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JUDGE ADDRESSES GRAND JURY OF NEW YORK

Action of Insurance Companies Criminal if Intended to Deprive True Owner of Property.

New York, March 23.—If the grand jury which is investigating some of the conditions developed by the recent legislative investigation find that the contributions of the insurance fund to political campaign committees were made with intent to deprive the true owner of his property, they must find that the crime of larceny was committed. This opinion was expressed today by Judge O'Sullivan in the court of general sessions in answer to a presentation on the subject submitted to him by the grand jury.

Judge O'Sullivan added that it is not within the province of the court to say whether this was intent. That is a question the jurors may decide for themselves from all the facts and circumstances in the case. He charged the jury to make a thorough investigation into all the facts and to place responsibility for such crimes, if they find that crimes were committed. You are not to go seeking for shelter as an excuse to avoid an unpleasant duty," he said.

This is an opinion, in effect, directly opposite to one on the same subject which was given by District Attorney Jerome several days ago.

Mr. Jerome, in his brief, which was submitted to Judge O'Sullivan, held that there was no ground for prosecution of any insurance official in connection with the campaign contributions, taking the ground that no intent to defraud had been shown. Judge O'Sullivan agrees with the contention of the district attorney that intent must have been present to constitute the crime of larceny, but declares that the question whether there was intent is a question which is yet to be determined.

Mr. Jerome was in court today when Judge O'Sullivan declared his opinion, and when the judge had finished the district attorney asked the grand jury to remain, as he desired to address them upon the subject in question. He declared that Judge O'Sullivan had misconceived the subject which he had considered, and that if the court held to its opinion it would be the duty of the district attorney to return indictments against George W. Perkins, former vice-president of the New York Life Insurance Company, for larceny, and against George B. Cortelyou, chairman, and Cornelius Bliss, treasurer of the Republican campaign committee, for receiving stolen goods.

Mr. Jerome told Judge O'Sullivan that if he would sit as a magistrate he would submit affidavits and would ask for a warrant for Mr. Perkins' arrest. After a warrant had been issued a writ of habeas corpus would follow and the case would be taken to the highest court, where the district attorney would retain Alton B. Parker as special counsel.

Judge O'Sullivan declined to grant the warrant, giving as his reason that the question at issue should be passed upon by the grand jury.

Judge O'Sullivan, in his charge to the grand jury, said in part: "Contributing to a political party is not necessarily a crime. It may be, and you may presume it to be, an innocent transaction between individuals, and

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possibly certain corporations may contribute to anything else and be guiltless, but they may contribute in such a manner as to render the transaction criminal. You are to inquire if in this case an act prohibited by law has been committed with the intent, which makes it a crime. Your question assumes that the intent governing the contribution to the state political party was to ingratiate the said corporation in favor with the political party, that is, to secure the enactment of legislation which would injuriously affect the pecuniary interests of said corporation, or would secure legislation which would advance the pecuniary interests of the corporation, or would at least prevent the enactment of legislation which would injuriously affect the pecuniary interests of said corporation or hostile investigation of its affairs. Without going into the apparently questionable nature of such purposes, you cannot infer intent, good or bad, before inquiring into the facts and circumstances surrounding the transaction. But if intent to deprive or defraud the true owner of his property be established, then you may find that the crime of larceny has been committed. It is not within the province of the court to say whether it was intended. That is for you gentlemen to determine from all the facts and circumstances in the case. If you find circumstances tending to deprive or mislead persons having a beneficial or financial interest in the property so disposed of, you may consider that with regard to intent.

"If in order to conceal a misappropriation of property an officer or other person in the employment of a corporation falsifies any account or other writing belonging to, or pertaining to, business of, the corporation, he is guilty of forgery under section 14 of the penal code. If you find evidence revealing such a condition, you may consider that with regard to intent to disposing of corporate funds."

Suing Ex-President. New York, March 23.—The first complaint of series of eight actions already begun by the Mutual Life Insurance Company against ex-President H. A. McCurdy, his son Robert H., and the firm of Charles H. Raymond & Co., the company's former Metropolitan agents, was made public today.

This particular complaint is against ex-President McCurdy, and contains nine separate causes of action, each charging McCurdy with the waste of large sums of money belonging to the company, through alleged unfaithfulness and neglect of duty.

The first five cases seek recovery in the aggregate of \$22,500 as alleged contributions to political parties in violation of law, and \$40,000 in 1896; \$25,000 in 1899; and \$40,000 in 1904, to the national Republican campaign committee; \$2,500 in 1904, to the Republican congressional committee, and \$200,000, embracing the various contributions testified by Senator Platt to have been made to the Republican state committee since January 1st, 1895. These payments are said to have been "unlawful and imprudent," and authorized and permitted by ex-President McCurdy, through want of ordinary care and diligence.

The six, the cause seeks to recover \$225,000, embracing the \$50,000 alleged increase of annual salaries drawn by the ex-president, January 1st, 1901, without authority, as is claimed, and under circumstances shown in testimony taken in the Armstrong commission.

The seventh cause seeks to recover \$200,000 as the aggregate of the respective sums of \$25,000 drawn quarterly from the company, for the last six years of Mr. McCurdy's presidency, on the voucher of the committee on expenditures. The eighth cause deals with the relation of Louis A. Thoburn, son-in-law of ex-President McCurdy, with Raymond and company and the gratuities and rates of commission received by the firm. The final clause deals with the sum of \$1,282,841, received by Robert H. McCurdy as commissions from 1897 to November, 1905, as superintendent of the foreign department and charges, that by reason of unfaithfulness and neglect by the ex-president the commissions had been allowed at rates which the enormous increase in the foreign business had

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rendered exorbitant and unnecessary. Finally the company demanded judgment against ex-President McCurdy for \$2,500,000 with interest and damages for alleged unfaithfulness and neglect.

"BILLY" HULEN MISSING. Not Heard From Since He Left Yreka For Seattle Three Weeks Ago.

"Billy" Hulen, the well-known baseball player, is missing, not having been heard of since he left Yreka for Seattle three weeks ago, says a dispatch from Suisun, Cal. Hulen's relatives in Suisun and Dixon are greatly alarmed, and a dispatch received here from Hulen's wife in Ashland, Ore., said that she also had not heard from him for the same length of time. About four months ago Hulen went to Kiskiyou county, where he located a placer claim, and he, with his nephew, George Cripps, of Suisun, and Lou Hanke, of Dixon, worked on it up to the latter part of February, when Hulen told Cripps that he had to go to Seattle at once on business. The mine is about 25 miles from Yreka, and Hulen rode horseback to that place, where he purchased a ticket to Seattle. Information has been received that he did not get off at Ashland, but went through to Seattle. He told Cripps that he would be back in about a week, and his visit was said to be for the purpose of securing capital for development of the claim. Hulen was always prompt in his correspondence, and never absented himself without apprising his relatives of his whereabouts. He was on the best terms with his wife.

During his career as a professional baseball player he saved a few thousand dollars, some of which he invested in property in Ashland. He was one of the best known baseball men in the state.

DEADLOCK CONTINUES. Coal Operators and Miners Fail to Reach Agreement.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 23.—The deadlock between the coal operators and miners of the central competitive and the southwestern district continued today throughout the meetings of the two joint-scale committees and when the meetings adjourned till tomorrow no agreement had been reached on the wage scale. The differences then seemed as far from adjustment as ever.

The discussion in the scale committee of the central competitive district today was confined to arguments among the operators and radical differences of views were heatedly expressed by them. An effort was made to secure from President Mitchell, of the mine workers, an expression as to whether he held the Ryan resolution to be in effect. This resolution was adopted by the former joint conference in January, and binds the miners not to sign in any district until an agreement had been reached in every district. Mr. Mitchell declined to commit himself.

F. L. Robbins, of the western Pennsylvania operators, was the target today for several vigorous attacks on his position in favor of paying the scale of 1905, which would mean an advance of 5.5 per cent. in wages in the district and would comply with the demands of the miners.

One of the most heated of the attacks was made by J. B. Zerbe, of Cleveland, who spoke for the Ohio operators. After paying his respects to Mr. Robbins, Mr. Zerbe talked to the representatives of the miners and said: "For the mere consideration of dollars and cents, no strike can be justified and under no circumstances can any strike be derived thereby for outbalancing the misery endured, the human energy wasted and the property destroyed. With you it can be only a question of dollars and cents."

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### OVER THE TEA TABLE

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Miss Cullen, of Spokane, is visiting with her friend Mrs. E. V. Bodwell, of Rockland avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Harvey, who spent the winter in California, are moving into their house on Boyd street, James Bay. While they were away the house was occupied by Mr. Musgrave, who has bought Mr. George Mesher's house on Dallas road.

Mr. and Mrs. Seward have returned from California.

Mrs. W. E. Oliver and her little daughter have returned from the old country, where they were staying with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ward. Mr. and Mrs. Duncan MacLaren accompanied Mrs. Oliver out and are now staying at Oak Bay.

Mrs. Cuthbert Worsfold has returned to New Westminster after staying a few days here with her mother, Mrs. Charles.

Captain Freeman, Mrs. Little and Miss Lacey Little, who have been for the last three months in Boston, are expected back in Victoria in the course of a few days.

Judge and Mrs. Cornwall, Ashcroft and their son-in-law, Mr. George Barclay, arrived in town Thursday night. The judge is ill in St. Joseph's hospital.

Appropos of the proposed marriage of Princess Epa and her pretended conversion to another faith Professor Goldwin Smith in a very caustic view, and ends up with this sentence: "People whose faith in these times of doubt and agitation is wavering, and who are too careless to reason deeply, will leap to the conclusion that religious conviction in high places is a sham, and that the faith of the educated classes is bridge."

The Young Ladies' Luncheon Club had their weekly luncheon on Wednesday at the hostess.

The lecture on "Poets of the Day" on Tuesday at the Alexandra Club by Rev. H. Gowen, of Seattle, was a great success from a literary standpoint, and also in regard to the attendance. The Lieutenant-Governor presided, and on Wednesday Mr. Gowen was a guest at luncheon at Government House.

Mrs. Blandy (nee Miss Violet Vernon) of Halifax, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Vernon. Captain Blandy has been stationed for a year at Halifax, but expects to leave soon for the old country. Mrs. Blandy will accompany him. She made the trip to the coast in company with Mrs. Oliver.

Dr. George Black, head surgeon of the Children's hospital in Toronto, is

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spending a vacation here with his mother on the Dallas road.

Miss Ida Cambie and Miss Gertrude Caudle, who have been staying with Mrs. Tatlow, expect to leave on Tuesday for Vancouver.

A large and fashionable audience laughed throughout the "Piff, Paff, Puff" performance on Monday night at the Victoria theatre. If Madame Gaski and some of her ardent Victoria champions could have seen the way the "Dutch girls" and "Cordelia Malone" were encircled they would have been more disgusted than ever. The over-age man and woman thoroughly enjoys fun and nonsense accompanied with light and catchy music.

Mr. Irving Beer, under whose direction "All the Comforts of Home" was put on, has left for Vancouver, where he will be engaged in a similar work.

In golfing circles great disappointment is felt at the failure of the Seattle team to come over for the proposed match to-morrow. The greatest interest was evinced in the match to have been played between the Seattle professional, Johnson, and the local Jack Moffat. The Seattle players will come at a later date.

Mrs. Neroutsof, of Dallas avenue, is visiting friends in Vancouver.

Mr. Cecil Ewart returned from Europe a short time ago, and after staying here a few days left for San Francisco. While here he and Mr. Arthur Haxey were the hosts at a small dance one evening last week in the A. O. U. W. hall, which was attended by about twenty couples. Some people object to going to dances in Lent, especially large dances, and this no doubt kept several of the invited guests from being present.

Miss Creighton and Miss Steel, who are visiting Mrs. H. B. Mackenzie, will soon be leaving for their homes in Ontario, and just now several functions are being given in their honor.

Next week Prince Arthur of Connaught will be with us, and then things in a social way will liven up a little bit. There will be a presentation of a civic address (revised by someone in Ottawa) on the steps of the parliament buildings, a big dinner at Government House, and then Mr. William Christie and the Prince and his party will away to the fishing grounds of the Cowichan river.

Mr. J. P. Rithet and Mr. L. A. Genge have gone to San Francisco, where Mrs. Rithet and Mrs. Genge have been spending the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Genge and Mrs. Rithet and Mr. Jack Rithet will return shortly.

Mrs. Lawrence Goodacre entertained yesterday afternoon at her pretty home on Pandora street. The decorations were in pink carnations, ferns and violets. Mrs. Goodacre was assisted in receiving by her daughter, Miss Maud. A Shakespearean guessing-contest was won, appropriately, by Mrs. W. B. Shakespeare. The consolation prize going to Mrs. E. Hall, Mrs. Geo. Burnett and Miss Watkins delighted the company with musical selection. Among those present were Mrs. C. Spencer, Mrs. Croft, Mrs. Snider, Mrs. Whittier, Mrs. F. Grant, the Misses Spencer, Mrs. McNeven, Miss Sherlock, Mrs. Watkins, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Cullum, Mrs. John Nelson, Mrs. Clemence, Mrs. E. Hall, Mrs. Burnett, Mrs. A. Hall, Mrs. Shakespeare, Mrs. Kune, Mrs. Emery, Mrs. Roy Goodacre and Mrs. S. J. Willis.

Mr. C. K. Magill has bought some land at the lower end of Shawigan lake and will erect a house there at once. He and Mrs. Magill expect to live there during the summer.

Major and Mrs. Audain (nee Miss Birdie Dunsmuir) are expected out from India very soon now. They will remain here I understand.

Mrs. Fagan and Mrs. Hermann Robinson are interesting themselves in the proposed minstrel show in aid of the tuberculosis sanatorium fund. Both ladies and gentlemen will take part, and rehearsals will commence at once. Amongst those who will take part are Mr. and Mrs. B. Tye, Mrs. Hodd, Mrs. Lamont, Mr. and Mrs. H. Kent, Mrs. Courtney, Mrs. Lampan, Miss V. Hickey, Miss Newling, Mr. Gore, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Drake and Mr. Matson. The show will be under the direction of J. M. Finn, who has acted in a similar capacity in former minstrel shows here.

On Monday evening of last week Mrs. Nichollet of Strouce street, gave a farewell entertainment in honor of Miss Josephine Willemar, who has been visiting her for the past two months, and has now returned to her home at Comox. The evening was devoted to Progressive 500, the prize winners be-

## PROPOSED TRIP TO THE POLE IN AUTO

Two Seattle Men Plan a Novel Journey North—To Be Made During Winter.

Now that so much interest is being taken in the movements of Capt. Mikkelsen and his expedition to the Arctic region, the intention of two Seattle men to attempt to reach the pole itself in an auto may come as a surprise. Frederick R. Burch, and his brother, Chas. E. S. Burch, are the enterprising couple. In an auto mounted on trucks of novel construction the brothers plan to cross the polar parts from the coast of the great North sea to the pole, make a few observations and journey back in a perfectly safe and easy manner, undisturbed by a thermometer that crawls down a few dozen degrees below zero, and uncheckered by hummocks of ice or drifts of loose snow.

Interviewed by a Seattle Post-Intelligencer reporter, Frederick Burch thus expressed his plan: "The auto is built much like any auto in principle, except as to the trucks. The trucks are really giant screws, six feet in diameter, four to a car. They revolve each in its own turn in opposite directions, the result being to drive the machine straight ahead by the 'pull' of the screws against the ice or snow. The car is built with a large superstructure, a room, in fact, and here is where the convenience of the auto comes in. For the passengers can sit inside and keep warm and comfortable in the greatest cold.

"The auto has forty horse power engines. Our fuel will be wood alcohol, carried in a string of cylinders dragged behind us on the snow. Each cylinder when emptied will be dropped. The auto will have a speed of at least eighteen miles an hour, and I figure on going 600 miles to the pole and 600 miles back again. We will ship three autos north on a whaler going as the ships are practically empty. We will go by a new route, which I don't care to give now. Our food will be bacon and beans and evaporated vegetables. I know this will be the right kind of grub, because I have been in the north myself and lived on this. We will go in the middle of winter because then is the time when the ice pack is hardest and closely compacted.

"We will carry telephoto masts on the cars, so that we can run up the mast and look around for the best way to go. We will also take a wireless telegraph outfit, intending to communicate with the wireless station at Nome. Dogs will be taken so that if any accident should happen to our auto, which I do not think at all likely, we could get about to safety. The cars will be built lighter than the ones we have now in Minneapolis. These autos are guided by a disk wheel which runs in front, and can be easily controlled. Once in one of them the person is as well off as in his own room, and he can plough along towards the north pole with nothing to stop him. I know from actual experience that these autos will cut through snow and climb ice ridges."

