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## OVER THOUSAND MEETINGS DAILY

### RENEWED ACTIVITY IN BRITISH CAMPAIGN

#### Chancellor of Exchequer Makes Flying Visit to London.

London, Jan. 4.—The election campaign is entering upon its final and fiercest stage. Over one thousand political meetings daily will be held in Great Britain during this week. No body can compute the number of leaflets that will be distributed or the area of wall space that will be covered with posters.

All the party leaders will be actively engaged. Mr. Balfour speaks at Hanley today.

Mr. Lloyd George is making a round of the metropolises, with a flying visit to Plymouth. Mr. Churchill will visit Dundee on the seventh. Numerous meetings to be addressed by peers, members of parliament and candidates have been arranged by the Conservative central office. The peers will be especially active, 24 speaking today and twenty-five on Thursday.

The election in York promises to be keen, and the result is difficult to predict. There are six military voters of the Seventeenth Lancers who come on the register. Unionists hope for their support. Mr. Churchill, writing of Jamar Greenwood, says: "As a Canadian, well known and well liked throughout Canada, he has a special responsibility at this juncture."

Premier Roblin's speech is widely quoted, and appears most opportunely on the morning of the publication of Lloyd George's declaration at Reading, when he said: "Our colonial brethren have been watching this budget with great interest, and have been expressing their opinions very fully. They are all thoroughly ashamed of their lordly friends for the way in which they are conducting the election campaign, and they are determined to give the responsibility to pay up like men. I think that on the whole our tariff reform friends are rather shrewd in the way in which they are not here to take part in the election."

The Daily Express, under the heading "Colonial Premier Refutes Lloyd George," set the foregoing passage in parallel columns with Premier Roblin's words of the result if the Socialists dominate the British parliament and his argument for the necessity for a general recognition within the Empire of preferences for Great Britain over foreigners.

The Standard bounds its special report "Danger to Empire. Overseas Premier's Appeal Against Socialist Influence."

Radical papers have not published any report of Premier Roblin's speech, though they report fully Lloyd George's representations that the colonies are wholly on his side.

As election day approaches, the statements of free-lancers on each side are growing more reckless. After reading the Radical papers, one would readily imagine that the Germans in their poverty had no other food than horse-flesh, dog sausages and bitter black bread. A gruesome picture is drawn of a German eating diseased horses and a mixed black loaf, to which smart Unionist speakers reply: "The Germans who eat horse flesh and rye bread do so because they prefer it. The German people generally do not live on diseased British workmen."

The United States is being pictured as overflowing with destitute unemployed, "ten millions in California alone," one enterprising Journal announces, while those who have work are represented in the Chronicle as paying 20 to 46 per cent higher for food than a few years ago, owing to the trusts. The Manchester Guardian makes great play with what it calls "the American anti-tariff revolt."

Winston Churchill, in a published letter written to a Radical candidate on official board of trade paper, makes the most of these horseflesh and other stories, especially emphasizing American unemployment during the 1907-8 financial collapse.

The Express correspondent, cabling from New York, reports great amusement caused by Lloyd George's description of America as a protectionist Eden, with the serpent of hunger, want and unemployment hissing in every part of the land. In reply, reports are cabled from Federation of Labor representatives at 123 of the principal American industrial centres declaring that work is steady, the unemployment problem non-existent and prosperity general.

In comparison with this foreign hunger scare, the peers have dropped into the background, although yesterday the Daily News gives the following in bold type:

"Horghio Nelson, the victor of Trafalgar, had a brother, who had a nephew, who had a son, who is at present Lord Nelson. This lordly person has received a pension of £5,000 sterling per annum for 67 years. This sum, together with moderate interest, amounts to more than £500,000 sterling. For what? Because he had a father who had an uncle who had a brother named Horatio Nelson. He voted against old age pensions for the aged poor."

What in fact Lord Nelson supported was the German contributory scheme by which through the co-operation of employer and state the workmen's old-age pension would have been obtainable at sixty instead of seventy, and for ten or twelve shillings weekly instead of five.

