central committee at its recent meeting, and of the fact that the delegates of the national Republican convention are soon to be chosen in this state, I have concluded that some statement from me as to my wishes and purposes should now be made to my Indiana friends. Hitherto I have declined to speak to the public on this matter. But scores of friends to whom I have talked and many scores more to whom I have written, will recognize in this expression the substance of what I have said to them."

"To every one who has proposed to promote my nomination I have said: 'No.' There never has been an hour since I left the White House that I felt a wish to return to it. My Indiana friends have been most devoted and faithful, and I am their grateful debtor. The Republican party twice in national convention gave me its endorsement, and that is enough. I think the voters of our party are now entitled to have a new name. For the sentiment, great or small, that has been manifested for my nomination, I am grateful; and of that wicker respect and kindness-breaking I have no doubt."

Passed the Municipal Council on the 27th day of January, 1893.

Re-considered, adopted and finally passed by the Council this 29th day of January, 1893.

(L.S.) ROBERT BEAVEN, 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 29th day of January, A. D. 1893, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law, or any part thereof, quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

Always Cut Across the Goods.

LIBERAL PLATFORM

ADOPTED BY THE NATIONAL LIBERAL CONVENTION, OTTAWA, JUNE, 1893.

We, the Liberal party of Canada, in convention assembled, declare: 1.—FREER TRADE—REDUCED TAXATION.

That the customs tariff of the Dominion should be based, not as it is now, upon the protective principle, but upon the requirements of the public service;

That the existing tariff, founded upon an unsound principle, and used, as it has been by the government, as a corrupting agency wherewith to keep themselves in office, has developed monopolies, trusts and combinations;

That it has decreased the value of farm and other landed property;

That it has oppressed the masses to the enrichment of a few;

That it has checked immigration;

That it has caused great loss of population;

That it has discriminated with Great Britain.

In these and many other ways it has occasioned great public and private injury, all of which evils must continue to grow in intensity as long as the present tariff system remains in force.

That the highest interests of Canada demand the removal of this obstacle to our country's progress, by the adoption of a sound fiscal policy, which, while not doing injustice to any class, will promote domestic and foreign trade, and hasten the return of prosperity to our people.

That to that end, the tariff should be reduced to the needs of honest, economical and efficient government;

That it should be so adjusted as to make free, or to bear as lightly as possible upon, the necessities of life, and should be so arranged as to promote freer trade with the whole world, more particularly with Great Britain and the United States.

We believe that the results of the protective system have grievously disappointed thousands of people who honestly supported it, and that the country, in the light of experience, is now prepared to declare for a sound fiscal policy.

The issue between the two political parties on this question is now clearly defined.

The government themselves admit of the failure of their fiscal policy, and now profess their willingness to make some changes; but they say that such changes must be based only on the principle of protection.

We denounce the principle of protection as radically unsound, and unjust to the masses of the people, and we declare our conviction that any tariff changes based on that principle must fail to afford any substantial relief from the burdens under which the country labors.

This issue we unhesitatingly accept, and upon it we await with the fullest confidence the verdict of the electors of Canada.

2.—ENLARGED MARKETS—RECIPROCIITY.

That having regard to the prosperity of Canada and the United States as adjoining countries, with many mutual interests, it is desirable that there should be the most friendly relations and broad and liberal trade intercourse between them;

That the interests alike of the Dominion and of the Empire would be materially advanced by the establishing of such relations;

That the policy of the old reciprocity treaty was one of marked prosperity to the British North American colonies;

That the pretext under which the government appealed to the country in 1891 respecting negotiation for a treaty with the United States was misleading and dishonest and intended to deceive the electorate;

That no sincere effort has been made by them to obtain a treaty, but that, on the contrary, it is manifest that the present government, controlled as they are by monopolies and combines, are not desirous of securing such a treaty;

That the first step towards obtaining the end in view, is to place a party in power who are sincerely desirous of promoting a treaty on terms honorable to both countries;

That a fair and liberal reciprocity treaty would develop the great natural resources of Canada, would enormously increase the trade and commerce between the two countries, would tend to encourage friendly relations between the two people, would remove many causes which have in the past provoked irritation and trouble to the governments of both countries, and would promote those friendly relations between the Empire and the Republic which afford the best guarantee for peace and prosperity;

And the Liberal party is prepared to enter into negotiations with a view of obtaining such a treaty, including a well considered list of manufactured articles, and we are satisfied that any treaty so arranged will receive the assent of Her Majesty's government, without whose approval no treaty can be made.

3.—PURITY OF ADMINISTRATION—CONDEMN CORRUPTION.

That the convention deprecates the gross corruption in the management and expenditure of public moneys which for years past has existed under the rule of the Conservative party, and the revelations of which by the different parliamentary committees of inquiry have brought about disgrace upon the fair name of Canada.

The government, which profited politically by these expenditures of public

moneys of which the people have been defrauded, and which, nevertheless, have never punished the guilty parties, must be held responsible for the wrongdoing. We arraign the government for retaining in office a minister of the Crown, proved to have accepted very large contributions from the funds of a railway company, which, while paying the political contributions to him, a member of the government, with one hand, was receiving government subsidies with the other.

The conduct of the minister and the approval of his colleagues after the proof became known to them are calculated to degrade Canada in the estimation of the world and deserve the severe condemnation of the people.

4.—DEMAND STRICTEST ECONOMY—DECREASED EXPENDITURE.

We cannot but view with alarm the large increase of the public debt and of the uncontrollable annual expenditure of the Dominion and the consequent undue taxation of the people under the governments that have been continuous. In power since 1878, and we demand the strictest economy in the administration of the government of the country.

5.—FOR RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT—INDEPENDENCE OF PARLIAMENT.

That the convention regrets that by the action of the ministers and their supporters in parliament, in one case in which serious charges were made against a minister of the Crown, investigation was altogether refused, while in another case the charges preferred were altered and then referred to a commission appointed upon the advice of the minister, contrary to the well settled practice of parliament; and this convention affirms:

That it is the ancient and undoubted right of the house of commons to inquire into all matters of public expenditure, and into all such charges of misconduct in office against ministers of the Crown, and the reference of such matters to royal commissions created upon the advice of the minister, is at variance with the due responsibility of ministers of the house of commons, and tends to weaken the authority of the house over the executive government, and this convention affirms that the powers of the people's representatives in this regard should on all fitting occasions be upheld.

6.—THE LAND FOR THE SETTLER—NOT FOR THE SPECULATOR.

That in the opinion of this convention the sales of public lands of the Dominion should be to actual settlers only, and not to speculators, upon reasonable terms of settlement, and in such areas as can be reasonably occupied and cultivated by the settler.

7.—OPPOSE THE DOMINION FRANCHISE ACT—FAVOR THE PROVINCIAL FRANCHISE.

That the Franchise Act since its introduction has cost the Dominion treasury over a million of dollars, besides entailing a heavy expenditure to both political parties;

That each revision involves an additional expenditure of a further quarter of a million;

That this expenditure has prevented an annual revision, as originally intended, in the absence of which young voters entitled to the franchise have, in numerous instances, been prevented from exercising their natural rights;

That it has failed to secure uniformity, which was the principal reason assigned for its introduction;

That it has produced gross abuses by partisan revising barristers appointed by the government of the day;

That its provisions are less liberal than those existing in many provinces of this Dominion, and that in the opinion of this convention the act should be repealed, and we should revert to the provincial franchise.

8.—AGAINST THE GERRYMANDER—THE COUNTY BOUNDARIES SHOULD BE PRESERVED.

That by the Gerry-mander Acts, the electoral divisions for the return of members to the house of commons have been so made as to prevent a fair expression of the opinion of the country at the general election, and to secure to the party now in power a strength out of all proportion greater than the number of electors supporting them would warrant. To put an end to this abuse, to make the house of commons a fair exponent of public opinion, and to preserve the historic continuity of counties, it is desirable that in the formation of electoral divisions, county boundaries should be preserved, and that in no case parts of different counties should be put in one electoral division.

9.—THE SENATE DEFECTIVE—AMEND THE CONSTITUTION.

The present constitution of the senate is inconsistent with the federal principle in our system of government, and is in other respects defective, as it makes the senate independent of the people and uncontrolled by the public opinion of the country, and should be so amended as to bring it in harmony with the principles of popular government.

10.—QUESTION OF PROHIBITION—A DOMINION PLEBISCITE.

That whereas public attention is at present much directed to the consideration of the admittedly great evils of intemperance, it is desirable that the mind of the people should be clearly ascertained on the question of prohibition by means of a Dominion plebiscite.

FEBRUARY.