## OLDEST ACROBAT IN ENGLAND.

Henry Johnson Has Lived in the Reign of Five Sovereigns.

Henry Johnson, of Grantham, who boasts that he is the oldest acrobat in England, entered on his hundredth year, recently, says the Daily Express. In spite of his years he is as lithe and active as many a man sixty years his junior.

Johnson has lived in the reign of five British sovereigns and prides himself on the fact that he has performed before three of them—King Edward IV., Queen Victoria and King Edward VII., when he was Prince of Wales.

He is now quietly enjoying the evening of his life at Grantham, and he hopes to live for many years to come. Johnson was born in 1806 at Norwich, but his recollection of his childhood is very hazy. He remembers that he was left an orphan at a very early age, and had a hard struggle to maintain himself. His elder brother wanted him to become a hostler, but his ambition had been fired by seeing a troupe of travelling acrobats, and he rejected the suggestion with scorn.

He attained his ambition when still in his teens by becoming a tight-rope walker, and an equestrian acrobat with a small travelling troupe.

His first important engagement was obtained before he was twenty years old, with Hughes' circus, and he accompanied it to China, but things did not go well with the circus there, and he proposed to reduce his salary to his return to England. He paid his way by entertaining the captain and passengers, and on the ship he made the acquaintance of the Chinese juggler Mullaba, with whom he afterwards formed a partnership which lasted for many years.

Johnson's first experience with royalty was when he and Mullaba performed before King William IV., at Aylesbury, and the King was so pleased with them that he commanded them to appear before him at Buckingham Palace.

They travelled to London by coach, and the King rewarded them with fifty guineas each, and gave them a royal licence to perform in any town, city or village in the United Kingdom. Later he performed before Queen Victoria, at Windsor and before King Edward VII. (then Prince of Wales) at Sandringham.

## BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Charles Macdonald, a horse trainer at Pleasanton, Cal., on Thursday night shot and killed Joseph Mello, one of the best known and most successful business men of the town. The only witness to the crime besides the perpetrator was the wife of Macdonald, jealousy over Mrs. Macdonald was the cause.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, sailed from New York for Europe on Friday on the steamer Celtic. Mrs. Longworth added to her indignation over Mrs. Macdonald was the cause.

Joint Scale Committee of Operators and Miners Trying to Reach Settlement.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 23.—The joint scale committee of joint conferences of the coal operators and miners of the central competitive district and the southwestern district, went into executive session to-day in a final effort to break a deadlock that has existed since the conferences on the wage scale began.

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CHINESE PIRATES.  
Launch Looted and Number of Rifles and Ammunition Seized.

Hongkong, March 23.—A launch owned by the Standard Oil Co. was seized and looted by pirates near Canton yesterday. The pirates secured a number of Winchester rifles and a thousand rounds of ammunition. The United States gunboat Callao is proceeding to the scene of the piracy.

Canton, in the vicinity of which the launch was attacked, near the mouth of the West river, in the province of Kwang Tung, is the great seaport of southern China.

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CANADIAN WORKMEN AND FOREIGN INCENDIARIES

The indictment of certain officials of the Western Federation of Miners, notably of Messrs. Moyer and Haywood, on the most heinous charges of criminal conspiracy and wholesale assassination, recalls the fact that these two gentlemen played a very prominent part in the great strike which, about three years ago, threatened to tie up the most important of the industries of British Columbia. The Royal Commission appointed by the Dominion government to investigate that strike, which commenced on the C. P. R. after hearing all the evidence that could be procured, reported with reference to the part played by the Western Federation of Miners, under the direction of Moyer and Haywood: It is obviously against the public interest that any body of Canadian workmen should be subject to be called out on strike by a foreign authority over whom neither our legislatures nor courts can exercise any control, and that whether they have any grievances against their employers or not. Whether the wheels of Canadian industry shall run or shall rest ought not to depend upon the secret of a secret council at Denver. With regard to these organizations we think they ought to be specially declared to be illegal, as their leaders have shown that they care nothing about the obligation of contracts or about the interests of their employers, against whom they are ever fomenting discontent; that they ignore the constitutions and rules of their own organizations whenever it suits them to do so; that they at all times preach the doctrine of confiscation of property without compensation, and that society is divided into two classes, the toilers and the spoilers; that they justify the use of the boycott and the sympathetic strike; that they do not disapprove of violence and intimidation; that they are wholly indifferent to the loss and damage which they inflict upon the public; and that they recklessly allow suffering and privation to befall the families of their misguided followers, with regard to whom they are constantly guilty of deception and concealment.

There was a disposition on the part of certain individuals in this country, who obviously had not had opportunities to hear and sift the evidence as the commissioners had, to condemn the report and to insinuate that it was submitted in the interests of organized capital. We ask whether, in the light of facts which have since been made public, the condemnation pronounced has not been more than justified? The report goes on: The testimony shows that it is of the utmost consequence to the workmen themselves that they exercise extreme caution in their decision to join any given organization. There can be no doubt that the designs and aims of the organizations, which we have suggested should be declared illegal, were to a large extent concealed from the men by their leaders. Workmen ought not, in their own interests, to leave themselves open to the charge that they are, as some employers claim, "slaves of the union," and yet the evidence shows that it would not be a wholly incorrect description of the position of those who were engaged in the strikes in question. If workmen are not careful in the selection of their leaders, if they do not choose straightforward

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and fair-minded men as the officers of their organizations, the case for recognition is hopeless. Looking at the evasive and equivocating way in which the testimony of some of the leaders was given, and at the extraordinary trouble that was taken by them to keep their followers in the dark as to their real designs, it would be a miracle if any organization led by such men could ever maintain peaceful relations with any employer, no matter how friendly he was disposed to be, or how far he might go in his concessions. If the experience of the business world should unhappily demonstrate that unionism is a symbolical of tyranny and treachery, the position of the workmen will become hard indeed, unless some other institution is devised which will better maintain the equilibrium which ought to exist between them and their employers. A special obligation is therefore placed upon the upholders and leaders of unionism to see to it that it is not overwhelmed with that just scorn and opprobrium which is certain to happen unless it is animated by the dictates of justice and reason. No institution which habitually violates the fundamental rules of right and wrong can last long in any civilized society. As will be seen by the evidence already detailed, the question of how far there should be legislation directed against foreign interference with Canadian workmen comes up squarely for consideration. The evidence presents two classes of interference, one, that of procuring and inciting to quit work by the foreign agitator in person; and the other, the case of officials of international or other organizations who remain in the foreign country, but who procure and incite by means of other officials within Canada, and who assume the control and direction of Canadian workmen until the termination of the dispute. As has already been said, it should not be tolerated that Canadian industries should be subject to the dictation of foreigners who know no law, so far as such industries are concerned, but their own desires, and whose business and avowed object it is to keep up unceasing friction between the employer and employee, and who are not trade unionists, but socialistic agitators of the most bigoted and ignorant type. We therefore think that it is necessary for Parliament to interfere in the direction of making it an offence, punishable, in minor cases, on summary conviction before a county judge or police or stipendiary magistrate, by fine or imprisonment, and in graver cases, on conviction by indictment, by imprisonment only, for any person not a British subject, and who has not been residing in the province for at least one year, to procure or incite any employee or employees in Canada to quit the employment without the consent of the employer; or for any person within Canada to exhibit or publish, or in any way communicate to any employee or employees the contents of any order, request, suggestion or recommendation (or any document purporting to be a copy thereof), by any person or persons ordinarily resident without Canada, that he or they quit the employment as aforesaid, whether such order, request, suggestion or recommendation, or copy thereof is signed, or purports to be signed, by such person or persons on his or their own behalf, or on behalf of any other person, or of any association of persons, whether incorporated or not. The testimony before us showed practical unanimity on the part of the intelligent and strong minded members of the laboring classes that foreign agitators and their methods were not wanted, in fact, as one of them put it, they regarded it as an insult that such proposals should be made to them by any outsiders. THE ESQUIMALT GARRISON. There is a particularly interesting subject to which we beg to direct the attention of Mayor Morley. On the first day of May His Majesty's Imperial forces will evacuate the fortress at Esquimalt, their places being taken by soldiers of the King under the direct control of and maintained directly by the Dominion of Canada. This event will be of a historic character, marking an epoch in the development of the relations between this great and rapidly growing colony and the Mother Country. On the date mentioned the last British soldier, using the term British soldier in its restricted sense, will bid a long farewell to the continent on which he and his forbears have played stirring parts in the course of the events marked by human progress in three centuries. There is every probability that never again, except in case of a contingency which no well-wisher of his kind cares to contemplate, shall we, or those who follow after us, have the opportunity of hearing the martial tread of the erstwhile scarlet-lad lads as they march to the stirring tune of the "British Grenadiers." Now that we shall shortly bid the troops farewell, let us try in such a way as seems suitable to give expression to our appreciation of the manner in which officers and men, without exception, have conducted themselves during

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What Other People Think. IN THE RIGHT SPIRIT. To the Editor:—Thank you for your editorial on the "Lugrin" case. There is a good deal of truth in it. Outside the ring we always have been friends, and if we fight fairly whilst in it we always ought to be. I could spare some lukewarm friends better than one lusty opponent. They are less amusing. But play fair and do not put things into my mouth which I never said. You never heard me say disparage the French. No Englishman who has read England's history would do so. The sword would be ungrateful to grumble at the whetstone, and with such examples as we have before us, no British Columbian would be such a fool as to run down a race which at its best is hard to beat. But I did and I do condemn one particular Frenchman, because his charm and ability is being used in consideration of the side of those who want to see Canada one with the States, instead of being one with our Mother Country. I judge your leader, Sir Wilfrid, by his own utterances and those of his colleagues, but it would give me more pleasure to find myself wrong and an object of ridicule than right and a true prophet. You ask me to lend a hand in building up this Canada of ours. My dear sir, I would rather help you in that work than help myself. Show me any way in which I can help and I don't care whether you are Grit or Tory, so long as you are making for the good of a truly British Canada. I will do what little a small man-like myself may do, but I can't give up my loyalty to my own country. I have worked for ten years on wrong lines, at any rate I have taken no pay, and won no prizes. Take a word of advice now from me: Use your influence as a leading journal and as one minister of our own government, to press the interests of our own province. Never mind Quebec, fight for British Columbia and the West. A healthy rivalry won't hurt even your French rivals. Your friend in opposition, CLIVE PHILLIPS-WOLLEY. Pier Island, March 23rd, 1906.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS. Number of Men Taken on Militia Strength. Lieut.-Col. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment, has issued the following orders: Regimental Headquarters, Victoria, B. C., March 21st, 1906. The following men, having been attested, will be taken on the strength of the regiment and will assume the regimental number opposite their names: No. 235, Gr. Thos. Fox; No. 236, Gr. G. Hubert Stapleton; No. 237, Gr. Henry Price, March 12th. A future office will be held at 8.30 instead of 9 p. m. Next week office will be held on Tuesday evening at the above time instead of Wednesday.

ADVANCE VICTORIA. To the Editor:—Mr. Lugrin's article in last evening's issue could be well answered by propounding another question. How can you keep people here who find no employment? When this is solved it will be an easy matter to attract anyone heading in this direction. Victoria has every advantage to offer home-seekers if they come well heeled. This is the only class of people we are attracting to-day. Employment is the keynote, and must be provided if we are to look for permanent growth. If Mr. Lugrin will undertake to regenerate the callous body known as the board of trade by subordinating the commission and importing interests that have always controlled our commercial affairs, to that of manufacturing, he will be taking a step in the right direction. Some few years ago an effort was made to give encouragement to factories here, and for a systematized plan of attracting others. Mr. Lugrin and co-workers pulled on their blankets, and like the Indians of the plain, gazed with scorn on the efforts of a few public spirited citizens to remedy a state of affairs that was anything but satisfactory. We have attracted no new industries,

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and have lost a number of our best citizens now domiciled in neighboring cities. I mean best, for I speak of those who have been educated and brought up in this city. Surely if we cannot provide means of subsistence for our own children there is little hope of attracting strangers. If Mr. Lugrin has awakened to the error of his ways he certainly is in good company, with a number of short-sighted property owners. It requires population to give rental and land values. Climate is a good thing. Employment attracts even to the most desolate localities. Mr. Lugrin can prove the sincerity of his expressions in following up another movement in the direction outlined. Newspaper writing is a waste of time. You must have the goods to meet the demand when it comes. PHIL. R. SMITH.

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—As spring opens, prospectors bound for the Bulkley valley are fast starting north, the majority of them so far taking the Skeena river route. Though this is a somewhat circuitous route it appears to be the one in favor. Many experienced men who have been in the country suggest that the distance could be materially shortened by building a trail from the Kitimat river, and claim that there are no serious difficulties in the way.

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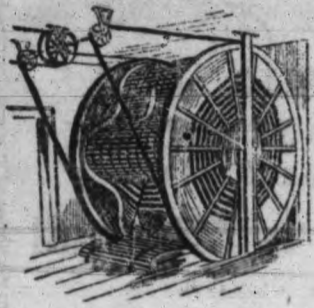
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"Well, I declare, my hands are all dirt. Wonder where it all comes from; and just look at that rip, and that, and that. Why, it's all rips! I must have pounded it pretty hard! Wonder what's the matter anyway! Will I ever get it right again?"



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The Primrose Minstrels are booked to appear at the Victoria on Monday, April 2nd.

Among coming attractions is the "Babe in Toyland" on April 4th.

Referring to "The Heir to the Hoorah," to be presented at the Victoria theatre on April 16th, the St. Louis Star-Chronicle says: "This comedy proved uproariously funny. Following several amusing plays of a like character, the last production of the late Kirke La Shelle comes at the crest of a wave of favor for legitimate comedy—and 'The Heir' took a crowded house by storm. It takes a strenuous stretch of memory to recall when an audience made the Century rafters roar with so merry an echo."

The largest receipts on record for any entertainment at the great Massey hall, Toronto, were taken by the world's master of the cello, M. Jean Gerardy, at his concert in the Ontario capital on Wednesday last, assisted by M. Henri Marteau, violinist, and Herr Oberdorfer, pianist. The sale aggregated \$3,451 for the single evening, and

the concert was quite as great an artistic as a financial triumph. Indeed M. Gerardy has been scoring triumphs in an unbroken series during his entire present season, tour, which is the explanation of the several efforts of his management to cancel the western tour—which, however, the contract holders will not consent to. The coming of Gerardy to this city on the evening of the 20th April, supported by an eminent pianist, and probably one notably good vocalist, is being looked forward to as the notable event of the season, for real quality. The Belgian cellist, as the Toronto Globe describes him "the greatest master of the younger school," is just now at the zenith of his power and his fame, and the opportunity of hearing one so much in demand in the art centres of Europe and the East in our comparatively small cities of the West is indeed a rare and an unusual one.

At present the indications are very favorable for the success of the Gerardy engagement. Subscription lists have been open for signatures during a week past, and quite a number have bespoken a prior selection of seats. The management of the Gerardy tour would feel very greatly encouraged, and would greatly appreciate it if everyone would make it a point to subscribe for any desired number of seats at the earliest opportunity. The appearance of the names upon the lists is in itself a great help in promoting a good attendance. Lists are to be found with the Victoria Musical Society, the Ladies' Musical Club, members of the Arion Club, at the Pacific and Alexandra clubs, and with the Oak Bay hotel, T. N. Hibben & Co., M. W. Watt & Co., Ltd., North & Richardson, the Hicks & Lovick Piano Co., Fletcher Bros., Dean & Hiscocks, the Times and the Colonist.

Blanche Walsh recently completed her fifth and final engagement with "The Woman in the Case" in New York at the Harlem opera house. At the close of the engagement Miss Walsh started on her western tour, which will include one performance in this city. It is evidently the intention of her managers, Messrs. Wagenhals and Kemper, that Miss Walsh shall travel in state for it is said that she will make her trip to the coast in what will practically be a special train. Transportation arrangements include a private car for Miss Walsh, a Pullman car for the company and two baggage cars for the production. Miss Walsh

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is booked to appear at the Victoria on April 21st.

Londoners look upon Creatore, his eccentricities and his intensely dramatic tone productions in an interesting way. A critic from the London Mail has already appeared in the Times. The Chronicle says:

"Last night the much-advertised Italian-American conductor, Creatore, and his band made their first bow to an English audience at Queen's hall, and the public interest can only be described as tepid. To-night the hall will be filled to overflowing, if our estimate of the national sense of humor is not at fault."