## CAMPAIGN IS IN FULL SWING

### MAYORALTY CANDIDATES WORKING ENERGETICALLY

#### Ald. Henderson Speaks Tonight at the A. O. U. W. Hall.

The municipal campaign may now be said to be in full swing. The candidates for the mayoralty are working most energetically and a series of public meetings have been arranged for. Tonight Ald. Henderson will hold his first meeting of the campaign in A. O. U. W. hall, Yates street, and it is assumed that other candidates, both for the mayoralty and for the board of aldermen, will be heard. Ald. Henderson will to-morrow evening address a meeting in Semple's hall, Victoria West.

Ald. Turner and his supporters at a meeting to be held at the committee rooms, Fort street, may outline a schedule of meetings to be addressed, though Mr. Turner is depending mostly for success on the quiet persistent canvass which his energetic committee are waging.

W. E. Oliver, the first mayoralty candidate to take the field, and who has already addressed a number of public meetings, will speak again to-morrow evening in the Trades and Labor hall. Mr. Oliver will have an audience composed mainly of workmen, though the general public is cordially invited to attend. It is declared by Mr. Oliver's friends that he is gaining friends among the workmen every day.

The newest aspirant for aldermanic honors to put in an appearance is Dr. A. A. Humber, a brother of Ald. Russ Humber. The doctor is a native son and one of the leading professional men of the city, and as he is very well known and has many friends, he is very hopeful of being selected in ward 4, for which he has announced his intention of standing. W. N. Mitchell, who was mentioned in yesterday's Times as a probable candidate, has now formally announced his intention of running. He has been a resident of the city for the past three years, and during that period has taken the keenest interest in its welfare. He is a member of the firm of Mitchell, Hemmings & Mayhew, dealers in men's wear, Moose Jaw, at which city he had three years' experience on the city council. He was also a member of the parks board of Moose Jaw. Since coming to Victoria Mr. Mitchell has been engaged in the real estate business, and has been very successful. He holds strong views on the necessity for the beautification of Victoria.

Ald. Mable has definitely announced that he will not again seek a seat at the board. This proves a great disappointment to his friends in ward 4, who have been hopeful of prevailing upon him to stand against Ald. Ross in the next election in this ward.

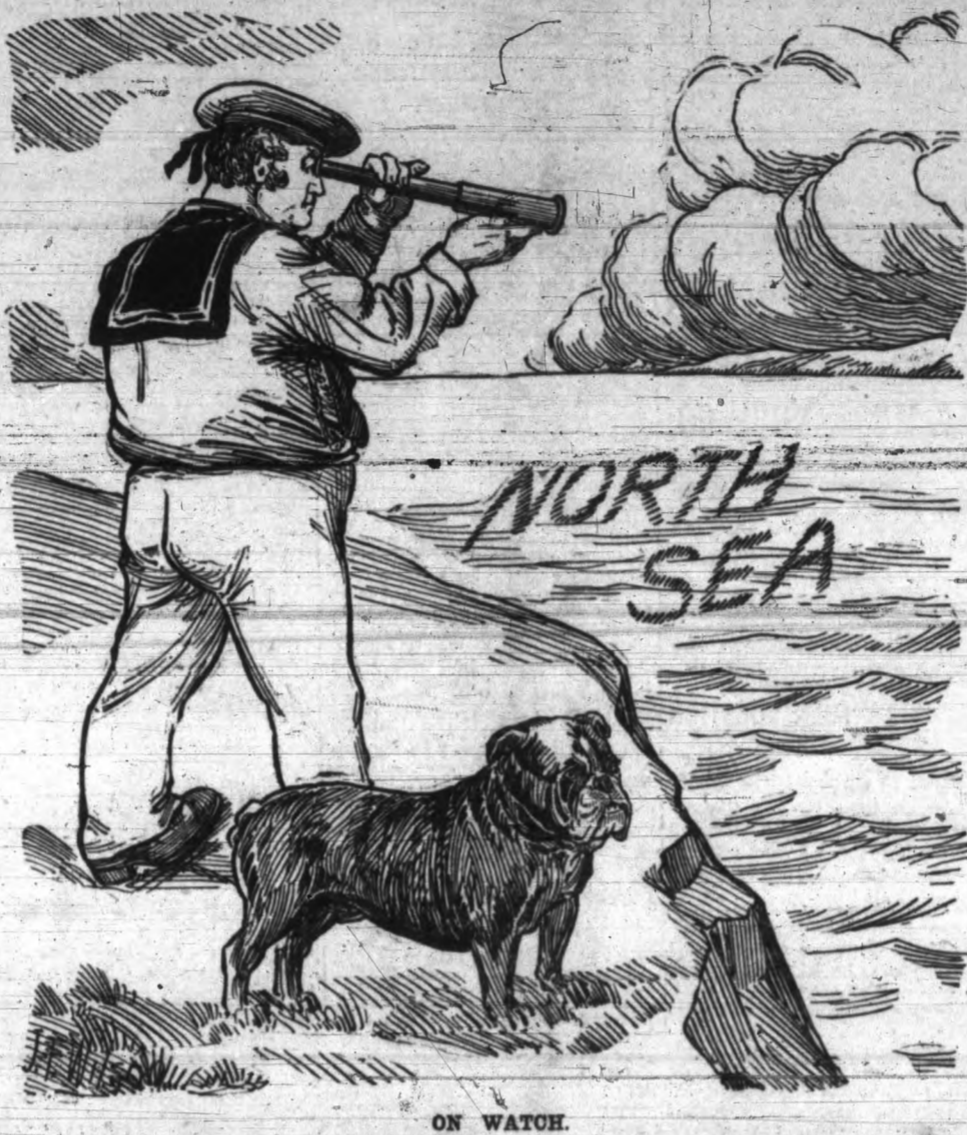
F. S. McPherson, of the firm of McPherson & Fullerton Bros., is being urged to become an aldermanic candidate for ward 1.