Calendar table for February 1896 with days of the week and dates.

JOSHUA DAVIES AUCTIONEER, Room 7, Board of Trade Building.

The Daily Times.

A STRICKEN PARTY.

Our Conservative friends have now secured their "war horse," and surely they are welcome to him. If they choose to take a very commonplace specimen of the "burro," envelope him in the panoply of war and parade him up and down their battle front as a neighing, champing steed, nobody else need begrudge them their pleasure in this exercise.

"During the past six years we have had some of the most revolting political atrocities which ever blackened the fair fame of any country, and that, too, in a country where there is no excuse for impure politics. There has never been a time when honest men were more needed than now."

The board placed the salaries of first assistants in four of our schools at \$800 per annum; it placed that of the first assistant of the Victoria West school at \$700 per annum. Miss Kermode does precisely the same grade of work as the other first assistants, and does it well; more, she does the additional work entailed by having two grades in her room.

Montreal Witness: The slanderous and traitorous charges of disloyalty made at the last general election by the Conservative leaders against half their countrymen were recalled after the election was over, and acknowledged by their organs to be mere election ammunition. The slanders, however, could not undo the mischief they had done, for not till the recent war scare did either the United States or England learn that Canada was not half annexationist.

Seattle Times: The Port Angeles Democrat-Leader asks what kind of a foreign policy would suit the Seattle Times. The question is a fair one, and we answer it frankly. The sort of foreign policy that George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Monroe, John Quincy Adams, John C. Calhoun, Daniel Webster, Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant and a number of other people thought good enough would suit the

Times to a dot. The hysterics of a Lodge, the platitudes of a Morgan and the outcries of a Livingston we are content to leave to those who are as ignorant of the amenities of the intercourse between civilized nations as they are of the teachings of the history of their own country and its best political traditions.

SCHOOL RETRENCHMENTS.

To the Editor: Amongst the estimates of the school board appears an item of some \$550 for telephone service. This is a very large sum for supplying a few schools with this very necessary and modern convenience. It would supply about a dozen telephones at the ordinary rates. I have been told that such and every trustee has at his or her residence a telephone paid for out of the public funds. Surely this is an unnecessary expense.

ANOTHER RATEPAYER.

A FEW QUERIES.

To the Editor: Can you enlighten me on three points? 1. Can Trustees McMicking and Hayward legally hold their seats on the school board while through their connection with the Telephone Company they (directly or indirectly) are benefited by the renting of telephones to the trustee board?

JUSTICE AND OUR TRUSTEE BOARD.

To the Editor: I desire on behalf of the ratepayers and parents of Victoria West especially, and of our city generally, appeal from the late ruling of the board of school trustees in reference to teachers' salaries.

Why was the board not consistent in dealing with all the teachers of this school? We are glad that they dealt justly in one case, and that was with the teacher of the fourth division, who is the only one in Victoria West school who receives the same salary received by other teachers of similar grades in the city.

At the recent Xmas examination, if I heard aright, the government inspector present said in substance that the attendance percentage of the Victoria West school had largely increased under the new management. The board and the ratepayers receive a direct benefit from this in the shape of an increased per capita tax from the government, and notice how they have repaid our hard-working and efficient staff.

In conclusion, gentlemen of the school board, you cannot afford to remain inactive in this matter, because inaction means injustice to both teacher and ratepayer of this part of our city. If our teachers are inefficient (which they are not) discharge them and employ better and more deserving teachers in their places and pay them equal wages for equal work.

A well-known rifle shot says: "It is not generally known that an orange unit in the exact centre by a rifle ball will vanish at once from sight. Such, however, is the fact, and that is my way of making an orange disappear—shooting it through the centre, which scatters it into such infinitesimal pieces that it is at once lost to sight."

In Saxony no one is permitted to shoe horses unless he has passed a public examination, and is properly qualified. A great school at Dresden has students from all parts of the world studying "farriery." This includes not only shoeing horses, but their care and treatment—a provision that saves a great deal of money for farmers and others owning horses.

This Week

We are slaughtering on the block of necessity with the axe of low prices as fine an assortment of

...CARPETS...

As was ever exhibited in the province Also the newest, nobbiest and best makes of Tapestry Seamless Carpet, Squares, Dagdag Rugs, Dagdag Mats, Wilton Squares. Many who are taking advantage of this Great Forced Sale in progress at our establishment say: "We don't need the goods now, you know, but we thought it best to seize the opportunity" They're right. They're right!

B. C. FURNITURE CO., Government St. JACOB SEHL, Manager.

SOUTH AFRICAN LIONS.

South African lions are, beyond question, the boldest of all predatory animals, and those of Mashonaland are, perhaps, the boldest of all. During the night, their natural hunting time, they attack draught animals, or even men, within a few yards of the camp fires, and are a constant and serious menace to travelers in districts remote from the main tracks of traders.

This old scene continued for some moments, the actors being four or five black men, two white men, a pony, seven live donkeys and a dead one, and the lion standing over the latter, with a fire party lighting up the figures, until a couple more donkeys broke loose. They rushed into a meadow field, and there the party heard the lion chasing first one donkey and then another, as excited and as little afraid as a dog chasing rabbits in a field of barley.

AN EGYPTIAN WEDDING PARTY.

As you look out of your hotel window in Cairo, you will see a native musician sauntering by, twanging the lute of the country, then a sound like the tinkling of brass cymbals informs you that the shorbey is going his round, with his huge glass jar slung at his side, from which he dispenses (to the unvarying sweet, sticky drinks of licorice juice or orange syrup in the brass saucers which he perpetually clicks in his hand. Late at night the sounds of eastern life invade your pillow.

The little daughter of Mr. Fred Webber, Holland, Mass., had a very bad cold and cough which he had not been able to cure with anything. I gave him a 75 cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says W. P. Holden, merchant and postmaster at West Brimfield, and the next time I saw him he said it worked like a charm.

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other way, and forthwith the veil is pulled closer over her mouth and nose. When she meets you face to face she does not drop her big eyes in the absurd fashion of western modesty; she calmly turns them away from you; it is much more cutting, really.—Saturday Review.

How to Get "Sunlight" Books.

Send 12 "Sunlight" Soap wrappers to Lever Bros., Ltd., 23 Scott St., Toronto, who will send post-paid a paper-bound book, 160 pages. For 6 "Lifebuoy" Carbolic Soap wrappers, a similar book will be sent. This is a special opportunity to obtain good reading. Send your name and address written carefully. Remember "Sunlight" sells at six cents per twin-bar, and "Lifebuoy" at 10 cents. One cent postage will bring your wrappers by leaving the ends open.

WHAT DO WE CREDIT TO-DAY?

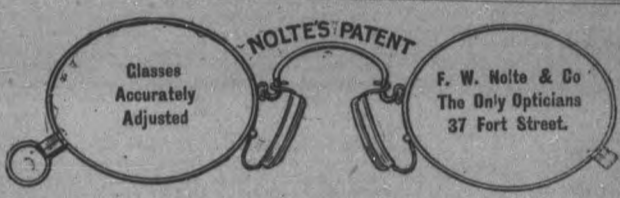
When the present writer was a boy at school he was taught among other things equally marvelous that the world was created in the year 4004 B.C. (66, the humor of that final 4), that the process was effected in six days; that some thousand or fifteen hundred years later the earth was entirely submerged by a deluge which "covered all the high hills that were under the whole heaven"; that all terrestrial life was thereby destroyed with the exception of Noah, his three sons and their wives, and a certain number of beasts, fowls and creeping things which he took with him into the ark; that from the smallest remnant of humanity thus preserved were developed, in an amazing short space of time, all the various races of mankind; Aryans, Semites, Mongolians, Negroes, Neoliths, Australians, Hottentots, Red Indians and the rest; and that similarly all the birds, reptiles and mammals now found distributed over the face of the earth, with all their countless varieties and specified differences, are the lineal descendants of the "pairs" that went up with Father Noah into his miraculous ship.

One Honest Man.

Dear Editor:—Please inform your readers that if written to confidentially I will mail in a sealed letter, particulars of a genuine, honest, home cure, by which I was permanently restored to health and manly vigor, after years of suffering from nervous debility, sexual weakness, night losses and weak shrunken parts. I was robbed and swindled by the quacks until I nearly lost faith in mankind, and thank heaven I am now well, vigorous and strong, and wish to make this certain means of cure known to all sufferers. I have nothing to sell, and want no money, but being a firm believer in the universal brotherhood of man, I am desirous of helping the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness. Perfect secrecy assured. Address with stamp, L. A. Edwards, Jarvis, Ont.