"In Sousa we had a conductor with certain grotesque mannerisms which were vastly entertaining to the million; in Creatore we have a bandmaster the tale of whose methods would fill a book. He bows, he curtseys, he waxes tersark. He requires more space for his gyrations than any other master of the band we have ever known. He almost ran amok over the 'Tannhauser' overture; he would probably throw hand-springs over the '1812'."

"And with all these weird contortions of its leader the band is a singularly efficient one. It may not be as well balanced as Sousa's, but its playing is remarkably finished, and, at times, full of real delicacy. In its more tempestuous moments, however, one realizes that, after all, the Queen's hall is only a moderate-sized place. One yearns for the Great Steppes or the wide spaces of the Sahara."

"There are many unfamiliar instruments in the band, notably the trombone family, which differs from ours materially, in that the instruments are keyed and have no slides. The tone is also more penetrating."

General appreciation is expressed of the fine performance. Manager Jamieson is putting on at the Grand this week, and business has been correspondingly big. The bill includes Miss Marie Laurens in operatic selections and imitations; Muller and Chunn in a wonderful exhibition of hoop-rolling, Stoddard and Wilson in a very funny comedy musical act, D. C. Broderick in monologue and song, Jessika, in good song and stories, Frank Smith in illustrated song and a new line of moving pictures. The week closes with the usual performances to-night beginning at 7.30.

The headliner for next week will be little Lola Cotton, whose wonderful psychic powers are described as little short of miraculous. It is announced as mind reading, or mental telepathy, but this simple explanation covers up



JOHN SAINPOLIS.

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a lot of difficult work that is almost impossible of belief.

Barth and Beach are two very clever German comedians who have made a big hit everywhere. De Mora and Graceta, European novelty acrobats, will show some entirely new feats in their line; Rooney and Forrester have a black-face comedy turn that is a pleasing change from the usual burnt cork skit. They are good singers, dancers and acrobats. Frank Smith will sing the illustrated song, "My Own," and the moving pictures will illustrate the life of the newboy.

There will be a matinee on Monday with the full show.

Alberta Gallatin will come to the Victoria on April 6th in "Cousin Kate."

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### NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

Important Programme Will Be Carried Out During the Present Year.

This year the British fleet will carry out the most instructive and important series of manoeuvres ever held. They are aimed, says the naval correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph, to put to a supreme test the recent scheme, by which the squadrons have been redistributed to suit the changes due to the triumph of steam mobility, to the readjustments of political and naval power in Europe, and to the necessity enforced by the war in the Far East of massing British naval power so as to enable it to be handled in time of war in skilful combination. The year's manoeuvres will be as follows:

February—The Channel, Atlantic and Mediterranean fleets, with the three associated squadrons of armored cruisers, will concentrate at Lagos, a magnificent bay off the Portuguese coast, and then take part in the joint operations.

June—The same naval forces, reinforced by the ships of the several divisions in commission in reserve at the home ports, and all the torpedo craft, will combine for the "grand manoeuvres." It will be the greatest naval assembly ever called together, and fourteen British admirals will fly their flags. Every efficient man-of-war in the British fleet in home waters will participate, and the co-operation of the shipowners has been promised, so that the conditions during the period of the mimic war may resemble those of actual hostilities in all essential respects. The squadrons in distant seas will co-operate as though war had been declared.

September—The China, East Indies and Australian squadrons will concentrate at Singapore for joint manoeuvres, specially intended to illustrate the best methods of safeguarding British interests in Far Eastern and Southern seas.

The operations in the Far East in the autumn are of minor interest, because European waters are those of strategic importance. Europe is the cockpit of the world, and if events prove, as they will, that the British fleet dominates the English Channel, the North Sea, and the Mediterranean, it will also have been shown that it dominates all the seas. All naval power which may clash with British interests is concentrated in European waters; now that Russia's squadrons in the Far East are no more, there is not a single battleship to be found outside the three "Near Seas" except those of Japan and America. British naval power, backed on the one hand, by our ally of the Far East, and on the other by our friends of the Far West, sits astride the countless leagues of ocean which lie between Hong Kong, Sydney, Esquimaut, Capetown, Jamaica, Halifax respectively and London. Sea power spreads its influence far and wide, such sea power as the British admiral holds in the hollow of his hands. The seas are all ours, and the British

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navy is all one; though there are several squadrons; they are arranged so as to combine, at a signal from Whitehall, and strike an enemy wherever he or his agents may be. The manoeuvres in February and June next will illustrate to the whole world the virtues that is in the British navy, its all-embracing "grip," its mobility, and its capacity for offence and defence, given a just cause.

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"Oh! Balfour."

"Why?"  
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CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL. Services: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.

METROPOLITAN METHODIST. Rev. Wilford J. Sippell, B. A., B. D., principal of Columbia College, will assist the pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams.

ST. BARNABAS. There will be a celebration of the holy eucharist at 8 a. m., choral singing and litany at 11, choral evensong with procession at 7.

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ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sabbath school at 2.30, and Y. P. S. C. E. at 8.15 p. m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN. Rev. Dr. Campbell, the pastor, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN. Pastor, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, B. A. Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN. Rev. Jos. McCoy, pastor. Morning service only. Subject, "Your Choice."

VICTORIA WEST METHODIST. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. In the morning, A. Huggatt will occupy the pulpit.

JAMES BAY METHODIST. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. In the morning the pastor, Rev. R. J. McIntyre, will preach.

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CENTENNIAL METHODIST. Services at the usual hours. Rev. W. E. Dunham will preach at the morning service.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY. Regular services are held every Sunday at the Christian Science reading room.

CHRISTADELPHANS. Bible lectures in A. O. U. W. hall at 7 p. m. Mr. Walkem will take for his subject, "Noah and Christ; as It Was in the Days of Noah, so Shall the Coming of the Son of Man Be."

UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD. Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society, Centre No. 47, holds a public meeting at 8 Broad street every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

PSYCHIC RESEARCH SOCIETY. Regular meeting on Sunday evening in K. of P. hall at 7.30 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

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It is unofficially announced that the guard of honor to Prince Arthur of Connaught, nephew to King Edward VII, who is returning from a visit to Japan, where he bestowed the Order of the Garter upon the Japanese Emperor, will be furnished by a corps selected from the Work Point garrison.

The distinguished traveller is due to arrive in Victoria on Wednesday on one of the Empress liners. Upon reaching here he will be tendered an official reception.

Prince Arthur's sojourn in Victoria and vicinity will extend over several days. On that occasion it is just possible that the militia will be called upon to participate in some of the military functions.

The drill hall is the scene of considerable activity at the present time, scarcely an evening passing without some gathering. Of course on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays the three companies hold their regular practices.

Already preliminary preparations for the annual Fifth Regiment camp are under way. Lt.-Col. Hall, the officer commanding, is in communication with the authorities with respect to supplies.

He expects that the camp will take up some extent at the season advances. On Thursday and Friday evenings there is indoor rifle practice and basketball matches, so that the ball is seldom, if ever, out of use.

The general results of battle practice by His Majesty's fleet in 1905 show a very considerable improvement, and the average range at which the practice was carried out was much longer than in previous years.

Twice during the past week or two the Royal Marines' been complimented from Whitehall upon their excellent gunnery. Results achieved during target practice won the praise upon both occasions.

The announcement by the "Times" of the pending departure of Lt.-Col. English and the consequent loss of the Work Point garrison created considerable interest in military circles.

The debris reached within sixty yards of the outlet, and the government engineers who have been sent to try to avert a catastrophe expect that the gorge may give way at any moment, and that the fallen mountain mass will sweep everything away in its path.

Springs of water and the St. Andre stream are forcing their way through the debris and making the position more perilous. A warm wind, too, is blowing and melting the snow, which is increasing in volume of water.

Pickets are stationed night and day round the village of Grugny to give a final warning to the inhabitants. The engineers are erecting walls and digging trenches in the hope of turning aside the moving mountain mass.

ABYSSINIA LEADER DEAD. Jibuti, French Somaliland, March 28.—Ras Makonnen, governor of Jarrar, Abyssinia, is dead. Ras Makonnen was regarded as the most able subject of the Emperor Menelik. He commanded the Abyssinian force which defeated the Italian troops at the battle of Adewa, Abyssinia, in March, 1896.

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And then, rich with the gold of our getting, we drive to the old white gate. It's only a twelve months' journey; it's only a twelve months' play.

It's May and the Hope time, Mary!—It will surely be always May.

The waves said them, "Westward is Fortune," but somewhere a seaman cried: "Farwell to ye seed corn of England!"

She answered their "Never, Never," with "Only a year for his sake." With a laugh at the first, she labored, making pretence to play.

At the "chorea" that withered her beauty, and wore her young heart away. Until Hope crept into the forest, and one who lurked at the door.

Heard a wife to a husband whisper: "Only a year or two more!"

The years stole by whilst they labored, unnoticed on moonless feet. And, one by one, to the Silence passed the comrades they longed to meet.

Till the lad and lass, who started with a cheer from the old white gate, Had their come home crowned as victors, would have won their crowns too late.

The lines came into his forehead, and the spring went out of his stride. The blue was washed from a woman's eyes: the laugh of a young heart died.

If you fix your eyes on the sky-line, you see not the road you roam—These saw but the fields of England; they heard but the songs of home.

There's a farm where the buffalo pastured; a patch from the forest torn, Where the flag of his mother-country waves over the rippling corn.

There's a piece in the World's Map; a thought in a new world's brain, A haunting presence of England in city, and forest, and plain.

Men have built success on his failure; where she lies under the sod. The love that she bore for her mother-land; her faith in that land's God.

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"But, my dear sir, consider how—" "I tell you again, my lord, as I told you before, that you're wasting your time on me. I've made up my mind, and such as it is, I don't mean to change it.

"The country gentlemen, eh? That's about the size of it; I suppose. Well, I'm not one of your clever fellows; but I'm not such an ass as A— and I think Heaven I'm not so infernally hard up as B— I'm not on the look out for anything that'll put money in my pocket, my lord, by taking it out of somebody else's. There's that's one of the things I stick at— eh, you deny that name-titles of your following among— among our sort of people believe that they stand to make a precious good thing out of your Tariff Reform?"

"Surely you do not suggest that Chamberlain—" "No, I don't. Not for a moment, I'm speaking of the Tories who run after him. And I say that, though I shall live and die a Tory myself, I won't be one of them."

"And why not?" "Because I know a Radical when I see one."

"You two are thrown together a great deal, aren't you?" "You bet. We ride home on the same car at six o'clock."—Cleveland Leader.

Booklover—"I wish to get Stevenson's story, 'The Suicide Club.' Booklover—"We're just out of that, but here's the year-book of The Automobile Racing Association."—Puck.

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# The Year's Operations at Seton Lake Hatchery.

The accompanying illustrations are scenes from the provincial salmon hatchery at Seton lake. During the past season there was taken at this hatchery 4,150,000 sockeye eggs and 1,465,000 spring salmon eggs. The young fish hatched are being well taken care of according to the last reports received by J. P. Babcock. The loss is small, and the result will be that there will be a very large number liberated as the year's work at the hatchery.

The situation of the hatchery is described as perfect for the purposes intended, and at the same time is said to be one of the most beautiful spots in the province.

The illustrations show the work of spawning the female salmon at the hatchery. Another of the illustrations shows the weir at the head of the retaining pond. The third out gives a view of the nursery which Mr. Babcock constructed at the hatchery to retain the young fish during their stay at the place.

This nursery is unique in its char-

acter, and is described by Mr. Babcock in his annual report as having been undertaken to supplement the accommodation at the building. He says in his report:

The eggs began hatching in November. The hatchery building, though 210 feet long by 40 feet wide, was not sufficiently large to accommodate all the young fish until they had grown large enough to be safely liberated. The first thirty millions hatched were transferred to a nursery constructed in the creek bottom some quarter of a mile below the hatchery building.

A brief description of the nursery at the Seton lake hatchery is warranted from the fact that it is quite unlike any other nursery known to me. The waters of Lake creek, a quarter of a mile below the hatchery, are divided by an island into two channels. Across the head of the wider of these channels we constructed a dam which served to shut off all the water and leave its bed dry.

The bed thus exposed was approximately 1,400 feet long by an average width of 70 feet. It was covered with boulders and coarse gravel. Every kind of fish remaining in the bed of the stream was then removed and we built at intervals nine or ten cross-walls with the heavy boulders. At the lower end another dam was constructed through or over which the predaceous fish in the main stream below could not pass.

The water was then turned back into the channel and made to flow through wire screens of mesh sufficiently small to prevent any fish from entering the nursery. The cross-walls of rocks backed up the water in the channel leaving twenty large pools of an average depth of two or more feet. Into this nursery the young sockeye were carefully placed. The nursery being free from all forms of predatory fish the young salmon are fully protected from their greatest enemies. During the day care is exercised to prevent their destruction by water birds, chiefly the mischievous but very interesting and tenuous water-ouzel which is so common along the streams of this vicinity during the winter. We consider the nursery one of the most valuable adjuncts of the Seton lake hatchery. Without its aid we could not have successfully handled this year the large amount of fry hatched there. These young salmon in the waters of the nursery are reared as nearly in a state of nature as could well be conceived. There exists an abundance of natural food, and as soon as the fry become free-swimming fish the dams will be removed or opened and the little salmon will be at liberty to go where they please. All but ten millions of the fry hatched at the hatchery this year will be reared in the nursery.

In the course of Mr. Babcock's report for the year on the fishing industry the following appears:

"During the year 1900 I have made a thorough inspection of the fishing grounds of the Fraser river district on both sides of the international line, and of the watershed of the Fraser river. My inspection of the Fraser river watershed included every section where in former years the salmon were known to spawn in numbers, except the Birkenhead river section at the head of Lillooet lake, which I was unable to find time to visit.

This year's inspection, like that of each of the past four years, was made to ascertain as accurately as possible the number of adult salmon which reached and deposited their eggs upon the spawning grounds. In a previous report I have called attention to the fact that 'The future prosperity of the salmon fishery of the Fraser depends primarily upon the numbers of breeding fish which reach and successfully deposit their spawn in its headwaters each year. It is there we must look to find the best measures for their pro-

tection, and to test the effectiveness of the regulations now in force."

It is a matter of common knowledge to all concerned that the run of sockeye salmon to the Fraser this year was large. The history of the runs of sockeye salmon to the Fraser river led those interested to anticipate the large run of this season. Every canner on the river, in fact every one on both sides of the international line, had made extensive preparations to handle the fish, and the pack was fully up to expectations. The catch is set forth in the canner pack which is attached to this report. The pack of sockeye salmon in the Fraser district of the province was 837,488 cases; and in the Puget Sound district 847,122 cases; a total of 1,684,610 cases of sockeye salmon which were running to the Fraser. While the pack of this year does not equal that of four years ago, it should be remembered that the pack of 1901 was by far the largest in the history of the industry.

Beginning with the first appearance of the sockeye in Juan de Fuca Strait, early in July, I followed the run over the entire fishing grounds, and up through the channels of the Fraser to the spawning grounds. Knowing that the run of sockeye on the fishing grounds this year was so abundant during the first fourteen days of August (which included two weekly closed periods of 24 hours), that the fishermen were limited to two hundred to the boat by the majority of the canners, I was not surprised to find that the number of breeding sockeye upon the spawning grounds over the entire watershed was very great, and that the five hatcheries operating there were filled to their utmost capacity with sockeye eggs. Every lake and tributary stream of the entire Fraser district was abundantly sown with sockeye spawn this year. Lakes and streams which had been absolutely barren of breeding sockeye in each of the past two years, were thoroughly seeded this year. A comparison of the abundantly seeded spawning grounds and the well filled hatcheries of this year, with the unsown, unproductive spawning beds and the empty hatcheries of the past two years, should be an impressive object lesson to the fishermen, the canners, and the general public.

It cannot be said that the number of fish which reached the spawning grounds this year equals that of four years ago—the last big run—furnishing evidence is available from several sections to show that the run was not so large. There is also abundant evidence to prove that the run to Shuswap lake section this year was greater than four years ago. In no section except the Shuswap Lake district was the run greater than in 1901.

It is practically impossible to determine accurately whether the number of fish which reached the spawning grounds this year equals that of 1901, or not, because the number of fish distributed over the entire watershed of the Fraser district can only be approximately determined, where the numbers are so great. But even if the run was less, it may reasonably be

claimed that the product of the year's spawning will equal that of 1901, because in addition to the ninety millions of eggs hatched in the three hatcheries built since that year, the thousands of miles of the Quenesel lake section were abundantly sown this year by the countless thousands of breeding sockeye which for many days passed through the fishway constructed in the race of the dam at the outlet of Quenesel lake by this department last year. This territory in 1901 was rendered barren because the sockeye were denied access to those waters by the impassable dam above mentioned, and in consequence died in great numbers in the pools below the dam before spawning.