W. T. Williams is also spoken of as a candidate for ward 4.

With the exception of Ald. Henderson and Ald. Turner, who are in the race for the mayoralty, and Ald. Mable and Stewart, who are retiring, all the other members of the present council are out for re-election.

A. B. McNeill will again be a candidate for the position of school trustee. Mr. McNeill has been a member of the board for two years.

Mayor Hall will not allow any public meetings to be held in the city hall this year, not because of any danger to the crowd while in the chamber, but because in case of trouble the nature of the exits would probably cause a loss of life.



## POWERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

### POINTS RAISED AT LAST NIGHT'S MEETING

#### No New Work Can Be Ordered During Last Days.

When does a civic administration die? Has it the right to transact all public business until its successor has taken office? At what date does a city council, about to relinquish office, cease to be empowered to incur a financial liability which will not be met until a new board has succeeded it?

These very interesting questions were raised at last evening's meeting of the city council, when a motion by Alderman Turner was presented, and they were not answered to the gentleman's satisfaction at all.

Ald. Turner's resolution provided that local improvement work in the way of boulevards with curbs and gutters be laid on both sides of Harbinger avenue, between Richardson street and Fairfield road, the owners to pay four-fifths of the cost.

On the motion being read the mayor pointed out that it would be just as well to let the matter stand over for the next council. There was a doubt about the power of the present board in the last days of its administration to order this work done.

On Ald. Turner appealing to the city solicitor, that gentleman said there was a doubt about the right of the council to order new work at this time, and therefore the matter had better stand over. While there is nothing in the Municipal Clauses Act which says the council shall not exercise full powers of its election until the election of a new board, nevertheless the best authorities were of the opinion that there appears to be a limitation.

This led Ald. Turner to remark that in the opinion of the city solicitor "this council is dead."

Mayor Hall: "Not exactly dead, but dying." (Laughter.) Continuing his worship said that it appeared to be the opinion of the city barrister, who had been consulted in the matter, that the council in its last days should confine itself to routine work. New legislative work ought not to be undertaken. In the case in hand the work outlined would call for the issue of debentures, and if the present council undertook to pass on the work of the revenue of the incoming council.

The city solicitor said that some three years ago an effort had been made to have the legislature clear up the point by an amendment to the act, but nothing had come of the effort. The Ontario act, which he would like to see copied here, was quite emphatic in giving full powers to the board right up to the moment it vacated office, and if that act had been in effect the point now under discussion could not have been raised.

## TO SUE CITY FOR DAMAGES

### PACIFIC WAGON WORKS ASK FOR \$3,000

#### Alleged That Tearing Up of Government Street Caused Loss.

The city is threatened with a law suit which if proceeded with will determine the right of the corporation to proceed with street improvement work, regardless of the inconvenience which may be caused business men along the thoroughfare affected by such work.