A society of men of art is being formed in Paris, after the model of the Societe de Gens Lettres, to watch over the interests of artists. At the head of the movement are Tony Robert Fleury, Dubufe, Pavis de Chavannes, Bouguereau, Detaille, and Roll. Foreigners will be admitted.

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Classes Accurately Adjusted. F. W. Nolte & Co. The Only Opticians 37 Fort Street.

George Marsden Dominion Election.

General News Agent. Is now located in the ADELPHI BLOCK. A Choice Stock of Tobacco and Cigars. All Coast Papers on sale.

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Getting Ready For Spring.

In order to make room for a large consignment of Goods now on the way we have reduced in price the following: Down Comforters, Cretonnes, Art Muslins, Seamless Velvet Rugs, Madras Muslins, &c. It will pay you to buy these Goods, and you can be sure of getting real bargains at WEILER BROS.

Phil R. Smith, AUCTION SALES.

JOSHUA DAVIES AUCTIONEER. Mortgagee's Sale. Under and by virtue of the powers contained in certain mortgages which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be Sold en Bloc by Public Auction, At my Salesroom, Bastion Square, on Tuesday, 11th Day of February, 1896.

At the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, the property known as that belonging to the Matsqui Land Company, Limited, COMPRISING 141 plots of nearly 40 acres each of the richest farming land, aggregating 5524 7/10 Acres.

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AUCTION FARM IN LAKE DISTRICT.

Monday, February 24th, at 11 a.m. Re Samuel Ricketts, Deceased. I have been instructed by the Executors to sell at my salesroom, Yates street, that well known property, Section XXII, in Lake District, partly bordered by Fyvespect Lake Road, and adjoining Mr. E. Foster's property. There are about 15 acres under cultivation; the balance is good grazing land. Improvements consist of a good dwelling house, barn, sheds, stable, granary, chicken house, fencing, etc., cash. TITLE GOOD. Terms of sale, cash. G. BYRNES, Auctioneer.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

An important meeting of U. R. K. of P. will be held this evening.

A lecture on Old London was given last evening at the Y. W. C. A. rooms, Johnson street.

The second Arion club concert of the season is to be given on the 18th inst. in Institute hall.

The C. P. R. route to Kootenay via Revelstoke is again open and the steamers have resumed their regular trips.

A committee has been appointed by the Friendly Help Association to confer with the committee from the B. C. Benevolent Society regarding amalgamation.

The celebrated painting "Christ Before Pilate," will open Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock under the patronage of Lieut.-Governor Dewdney at A. O. U. W. hall, Yates street.

The old Indians of the reserve in the vicinity of the city were given a treat at the Methodist Mission, Herald street, yesterday. Before leaving they were supplied with parcels of provisions and clothes.

Officers were elected by the sewing society of St. James church as follows yesterday afternoon: President, Mrs. Sweet; vice-president, Mrs. Solly; secretary, Mrs. Hardie; and treasurer, Miss Lawson. Very satisfactory reports were presented.

J. M. Kellie, M.P.P., has received a copy of the following resolution passed by the Fort Steele Mining Company of East Kootenay: "That the sympathy of this meeting is with Mr. J. M. Kellie, M.P.P., in his efforts to have legislation passed this session to put a stop to claim jumping."

A sale of work and concert was held yesterday by the ladies of St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, in aid of the parsonage fund. Both were successful, the concert programme being as follows: Piano duet, Miss Elcey and Mr. Andrews; song, Mr. Ingram; recitation, Mr. Colvin; song, Mrs. Penny; piano solo, Mrs. German; song, Mr. T. Dooley; vocal trio, in character; violin solo, Mr. Andrews; song, Mrs. McKenzie; recitation, Mr. Bell; song, Mr. Colvin; song, Mrs. Shifter; song, Mr. Maitland; piano solo, Mr. Maitland; piano solo, Mr. Lowenberg; song, Mr. Foulkes; and song, Mr. Trench.

Messrs. Dean Brothers, of Oakvale Farm, have sold their celebrated stock of Southdown and Norfolk Down sheep to Mr. J. R. Reid, Glenora, Metehosin. These sheep have been well known for many years, and have been successful competitors in our annual show rings. Messrs. Dean Brothers have imported largely from the East, and by the sale of ram lambs have been instrumental in increasing the value of our island flocks, and are now giving up the business on account of the increased importance of dairy farming. Mr. Reid says he intends still further to improve the flock by frequent importations of pedigree stock, and hopes to increase the value of the flocks of Metehosin district by supplying throughbred rams, of which the supply at present is limited. Mr. Reid deserves success in his endeavor.

The Victoria Amateur Dramatic Company gave a very pleasing entertainment at the A. O. U. W. hall last evening. The comedietta, "The Pink Perfumed Note," was the chief feature of the programme, its funny situations keeping the audience in roars of laughter. Little Sam Johnson sang a popular song "Up to Date." Misses May King, Dora Wolf, Lily Lyons and Dolly Moxon appeared in the character song "The Modern Idea Girls." Miss Junipia Davis appeared in some pretty Spanish dances and a grand fancy drill by sixteen young ladies completed the programme. Refreshments were served and dancing followed.

A return supper was given by about twenty-five members of the crew of the Royal Arthur to their friends of the Satellite, at the Globe hotel, Esquimalt, last evening. Over sixty sat down to the sumptuous spread, after which the following programme was carried out: Song, "That's where the money goes," Mr. Jones; song, "Rocked in the cradle of the deep," Mr. Polatch; song, "Song of Songs," Mr. Hammond; concertina duet, Messrs. Hunt and Halloran; song, "Church Bells," Mr. Fryer; song and dance, "The Two Dandies," Mr. Osborne; song, "Paddy's Welcome Home," Mr. Firth; song, "The Lifeboat," Mr. Tepper; song, "Honor Bright," Mr. Mitchell; song, "The Maple Tree," Mr. Russell; and song, "True Born Irishman," Mr. Brough, Mr. McDonald.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair. DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER. MOST PERFECT MADE. Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder, Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

ed as master of ceremonies, and W. Bennett as chairman.

The Satellite goes out to-morrow morning for steam trial.

At the executive meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society held yesterday, it was decided to hold the annual meeting of the society in the Metropolitan Methodist church on the first Wednesday in March. An interesting programme will be arranged.

A special meeting of the Teachers' Association was held in the Y. M. C. A. hall. The committee appointed at the last meeting submitted a memorial to be presented to the board of school trustees. It embodies the several arguments advanced by the teachers against the reduction of salaries.

R. J. Johnson, late of the Driford bar room, has leased the Garrick's Head Saloon, Bastion street. He has thoroughly renovated the premises and put in a first class stock of liquors and cigars. Mr. Johnson is himself popular, and will no doubt make the Garrick's Head a popular resort.

On Tuesday evening an interesting ceremony was performed, Rev. Solomon Cleaver uniting in marriage Henry Lawrence Gulline and Eleanor Jane Green. The ceremony took place at the home of the father of the bride, Beacon Hill. A number of friends were present, and the presents were numerous. The happy couple left by the Charmer for the east on an extended tour.

Among those who will take part in Madame Laird's concert next Tuesday evening are: Mrs. Clement Lowlands, Miss Lizzie Dobson, Miss Sophie McNiff, Miss Mina Munsey, the choir of St. Andrew's cathedral, Mr. Clemont Rowlands, Mr. W. Ralph Higgins, Mr. Ernest Wolff, L.C.M., Mr. Ernest Pratt and the Citharas club. By request Madame Laird will sing "Il Bacio."

A deputation left Ashcroft this afternoon for Victoria. They are bringing with them a petition signed by over a thousand residents of Cariboo protesting against the use of traction engines on the Cariboo wagon road. The petition is to be laid before the legislature, and the members of the deputation will endeavor to impress upon the members of the legislature the justice of their proposal.

Although Mrs. Heggerty had been seriously ill, her death, which occurred at an early hour this morning, was a serious blow to her many friends in Victoria. The deceased, wife of John Heggerty, was a native of Victoria, aged 35 years. She enjoyed the very best of health until a short time ago, when a surgical operation became necessary and was performed. Besides her husband, Mrs. Heggerty leaves a little daughter, Her father, C. B. Brown, her sister, Mrs. Captain Morrison, and two brothers, reside in the province.

The committee from the school boards of the different cities waited on the council of public instruction this morning and presented the proposed amendments to the School Act adopted at last night's meeting. Several of the trustees advanced reasons why such amendments should be passed. Colonel Baker, replying on behalf of the Council of Public Instruction, acknowledged the importance of the proposed amendments and promised to give them serious consideration.