The successful opening up of the great and almost boundless spawning grounds of Quenesel lake section to the breeding sockeye is a matter of great importance to the fisheries of the district. With the knowledge that the Quenesel section and all the other spawning grounds were well seeded, and that each of the five hatcheries lo-

calated on the watershed were filled with eggs to their full capacity, we may safely assume that the Fraser river district was thoroughly stocked this year, and that the run in the future to result from this year's spawning promises well to all concerned.

As a result of my four years' study of the fisheries of the Fraser, I am convinced that the perpetuation of this great industry can be insured beyond all question only in case such fishing regulations are enacted and enforced as will permit a sufficient number of adult fish to reach the spawning grounds each year to carry out their work of procreation.

I wish here, by way of emphasis, to call attention to the fact, as I did in

my report of 1902, that "no regulations that cover every season alike can be made that will adequately meet the remarkably varying conditions known to exist on the Fraser. There should be seasons and regulations, provided for the river applicable to the years that are known as those of abundance,

and others and more restrictive ones provided for the years of the poor runs. Our fishermen should be permitted to take only that proportion of the run which is in excess of the number necessary to the perpetuation of their species."

An abundance of fish reached the spawning grounds this year, because such great numbers passed from the ocean through the fishing waters that the canners could not handle all the fishermen could catch. For at least four days of the season the canners were obliged to place a limit on the number of sockeye they would purchase from each fisherman. The majority of the canners placed the limit at two hundred. During these days there was hardly a boat in the district that did not catch its two hundred in one drift. The result was that very few of the nets were in the water for more than a few hours out of every twenty-four. Many fish were thus enabled to pass the fishing grounds.

The river was congested with fish on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 2nd, 3rd and 4th. From 6 a. m. of Saturday, August 6th, until 6 p. m. of Sunday, August 7th, fishing was discontinued, and the salmon had a clear way in our own waters. From 6 p. m. of Saturday, August 6th, to 5 a. m. of Monday, August 8th, in the contiguous waters in the state of Washington the same state of affairs prevailed. The vast numbers which passed up the river during those hours cannot be estimated. Upon resuming operations on Sunday night, August 7th, our fishermen found the river still filled with fish, their nets catching all the canners could handle. Under such conditions it is not a violent supposition to suppose that great numbers passed above the fishing limits and thence to the spawning grounds. I followed this run up through the great canyon of the Fraser, above Yale, and I have never seen a salmon river so congested with fish. If these conditions obtained every year it is evident there would no longer be any difficulty for sufficient fish to pass the fishing grounds and reach the spawning beds. I do not, however, deem it fitting or proper for me, in this report, to enter into a discussion of the matter of regulations, since I am a member of a commission which was appointed by the Dominion government to inquire into and report upon these very matters, together with many others concerning the fisheries of the province. The sessions of his commission are now in progress, and its report will be made to the Dominion government within a year, which, it is anticipated, will deal exhaustively with all questions concerning the fisheries. A similar commission has been appointed by Governor Mead, of the state of Washington to confer with the Dominion commission. As both the province and the state of Washington are equally concerned in conserving the fisheries of the Fraser, it is hoped a satisfactory adjustment may be reached as to the regulations which each shall enact.

During the summer of 1904, it will be remembered that this department constructed a fishway on the dam built by the Golden River Quenesel Company in 1888 at the outlet of Quenesel lake. Drawings and photographs of this fishway were attached to my report of last year. During the spring floods of this year, when the gates of the race of this dam were raised, the division wall of the fishway was destroyed. As soon as I was informed of this fact, Mr. F. C. Gamble, engineer of the lands and works department, and myself, at once proceeded to the dam.

The fishway proper had not been injured. After watching the water pass over it we determined that there was no necessity of restoring the destroyed wall. We submitted instead a much lower one, which proved to be entirely adequate. The fishway enabled every fish which reached the dam this year to pass to the water above. The sockeye reached the dam in good numbers on August 10th. From that date until the end of August enormous numbers came up the river and passed, without hindrance, through the fishway. I visited this district during the last days of August, first going to the Horseshy river, one of the largest tributary streams of the Quenesel lake. I found

the river filled with spawning fish which must, necessarily, have passed through this fishway. Residents of the village of Horseshy and vicinity, along the river, told me that it was the first year since the dam was finished that they had seen any considerable number of sockeye. Some of these people told me that they had not seen a single sockeye in the Horseshy river since the dam was closed until this year. From the lake, must be of incalculable value, and saw the fish freely passing through the fishway. There were no more fish congregated in the big pool at the lower end of the race than were to be found in any other of the big pools of Quenesel river below the dam, and those which reached there passed steadily up into the lake. The dam did not obstruct the passage of any fish.

Mr. Gavin Hamilton, a well-known resident at the district, and at one time a factor of the Hudson's Bay Company, resided at the dam during the summer, and has furnished me with an interesting diary kept by him of the run of salmon which entered Quenesel lake

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many careful and experienced observers on the lower river, as great as the run in August. The fishermen and the canners were unable to handle the fish. Comparatively few of the canners cared to use them, as they claimed they were soft and unfitted for canning. I visited the lower river during the run and examined the fish. They appeared to me to be unsuited for canning, being far advanced towards spawning. Their scales were deeply imbedded in the flesh, and covered with mucus; their jaws were hooked and distorted, and their outward color indicated that they had been in fresh water for a considerable time. As I have above stated, comparatively few of our canners packed any of these fish. The fishermen sold the most of their catch to American canners. The great majority of the fishermen with whom I discussed this feature of the run were of the opinion that, while there may always be found a few sockeye running in the last of September of the big year runs, they had never seen such fish in the river in such vast numbers in any previous year after the 15th of August. I followed this September run to the spawning grounds. Notwithstanding their poor condition, they passed up through the great canyon of the Fraser, above Yale, and on reaching the confluence of the Fraser and Thompson rivers almost all passed up the Thompson to Shuswap lake. Very few of the run went up the Fraser above this point. So far as I have been able to learn, this is the first year in which any considerable number of sockeye has been noticed in the Shuswap lake section after October 1st.

Mr. David S. Mitchell, the competent and observant superintendent of the Dominion hatchery at Salmon Arm, assures me that this late run was equal in numbers to the great run of August of this year. There was no similar run to the Shuswap lake section in October of 1901. In fact, very few were seen there at that time. In October of 1901 there was a big run of sockeye to the Seton Lake district, but there was no noticeable run there this year in that month.

I am gratified to report that the season's operations at the Seton lake hatchery were entirely satisfactory. During the season we secured and successfully placed in the hatchery 44,150,000 sockeye eggs, and 1,465,000 spring salmon eggs, a total of 45,615,000 eggs. The sockeye began arriving at the hatchery on July 28th. Approximately four hundred reached the station on that day, and for the next few days they came irregularly. On August 4th the run increased, and from that date there was a steady stream passing into the retaining pond, at the outlet of the lake, until the end of September, when the run slackened.

On August 24th the retaining pond became so crowded with fish that a section of the upper weir was opened, and upwards of 40,000 fine fish were permitted to pass into Seton lake. On August 26th we again opened the weir and permitted 50,000 more fish to pass through for the same reason. These 90,000 salmon were prevented from

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tain pond at the hatchery. The balance of our sockeye eggs were taken at the head of Seton lake by means of seines drawn below the weir placed near the mouth of Portage creek. The collection and care of these eggs necessitated the employment of a considerable number of men. Thirty-three white men and boys, and twenty-six Indian men and women were on the pay list of October. Thereafter the force was gradually reduced. Spring Salmon (O. tshawytscha).

The value of the spring salmon is increasing each year, and every effort should be made to enlarge the run of this fish, as well as to adopt measures for extending their propagation in the Fraser river district. It is well known that this species of our salmon does not, as a rule, spawn in the tributaries of the Fraser, which head in the larger lakes. The present hatcheries are all located on lake-fed streams, so that a very limited number of spring salmon spawn is taken and hatched at them. From investigations which I have made in the past two years I am satisfied that a suitable site for a spring salmon hatchery exists on a tributary of Bridge river, which could easily be operated by the force employed at Seton lake hatchery.

**CASTLE'S GRUESOME SECRET.**  
Armor and Skeletons Found in Irish Cavern.

While digging on land near Frenchpark, County Roscommon, Ireland, a laborer discovered a cavern with an arched roof, about 6 feet in depth. From this a narrow winding passage led to an old castle, about a quarter of a mile distant.

The underground passage is well built, and some of the walls bear traces of inscriptions, while at a certain point a number of skeletons and bones were found, together with a quantity of metal, which proved to be armor and weapons, evidently of great antiquity.

An old legend in connection with the castle runs to the effect that ages ago the remains of one of the most powerful of the Connacht clans took refuge in this castle after their defeat in battle, and being driven into the passage it was closed up at either end by their foes and the warriors were thus left to their death.

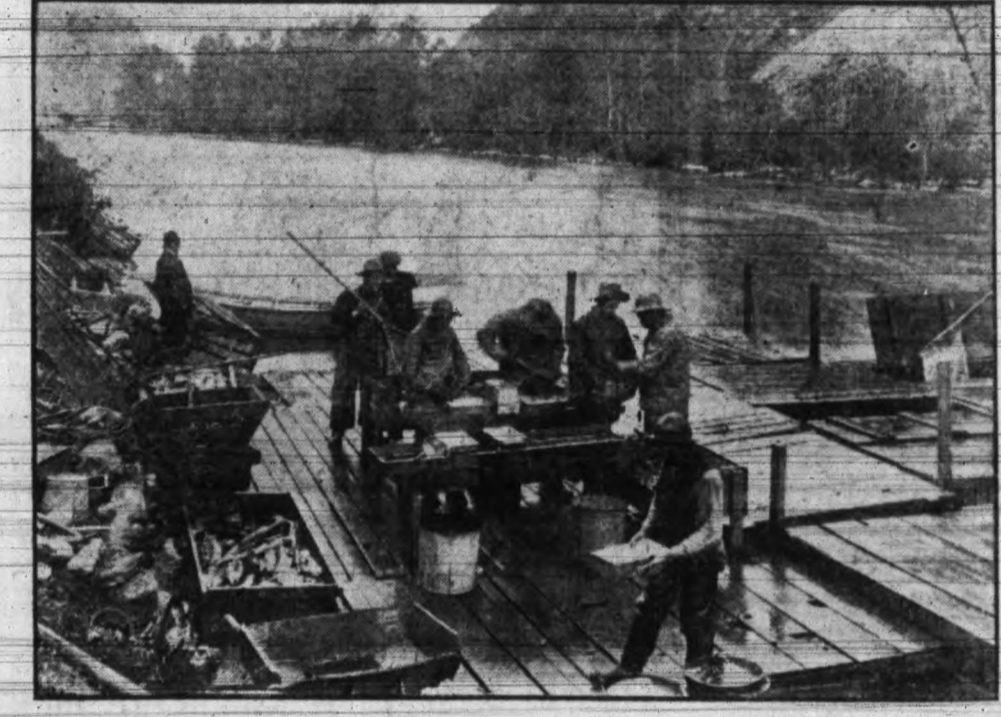
It is stated that the capital invested in industries and agriculture in Peru amounts to about \$20,000,000, and that the value of machinery thus far imported for these industries is in the neighborhood of \$40,000,000.

Russia has a larger proportion of blind people than any other European country, two out of every 1,000 are sightless.

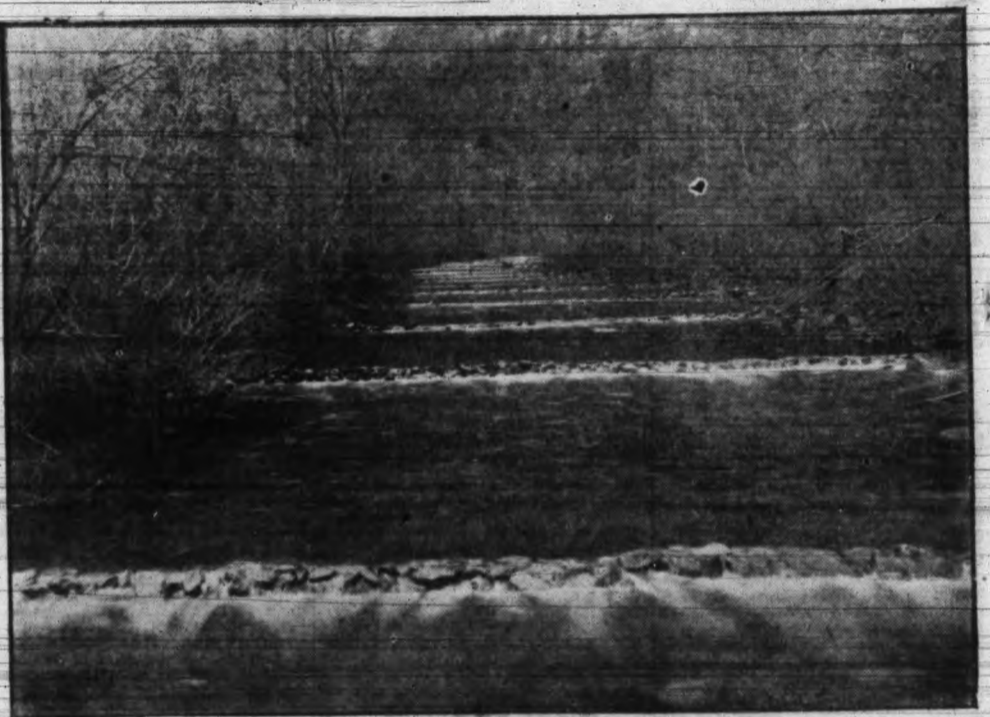
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SETON LAKE HATCHERY—SPAWNING SOCKEYE—WATER SHOWN IN THE RETAINING POND—FISH TO THE LEFT ARE SPAWNED OUT FEMALES.



SETON LAKE HATCHERY—WEIR LOOKING UP STREAM, SHOWING CROSS WALLS OF ROCK.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

FORELEMS OF A WHITE DAY. The International Sunday school lesson for March 25th is, "A Temperance Lesson," Prov. xxiii, 29-34. The Golden Text is, "At the Last It Will Be Like a Serpent, and Stingeth Like an Adder," Prov. xxiii, 32.

By William T. Ellis. Once a quarter the Sunday schools consider a temperance topic. On the present occasion as often before, the familiar passage in Proverbs is chosen as the text upon which the lesson is based. It is to be treated, however, not in an expository, but in a typical manner. The aim should be to review the present temperance situation in the light of current history. The "Bible" divergent interests which have a relation to temperance should converge upon this one occasion. There can be little doubt that one of the mighty temperance agencies of the day is the regularly recurring temperance lesson in the Sunday schools.

It appears that the old-fashioned temperance agitation, and apparently the Prohibition party as well, are less vigorous than they were a decade ago. The temperance cause, as a whole, however, is making substantial and even remarkable progress. What this progress is, everyone, young or old, who aims to be well informed, should understand.

Some March News. Any narrative of temperance progress must this month begin with a record of apparent failure. Back in 1902 the Five Years Meeting of Friends held in Indianapolis, issued a call for a conference on the liquor traffic to meet in Washington, D. C. during the current month. The committee recently assembled and reported that the project had been presented to the leading denominations, but because these had received it with great caution and even indifference the conference would have to be abandoned.

This is Lent, and many persons, especially Roman Catholics, following the practice of abstaining from the use of intoxicants during the Lenten period. The instructions of most of the archbishops have urged this point strongly. Archbishop Laval, of Montreal, had recently sent a letter of the strongest character urging temperance throughout his jurisdiction. There is throughout the Roman Catholic church a pronounced increase of temperance sentiment and organization. Within recent days the progress of an anti-treating bill through the Ohio legislature has amazed the country. This is a new development of temperance work which heretofore has not been thought practicable. The United States Congress, too, has given considerable and respectful attention to the liquor question during recent days, apropos of several bills, one of the most important of which aims to prevent the shipment of liquor in bulk into prohibition states and territories.

One characteristic of the present stage of all reform movements is its practical character. The temperance theorist has given way to the sentiment for tangible and immediate results. The public mind wants things done and done at once. Thus the Anti-Saloon League, which is evidently practical in its efforts, has made remarkable progress. Last fall it carried the statute of Ohio and it was a factor in Pennsylvania politics that a leading politician, not himself a pronounced temperance man, urged the dominant party to make local option its next issue. Similarly in the state of New York the temperance question is being agitated among the public in various ways.