At last evening's meeting of the council a letter was read from C. W. Bradshaw, barrister and solicitor, informing the board that his client, the Pacific Wagon Works Company, doing business on Government street, corner of Chatham, had instructed him to take action against the city to recover the sum of \$3,000 damages which they had suffered in consequence of the tearing up of the thoroughfare. His clients had complained that the street had been made impassable and left out of repair for an unreasonable length of time, with the consequence that the business had suffered very materially.

Mr. Bradshaw ventured the opinion that while it was clear that the city had the distinct right to tear up any street in order to effect repairs or improvements, it was not clear that it had the right to so prosecute this work as to work a hardship upon any business. In the case in point it would be contended that the city had no reason for proceeding with work on both sides of the street simultaneously, with the result that it was impossible for teams to get out of or into the premises of the Pacific Wagon Works Company.

On it being suggested that the communication ought to be referred to the city solicitor for report to the incoming council, Ald. Ross remarked: "That's right; we ought to establish a kind of sanitarium for all the lawyers in the city. This will mean more work for the lawyers."

It was decided to let the incoming council deal with the matter.

## ALBERNI LANDS BEING CLEARED

### CONTRACT LET FOR EIGHT HUNDRED ACRES

#### C. P. R. Anxious to Build Terminals and Shops on Reserve.

The C. P. R. will continue their land-clearing operations on Vancouver Island. Recently a contract was let for the clearing of 800 acres in the Alberni valley, which will be placed on the market as soon as it is ready. This will mean a good deal to that place, and is an indication that the C. P. R. have a good deal of faith in the future of Alberni. The work is also being continued at French Creek.

Speaking on the railway building into Alberni, H. Marpole, general executive assistant of the C. P. R., said this morning that the work had now been all subject and would be pushed as fast as possible. Not only was the work being continued on both ends but every contractor has started on his particular section. The result will be that it will not be long before the work is completed. The rails will be laid to Cameron Lake by May.

Mr. Marpole is here for a double purpose. He intends to formally present his objections to the Grand Trunk docks before the committee of the board of trade, and he is also taking the opportunity of impressing upon them the necessity of aiding the company in securing terminal rights on the Indian Reserve.

"As soon as we secure a location on the reserve," said Mr. Marpole, "we shall erect our terminal buildings there, remove the machine shops from Wellington, and make Victoria the centre for our island system. Wellington is not at all convenient for us and we should like to come here if only we could secure the necessary site. I think that the board of trade and the people of Victoria should help to bring pressure in order to have the part of the reserve require expropriated. You can see for yourself how we are tied up."

Mr. Marpole also spoke of the advantage the hotel addition would be to the city. The company is at present advertising for tenders and will push the work as fast as possible.

## COURT OF APPEAL WAS OPENED THIS MORNING

### Notable Gathering of Members of Legal Profession—Attorney General Bowser and Hon. C. E. Pooley Congratulate Judges.

This is a notable day in the legal calendar of British Columbia. This morning the first sitting of the new Court of Appeal was opened in the Supreme Court room at the law courts, and the occasion saw a gathering of members of the legal profession such as has never been seen here before. All the leaders of the bar in the province were present, and practically every member of the profession residing in Victoria was there.

Among them were Hon. W. J. Bowser, K. C., attorney-general; H. C. Maclean, K. C., deputy attorney-general; Hon. C. E. Pooley, treasurer of the Law Society of B. C.; Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, K. C.; W. J. Taylor, K. C.; H. D. Helmenck, K. C.; A. E. McPhillips, K. C.; A. P. Luxton, K. C.; Fred Peters, K. C.; E. Perry Mills, K. C.; G. H. Barnard, K. C.; M. P. R. T. Elliott, K. C.; L. G. McPhillips, K. C.; E. V. Bodwell, K. C.; A. D. Stuart, K. C.; J. A. Harvey, K. C.; Sheriff Richards, John Jardine, M. P.; P. Dr. Hall, ex-M. P. P., Chief Langley, R. L. Drury, H. A. Munn.