A moot court, under the auspices of the Law Students' Association, will be held to-night at the law courts building. The action to be tried is that of Hirst vs. Spinner, in which the sum of \$600 is involved. The arguments will be of an interesting nature and will cover a wide range of legal principles, as a discussion of the statute of frauds and the statute of limitations is necessitated by the pleadings. Messrs. Potts, Macrae and A. Kitto will represent the defendant, while Messrs. Davey, J. Murphy and Thomas E. Pooley will look after the interests of the plaintiff. Mr. R. Cassidy will be the judge.

The paragon, 107 Quadra street, was last evening the scene of a pretty wedding. The drawing room, in which the ceremony was performed, was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The consenting parties were Gilbert David Christie and Miss Annie Watchorn. The bride was attired in white silk trimmed with tulle and chiffon, with a good display of orange blossoms. The bride was attended by Miss Currie, of Montreal, who wore pale pink silk. Mr. Hales acted as best man. The presents were costly and numerous. A few of the most intimate friends of the bride were present to witness the interesting event, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. The married couple left this morning for Montreal, where for the next six weeks they will spend their honeymoon. Rev. S. Cleaver performed the ceremony.

Ever on the alert for novelties in the operatic market yet with a desire to give those who love music in its best estate, the highest, W. T. Carleton this season presents Sir Julius Benedict's "Lily of Killarney," a musical version of the "Colleen Bawn." Although a German, Sir Julius had travelled extensively in Ireland and had fully caught the beauties of the Celtic melodic strain, and so thoroughly was he impressed with it, that he decided upon writing an operatic drama characteristic of the Emerald Isle. The result we have in "The Lily of Killarney." It is a simple chain of unlinked melodies, all graceful and pleasing to the ear. Its simplicity and its naivete are most amusing. The "Lily of Killarney" will be presented to-morrow evening and Halfe's charming and ever popular opera, "The Bohemian Girl," on Friday evening, the performance being preceded each evening by the beautiful and amusing comedy, "The Charity Girls," by the late Alfred Collier.

LAW INTELLIGENCE. The trial of Ah Hong and Ah Nok, charged with robbery and wounding, is still going on before Mr. Justice Drake. Joseph Brown came before Mr. Justice Drake in the Speedy Trials Court this morning and pleaded guilty to stealing three revolvers from Landsberg's store on Government street. He was sentenced to one year's imprisonment with hard labor.

Plain, skeleton and bordered mats, also wire mats in all sizes. Weller Bros. Pocket knives, scissors, etc., a specialty at Shore's Hardware.

HALIBUT SHIPMENT. AN INVESTIGATION

Over One Hundred Thousand Pounds Shipped East this Morning.

Steamer Queen Chartered for the Portland-San Francisco Route.

A Tacoma dispatch says: "The owners of the Strathnevis have filed a protest against the payment of \$210 duty on the new wheel for the steamship, which arrived here from England last Monday. The wheel was shipped in bond from New York, and Capt. Pattie did not anticipate that it would be subject to import charges, being designed to be taken out of the country. Deputy Collector Drum, however, ordered the collections made, and a protest was filed by the steamship company. The customs authorities hold that had the wheel been consigned to a foreign port, such as Victoria, and there been placed on the ship, no duty would have been charged. But as it was received in this country and designed for use here on the steamship, it was dutiable as manufactured iron. The case will probably come up to the authorities at Washington City."

New York, Feb. 5.—The local papers say that the Richard Peck, of the New Haven Steamship Company, known as the fastest steamer on the sound, ran foul of the rocks at Whitestone point last night while bound from this city to New Haven. The steamer had a large number of passengers on board, some of whom became frightened and took their chances in falling off the vessel into the rowboats. A number of New Yorkers came down on the 11:25 train over from the Long Island road. At the offices of the company in this city at midnight nothing had been heard of the Peck going aground.

It was ten o'clock before the steamer City of Kingston arrived from the Sound this morning, she having been delayed on the other side by a severe gale. She did not leave again until noon, as there was 120,000 pounds of halibut to be shipped on her. This is one of the largest shipments made by the Victoria Fish Company.

San Francisco, Feb. 5.—Forty per cent reinsurance was offered to-day on the British ship Cadzow Forest, blown off the bar of the Columbia thirty days ago. Great anxiety is felt regarding her. The longest time a vessel has been blown off the bar and afterwards arrived safely is twenty-one days.

The steamer Thistle, Capt. Langley, arrived from the north this morning. On the way down the steamer's propeller was broken by striking some driftwood. The steamer was beached and an extra propeller, which was fortunately on board, was placed in position.

Steamer Queen has been chartered by the O. R. & N. Company to go on the Portland-San Francisco route in place of the Columbia, which lost her rudder off the Columbia river bar on Monday. Luckily there was no wind or heavy sea at the time.

After a 57 days' trip from Iquique, the Chilean ship Lake Lemna arrived in Vancouver this morning in tow of the tug Discovery, which picked her up outside the straits. The Lake Lemna loads lumber at Moodyville.

Tacoma, Feb. 5.—The tramp steamer Arundel, from Yokohama for Tacoma, is expected. She has been out thirty days. The agents here, Balfour, Guthrie & Co., are beginning to grow anxious.

An alarming number of derelicts are shown on the North Pacific pilot chart issued for February. The largest number lie between Cape Flattery and San Francisco.

Lithium, which was recently shown by M. Guntz to absorb nitrogen when heated to below red heat, has been proved by him and by M. Deslandres to absorb it also slowly when cold. The action is analogous to the slow absorption of oxygen by phosphorus, and is unique as a reaction of nitrogen.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.—Small advertisements, set like this paragraph, received up to 4 p.m. Last advertisements must be sent in earlier. "Changes" for standing ads. received up to 11 a.m.

Ald. Macmillan to Move in Regard to the Charges Against the Police.

He Will Ask the Appointment of a Special or Select Committee.

The charges made by Rev. Ralph W. Trotter against members of the police force, in his sermon at the Calvary Baptist Church on Sunday evening, will in all probability be the subject of an investigation. At the next meeting of the council Ald. Macmillan will move the following resolution, notice of which he gave to-day:

"That whereas certain grave charges have been publicly made affecting a question of public morals, and the management of the police department, in reference thereto; that a select or special committee be appointed, as provided for by sections 103 and 104 of the municipal act, to enquire into the working of the police department and the manner in which the laws and regulations for the suppression of vice and crime are, or have been enforced, and to report to the council."

As Mayor Beaven has changed the notice calling a meeting on Friday evening so that any business may be brought up, it is likely that the resolution will be discussed at that meeting. Although the management of the police is vested in the police commissioners, section 104 of the municipal Act gives the council power to "maintain and regulate the police force."

PERSONAL.

C. Spencer returned from Europe last evening. Wm. Baillie, Vancouver, is a guest at the Oriental.

R. Collier returned last evening from the Mainland. Jas. K. Yates returned from the Mainland yesterday.

C. F. Todd was a passenger last evening from Vancouver. James Ramsay, of Ramsay Bros., Vancouver, is in the city.

Richard Cox, Jr., of Seattle, is visiting friends in the city.

H. C. Lucas and wife returned from England last evening.

J. C. Schermhorst, of the Sayward Mill Co., returned from Tacoma this morning.

Phillip Conrad, San Francisco, and E. M. Caldwell, Tacoma, are guests at the New England.

Gilbert M. Sprout, one of the original owners of the townsite of Saulton, arrived from Kootenay this morning.

Dr. Brydson-Jack, wife and child, W. Templeton, Vancouver, and Dr. G. W. Boggs, New Westminster, are at the New England.

J. E. Boss, of Spokane, the well known mining man, is at the Grand. Mr. Boss recently secured control of several promising claims at Anusworth.

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Is the sentence passed by hundreds of good judges upon our Forty Cent Coffee; it is strong and rich in flavor. Try a pound and if it does not suit your taste money will be cheerfully refunded.

Victoria Tea House,

70 Government Street, corner of Trounce Alley.

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About the loss on these Men's Macintosh Coats—don't want to talk about it—just want to get 'em out of our way. You may have the \$15 for \$10, \$12 ones for \$8, \$10 ones for \$6.65 and \$6.50 ones for \$4.50. Cheaper ones if you want 'em at \$2.50.

Cameron, The Cash Clothier,

55 Johnson Street.

What You Like WHICH IS IT.