If the great denominations failed to enter heartily into the conference on the liquor traffic proposed for this month, some of them, at least, have taken aggressive measures on their own account. The Presbyterians have recently put into the field their second temperance secretary. This spring the Presbyterians will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of organized temperance work within their body and the occasion will be made an important one throughout the denomination. The Methodists have likewise given new vitality to their temperance committee.

The concentration of public attention upon life insurance questions has raised afresh the advantages of the temperance man's relation to life insurance. Some foreign companies are organized exclusively for total abstainers. A few American companies are said to make special concessions to policyholders who are abstainers. English notices claim that this class of risks live on the average nine years longer than drinkers.

The educational propaganda against temperance has made considerable headway in Great Britain where, during the last five years, the consumption of distilled liquors has decreased to one per cent, of wine thirty-three per cent, and of beer thirteen per cent. Three important temperance conferences of an international nature have been held on the other side of the water within the past six months. Broadly viewed the temperance movement was never more alive or effective than to-day, nor did it ever before have as much standing in the eyes of the world.

Many Weapons, One War. While the old agencies against intemperance are still in force new ones are constantly being suggested. The centuries-old liquor interests are now being attacked by new methods and from unexpected angles. One force which the business feels keenly is the passage of stringent, pure food laws, which make impossible the present lucrative sale of impure liquor, which are more hurtful than those which they initiate.

The hygienic argument for temperance is being pressed with added vigor. Sir Frederick Treves, the most eminent London surgeon, has unequivocally expressed his views as to the effect of drink upon the British soldier in South Africa, as he witnessed it at first hand. Secular papers are pointing out that the victory of Japan over Russia may in one aspect be said to have been a victory of temperance over intemperance. The remarkable sobriety of the Japanese troops was in striking contrast with the intemperance of the Russians. One good feature of the present athletic craze is that it makes clear to the mind of the young man that he cannot excel in athletics if he indulges in intoxicants.

The economic argument also has weight in the minds of the business men. Business men are finding that they cannot do well and prosper. The strain of modern commercial life is too terrific to permit a man to weaken his intellect by indulgence in liquor. He needs every ounce of grey matter he possesses, and at its freshest, for the daily struggle for success.

An interesting feature of the temperance agencies is the social taboo. Liquor dealers, wholesale and retail, are growing exceedingly reticent under the stigma which attaches to their business. A wholesale liquor dealers' convention recently passed indignant resolutions upon the subject. Philadelphia was interested not long since by the public announcement of a saloon keeper that he would no longer continue in a business that disgraced his name and family and injured his fellows. He asked the court to cancel his license. Once leading families could engage in the liquor business without a blush, now it is far otherwise, happily for the temperance cause.

Not only was he a splendid brother to every man who had fallen to the gutter, but he was also a witness to the power of the gospel of Jesus to save men from the appetite of strong drink. He was one of those who had come to love drunkards better than he had ever loved drink, although he had been as low in drunkenness as mortal can get. The thousands of drunkards who have been redeemed through his instrumentality are living monuments to the power of a devoted personality and of a confident gospel.

It reaches down to the most wretched, guilty man who has abandoned his manhood, and drowned his self-respect in the flowing cup, and it restores him, by the help of a Power divine, to noble, kindly manhood and to useful membership in society. The temperance question can be solved ultimately only by the application of the gospel of the Saviour of mankind.

Terse comments upon the uniform prayer meeting topic of the Young People's Societies, Christian Endeavor, Baptist Young People's Union, Epworth League, etc., for March 25th, "Honorable Sowing: Our Gifts to Christ's Cause," Luke vi, 38; I Cor. ix, 7-13.

God does not keep a debit and credit account against His children. If He did, none of us could stand in the day of reckoning. God freely gives us all things. He sets no price on His bounties. All that we are and have He gives us out of the abundance of His Father-hood of love. These mercies are not charged up against us. They are God's free gifts.

Yet gratitude and justice require that we should render some return unto the Lord for all His benefits. His worthiness and our obligation unite in prompting us to give praises and devotion. Because He has done everything for us we should give our best to Him. For do all that we may, we still shall be in eternal debt to God.

Our obligations are of many kinds, but they all may be paid in the coin of love. A study of the place and power of money in human life is profoundly suggestive. Mammon is certainly the God of the present world. Mankind is spending itself in the pursuit of money. Although really a secondary thing, money is often put above love, helpfulness, peace, integrity, and honor. Since money means so much to us, and since we are likely to exalt it into the place that belongs to God alone, we should pay tribute of it to God who is Lord over all. By admitting that our money is God's due, we acknowledge His sovereignty. If we deny Him this we deny Him His kingship.

We are not owners, but stewards. Probably there are no more desolate or heart-piercing words in human speech than the cry that is every instant assailing from some heart, "Too late!" The keenest misery of life is remorse over what might have been. Hell's sharpest pains is that it might have been heaven. The thought that eliminates the cup of life is the thought of opportunity. We may well reflect upon this truth, that as we neglect opportunities we are storing up for ourselves the most stinging sorrow of life.

Religion in youth prevents remorse in age. We often speak of a man's "making a record" in this or that business or sport. We concern ourselves too little, though, about making a record in the enduring Book. Yet this is the only record worth while.

We must give our gold to the church, but only because we have given ourself. The sinful woman brought her best to Jesus when she anointed His feet. By what scraping and saving and selling and sacrifices she had secured the precious ointment we can only imagine. With the ointment she gave her tears—an ointment far more precious—and herself. All that she had, the poor woman, anointed with a sense of sin, humbly laid at the Saviour's feet. So she obtained forgiveness and newness of life. When we bring our best to Christ He gives His best to us.

It is better to earn glory for God than gold for self. Religion is not a problem in subtraction, but in addition. It takes from us nothing that is not evil, and it adds to us all the joys and glories of a two-fold life here and life eternal. We never begin to live fully, buoyantly, and overcomingly until we begin to live in Christ.

Every Christian is overpaid. God never lets a man give more work than he gives wages. He will not suffer himself to be in debt to a mortal, God's rewards far exceed our deserving.

Priority in pay day with God. Only in the light of this truth can we understand many problems and apparent injustices. The wicked often seem to prosper in the present. Well, the present is the only time in which they can prosper. Let them get all they can out of today, for they have no other time for repentment. Not so with the believer. All the years of the declining ages will be his time of reward. He can afford to wait God's time to pay, for God has all eternity in which to adjust the life and rewards of His servants.

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King Edward's hospital fund at the rate of twenty thousand dollars a year. Australia has been elected to General William Booth's plan of colonization and he has announced the suspension as far as that country is concerned.

The position of some of the mission stations within the Arctic Circle is illustrated by the fact that letters sent to E. J. Peck, of the Church Missionary Society of Blacklead Island, Cumberland Sound, in September, 1903, were received by him only a few months ago.

Canon Hensley Henson, the canon of Westminster Abbey, is creating a sensation by his attacks upon apostolic succession. He rejects the claim as being "unhistorical as it is uncharitable." He calls on parliament to repeal "that relic of barbarism," which forbids Anglican clergymen to invite Nonconformist ministers into their churches.

There are now nearly a score of Jewish colonies in various parts of Palestine supporting themselves by agriculture, waiting for the return of all Jews to the land of their native inheritance. The number of Jews in Jerusalem is greater than the number in all Palestine thirty years ago, i. e., 54,000. In all the country there are now 100,000.

Rev. Dr. E. E. Strong, the American board's editorial secretary, puts the number of all Protestant missionaries in the foreign field at 14,137, of whom 8,994 are women. These workers are pastured by 6,536 converts, and the roll of communicants of the foreign mission churches is 1,228,555. Nearly a million persons are under instruction looking forward to church membership. During the past year the net increase of communicants was 107,723. The total income of all Protestant missionary societies for the year was somewhat over fifteen million dollars, of which sum American churches contributed more than one-half.

It takes live fish to swim up stream—Old Proverb. If I succeed to-day in doing a thing that is hard the same thing will be easier for me to-morrow. I do not know any way of making others happy as of being so one's self.—Sir Arthur Helps. He always wins who sides with God.—Anon. On whatever path my wandering feet are bent, I learn the lesson which I fail to find.—Anon. I do not know any way of making others happy as of being so one's self.—Sir Arthur Helps. He always wins who sides with God.—Anon. Lord, for the erring thought Not into evil wroUGHT; Lord, for the wicked will Betrayed and baffled still; For the heart from itself sept, Our thanksgiving accept.—William Dean Howells.

A man may have enough of the world to make his path a hell-pain—there have enough to satisfy him.—T. Brooks.

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True charity gives thought as well as things, wisdom as well as wealth. Every Christian is overpaid. God never lets a man give more work than he gives wages. He will not suffer himself to be in debt to a mortal, God's rewards far exceed our deserving.

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A man may have enough of the world to make his path a hell-pain—there have enough to satisfy him.—T. Brooks.

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In the direction of speaking through a telephone cable on the Atlantic bed, and it is believed that the expense attached to the experiment alone deterred him from carrying his ideas to fruition.

The construction of a telephone cable to open up communication with New York, he said, would present considerable difficulties, owing to the bulk of the inductance coils. Although theoretically it was possible to open telephonic communication between London and New York, it is expected to be overcome.

H. R. Kempe, one of the engineers of the London post office, informed a press representative that experiments had already been made with a view to increasing the working distances of British telephone lines.

The difficulties were mechanical, and not electrical, owing to the present bulk of the inductance coils, and it was doubtful if coils necessary to obtain efficiency could be reduced sufficiently in size to secure successful working.

In the present telephonic cables running to France and Ireland, the introduction of inductance coils had improved their capacity by at least one hundred per cent, and it was possible that when telephonic communication was extended say, to Norway, it would be necessary to have coils of such a size as to make speaking practicable to still longer distances.

Science, however, was advancing nowadays so rapidly that a new type of submarine cable, with the necessary inductance coils for speaking over greater distances than had hitherto even been contemplated, might well be manufactured and successfully worked.

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EASY MONEY AT HOME

OUR LONDON LETTER

London, March 2.—What is whiskey is an interrogatory sentence that has caught our eye in the columns of the newspapers every day for months past.

quers and inlays, especially procured in Japan. On parts of the walls are landscapes on Dutch tiles and from painted linen pictures of the ceiling hang the Japanese lanterns.

supposed that an important artistic change would be effected. The city fathers, however, have completely transformed the site.

The court train which is worn by ladies at Her Majesty's drawing rooms, has often been the subject of discussion. Its cost is exorbitant, since it is to be composed of valuable lace and embroidery.

The few Paris model gowns now on view emphasize the fact that elbow sleeves will reign supreme during the coming season.

As to millinery. We had begun to think that Dame Fashion would despair of trying to effectively deck our staid, conventional English heads with the tiny, piquant combinations of flowers and tulle which were in vogue at the end of last season.

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Not to be outdone by the admiralty who have given such close attention to the service in the framing of new regulations for soldiers, but they are mostly of an educational nature.

The fashionable London hotels, not content with having attained perfection in the art of ministering to our epicurean tastes and appetites, must extend their efforts to the mental and pleasures of their guests.

One would imagine that the introduction of a restaurant, a elevator, a telephone system and all the luxuries of the modern age on an ocean liner—the America, built last year, possessing all of these.

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I dimly heard the voice of one who sung, "Hush ye, my children, for the long, long years are passing by—and we no longer young!"

Me for a clam take on the briny beach! With beer to burn and B—'s hottest speech Beside me, printed in the Colonist— Cayenne! Tobacco! Hear the ravens screech!

Alas, that wealth with every breeze that blows Like blossoms scattered thro' an orchard close, Should fly, elusive of the clutching hand, And fit afar—far faster than it grows.

THE DENIZEN. The parish church of Chertsey, Eng., possessed a curious anomaly. It has several pews in its gallery which are bought and sold by auction, just like a table or a chair.

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CHAPTER XLVIII The Track Broadens

There was an uneasy grin on Merritt's face, a suggestion that he did not altogether trust those around him.

"If I say nothing, then I can't do any harm," he remarked, slyly. "Best, on that point, for me to keep my tongue between my teeth."

"Mr. Henson is a dangerous man to cross," Chris suggested. "He is that," Merritt agreed. "You don't know him as I do."

"You imagine Mr. Henson to be a friend of yours?" Chris asked. "Merritt nodded and smiled. So long as he was useful to Henson he was fairly safe."

"The effect of the question was electric. Merritt's square jaw dropped with a click, there was fear in his furtive eyes that he cast around him."

"I read about Reuben Taylor in one of our very smart papers lately," Chris went on. "It appears that Mr. Taylor is a person who nobody seems to be afraid of."

"A great effort of imagination," Littimer murmured. "He is a man who has a vast service to the community at large. He is not exactly a philanthropist, for he is well rewarded for his labors both by the police and his clients."

"Never mind that. Do you know that the night before you found Mr. Henson left the castle he placed in the post bag a letter addressed to Mr. Reuben Taylor?"

"I stole that picture," Merritt confessed. "I was brought down here on purpose. Henson sent to London and said he had a job for me. It was to get the picture from Dr. Bell. I didn't ask any questions, but set to work at once."

"Did you know what the picture was?" Chris asked. "Bless you, yes; it was a Rembrandt engraving. Why, it was I who in the first place stole the first Rembrandt from his lordship's yonder, in Amsterdam. I got into his lordship's sitting room by climbing down a spout, and I took the picture."

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(To be continued.)

Sporting News

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL. GAME TO-DAY. A match is being played this afternoon between the Victoria United and Lady-smith teams at Oak Bay.

BASEBALL. BENEFACTORS WON. A match was played recently between the bachelors and benefactors of the Fernwood Athletic Association.

GAME TO-NIGHT. An exhibition match will be played this evening between the Fifth Regiment and Y. M. C. A. teams at the drill hall.

HOCKEY. AT BROCKTON POINT. This afternoon the old boys of Victoria College are trying conclusions with a similar eleven representing the Vancouver institution.

A FRIENDLY MATCH. A friendly match is taking place this afternoon between the Victoria College girls' team and the Victoria Ladies' intermediate eleven at Oak Bay.

HOOPS. EXPERTS WILL PLAY. It has been announced that a match will take place between J. Moffat and G. Johnston in the near future.

MOTHER AND BABY. Every mother who has used Baby's Own Tablets will tell you that they are the best medicine in the world for the cure of constipation, colic, sour stomach, indigestion, diarrhoea, sleeplessness, teething troubles, and other ailments of children.

OHIO'S GOVERNOR ILL. Columbus, Ohio, March 23.—At noon today the following bulletin was issued by the physicians attending Governor Patton, who has been seriously ill the past few days.

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

Victoria, March 24.—5 a. m.—The disturbance yesterday on the Coast has spread inland and is moving across into the Northwest provinces, causing there a marked rise in the temperature.

Forecasts. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday. Victoria and vicinity—Winds chiefly easterly, partly cloudy and mild, with occasional showers to-night or Sunday.

Victoria—Baromet. 29.72; temperature, 29; minimum, 29; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, 10; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Baromet. 29.69; temperature, 44; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles N. E.; rain, 18; weather, fair.

Nanaimo—Wind, calm; weather, fair. Campbell—Baromet. 29.64; temperature, 41; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Baromet. 29.62; temperature, 22; minimum, 22; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Baromet. 29.82; temperature, 56; minimum, 54; wind, 4 miles S. E.; rain, 1.38; weather, cloudy.

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TIME TABLE NO. 51-EFFECTIVE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21st, 1905. Table with columns for Northbound, Daily, Southbound, Leave, Arrive, etc.

THROUGH TICKETS VICTORIA TO CROFTON, VIA WESTHOLME. Stage leaves daily, excepting Sunday, connecting with north and south-bound trains.

ATLANTIC EXPRESS TRAIN. From the Pacific to the Atlantic. Leaving Vancouver Daily at 3.30 p. m.

B. C. Coast Service. For Skagway and Intermediate Ports—S.S. AMUR, March 25th.

Victoria-Vancouver Route. S.S. PRINCESS VICTORIA sails from Victoria daily at 1.00 p. m.

Victoria-Seattle Route. S.S. PRINCESS BEATRICE sails daily, excepting Saturdays and Sundays, at 8.00 p. m.

Victoria-New Westminster Route. S.S. CITY OF NANAIMO sails from Victoria every Saturday at 7.00 a. m.

To the Orient. Empress of Japan sails April 9th. Canadian-Australian Line. R.M.S. MIOVERA sails March 26th.

Oceanic S.S. Co. S.S. SIERRA (at Auckland, Sydney, 2 p. m., Thursday, March 23).