The members of the court entered promptly at 11 o'clock. Chief Justice Macdonald had seated on his left Mr. Justice Martin and on his right Mr. Justice Irving, who takes the position of senior puisne judge. To the right of the latter sat Mr. Justice Gallie. In simple formula Registrar Brian H. T. Drake declared the Court of Appeal in session.

Attorney-General's Welcome.

The attorney-general, addressing the court, said:

"Your lordships, on behalf of the Bar of the province, I wish to extend to you our hearty congratulations on the position you occupy as the first judges in our new Court of Appeal. Two of your members have, by their past positions, placed themselves in such a position that we can judge of their work, and we can be assured that the same care which has characterized them in the past will also be found in the future. As to your lordships, the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Gallie, we recognize that you have had no former judicial experience, but we look forward to painstaking and careful performance of your duties.

"If I may be permitted, my lord the Chief Justice, I would recall that we both entered public life in 1905, and I am in a position to attest as to the ability and attention you gave to your work in the legislature, and therefore I can anticipate with a great deal of confidence your performance of your duties in your present sphere.

"The public of the province have been looking forward for some time to the opening of this court, and we feel that its work will be done with due expedition, and in that I promise you the co-operation of the profession. I would express to your lordships our best wishes for 1910 and our hope that you may be long spared to grace the Bench."

The Chief Justice's Reply.

"Mr. Attorney-General and gentlemen of the Bar: Permit me to thank you on behalf of this court for your very kind words. It is true that the establishment of this court marks a new point in the development of our judicial system. I know it will be our endeavor in the future to live up to the high traditions, not only of our Bench

of the Motherland and the sister provinces, but of British Columbia.

"We will remember and look back with great respect to the notable record made by this bar in the province. Three men have made the name of Justice in British Columbia a name revered from one end of the province to the other. I trust that the landmarks that they have made for us will guide us in our duties in this work."

"I have to thank you, Mr. Attorney-General, very especially indeed for the very kind words you have used towards myself. I remember that we entered the legislature together, and while our courses have not run along the same lines and we have not seen eye to eye I am glad that you are the first to voice congratulations to me on this occasion.

"A question has arisen affecting the status with regard to precedence of my three brother judges. In framing the act under which this court is constituted it was apparently not foreseen that the appointment of the three puisne judges would be made by one order in council, thus making their appointment simultaneous.

"The Court of Appeal act provides that these members of the court shall have rank and precedence amongst themselves in order of seniority of appointment, and as there was no seniority of appointment it became necessary for us to adjust the difficulty. I am very glad to be able to say that my brother judges have approached the question in a most generous spirit, and while we are not unanimous that the statute should be construed as I have indicated, yet the majority are of the opinion that reading the statute and order in council together a condition of things not provided for has arisen, viz. that the three puisne judges of this court are of equal rank and precedence.

"To overcome this defect, a defect which might seriously interfere with



CHIEF JUSTICE MACDONALD, OF THE COURT OF APPEAL, NOW SITTING.

the past will also be found in the future. As to your lordships, the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Gallie, we recognize that you have had no former judicial experience, but we look forward to painstaking and careful performance of your duties.

## ENGLISH BARON IS SHOT BY POLICEMAN

#### Man Who Claimed to Be Lord Featherstonehugh Killed in New York.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—It developed today that Lord Featherstonehugh, rightful head of the Essex, England, house of that name, was shot and killed by a policeman on New Year's morning.

Harry B. Featherstone, a man while robbing a saloon, was no other than the last baron of the family in England. Mrs. Ethel Featherstonehugh, the dead man's mother, Miss Featherstonehugh, his sister, and William W. Featherstonehugh, his uncle, still retain the titled name that Mrs. Featherstonehugh's father bore when he was disinherited for marrying against his family's wishes. Her son changed his name when he became what his family thought was a professional broker.

## EXPLORER COOK MAY GO TO DENMARK

#### Lonsdale Says He Has Been in Communication With Brooklyn Physician.

Copenhagen, Jan. 4.—The announcement of Secretary Lonsdale, who bore the Polar data of Dr. Cook to Copenhagen, that he has been in personal communication with the explorer, has given rise to the hope that Cook will come to Denmark and appear personally before the committee of the university that recently rejected his claims as the discoverer of the north pole.