Best Brandon Rolled Oats, 8 lbs. for 25c. Yankee Pt. Dodge Rolled Oats, 8 lbs. 25c. Breakfast Gem, Pettibone's, per pkg. 15c. Brackman & Ker's Wheat Flakes, 2 pkgs. for 25c. single package, 15c. Hominy, per package, 25c. Pancake Flour, per package, 15c. Germ. Meal and whole Green Peas, Hungarian Flour, \$1.15 and \$1.20. Rolled Oats, cheapest per 9 lb. sack (fresh in). Pratt's Best Oil, \$1.45 per can (keep no other). Priddy's Electric Soap (name on wrapper), 20 bars for 65c. Beardsley's Shredded Codfish, per pkg. 10c.

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R. J. MATTHEWS, Merchant Tailor,

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Only 25c. and 50c.

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A curious exhibit is nothing more nor less than "mummified" plants. It requires a label to inform the people that they are dead.

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These plants are noted for being very tender and susceptible to almost every influence.

Do not suffer from a sick headache a moment longer. It is not necessary.

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Scott's Emulsion, with hypophosphites, is the easiest fat-food baby can have.

Scott & Down, Belleville, Ont.

-We have just received another line of handsome piano lamps, together with a few wrought iron table lamps.

-Wool door mats in crimson, white and gold at Weiler Bros., also a line of sheep and goat skin rugs.

\$25.00 REWARD.

The above reward is hereby offered for such information as shall lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons tampering or interfering in any way with any manhole, ventilator, flush tank, or any part of the sewerage system of the City of Victoria.

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TIME TABLE NO. 27, Taking effect June 21st, 1896.

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TIME TABLE NO. 25. To Take Effect at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 28th, 1895.

Table with columns: GOING NORTH, Daily, Sat'day, A. M., P. M.

Table with columns: GOING SOUTH, Daily, Sat'day, A. M., P. M.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA

FORT STEELE.

Development work is progressing on many prospects in this district, and during the ensuing year there will be quite a large number of mines added to the list of producing mines.

The North Star is all right. As the development of the mine progresses something new may turn up, causing a sensation of wonder as to what the future richness of the mine may be. The new find is wire silver. In running the several drifts lead crystals have been found in considerable quantities, but being so plentiful no particular notice has been taken of them.

The owners of the Midnight are engaged in running a tunnel, with considerable ore in sight. This property is an extension of the North Star on the north, and the indications show that the North Star lead runs through the claim.

Mr. K. O. Jennings has commenced work on the Deane and the All Over. Work has commenced on the new steamboat at Libby Creek, and Captain Miller is superintending the construction of the boat.

It is reported that Captain Tom Flowers will put on a small steamer to run between Fort Steele and Libby.

The contractors engaged in running the tunnel on the Dible property are pushing the work as fast as possible.

Work is progressing rapidly on the lower tunnel in the St. Eugene. It is now in 136 feet, and in about 50 feet more it is expected to strike the main ore chute.

The upper tunnel is in 100 feet and for the entire distance running through solid ore, and 600 tons of concentrating ore on the dump. The company are working ten men during the winter.

Mr. O. S. Frizzell has bought an interest in the Gem mine. The consideration is not known. The Gem is one of the Sullivan group, and is an extension of the Hamlet of the North.

The Banks brothers are at work on the Dardanelles. At present the lead is four feet in width, and is a gold proposition. The tunnel is in some 80 feet.

Hydraulic or placer mining in this district does not seem to attract the attention which it deserves, considering the large areas of auriferous gravel banks which are known to exist on many of the streams flowing through this section of the province and which have been proved to contain gold in paying quantities.

It seems strange that little or no effort is being made towards developing these sources of wealth. With the exception of three companies on Wild Horse creek, and one on the Moric river, there is little being done in this branch of the mining industry. No doubt the present law with regard to leasing has a good deal to do towards retarding progress in this direction, and it would be as well to draw the attention of the government to the matter, urging them to take steps this session to modify the law in some respects, so as to place this ground within the reach of the ordinary individual miner, besides inducing capitalists to invest their money in developing these gold-bearing deposits of gravel.

ROSSLAND.

J. L. Warner, manager of the O. K. mine, announces that the development of the mine is so satisfactory that the company will put in a heavy ten stamp mill this spring. Application was made some time ago for a water right on Little Sheep Creek, with this end in view. The ore has many varieties of the metallic sulphides of iron, lead and copper, exhibiting perfectly the banded arrangement which is characteristic of the ore occurring in true fissure veins. Besides native gold, which is often visible, metallic silver and copper both occur in the ore. A portion of the ore is concentrated and a portion of it is in the form of pure iron sulphide, which is shipped to the smelter. The quartz which is run through the stamp mill yields about \$20 per ton in free gold. The concentrates run all the way from \$50 to \$100 per ton. The sulphide or smelting ore runs from \$80 to \$250 per ton.

The Le Roi, as a result of recent development work, and more especially as a result of prospecting with a diamond drill, has been found to have an ore body which in extent and richness almost passes belief. The ore body at the bottom of the shaft is now opened to a width of fifteen feet with no walls. How wide it really is the management declines to state. There is good reason to believe that they know it exceeds twenty-five feet from what their diamond drill discovered. Last year the mine shipped 12,000 tons of ore, the smelter returns showing a value varying from \$40 to \$60 per ton. Since then 5,000 tons more have been shipped, of which the grade was much higher, while ore recently obtained from the bottom of the shaft has given average returns in carload lots ranging from \$250 per ton up to nearly twice that value. The output of the Le Roi since the first of January has exceeded 100 tons a day and now it is averaging over 125. The miners on the payroll number 125 and 30 men are also employed in getting out cordwood, etc. As the Miner announced a week or two ago, a second dividend of \$50,000 has been declared and it is confidently predicted by the management that they will have no difficulty in meeting monthly dividends in the same amount from now on.

The Homestake mine began shipping ore Thursday. About 20 tons will be shipped daily from now on as long as the roads last.

The Crown Point is working twenty men steadily at development work only. Two drifts are being steadily pushed from the 140 foot level in the shaft and a winch is being sunk from the one hundred foot station on the 65 foot level to connect with the lower workings. The winch and both drifts are all in solid ore of a fair grade.

The War Eagle company has been compelled to lay off thirty miners as the condition of the roads prevented the movement of ore as rapidly as they required. About seventy men are still on the payroll and nearly all of them are employed solely on development work.

Just as we go to press we learn that a telegram has been received conveying the intelligence that the provincial government has by an order-in-council passed on Thursday, accepted the location of the Trail tramway, from Trail up to and through the townsite of Rossland. C. E. Perry, who is chief engineer on the survey of the proposed branch line of the C. P. R. from Rossland to Rossland, said yesterday that work would be begun on that road as soon as the snow was gone. An agent of Mr. Corbin's is reported to have said in the past week that the Red Mountain rail road would be in operation to Rossland before the first of August.

The Trail tramway company, acting on the writ of possession issued by Judge Spinks of the county court at Vernon, has assumed possession of that part of its right of way which runs through the Rossland townsite and has made a beginning of work. It is apparently not making any particular effort to push it, however, probably because it is aware that it may be summarily stopped by the service of the injunction which Mr. Corbin obtained in the supreme court. It has received no official notice yet of the granting of this injunction. Meanwhile it is intimated that it has re-opened negotiations with Mr. Corbin and has some hopes that it will be able to reach an agreement with him.

KASLO.

Mrs. C. B. Taylor is in town. She states that the snowfall at the Washington concentrator, from November 1 to January 2 amounted to 21 feet 2 1/2 inches.

Money must be flush in Sendon. One of the Red Curtain Sisters in that burg gave a dance last week, and realized \$250.50 from the sale of two and a half gallons of whiskey, 30 bottles of beer, 57 cigars, and eight packages of coffee.

Acting for Otto Stalman, of Salt Lake City, J. E. Ross has recently bonded, in the Ainsworth district, the United, Alpha, Union, Tenderfoot, Old Timer, and Glengarry. Payments for most of these claims extend over a period of eighteen months. Stalman is also after several claims in the Slocan, and as he has plenty of money behind him he can procure what he wants.

It would seem that the government of Canada, for some reason, does not want to encourage the manufacture of cigars in Kootenay. Holland Bros, recently rented a building in Kaslo for the purpose of manufacturing cigars. A \$2000 stock of leaf tobacco was shipped to them from Chicago on January 17, and they fully expected to obtain a permit to do business. This week Mr. Miller, the inland revenue officer at Vancouver, informed them that no license to manufacture cigars in Kootenay could be granted, and that his decision was final, for the present. This is one way of encouraging home industry that is not approved of by the majority of people in this community.

NELSON.