For San Francisco. LEAVE VICTORIA 7.30 P.M. City of Topeka, March 23, April 11.

For South Eastern Alaskan. Connecting at Skagway with the W. P. & Y. Railway.

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# OUR LADIES' FASHION PAGE

## The Dress Hat in All Its Loveliness

The dress hat is occupying at present the most serious attentions of the feminine world. The walking hat having passed its period of usefulness for best wear, is suitable now only for "back" use and as a saving grace in stormy weather to the perishable make-up of the exquisite effects that are to crown carefully coiffed heads the remainder of the season.

And perishable indeed are the materials that compose these dressy hats. Feels as soft as silk broadcloth, heavy as of satiny smoothness, and velvets in colorings and shadings and textures that seem to have been woven by fairy fingers form the foundations, while massed above and beneath are cloths of gold and silver, flowers, in nature's most elusive tints, buttons, cachepignes and buckles of rarest workmanship, ribbons and appliques that sparkle and gladden with sequins and shifting brocades, and most exquisitely fragile of all, the ubiquitous ostrich plume in every conceivable size and shading.

In the millinery world the ostrich plume is the thing above all others which makes for grace and beauty and while massed above and beneath are cloths of gold and silver, flowers, in nature's most elusive tints, buttons, cachepignes and buckles of rarest workmanship, ribbons and appliques that sparkle and gladden with sequins and shifting brocades, and most exquisitely fragile of all, the ubiquitous ostrich plume in every conceivable size and shading.

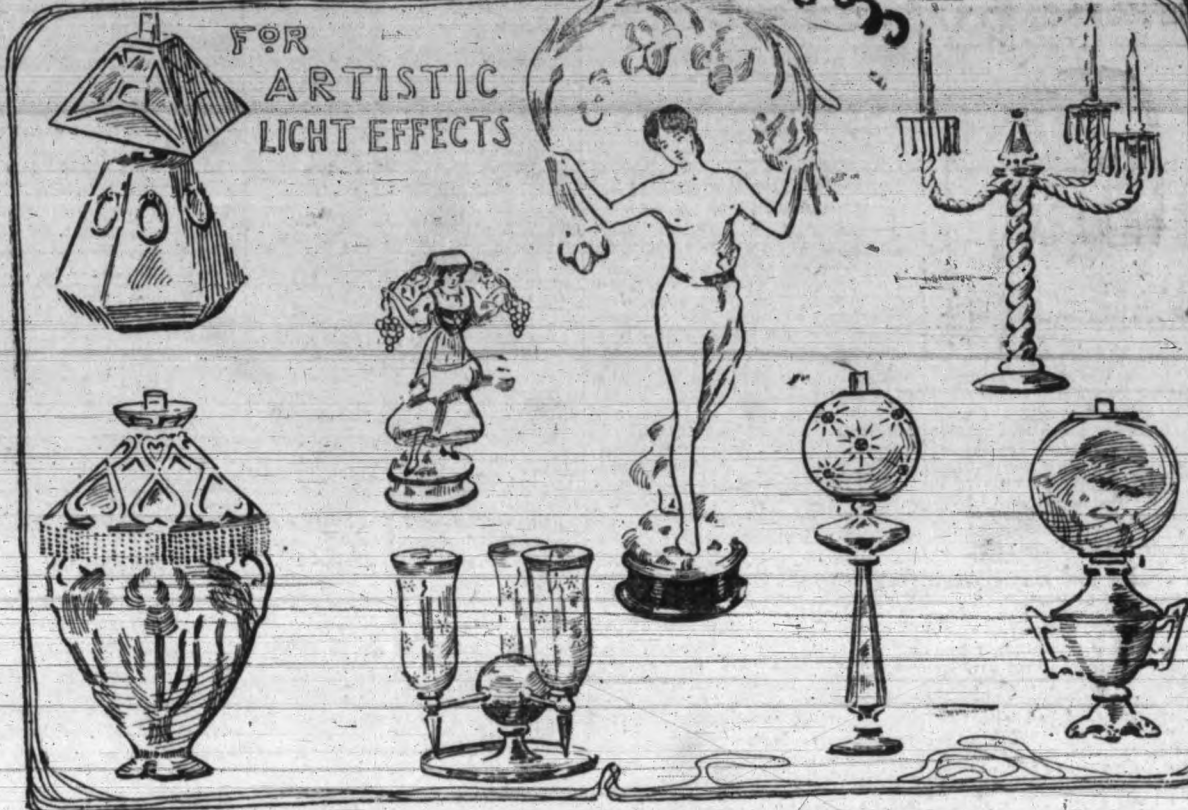
With a charming toque this idea was carried out most effectively in the get-up of a recent visitor at a fashionable cafe. The hat was a small tricorn of chiffon velvet in a peculiar shade of

number of comparatively short tips do service rather than expensive, long plumes. For the woman who is blessed with golden hair, a youthful and unusual hat shows a high, rounded crown with rather broad brim in front. Turned abruptly up at the back, a bunch of short white ostrich tips curve over and under the brim, and fall with fetching grace to the bottom of the coiffure. White brocade satin ribbon encircles the crown and forms a exquisite bow a little to one side.

An English model, similarly trimmed with ostrich tips at the back displays a creper plateau shape of black felt with one crown of emerald green velvet, Choux and a twist of green satin finish the crown, while a big bow of green velvet rises among the black plumes underneath the brim. The latter rises slightly at the back and has a corner turned flatly over on the right side to give a glimpse of a black plume resting on the puffed hair.

Concave velvet crowns with felt brims in the same or contrasting shades by the way, are quite a feature of the season's millinery. A Parisian creation in the thing above all others which makes for grace and beauty and while massed above and beneath are cloths of gold and silver, flowers, in nature's most elusive tints, buttons, cachepignes and buckles of rarest workmanship, ribbons and appliques that sparkle and gladden with sequins and shifting brocades, and most exquisitely fragile of all, the ubiquitous ostrich plume in every conceivable size and shading.

Another feather trimmed hat which is extremely stunning, but suited only to a tall woman, has a very high crown with one long white plume rising majestically directly at the front, the curving tip reaching over the top of the wide-back brim, which is trimmed by the way, are quite a feature of the season's millinery. A Parisian creation in the thing above all others which makes for grace and beauty and while massed above and beneath are cloths of gold and silver, flowers, in nature's most elusive tints, buttons, cachepignes and buckles of rarest workmanship, ribbons and appliques that sparkle and gladden with sequins and shifting brocades, and most exquisitely fragile of all, the ubiquitous ostrich plume in every conceivable size and shading.



## THE ROOM BEAUTIFUL AFTER SUNDOWN

"Give most attention to the comfort and coziness of your rooms during the evening hours," was the advice of a matron to a young bride in a state of doubt as to what was most essential in the furnishing of her small, new home.

"It has always been my policy to make the living rooms most attractive when all the family are using them, and as my husband and boys are downtown during the day, this means during the hours after sundown. Have your house radiate cheer and complete comfort to the grayness of office walls of workaday hours. This is one of the secrets of keeping your husband fond of his home."

To the up-to-date homemaker this question of making the house attractive after the dinner hour is a most important one, and the shading of artificial light is the secret of the most beautiful when Old Sol is out of sight. Of the four methods by which this is accomplished, the oil lamp is the easiest and for practical purposes the most artistic. Especially in winter nights it sheds a warm glow over a room and a good book or the evening paper under its steady light is enjoyed in solid comfort.

If their decoration, the modern lamps are as much a part of the room they light as are the table and chairs that furnish it. An outcome of the popular mission furniture is the iron lamp of dull black finish. Shaped on similar severe lines also, its oil vessel is perfectly square, while from it rise curving iron standards. Attached to these are chains are suspended from these and hold the four corners of a leaded glass shade showing subdued greens, browns and reds, and shaped like the square pointed roof of a Japanese house.

Countless other designs in leaded glass effect various mushroom shapes and mellow the light from both burners and electric bulbs. If only a suggestion of light is desired in some cozy corner or hall, a large tallow candle two inches high is set in a globe of the lamp and this burns in perfect safety for an interminable time.

Less severe, though not a whit less picturesque, than the iron lamp are those of burnished metal or painted porcelain. Noteworthy among these is a dull brass lamp, the light from which is pointed to show a smiling fisherman with tawny skin against a fading blue gray sky. Set in a jardiniere of porcelain with spreading lavender is a circular canopy of porcelain to match, and is finished around the edge by a deep fringe of milk white beads.

Globes for softening the light from gas jets improve each year in abundance and beauty. One of the finest of recent effects is a tulip shade of prism glass that surrounds a patent burner,

and throws the rays of light like a splendidly cut diamond. The globe is not in the least ornate nor is it expensive. Colored glass shades also lend a brilliant gas jet in an artistic manner, and are much in vogue this winter, especially where there is a drop light or lamp for reading purpose.

A fad of the season in lighting effects is the use of crystal standards and globes for candlesticks, lamps and dazzling electric lights. Beautifully brilliant as they are, when the light strikes them it seems to gain hundred-fold in brightness and fills a room with myriad sparkling rays.

Large candelabra for lighting both table and mantelpiece stand three feet

in height and have gracefully curving branches. From each branch dangle long crystal pendants and the grooves of the sockets are of a size to hold a tallow candle such as has been described above for lamps. Individual candlesticks consist of two or three winding columns of glass. For use with these, old-fashioned glass candle chimneys are returning to favor, and they not only serve to steady the flame, but they enhance its soft light.

Crystal lamps are as full as the candleholders. Their large, round globes are of opaque glass and some are studded at intervals with insets of colored glass an inch in diameter in red, blue or green-out to imitate huge gems.

Electric lights to disseminate the light from very small as well as large electric bulbs are bewildering in their brilliant loveliness. Many of the finest ones show exquisite marble figures of Cupids above them of a thousand and one tiny crystal drops. Among some other wonderfully beautiful electric lights are those with bronze figures holding branches of grapes or magnificent blossoms of opaque glass, and causing a room at night to look like a magic garden. A very interesting electric light plays a maiden in peasant garb having a branch of a grape vine across her shoulders, with the smallest size electric bulbs throwing their lights through a bunch of white grapes at either end. To give a golden light in a hall there comes an electric light that fastens on the ceiling and has several drops of yellow glass like fuchsia from it.

## NINE NICE WAYS TO SERVE OYSTERS

Of the many different ways for serving the oyster none will find more favor with the male members of the family than an oyster pie. Pare and cut into dice one quart of potato skin, boil until tender, but not mushy, in boiling salted water. Put a layer of these in the bottom of a porcelain dish, then a layer of oysters, a sprinkling of salt and pepper, and half a tablespoonful of butter cut into bits. Continue these layers until the dish is filled, having the potatoes last, dotted with bits of butter. Pour over this half a cup of milk and oyster juice. Cover with light puff paste and bake in a quick oven for about twenty minutes. Serve in the dish in which it is cooked.

To broil oysters most deliciously they should be first stewed in their own juices until plump. Now wrap around each oyster a slice of fat bacon and run it through with a short skewer. Sprinkle with soft bread crumbs, dust lightly with pepper and place on a broiler. Broil three minutes, turning once or twice, and serve with the following sauce:

Place in a double boiler one tablespoonful of butter and one of flour. Mix together, and add half a pint of water. When thickened, add half a teaspoonful of salt, a dash of pepper, a salt spoonful of white pepper and a teaspoonful of kitchen bouquet. If desired, add two tablespoonfuls of oysters in their shells.

Drain and wash twenty-five oysters, throw them into hot water and stir until the shells curl. Drain now scald the liquor. Now chop the oysters and drain again, adding this to the previous liquor. Rub together one table-

spoonful of butter and two tablespoonfuls of flour, and add the oyster liquor and a dash of cold milk. Stir over the fire until they reach the boiling point, then add one-half teaspoonful of salt, a dash of pepper, a dash of paprika and the yolks of two hard-boiled eggs, chopped fine. Cook a minute, then add the oysters, and stand aside to cook. When cold fill the mixture into the oyster shells. Whip an egg thoroughly, add a tablespoonful of oyster water and beat again. Beat the shell with the whipped egg and dust thickly with bread crumbs, covering the edges well, so that the oyster mixture will not ooze out. Place in a frying basket and plunge into very hot fat.

No. 2.—Chop an onion very fine, place it in a stewpan with an ounce of butter and let it become a golden brown. Add a tablespoonful of minced parsley, and, if handy, a small wineglassful of white wine. Chop very fine eighteen medium sized oysters and cook in a stewpan for fifteen minutes, seasoning with a pinch of salt and a dash of white pepper. Beat the oysters well whipped. Lay three parboiled oysters in the bottom each of half a dozen oyster shells. Cover with the parsley mixture and fresh oysters and crumbs. Flatten the tops with the blade of a knife, pour over them clarified butter and place for three minutes in the oven.

A delicate manner of offering oysters is in rice cups. Into two cupfuls of half-boiled rice—set three tablespoonfuls of melted butter. Wet in cold water small round coffee cups, spread the sides and bottom with the rice and set away to cool. Next prepare the oysters. Cook together for five minutes two tablespoonfuls of butter, one tablespoonful of chopped onion and the same amount of chopped green pepper. Add half a cupful of strained oyster juice, a teaspoonful of lemon juice, a teaspoonful of tomato catsup, a teaspoonful of prepared mustard, a dusting of cayenne pepper, and a pinch of salt. Simmer for five minutes. Now unroll the rice and brush inside and out with melted butter. Place on a baking sheet and run into a hot oven until a golden brown. Fill with the oyster mixture and serve.

Curried Oysters.—Drain and wash twenty-five oysters. Make for an ordinary pancake griddle. Throw the oysters three or four at a time on the griddle and brown on both sides. Lift quickly and place in a double boiler which stands beside the griddle. When all the oysters are cooked, add to them one tablespoonful of butter, one-half tablespoonful of flour, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one teaspoonful of curry powder and a dash of cayenne pepper. Stir until the ingredients reach the boiling point and add one tablespoonful of lemon juice and one small onion grated.

Oyster Croquettes.—Drain and wash and drain again, twenty-five plump oysters. Put them in a hot saucepan and stir over the fire until they boil. Drain and save the liquor. Chop the oysters fine and drain again, adding this to the other liquor saved. Mix together two tablespoonfuls of flour and one tablespoonful of butter. Add the liquor which has been saved and one gill of milk and stir until thick and smooth. Stir in the oysters and the fire, add the yolks of two eggs which have been beaten, one-half cup of soft bread crumbs, the chopped oysters, three shakes of cayenne pepper, one tablespoonful of chopped parsley, a quarter of a grated nutmeg and a level teaspoonful of salt. Cook again until the ingredients reach the boiling point, when they should be turned out to cool and then shaped into cylinders. Dip in egg and bread crumbs and fry in very hot fat.

A palatial Sunday morning breakfast also, during cold weather is a combination of oysters and tripe. Boil until perfectly tender one pound of bon-sycombi tripe and cut into narrow strips. Place in a saucepan one tablespoonful of butter and one small onion, chopped fine. Cook under a cover until soft, but not brown. Add one tablespoonful of flour, gradually, one-half cup of milk and when they begin to boil put in the tripe and twenty-five oysters. As soon as the gills of the oysters curl season with one-half teaspoonful of salt and a dash of pepper, and serve.

Oyster Fritters.—Scald two dozen large oysters in their own liquor. Then chop them finely and mix with a cupful of the liquor which has been drained off and passed through a cheesecloth strainer. Heat to the scalding point. Stir in two tablespoonfuls of flour and one tablespoonful of butter which have been mixed previously into a smooth paste. Cook until thick and smooth, add salt and pepper to taste, the beaten yolks of two eggs and a little minced parsley. Turn out on a buttered platter and set away until cold and firm. Cut fat bacon into very thin slices and wrap around a cylinder of the oyster farce. Dip into the batter given below and fry in hot fat.

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VELVET IN LONDON SMOKE GRAY

scarlet. Gracing the right side where the brim turned over almost in cavalier style, were four plumes of the same shade as the hat caught by a large rhinestone buckle. Lying flat around the neck, a short cravat built from tips of the scarlet feathers was fastened at one side by a tiny rhinestone buckle. The Irish blue eyes and deep brown hair of the beauty whom this hat and scarf adorned, seemed to belong to a land outside of common earth, so wondrously did they stand out from this brilliant frame.

Neck pieces in the more delicate shades of plumes as well as those dyed in deep royal colorings, also ac-

company feather trimmed hats, and if flowers are employed on the latter, they also fasten the tiny cravat.