## COLD IN MANITOBA

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Jan. 4.—It was fifty below at Brandon last night and 35 at Winnipeg, official registration.

NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY VALUE.

Calgary, Jan. 4.—Evidence of value in newspaper publicity comes in the statement of Doctors Griffin and Barclay, formerly of Greensburg, Penn., but now of Strathmore. They were first interested in Alberta by articles written by Frank Carpenter. After that they purchased large holdings, and now report that their crops this year returned them \$20 to \$27 per acre, and on land costing \$15 per acre.



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### CASHIER HAS CONFESSED ASSISTED IN ROBBERY AT NIAGARA FALLS

### Four Men Are Now Under Arrest in Connection With Affair.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 4.—The clearing away of the deep mystery that has surrounded the bold express robbery of November 4th is proving an even greater sensation than the hold-up itself. Cashier Dobson, who was first suspected of having some complicity in the hold-up, had withstood the onslaught of a score of the best detectives of this province and police officers, the last line-up of attack being at least four of the cleverest Thiel detectives.

After gathering what they considered the best theory to follow, they placed one of their men in the express office to work alongside Dobson and dog his every move. Another they employed at the carbonadium works at Niagara Falls, N. Y., where Puris Whistler, an ex-employee of the United States Express Company and known companion of Dobson, was working. The latter was a frequent visitor at the home of the former prior to the robbery, but has not been there since. The young detective set on Whistler's tracks is only 18 years of age, and "halls" from Montreal. He made a companion of Whistler and accompanied him to all his haunts of pastime, one of these being Charles J. Flynn's saloon at 1913 Main street, where pool tables are run, also a room in the rear where games of chance are said to be carried on. The young detective made himself a "good all-arounder" and soon was in a position to place a third detective, playing the role of "hanger-on," looking for occasional "free drinks."

The detective in the express office learned that

A Set of Furs  
had been received for a certain address and returned to Toronto, a set valued at \$125. These furs were taken care of by Dobson just before Christmas. The following Sunday a detective shadowed Dobson and his sweet-heart to church and not immediately behind them was a set of the

turs. Dobson was taken up and questioned about where he got the money to purchase such fine furs. There was seen the first sign of his guilt in the equities in the situation. He said—

Last Thursday, the chief of the Thiel detectives brought Dobson to the Hotel Savoy, and behind closed doors cross-examined him for three hours and having sufficient evidence from Whistler in connection with the case, caused Dobson to break down and make full confession of the whole affair, implicating Whistler and Flynn and two other unknown men.

Although the detectives and officers will not speak or give a word of Dobson's confession, sufficient has been learned to show that

The Whole Plot was conceived in the minds of Whistler and Flynn, Dobson on being approached consented. This was far back, as last August. Once or twice previous to November 4th attempts were made to pull off the job, but something would interfere to prevent.

It was known that on the afternoon of the robbery Dobson called up the Imperial bank and asked them to be sure they have their money package over ready.

It had been learned of good authority that Flynn engaged two unknown "thugs" to pull off the job, Whistler driving the pair over to the Canadian side, skirting the streets up to the corner of Welland avenue and Bridge street, about two blocks west of the depot. The thugs got out of the rig at this point, leaving Whistler in charge of it. They walked down to opposite the little express office and awaited the signal from Dobson, which was to be the uplifted right hand alongside of the check. This given, the two men walked into the office, entering the door next to the station. Dobson handed the package over to one of the men, who covered it with a black cloth, affixed a watch on Bridge street to the waiting room.

The other man said: "Turn around, Dobson, and let me hit you on the back of the head." Dobson turned around and received the blow that

Felled Him to the Ground.

This man then walked off leisurely and crossed the lower steel arch bridge. The man with the money package entered the rig with Whistler and drove up to Bender avenue, where he got out, and Whistler, with the money package tucked away, crossed the upper steel arch bridge at the falls and down to Flynn's saloon and handed the package over to Flynn. The thug followed on foot. It is a known fact that the two men hired by Flynn received \$2,500 each for the job.

All the money that Whistler has received has been \$200 and Dobson \$175. When they, it is said, in dribs of \$25 or \$30 at a time.