The collector of customs and his one clerk work every day in the month and put in from ten to eighteen hours a day, and yet they are unable to keep up with the business of the office. This is unfair, not only to the great district of which Nelson is the port, but to Collector Johnstone. The Dominion government does not expend a dollar in Kootenay outside of salaries for officials, and the total paid for salaries is only a small percentage of the sum collected for duties. The port of this district should not only have a custom house, but enough clerks to transact the business of the district in reasonable working hours. Last month the collections were \$18,282.66, and the value of the dutiable goods imported was \$66,975.

The Hall Mines, Limited, is having trouble with its plant. The water jacket of the furnace was found to be so defective that Superintendent Johnson thought it advisable to close down for a few days in order to make repairs. The jacket was sent out to Spokane and new tubes have been ordered from Salt Lake. For the seven days ending last Saturday 720 tons of Silver King ore were smelted, and it is claimed that 120 tons a day can be run through the furnace once a good quality of coke can be procured, the coke now being used containing too great a percentage of silica. A cargo of Welsh coke is afloat for the smelter, and unless a good quality of coke is made on Vancouver Island by the Dunsmuirs, Welsh coke will be used altogether.

The Kaslo & Slocan railway may have some detentions, but no one will dispute the energy with which the management endeavors to surmount every difficulty. It spares neither labor nor expense to afford an efficient service. When it has a clear track, the ore is brought forward in a manner that must be satisfactory. The following are the deliveries for the week at the Kaslo station:

Table with 2 columns: Mine Name, Pounds. Includes Slocan Star mine (150,000), Goodenough mine (33,000), Washington (31,500), Robert E. Lee mine (43,000), Payne group of mines (146,670), Dunsmuir mine (122,500), Northern Belle mine (109,350), Noble Five mines (121,840), East Chance mine (90,000), Wellington mine (126,024), Ruth mine (54,000), Black Fox mine (8,550), Gibson mine (18,570).

This makes a total of 670 tons. During one day of twenty-four hours, when the road was clear of snow, the delivery amounted to over 350 tons. The larger portion of ore goes to Great Falls, and the balance to Everett and Omaha. The Black Fox and Gibson are on the south fork of Kaslo creek, and these are the first shipments from the mines in that vicinity.

Rheumatism is caused by lactic acid in the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla neutralizes this acid and cures rheumatism.

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COMMUNICATIONS

ANOTHER KICK FROM A "HAY SEED."

To the Editor:—I am very much pleased to see that some of your readers have promptly and energetically protested against the gratuitous action of the small body (small both numerically and mentally) of self-constituted "Game Protection Association," as reported in your and other provincial papers. That a very limited number of city residents should attempt to annul the law, and try to enforce their limited ideas upon the many thousands of hard-working and hard-landed settlers throughout the province, is, in my humble opinion, the height of cheek. In my rural experience of our city sportsmen (with a few honorable exceptions) they are the worst of law breakers, when they do us the honor to trespass upon our private lands, break down our fences, shoot our game, and our barnyard fowls. What do the majority of these individuals know of the life history, or habits, or appearance of the various varieties of the feathered or furred game? Can they distinguish in the heavy undergrowth of salal thickets between a yearling steer and a yearling buck? For such noble sportsmen to presume to "petition, and recommend, and humbly pray" that "the house in their wisdom assembled, should tinker with the laws, annually, to suit their caprices from their offices, is availing too much of the "Three Tooley street tailors." "We, the people of England, here assembled," "The G. P. A. hereby request, that a gun license should be enforced," "that a right of search in any place and on private property" also be allowed. Rot of the worst description! As well demand a license from a rancher for owning a chopping axe; the one is as essential as the other. I am too poor to afford a gun license how am I to protect myself from the many marauders that lay in wait for my poultry? Must I spend the day heaving rocks at the hawks and crows; and must I sit up all night to "shoo" off the coons; and for my orchard and early marrows—will moral suasion keep away the deer and bluejays?

And the riot of search, I am afraid that the position of a game constable would in many cases not be an enviable one, even with all the inducements to energy that \$75 per month and half the penalties would give to the official. There are some ill-natured individuals in this district who would decidedly and emphatically kick (the constable) if they found (when coming home to prepare their frugal midday meal) a two-legged creature overhauling their henyard to see what the bill of fare was to be. Would city people stand such inquisitorial visitations at the instance of a minute fraction of the rural population? Again, how could the license be equally enforced? The rural districts are settled with a permanent population, and they would be included in every case, but the wanderer around the islands and coast, the beach comber, the city casuals (during the shooting season) would escape. The settler who had raised the game and fed it, must pay for shooting his own property; but the member of the G. P. A. with his accoutrements, knickerbockers, monocle, "scatter gun and smell dog" chronometer and patent medicine almanac, would, in most cases, escape. That is another clause which is amusingly absurd. You will not have forgotten the case of the unfortunate sport who was fined last year for shooting a mud hen (a little one) at about twenty minutes after the sun had set. The energetic constable got half the fine. Now, Mr. Editor does it take the wisdom of Solomon to know that the greatest damage by deer to our orchards and crops is after sun down? And, unless we see the animals on our side of the orchard fence, we cannot touch them if it is after almanac time. Will a gun license include a chronometer and almanac free? Another bright idea of forty years ago. Trespass notices to each forty acres of enclosed land be required. Why in the name of common sense are they required for enclosed land? If a man climbs over a stake and rider fence, or between four strands of barbed wire, he surely does not need a club and burly rancher to drive it into his skull that he is upon private property. Do the members of that sapient society imagine that fences are native to the soil? Your correspondent from Cowichan asks the nail on the head when he says "stop the sale of game." If these law tinkers want sport, let them lease or buy land for themselves, but not be forever annoying the farmers with their cursed nonsense. A HAY SEED.

THE DUTY OF CITY SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

To the Editor: Section 33 of the School Act reads as follows: "The board of trustees shall have power and it shall be its duty to provide sufficient school accommodation and tuition free of charge to all children in the district between six and sixteen years of age inclusive, etc." Section 5 of the rules provides that pupils after passing the entrance examination into a high school shall not be received as pupils into the graded schools of such district.

Now where do the trustees propose to educate those pupils, free of charge, who are yet under seventeen, and who were clever enough to pass into the high school? Sufficient tuition must be provided free of charge to all the pupils attending the high school and who are yet under seventeen, somewhere. Where, at present, could they get sufficient tuition outside of the high school?

Again, as Mayor Beaven points out in his letter to the board, pupils whose parents own property in the city cannot be compelled to pay any fee, as it would be dual taxation, which is unconstitutional.

Again, Section 38 of the School Act states that the board must make provision for those pupils who find it beyond their means to pay the tuition fees, so they may attend the high school either without fee or at some smaller fee.

Will the trustees insist upon the principal collecting fees from all pupils in the face of such clear evidence that it would be unjust and unconstitutional?

Section 24 of the School Act is as follows: "The board of school trustees shall, on or before the first day of February of each year, cause to be prepared a detailed estimate of the sums required by the board for the current year's ordinary expenses of maintaining the

schools as they exist at the time of the making of such estimate, etc., etc."

Has the board done this? No, evidently not. At the time of making the estimates, the teachers were receiving the same salaries as they had been for several months. The duty of the trustees was to prepare the estimates as the schools were at the time—without any cut in salaries. At the time of their preparing the estimates, the high school had three assistants; they make provision for two only, and at a salary lower than that of a graded school teacher, so that it is quite clear that the trustees have not prepared the estimates for maintaining the schools as they existed at the time of the making of the estimates.

The Municipal Reform Association is too honorable a body to ask or to expect the school trustees to do anything which is contrary to law, to justice, or to the city's fair fame. May we not expect that the trustees will now acknowledge their mistake, and do their duty as it is pointed out in the School Act. BARRISTER.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF.

To the Editor: Noticing of late quite a lot of criticism with regard to Chief Desny, of the Victoria fire department, I might state that I am a native born citizen of Victoria, B.C., and have known the chief when a boy in the old volunteer brigade and I don't think any one did his work any more faithfully than he did. I have also been under the chief for three years, and in that time never have known him to miss a fire unless called to duty otherwise—I mean fire duty outside of the hearing of the bell—in that space of time. I have never known any of the engineers to be from their post of duty when called on. I might state in closing that the citizens of Victoria ought to be glad to have a sober, temperate man, as their chief. Such a man can always be relied upon.

PHINEAS MANSON, Ex-fireman.

A QUERY.

To the Editor: Section 30 of the Public School Act states "That trustees shall serve without emolument or reward and shall not be interested directly or indirectly in any contract authorized by the board of trustees. The board of trustees authorizes the Victoria Telephone Company, of which Trustee R. B. Mc-Micking is manager, to place phones in the different schools and in trustees' residences. For this purpose an estimate of \$500 was recently passed by the board of trustees. Is Trustee Mc-Micking directly or indirectly interested in the Victoria Telephone Company? Is he disqualified? AJAX.