Missing feathers at the back of a hat is a favorite method of trimming this season, and, as a usual thing, a question the foundation is of velvet in London smoke gray with immense rosettes of milk in a darker shade filling in the back and catching the plume at the front.

Much more fragile is a high-crowned chapeau of silver cloth with two or three silver roses caught amid choux of net forming the only trimming. A hat built entirely of white tulle displays a single silver rose somewhere

above its brim, while the tulle neck ruche and a big muff to be worn with it have a similar rose nestling in the wealth of white tulle. A word as to the sequins and colored embroideries that adorn the upturned brims of felt hats. These are worked into the material of the hat as a general thing and are not in the form of appliques. Plateaux embroidered in exquisitely contrasting shades, Persian effects or spangled motifs, can be purchased ready for making up, and a woman is thus able to have a really Frenchy hat at a third of the cost of the imported models in this style.

In illustration of the milliners' fondness for combining colors in their hats, a mushroom or upturned saucer shape of amethyst felt, is trimmed on top

with old-rose velvet laid on in daisy petal effect. A bandeau which rises very high at the left side is completed by hidden beneath amethyst tulle, while a rose in the faded pink colorings drops over the hair.

A really exquisite combination shows a felt of champagne color with upturned brim faced with amethyst velvet. A gold quill fastened by a gold cloth rose constitutes the only adornment.

To return for a last glimpse at ostrich plumes, the simplest hat of the year, but one which is above all others becoming, shows an enlarged polo turban shape trimmed with a long feather caught exactly in front, and sweeping across the side of the hat to fall lightly at the back of the coiffure. The

feather has its quill caught by a huge bead-work button.

A hat of this sort worn by a young woman who looked as though she had just stepped from an artist's picture was set off by an Alice blue plume fastened by a button of transparent beadwork showing a faded pink rose woven at its centre. Matching this button was a neck-ornament that surrounded her lace chemise. The necklace was composed of four pieces of beadwork an inch and a half square, in design similar to the button on the hat. These were held together by narrow chains of transparent beadwork, the upper one being drawn tight, the others curving loosely and each dotted with the tiniest white fleur-de-lis.

## HINTS TO GIRLS ON WHAT MEN DISLIKE

Men hate to be forced to acknowledge that a woman has done them a favor. They absolutely refuse to be patronized by a woman.

They object to a woman's indulging in personal criticism of another, however much they may do it themselves. They want a woman to display at least the semblance of the broadest charity.

They dislike a woman to say she does not know what she wants to do, but if she does assert herself and select a mode of entertainment not agreeable to the man, he votes her lacking in sympathy and consideration.

A man hates to be kept waiting or to be disappointed in an engagement. He can see no reason why a woman cannot arrange her small affairs and be punctual in keeping appointments with him. On the other hand, his business affairs are never small and must always pass muster as an excuse for tardiness or actual breaking

of an engagement. As a rule, men dislike women with facts and enthusiasms. They think clubs, making collections, going in for charity work, etc., all draw women away from their natural sphere in the home circle.

They like to believe incessant smoking are not facts or enthusiasms. They are privileged habits of men.

They hate all ages and conditions hate to receive suggestions for the betterment of their manners, appearance or bearing. They somehow believe that women should convey the needed lesson by mental telepathy, never by word of mouth, however carefully a woman may word her phrases.

Men dislike to carry a package or to be asked to do errands. Never suggest to a man whom you expect to marry that you would like him to accompany you on a shopping tour. The first crack in an engagement which led to a wide breach has often been given

at a pure food exhibit or in the vicinity of a 50c bargain sale.

Men of this sort in a woman they will turn morose or vindictive under a sarcastic speech when they would yield and even apologize before a torrent of feminine tears. If a girl is sarcastic, before marriage, the man imagines she will be worse than shrewish after the ceremony is over. The average man dislikes to see the woman of his heart in a low neck gown or a peek-a-boo waist. He may say the same effect on another woman, but he does not want the woman of his choice to "stun" other men.

The girl who poses to the point of affectation is particularly objectionable to the masculine taste. It is a wise girl who knows where the line is drawn between effective posing and posing that is affected. All men, like the great public, like to be fooled, particularly by women, but they do not want to know when they are fooled.



BLACK VELVET MASSÉD WITH OSTRICH TIPS



BECOMING MUSHROOM SHAPE

# "DREADNOUGHT"

## Most Powerful Battleship in the World.

The monster battleship Dreadnought, which was launched recently at Portsmouth, when finished will have cost \$7,500,000. The Dreadnought is the product of the brain of the first sea lord, Sir John Fisher. Designed by Sir Philip Watts, the battleship is the outcome of experience derived from the Russo-Japanese war. Work was commenced on October 2nd, 1905, and the promise was made then that she would be launched within six months. The admiral more than made good his boast. Another twelve months, all going well, and the Dreadnought will be commissioned and join the Atlantic fleet, thus beating all previous records in battleship-building by six months.



SIR PHILIP WATTS,  
Designer of the Dreadnought.

When ready for sea the ship will displace 18,500 tons, but this is the least remarkable thing about her, for beside the ideas introduced, as a result of the Far Eastern war, Britain is placing on her a new fighting machine of the heaviest armament ever carried by a ship. In the past British vessels have carried four 12-inch guns throwing 500-pound shells; the Dreadnought will have ten of these weapons of a new type, with a muzzle energy of 22,000 ft. lbs. as compared with the 33,000 ft. lbs. of the guns carried in its recent battleships as the Majestic class, an increase of power of 50 per cent.

In a great sea fight the Dreadnought will be able to discharge every minute ten projectiles weighing 3,500 pounds.

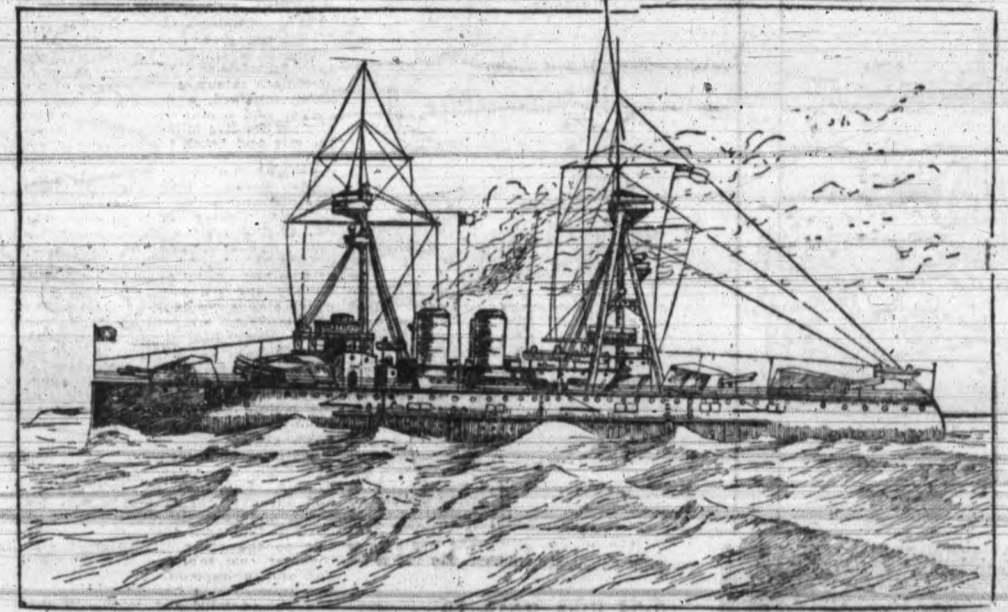
with sufficient velocity to send them 25 miles and to penetrate about 18 inches of the hardest armor at a range of two miles.

Unlike British and foreign battleships built in the past 20 years, the new addition to the fleet will carry no weapon smaller than the great 12-inch piece, except eighteen 3-inch quick-firing guns for repelling attacks by torpedo craft. She will mount neither 8.5-inch, 7.5-inch nor 6-inch guns—she will be the biggest warship afloat, and will have only the biggest and most powerful guns.

The secrets which will be incorporated in the huge hull are still hidden, but it is known that they tend to economy as well as efficiency.

The rudder and steering gear of the ship will be protected with heavy armor. New methods of transmitting orders have been devised, both electrical and hydraulic. The military masts will be abolished, the range-finding positions alone being provided aloft.

She will be the first battleship in the world to be driven by turbines. The engines will supply the power for four propellers, two more than any previously built British battleship. The Dreadnought will be the swiftest battleship afloat, her speed from the turbine engines being 21 knots.



THE BATTLESHIP DREADNOUGHT.

## PROFITABLE POULTRY FARMING

With the average farmer, comparatively little attention has been given to his poultry house, under the excuse that poultry does not pay. Poultry, if handled properly, does pay. According to the statistics for Canada of 1901, we find that for every dollar invested in land there is a revenue of 23 cents in the way of field crops, for every dollar invested in bees the revenue is 50 cents, and for every dollar invested in dairy cattle, the revenue is \$1; for the dollar invested in poultry, there is a revenue of \$2, and this revenue comes in spite of the fact that poultry does not receive the attention it merits. Give it the same attention that we give the other adjuncts to the farm, and the revenue will be even better. To get the best results, we must have suitable buildings; not by any means expensive, but comfortable. We might as well try to make a profit out of dairy cows wintered at the straw stack as to expect hens to pay with the treatment they so often receive. A farmer who was losing his hens wrote to Prof. Dryden, of the Utah experimental station, that his hens were dropping dead, and asked what was to be done. In reply the professor said to never mind it was a way hens had; some preferred death to the treatment they received.

According to census of March 31st, 1901, there were 16,500,000 hens in Canada, an increase in ten years of 3,800,000, and their value was set down as \$3,500,000, together with the value of their products for the year reached the enormous sum of \$15,000,000. If hens are given ordinary care, and an account kept of their receipts, and expenditures, the results will be surprising, needless to say gratifying.

A farmer who lives near Colquitz gives the following results from 150 hens for the year 1905, which is as follows:

Receipts		
From sale of eggs	\$75.00	
From sale of chicks	50.00	
From increase of flock	25.00	
Total Receipts		\$150.00
Expenditures		
100 bus. wheat, @ \$1.00 per bus.	\$100.00	
50 bus. barley, @ .80 per bus.	40.00	
Sundries	20.00	
Total Expenditures		\$160.00
Net profit		\$50.00
Total		\$200.00

This shows a net profit of \$2 for each hen, not including labor, which yields a handsome return for the money invested.

At the agricultural experiment station at Utah, United States, experiments show that the profit from young hens or pullets was about five times greater than that of the old hen. Not

## JOKES AND JINGLES

"Have you met him socially?" "Dear me, no. Only in a business way. I married his daughter."

Cadley: "No, he isn't in our social set any more." Wiseman: "So I understand." Cadley: "Yes, he dropped out some time ago." Wiseman: "Why, he gave me to understand he climbed out."—Philadelphia Press.

Mrs. Chugwater (looking up from her newspaper): "Jonah, what is the rear elevation of a church?" Mr. Chugwater: "It's the place where the choir sits. Haven't you been inside a church a few times in your life?"—Chicago Tribune.

After the teacher had carefully explained the familiar story, she asked Tommy whether he expected to be among the sheep or the goats. "How's a fellow to tell," answered Tommy, "when his ma calls him a lamb and his paw says he is a pesky kid?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

"I have come to tell you, Bridget," said the mistress, "that I find you very hard to get along with." "Well, ma'am," replied the cook lady, "I'll not complain so long as ye do yer best."—Philadelphia Press.

"I am inclined to believe," said the merchant, "that pursuit is better than possession, after all." "Oh, I don't know," rejoined the demagogue, "you never ran for office, did you?"—Chicago Daily News.

"Are you fond of yachting, Miss Gray?" "Oh, yes. At the very thought of the inspiring breeze, the sparkling salt, the rushing water, I can hardly contain myself." "Y—yes—that's the way it affects me."—Cleveland Leader.

"Peculiar audience," growled the star as he came off the stage after the first act. "I should call him singular," replied the stage manager, after a heavy glance through the peep hole in the curtain.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"How would you advise me to proceed in order to attract public attention to my stationery business?" "There are two ways," answered Senator Sorghum. "One is to read up all the works on political economy you can find, and the other is to remember all the funny stories you hear."—Washington Star.

Stella: "Why have you got a string tied around your finger?" Bella: "To remind me whose engagement ring I am wearing."—Harper's Bazar.

"He has none of the finer sensibilities, nothing to distinguish him from the common herd." "No, sir, I've heard him confess, out of his own mouth, that all autos smell alike to him."—Puck.

The Minister: "That was a rather long sermon I preached this morning, my dear. Do you think it met with the approval of the congregation?" His Wife: "I suppose so, Abner. I noticed they were all nodding."—Chicago Daily News.

"I hear the audience last night was rather cold," said the critic. "Most of the people were, at first," replied Hamu, "but when they remembered that they had paid good money to see the show they got hot."—Philadelphia Press.

## THE NEIGHBOR'S BOYS

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As my, it's funny, 'cause you know, You ain't the only one 'at's so. 'Cause all the next door neighbors say. It sears 'em exactly the same way. An' when their boys get hurt they say. It gives 'em terrible bloody nose. An' some one shoots their cat's eye out. An' plays tick-tack, they know about. Who does it an' who makes the noise? The neighbor's boys!

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A WINTER SUNBEAM.  
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And it said, this darling sunbeam, "I will throw my ray of light Just where that poor boy is passing With his face so wan and white. And a moment I will linger. Just upon that little child. With the eyes so sad and cheerless. She will know that I have smiled."

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# Children's Column

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RIDDLES FROM RUSSIA.  
Here are some riddles which the boys and girls in Russia puzzle their heads over. See how many of them you can guess without looking at the answers: I am blind, but show others the way; I am a dream, but know how to count. A milestone. People pray for me and long for my company; but, if I appear they hide themselves. Rain. I have four legs and feathers, but am neither beast nor bird. Feather-bed. Four brothers run side by side, but never catch one another. Wheels of a cart. There are four brothers under one hat. Legs of a table. What walks upside down overhead? Fly. Who are the two brothers that live on opposite sides of the road, yet never see each other? Four eyes.

THE MOTOR SHIP.  
Captain Columbus Capers sighed heavily as he looked at the sea from his window where his ship lay at anchor in the harbor. "I was born to be a discoverer," he cried. "I owe it to my name; yet here I, Columbus Capers, have not explored a single fresh country." And he went off in a pet to the Admiralty, where they take things easy, and don't like to be flustered, and asked for a job. The Admiralty looked thoughtful.

"How can we give you one? If you want to make a sensation, you must write to the papers, and build a motor ship, the common or garden sort won't do for exploring. The public goes in for up-to-date methods. But be sure you write to the papers, and are interviewed." So Captain Capers determined to be up-to-date, and he saw a hundred interviewers and built a motor-boat, and fitted on two flying propellers, in case they might want to fly. For the Admiralty told him an up-to-date boat was nothing unless it could become an "air-ship" on occasion, and he took a motor designer, too, because they said it would be such a service to science. And one fine day he got up steam, and put on a pair of new goggles warranted proof against sea salt, and blew a horn to let the other ships know he was coming.

And didn't the other boats just clear out? The big liners kept out of the way, pretending to be getting up steam, but really they were insuring against accidents, and the men-of-war said the commercial was too much for them, and that their torpedoes were no better than tomatoes at this rate, and so they sent them to the bottom of the sea, which was really the best place for them, and the sailing vessels ran down their sails, thinking it was a "tidal wave," while as for the small boats, their owners cried, "We'll go no more a-roving," as well they might.

And Captain Capers was mightily pleased with himself. Unkind people, who are always to be found on land and sea alike, said he was "cutting ridiculous capers"; but the Captain said it was vulgar to make personal puns, and called it "cutting a dash," for he said "We have succeeded in making a sensation, and what

else does a disappointed explorer live for?" Presently he thought he'd send word to the sea-folk, so he "phoned" down to the mermaids: "Are you there?" "Of course we are," answered the mermaids, shortly, for they thought it rather rude for a stranger to ring them up like this without having been introduced. "What are you doing?" called the inquisitive Captain.

"Why, combing our hair, of course, as any self-respecting mermaids would be," was the answer, so Captain Capers, who didn't like the idea of disturbing ladies at their toilettes, thought he would not go down, though he had a diving-bell all ready in the papers.

"Never mind," he cried, "we will dive," and he lowered his new motor, and nicely it went to the right about all the good people below stairs—or, rather, below seas—for it stirred up all the sand and stones and slime at the bottom of the deep-sea sea," and made it a horrid muddy color.

"Hello," hawled the Shark at the sea-bottom, "what do you mean by making this horrid mess? I was just having my after-dinner nap, and you spoiled all my pleasant dreams."