Throw Away His Canes.

Mr. D. Wiley, ex-postmaster, Black Creek, N. Y., was so badly affected with rheumatism that he was only able to hobble around with canes, and even then it caused him great pain. After using Chamberlain's Pain Balm he was so much improved that he threw away his canes. He said this balm did him more good than all other medicines and treatment put together. For sale at 75 cents a bottle by all druggists, Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

HE BEGGED TO BE HANGED.

A Tramp Prefers the Cold Rope to the Cold Jail.

Lincoln, Ill., Feb. 5.—The finale in the McAfee murder case was a surprise to all, even to those who had been convinced of the guilt of Giles from the day of his arrest. The tramp had maintained his innocence until Saturday, and many believed him, throwing the guilt on a person from here. But a query from his sister, Mrs. Hough, brought forth a confession. This was repeated in court, after which Giles told his own story. He claimed that a revelation from God had commanded him to form a new sect, and after reading the book of Mormon he became convinced that this was the doctrine he sought. It was while still with this idea in his mind that he came to this vicinity. On the fatal Sabbath day he passed the home of the honest old farmer, who fed him the morning before. He said that an irresistible impulse overcame him then, and he jumped over the fence and shot Mr. McAfee as he stood shaking the crumbs out of the table cloth. The tracks of Giles were closely followed to the city limits, and his worn satchel found beside them, but no trace of the pistol could be found. In his confession, Giles told how he hid it in the cornfield as he fled and had carefully patted down the earth to conceal the hiding place. Still claiming that he had fulfilled his mission with God, he asked the court to give him the death penalty in preference to imprisonment.

Judge Herdman, however, could only leave the sentence of the jury, which sends Joseph L. Giles to the penitentiary for seventeen years.

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The Seattle Post-Intelligencer of yesterday has the following in regard to the new lumber trust:

In principle and in methods the new organization, which is to be known as the Central Lumber Company of San Francisco, does not differ materially from its predecessor, the Pacific Pine Lumber Company. But the new company is far more complete than the old, and it is greatly strengthened by the fact that the very mills on the Sound which stood as obstacles in the path of the Pacific Pine Lumber Company are now members of the Central. All lumbermen know what a dangerous competitor the old company had in the St. Paul and Tacoma mill, which was able to load a cargo at short notice, and in the Stinson mill at Ballard. In order to appreciate the extent and magnitude of the compact which went into effect Saturday, the reader has but to glance at the following table, which shows the Washington, Oregon and British Columbia mills represented, with their capacity in feet per day:

Tacoma and Tacoma Lumber Co.	250,000
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Stetson & Post Mill Co., Seattle	60,000
A. S. Kerry	50,000
L. Burlingame Co.	50,000
Port Blakely Mill Co.	300,000
Stinson Mill Co., Ballard	150,000
Puget Lumber Co., Fort Gamble (four mills)	500,000
Port Discovery Mill Co.	100,000
Patison & Brown	60,000
British Columbia Mills, Timber & Trading Co., Vancouver	150,000
Mosleyville Sawmill Co., Limited	80,000
M. M. Boyd Co., Cowichan	60,000
Brunette Sawmill Co., New Westminster	100,000
Northwestern Lumber Co., Hazelton	140,000
J. M. Weatherwax Lumber Co.	100,000
Green	100,000
West & Slade Mill Co., Aberdeen	60,000
E. K. Wood Lumber Co., Hoquiam	60,000
Gray's Harbor Commercial Co., Comopols	100,000
Northwestern Lumber Co., South Bend	100,000
Northwestern Lumber Co., Kamlay	50,000
Sun	60,000
Sunshine Mill Co., Sunshine	60,000
Clatsop Mill Co., Astoria	60,000
Staman, Paulsen & Co., Portland	140,000
North Pacific Lumber Co., Portland	140,000
Williamette Steam Mill, Lumber and Manufacturing Co., Portland	140,000
Gardner Mills Co., Coos bay	80,000
Total	3,520,000
*Oregon Pine Lumber Co.	

It may well be imagined that this vast organization has not been completed without a long, patient, persevering struggle. The precise terms and conditions on which it is based are not meant for the public. It is pretty well understood that the office in New York city, formerly occupied by the Pacific Pine Lumber Company, will be the eastern office of the Central.

The advance of \$2 on lumber which was announced from Port Townsend on Saturday night caused a great deal of comment yesterday. A question which was at once suggested was, will this advance affect the price of logs? In answer to this, there is a diversity of opinion among those whose opinions are worth anything. Even those who do not believe that such an advance will raise the price of logs expressed themselves yesterday as being convinced that the strengthening of the lumber market would, by the natural laws of trade, help the cause of the loggers.

The relation between the loggers and the lumbermen are extremely complicated. Some of the mills have logging facilities of their own, and hence are not wholly dependent on loggers for their supply. At the same time it is known that some of this very class of mills have done their logging work at a loss. On the other hand, few of the loggers have disengaged capital enough to think of embarking in the mill business on their own account. Even if this should be done in a few isolated cases, or jointly by a loggers' association, it could not be done on such a scale as to utilize the entire supply of logs.

It will be seen, therefore, that while a sharp line of distinction has been drawn between the two industries, they are more or less dependent on each other. At present neither is inclined to make war on each other, and perhaps it is not putting it too strongly to say that neither is very much disposed toward co-operating with the other, at least so far as any organic connection is concerned.

The loggers are going ahead quietly, prosecuting their work of organization week by week. They expect by March 1 to have their business as a whole in more systematic shape than it has ever been. It will not be part of their plan to levy on the mill men for an advance in price, but it is in the wind that they may curtail the supply so as to avoid glutting the market, and thus indirectly prevent the loss at which so many logs have been cut.

A Port Townsend dispatch to the same paper says: "The formation of the Pacific Lumber trust brings to the surface a contemplated effort of the Central Lumber Company to compete in foreign markets with lumber shipped from the Baltic Sea and the southern coast of the United States. In the past year or two Puget Sound lumbermen have built up a profitable trade with South Africa. Then exporters of Mobile and Pensacola invaded the field, and have more recently orders for several millions of feet of lumber, originating in the Pacific Coast product. To systematically con-

pete for this trade is one of the principal objects of the lumber trust. Another field for competition is Australia, where Baltic lumber has strong footholds. On the River Platte and in European markets similar conditions exist. To cover a portion of the trade the lumber manufacturers decided that a concerted effort is necessary, and agents will soon be dispatched to those centres to sell cargoes of lumber."

MAYOR'S OPINION.

Motion Granting an Extension to Walkeley, King & Casey Indefinite.

He Will Ask the Council on Friday Evening to Reconsider It.

Mayor Beaven is of opinion that the resolution passed at Monday evening's meeting of the council, giving Messrs. Walkeley, King & Casey further time in which to complete their contract for the water works at Elk Lake, is rather indefinite. He will, consequently, at Friday evening's meeting of the council, ask the aldermen to reconsider the resolution, and in doing so, will present a report, explaining why he considers this necessary.

The motion which the mayor considers indefinite was to the effect, that Mr. Jorgensen's report be adopted and the contractors be granted an extension of time. Nothing was said about the length of time that was to be granted Mr. Jorgensen, in his report, said: "Taking all the above circumstances into consideration, and with due regard to the conditions in the contract, I have arrived at the opinion that an extension should be given to the 31st of March, this year, for the completion of the works comprised under this contract." But there are other details that, in the opinion of the mayor, should have been dealt with in the resolution. For instance, he thinks the council should have said whether they wished clause 28 of the contract, referring to the employment of resident labor, enforced. Besides this the mayor in his report presented on Monday evening, asked to be advised of the wishes of the council as to the payment of \$2,735.35 due to the contractors. This was overlooked in the resolution granting the extension of time, in fact nothing was said as to terms on which the extension was granted. However, this will all be straightened out at Friday's meeting, a majority of the council being in favor of extending the time.

NEW OFFICES.

Old Presbyterian Church Being Refitted for the Province Company.

The old Presbyterian church at the corner of Gordon and Courtney streets, recently purchased by Mr. Archer Martin, is fast losing its orthodox appearance, for it is now undergoing a radical transformation, it having been leased to the Province Publishing Company, for whom Mr. Martin is fitting it up. The building is practically converted into a substantial two storey brick, an entirely new second floor, placed on heavy trussed girders and strong supports, having been built about midway between the main ceiling and the ground floor. On the front portion of this floor will be the editor's office, proof-reading department, etc., which are easily reached by a cunningly devised spiral staircase, while the rear portion will be for artists, engravers, etc., on which is located the stock room and elevator, alongside of which is a dog-leg staircase leading to a spacious newly constructed stone basement.

The ground floor has been thoroughly strengthened to accommodate very heavy machinery. On a portion of this floor will be situated a printing office 48x74 feet and a neat little foreman's office. In the front portion, entering from the vestibule, is the general office, which contains a large fireproof vault, built of brick. On the right of this is the directors' room; on the left is the office of the manager, the floor of whose room is about three feet from the ground floor the better to observe the business of the establishment. There will be an abundance of daylight everywhere. All the old narrow gothic windows have been replaced by larger ones and of a more modern style, plate glass being predominant where it is most needed. The entire building will be heated with steam, the plant of which will be in the basement. The elevator will be run by an electric motor. The building is to be well supplied with electric lights, gas, speaking and pneumatic tubes, lavatory and toilet accommodations to the latest sanitary laws, and various other modern conveniences and improvements, which will make it when finished one of the best establishments of the kind in British Columbia. The whole of this work is under the supervision of Architect A. C. Ewart. The general contractor is Thomas Catterall, the well known builder. Mr. E. J. Nott is putting in the heating and plumbing. The building is now at a standstill waiting for the plaster to dry. The work has been and will be again in a few days pushed with all possible alacrity, the building having been fairly alive with skilled mechanics of the different branches, the intention being to have the work completed before the end of the present month.

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CAUSE FOR REJOICING.

Richardson Was Blind, But Can See All Right Now.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 5.—James S. Richardson, of 308 Tenth street, this city, has just passed through a remarkable experience. He had been blind for five years in his right eye and was gradually losing the sight of his left eye. Yesterday while bathing his left eye the sight of his right eye suddenly returned to him and now he can see as well as ever out of the optic that was supposed to have been permanently destroyed. Mr. Richardson's case is puzzling the doctors. They told him that he would become totally blind in time, but now he has reason to believe that he will recover his eyesight. Yesterday Richardson was carefully bathing his left eye. As he finished and was covering the good eye a flash of light appeared before the right eye. The left eye was carefully bandaged up and then Richardson operated with the blind eye. He held a newspaper up to the light and the black line across the page gradually loomed up until Richardson could read.

"I can see; I can see!" he shouted. Mrs. Richardson, somewhat alarmed over the excitement of her husband, rushed into the room.

"What in the world is the matter, James?" she asked.

"Why, I can see; I can see!" he shouted again.

Mrs. Richardson now realized that a great change had come over her husband. She wanted a test made, so she carefully shut the light from the left eye and then the husband was asked to read the paper. For the first time in five years he read the news of the day with his right eye.

THE FRENCH CASHIER.

She Is Well Paid, Well Fed and Has Few Expenses.

The Paris correspondent of "Truth," in urging the advantages of the decimal system as taught in France, points out the benefit French women have obtained from it. This he considers a small, but not unimportant, English women are not more than those of their sisters across the channel. There is a national system of arithmetic. There are thousands of feminine book-keepers in Paris. One finds them also in the Bank of France. Women have practically a book-keeping monopoly in restaurants and cafes, and as the world goes the dame du comptoir is really well off. She is employed in precisely the same manner. The Bank of England has opened its doors to them, postoffice employes, and women accountants are to be found in plenty of business houses and restaurants.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—P. J. Smith, J. Hansen, J. Spencer, Buchanan, J. C. Voss, E. Dooze, J. S. Yates, C. Blumquist, R. Collier, J. Wilson, J. P. Todd, Wm. Watson, J. McGregor, Dr. J. W. Boggs, F. S. Fisher, W. J. Armstrong, Dr. Brydon Jack, and wife, W. Bailey, H. J. Healey, Mrs. Elston, R. Wood, R. W. Blackburn, R. Kovran, H. Lucas, Mrs. Lucas, J. Burgess, A. T. Miller.

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Per City of Kingston from the Sound—J. C. Leonard, Valo & Brooks, M. Exley, F. B. Cooper, Valo & Brooks, S. Leiser & Co., Wilson Bros., McMillan & Hamilton, S. White & Co., A. Lapierre, J. & A. Clearburn.

"You advertise to pull teeth without pain for 50 cents," growled the victim, "and here you not only half pulled my head off, but want me to give you a dollar. What do you mean by it?"

"I charged you that extra 50 cents for yelling so," replied the dentist, "because you drove away all the possible customers within four blocks."

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"Every experience of your life, my friend," said the solemn-faced visitor at the jail, "is for you to make the right use of it. Utter no complaint. Bear your punishment in silence. Take things as you find them."

"I allus do," said the dejected yag-bag behind the bars. "That's how I got here."

DIED.

BELLHATCHET.—At Jubilee hospital, on Monday, 3rd inst., George Bellhatchet, aged 56 years, a native of Devonshire, England.

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THE SEA IN HARNESS.

Marvelous Invention Which May Revolutionize Shipbuilding.

A new invention, which promises to revolutionize the coastwise freight carrying trade of the world, was successfully tested in Providence a few days ago. A number of the leading men in local financial circles were present at the test, and all were enthusiastic at the success of the device.

While many of the foremost inventors have been spending years in attempting to harness Niagara falls, an old sailor has succeeded in harnessing the ocean, and, if one may judge by the success of the model, it will not be long before the cost of fuel will be one of the smallest items in the expense of running a freight steamer. At present the inventor, George W. Price, has no intention of applying his invention to the use of ocean grayhounds, but an attempt will be made to use it upon the slower Atlantic steamers.

The invention is nothing more nor less than the utilization of the forces of the motive power for craft at sea. If there are any two things of which there is an overabundance on the ocean, they are air and motion, and the inventor has succeeded in obtaining his motive power from these simple factors, by an ingenious device of using a swinging cargo attached to air compressors in such a manner that every motion of the vessel, however slight, whether pitching or heaving, sets a means to compress the air, which being conveyed to an ordinary upright boiler, quickly attains the necessary amount of pressure, which is then used to start the engine, and the propeller or twin screws send the craft riding over the waves.

The details of the device are simple. The air compressors are housed on the deck, and any motion of the water forces the air into them by means of a piston. In a vessel of 2,000 tons only two cubic feet of the space would be used, and in this space there would be a large steel compartment, which would be hung on trunnions in such a manner as to meet every motion of the waves. In this 1,000 tons of the cargo would be housed, so that the cargo would provide its own motive power, the turning of a screw being all that is needed to regulate the speed.

As yet the inventor has devised no scheme for storing the air, so it would be necessary for vessels to get up steam when entering harbor. The test, however, has been demonstrated that the invention can be used with the greatest success at any point not less than two miles from shore.

Mr. Price has also succeeded in putting his invention to other uses. As was demonstrated, the same power can be used to run a dynamo by which the boat can be lighted by electricity, and to run the donkey engine with which the sails are hoisted and lowered.

The invention is one of plain mechanics, the force of weight and the power of the ocean having been used to furnish the motive power. It is estimated that the cost of placing this complete device in an ordinary boat will not exceed \$5,000. It can be used in any large or small sailing vessel.

All of the stock in the present company has already been taken by Providence capitalists, and New York and Boston financiers are already considering the advisability of forming a syndicate to control the ship-companies in this country and Europe. The company has already been capitalized for \$250,000, but the secret of the invention has been kept so close until the public test was made in Narragansett bay. The working model is seven feet long and built like an ordinary barge. It is supplied with a swinging cargo and ordinary rudder and propeller.

The inventor, George W. Price, was born in Smithtown, New York, Jan. 14, 1850. On March 14, 1864, he made his first voyage as a cabin boy, and from that time until June last year he followed the sea. On September 4, 1876, he was wrecked on the steamer Seneca, from San Francisco to Liverpool. He has also been in the United States revenue service, and his last position was first mate on the Benjamin F. Poole.

For more than ten years Mr. Price has worked upon his invention, but early last year he made a practical demonstration of the device, and it was so successful that he decided to leave the sea and perfect his plans. His first step was to obtain the support of local capitalists, and being a skillful mechanic he took charge of the work of building his model, which was done at the works of the Crutchshank company in Providence. Mr. Price does not claim that his invention will at present make more than 7 to 12 miles an hour, so while it would be of little value to the fast ocean steamers, the great saving in fuel and running expenses will make it of inestimable value to the slower ocean steamers, and the freight and other vessels that are engaged in the coastwise trade. It is to be placed on the market at once.—New York Journal.

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