"You've no business to dream," shouted Captain Capers, "in these wide-awake times there's no room for dreamers."

"But you've forgotten the rest of the world," cried the Flying Fish. "It's rude to plunge about in other people's preserves, like this; besides, you've run right through the sea anemones' garden and spoiled all their lovely flowers."

"Sentimental stuff and nonsense," cried the Captain. "Grow something useful; who wants flowers?"

Suddenly the huge Octopus, who had been studying "Expansion," put up a great feeler. "What's all this?" he snorted angrily. "I guess all I can try to do on, and, if you don't mind, I shall grab your dredger."

"Hands off, it's in the interests of science," shouted Captain Capers; but it was no good, the Octopus must have got hold of the motor dredger, for it never came up again.

"Never mind," he said, "let's try if we can fly!" But the propellers wouldn't work, though he sent word to the Admiralty, who sent back a message by wireless telegraphy saying, "Much regret flying finsco"; and it made a splendid headline for all the evening papers. Moreover, all the sealions flew round and laughed and jeered at Captain Capers. "Ah, ha!" they cried, "there's no flying, you know, without wings."

But a great deal worse even than this happened. It was bad enough the Octo-

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plus seizing his dredger, and the sea birds making fun of him, but the next thing was more terrible still, for Captain Capers was laughed at by the Press! Newspapers actually dared to talk about the "soaring ambition" of would-be explorers who wanted to make a sensation on the high seas at any price, and "Cutting Marine Capers" became a standing joke in the papers.

And Captain Capers was so angry, he sailed back to his old home, and when he looked out of the window he didn't see his old ship, for it had been chipped up for firewood.

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I wonder if you know how people first learned to make bread? Well, I will tell you, because it is a very funny story. Long, long ago, in Albania, there lived a magistrate who among his other had a cook who used to make little cakes of flour and water for his master's table. For in those days no one had thought of fermented bread, as we know it, and had to put up with rather heavy cakes. One day the cook in question put some dough in an earthen bowl and forgot all about it, till he found it some days after quite sour. The slave was going to throw it away, for he dreaded his master seeing this proof of waste, when who should appear but the magistrate himself, so his cook just turned the sour dough into some flour and water he was kneading up for cakes. But oh, what cakes they were! quite different to anything that had been baked before, for the dough had fermented and become yeast, so that the bread rose up most beautifully, and every one who tasted it cried, "This is something like bread." Of course, the poor slave was pleased enough, and confessed what he had done. But after this every one wanted sour dough to mix with their fresh flour and water, and so they opened bakers' shops.

RIDDLES.  
Why is a madman like two men?—He is one beside himself.  
Why is an island like the letter T?—Because it is in the middle of water (WA-T-ER).  
ORIGINAL RIDDLES.  
Why is the letter N like a wicked Roman Emperor?—Because it is near O (NEAR).  
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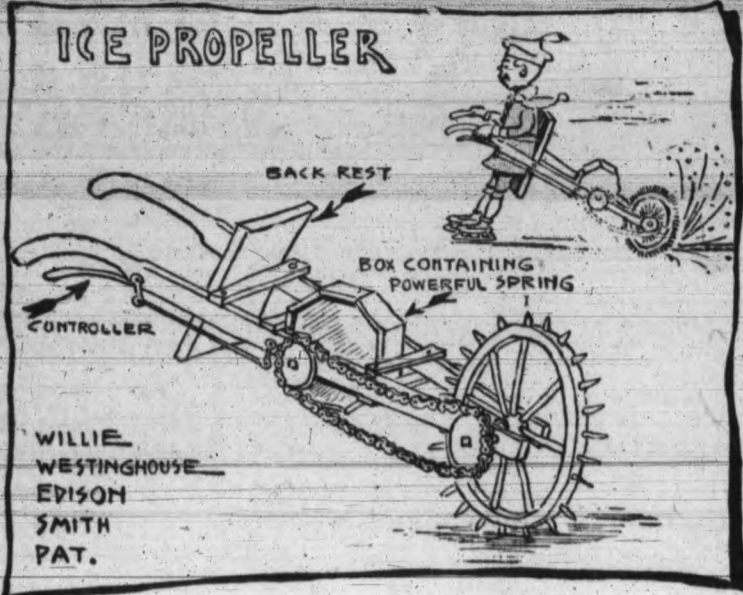
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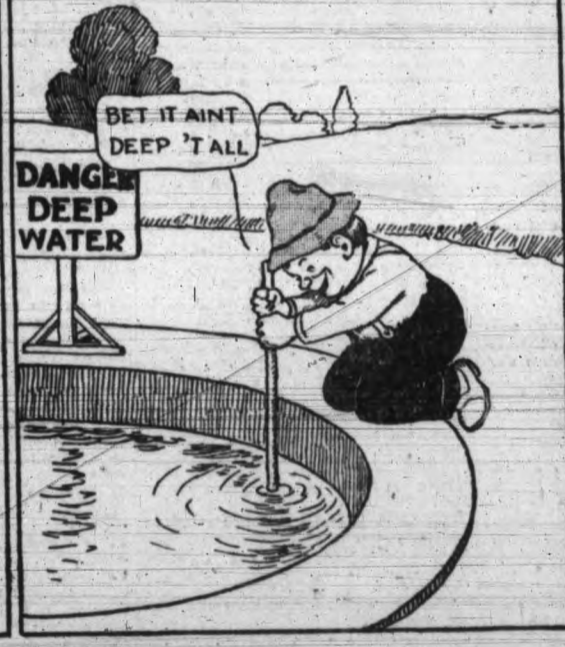
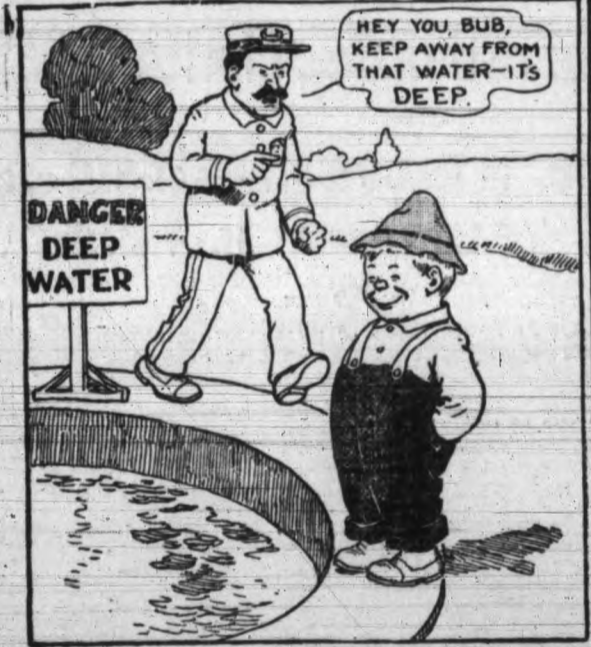
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### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the "Quietus Titles Act" and in the Matter of Lot 181, Victoria City.

Take notice that Charles Graham Wyllie has this day made application to the Honorable Mr. Justice Irving pursuant to the above Act, that his title to the above lands be judicially investigated and for a declaration that he is the legal and beneficial owner of said land in fee simple. And further take notice that the said Honorable Mr. Justice Irving has decided to grant a declaration of title under the said Act to the said property and to sign the same six months after the first publication of this notice in the British Columbia Gazette and Victoria Daily Times and Victoria Daily Colonist, newspapers, unless cause be shown to the contrary in the meantime.

Notice of intention to show cause must be filed in the Victoria Registry of this Court on or before the 15th July, 1908. Dated this 15th day of February, 1908. By BOWELL & LAWSON, Of 245 Government Street, Victoria, B.C. Solicitors for Charles Graham Wyllie.

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**SAANICH EXTENSION, DOUGLAS ST.** 2 roomed cottage and 3/4 acre of land, city water, stable, and all fenced within 5 minutes' walk of the terminus of the Douglas Street car line, \$2,500.

**ALFRED ST.**-Between Cook and Chambers Street one-story house on lot 2029, rents for \$11 per month, \$1,200.

**TOLMIE AVE.**-4 room cottage on lot 10812, water supplied by well, \$1,200.

**SIMCOE ST.**-Large 10 roomed house on lot 60230, easy terms, \$1,600.

**NORTH CHATHAM ST.**-4 lots on the car line, \$1,000.

**FOR RENT**-Comfortable house, Discovery Street, \$12.

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10 GOVERNMENT STREET.

**3 ACRES**-Near Gorge road, only \$1,100.

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**TO RENT**-7 roomed cottage on Croft Street, James Bay, vacant on April 1st, sewer, hot water, electric light, \$10, indoor bath, \$100.

**20 ACRES**-All cleared and cultivated, 3 rooms, dwelling, barn and stable, 12 miles from city, South Saanich, only \$2,700.

**12 ACRES**-All under cultivation, 2 story house, 2 acres in orchard, barns and stables, 20 miles from city, one of the finest farms on the Island, \$15,000. Will sell in blocks of 20, 50 or 100 acres.

**5 ROOMED HOUSE**-On Dallas road, lot 60230, electric light, hot water, sewer, 2000 sq. ft. garden, fruit trees, only \$1,400.

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Messrs. L. Eaton & Co. duly instructed by Mrs. Maud Desjardins, will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION

At her residence, 41 Haywood avenue, on Wednesday, March 28th, at 2 o'clock, the whole of her Household Furniture and Effects including a first-class Piano by Details in Sunday's paper.

Important Auction
OWING TO BUSINESS CHANGES I am instructed by Mr. E. J. Salmon, who, having to vacate one of his stores, No. 46 Johnson street (which compels him to relinquish the furniture-department of his business) to sell without reserve on the premises.

Tuesday 27th 2 p.m.
and following day if necessary, a large quantity and great variety of

Furniture and Furnishings
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PREFER CANADA TO AUSTRALIA

PARTY OF NORTHWEST FARMERS RETURNING
Reports Received From Commercial Agents—Application by the Pacific Cable Company.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 24.—The trade and commerce department has received two reports from its agents in Australia.

J. S. Larke, writing from Sydney, says he visited the Fiji Islands, and found Canadian trade steadily but slowly increasing. He cites the evidence of witnesses before the government commission to show that the Pacific cable was being threatened because it was a publicly owned line.

D. H. Ross, the Melbourne agent, says the Pacific Cable Company is making application to the Commonwealth government for the same facilities as are enjoyed by the Eastern Extension Company with regard to special telegraph lines.

Mr. Larke says a party of Canadian Northwest farmers went to Australia two months ago. They are returning not being satisfied with the country. They say that land cannot be obtained in Australia except at prices beyond its value. Good land is heavily timbered, and would take from \$50 to \$125 to clear it. They say that the Canadian winter is preferable to the heat of the Australian summer.

Mr. Larke asks for a sample of British Columbia herring cured on the lines suggested by J. H. Cowie.

STRIKE INEVITABLE
F. R. Robbins Says It Seems Impossible For Operators and Miners to Reach Agreement.

(Associated Press.)
New York, March 24.—The Tribune says to-day: "At the conference of the Gould interests held here yesterday, a message was read from Frank L. Robbins, chairman of the Pittsburg Coal Company, in which he declared a coal strike was inevitable.

"It now seems impossible for us to reach an agreement," the message read. Mr. Robbins is now at the meeting of the joint committee in Indianapolis. The Gould interests got reports from all the system officials, intimating that there was a supply of fuel coal in storage that would keep the Gould system for some months."

Coal in Reserve.
New York, March 24.—The announcement was made to-day by the anthracite mine operators that they have on hand within a radius of less than 500 miles of New York city a reserve supply of more than 9,000,000 tons of anthracite coal. This is held by the coal operators in addition to the supplies held by the dealers and larger consumers.

The Joint Conference.
Indianapolis, Ind., March 24.—When the joint scale committee of the joint conference of coal operators and the United Mine Workers of America of the central competitive and southwestern districts met to-day there was not an indication that the opposing sides were any nearer an agreement than when the January conference adjourned after a disagreement.

ROBBERS SENTENCED.
Five Condemned to Death and One to Twenty Years in Prison.

(Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, March 24.—Six of the men who raided the savings bank in Sabalkanski Prospect on February 13th were sentenced to-day. Five of them were condemned to death and one to 20 years' imprisonment.

Archbishop Orth will lecture to-morrow evening at St. Andrew's cathedral on "St. Patrick, his life and works."

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RUSSIAN INCOME TAX.
Draft of Proposed Law—Estimated to Bring In \$28,500,000.

(Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, March 24.—The draft of a proposed income tax has been completed. It exempts incomes below \$150, while those above that amount are subjected to an impost of from less than one per cent. to five per cent. Foreign diplomatists are exempt, but other foreigners resident for a year or more in Russia must pay. It is estimated that the tax will bring in \$28,500,000.

LOAN TO LANDLORDS.
Russian Government Will Advance \$5,000,000 to Those Who Suffered From Agrarian Troubles.

(Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, March 24.—The council of the empire has adopted the project to grant a loan of \$5,000,000 to the landlords who suffered from the agrarian troubles. The loan is repayable in forty years, but will not bear interest until 1910.

A delegation representing the Russians in Poland, the Baltic provinces and Lithuania appeared before the Emperor to-day and pleaded for separation of the lower house of parliament, contending that as they are in the minority they will not be shown any mercy by the non-Russian population. The Emperor promised to order an investigation into the whole question.

STEAMER ON FIRE.
British Freighter is Attempting to Make St. Johns.

(Associated Press.)
St. Johns, Nfld., March 24.—The British freight steamer Titian, bound from New York for Manchester, Eng., is off Cape Race with her cargo on fire. She reported her condition to a signal station at Cape Race this afternoon, and added that she was attempting to reach this port. A furious snow-storm is raging here, and it is feared that the boat will not be able to make her way into the harbor.

CHESS BY CABLE.
Play in Progress for the Rice International Trophy.

London, March 24.—An interested crowd was present at the Lang St. Court hotel here to-day to witness the opening of the cable-chess match between Oxford and Cambridge and Cornell and the University of Pennsylvania for the Rice international chess trophy. Play commenced promptly after the cable exchanges of salutation. H. W. Bowles, president of the Metropolitan Chess Club, watched the play in behalf of the American contestants.

Englishmen Hold Trophy.
New York, March 24.—Play in the international cable chess match for the possession of the Isaac L. Rice international trophy began to-day with the six representatives of Pennsylvania, Cornell and Brown opposed to a select team representing the Americans were stationed in the chess room of Professor Rice's home in this city, while the Englishmen played their sides of the games from their headquarters in London.

With the time limit of 24 moves an hour it is expected to reach a verdict by 7 o'clock this evening, at which any games remaining unfinished will be adjudicated by the referee, W. E. Napier. The Rice trophy, now held by the British players, is a handsome silver shield valued at \$1,500. No match has been played for it since 1903, when the Englishmen won.

PERSONAL.
The visit of J. J. Shallice of this city, to Winnipeg, mentioned in these columns yesterday, is for the purpose of entering married life. He is to wed Mrs. McGill, formerly of this city. They will return to Victoria and take up their residence here.

Archdeacon and Mrs. Scriven were down from Duncan's yesterday. They registered at the King Edward. Dr. Good, of Winnipeg, is visiting Victoria and staying at the King Edward. H. Pinkert is down from Dawson and is staying at the Briard.

BORN.
GRUBBE—At Vancouver, on March 22nd, the wife of E. H. Grubbe, of a daughter.

MARRIED.
PHIPPS-MARTIN—At New Westminster, on March 19th, by Rev. J. S. Henderson, Frank Phipps and Miss Edith Martin.

CARR-SADDEN-RAE—At Vancouver, on March 21st, by Rev. R. J. Wilson, Clifford Carrsadden and Miss Nellie Rae.

DIED.
THOMPSON—At the family residence, No. 20 Simcoo street, on the 23rd inst., Hannah P., beloved wife of Martin Thompson, aged 42 years, and a native of Sweden.

The funeral will take place on Monday at 2 p. m. from above address. Friends please accept this intimation. BENTLEY—At Rosland, on March 19th, Mrs. C. F. Bentley, aged 3 years.

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WANTED—A good company promoter. Box 28, Times Office.

FOR SALE—3-year-old heifer, due to calve on 25th. Apply Mrs. Jacques, Canton road, Esquimalt.

TO LET—Small furnished cottage. Apply 25 Quays street.

Notice to Contractors
Tenders will be received for alterations to the Savoy Theatre, on Government street, up to noon of Tuesday, March 27th. Plans and specifications can be obtained from J. J. Donnellan at the Hotel Briard.

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