As soon as the detectives know o

### Whistler's and Dobson's guilt, the American police cast out their drag net and soon had Whistler and Flynn under arrest. Last Friday night Whistler returned voluntarily to Canada, while Flynn was arraigned before Police Justice Piner at Niagara Falls, N. Y., charged with conspiracy to commit the theft of \$14,000 from the Canadian Express Company. He pleaded not guilty, waiving hearing. He was remanded to Lockport for a hearing. Dobson and Whistler were arraigned before Police Magistrate Fraser last evening and remanded to Welland jail until Friday, January 7th, when they will have a hearing.

### TAFT CONFERS WITH RAILWAY PRESIDENTS

### President to Recommend Changes in Inter-State and Anti-Trust Laws.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—Following a forenoon conference with the presidents of the great railroad systems of the country, President Taft late yesterday announced a change of programme in the sending of his message to congress dealing with interstate commerce and anti-trust law amendments. The message will be split into two parts. The portion dealing with the trusts will be sent to congress at noon on Thursday. The section dealing with the inter-state commerce law, in which the railroads are directly interested, will be deferred until Friday noon. The president's special message on the construction of national resources is expected to be ready for congress next Monday.

It was said that only a few verbal changes would be made in the message dealing with the inter-state commerce law as a result of the railroad presidents' call, and that these would be only to clarify the recommendations. While depreciating the idea of any legislation at all at this time, when they declare conditions in the railroad and industrial worlds are righting themselves after two years of more or less depression, the railroad men did not seek to persuade the president from sending his message. They de-

voted themselves to more or less specific objections to the bill prepared by Attorney-General Wickesham, which forms the text for the message.

Mr. Taft has let it be known that he not only will make recommendations for changes in the law, but he expects congress to adopt the suggestions at this session, and thus carry out the promises of the Republican party as written in the Chicago platform.

One of the changes which President Taft agreed to make in his recommendations has to do with the language of the proposed amendment prohibiting a railroad company from acquiring stock in any competing road, or holding any stock in a competing railroad after a given date. It was claimed that the wording of this amendment was such that it might apply to lines like the New-York Central and the West Shore. The latter is, and for many years has been a New York Central line, serving virtually as an overflow trackage system. The law as President Taft will suggest it will provide that where a railway owns per cent. or more of the stock of another, it may acquire the remainder. This, it is said, would protect private stockholders, for if the railroad owning the majority of the stock should be prohibited from acquiring any more, the minority would lose their only probable purchaser. When a railroad holds less than the majority of stock in another line, however, it will be provided that it can acquire no more.

The railroad presidents were listened to attentively by the president for more than two hours. He practically informed them that their views would be considered in the final wording of the basic recommendations.

The proposed inter-state commerce court, of five members, to consider appeals from the inter-state commission, with an appeal only to the supreme court, was particularly objected to by the railway representatives. The recommendation for a court, however, will remain in the message.

### FATE OF STORY WRITER

Depressed at the rejection of some of his short stories, Charles Halifax, aged 24, a grocer's assistant, of East India Dock road, London, shot himself.

A Hungarian engineer has patented a device for registering letters, which affixes the proper stamp and gives a receipt when a coin is dropped into it.

### HIGHEST FOOD-VALUE.

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**SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION.**

We hope all readers of the Times read very carefully and considered very thoroughly a letter signed "Teacher" published last evening. We believe there is no question of greater importance as affecting the future of Victoria than that of school accommodation. Owing to her peculiar, in some respects unique, circumstances and situation, the educational advantages afforded in Victoria must play an important part in her growth and development. This is a proposition which does not require demonstration. Whether it be true, as a very few persons live to contend, that the modern system of education is wrong in principle and therefore pernicious in its effect, is not to the point. The principle behind our provincial educational system has been in force in America, for many years. It is an important factor in the elections being fought in Great Britain at the present time, and it will prevail ultimately just as sure as winter will be succeeded by spring. It is therefore vain to expect the hands on the clock to be turned back. Consequently Victoria cannot hope to attract the class of people to which she specially appeals unless educational facilities of the first order are provided. It is a matter in which we must keep well abreast of the times, because the field is one in which there is strong competition. The statements made by "Teacher" are so important and so significant that we take the liberty of reproducing a portion of the letter for the purpose of emphasizing them and impressing the ratepayers with a full sense of the duty they ought to perform on the 13th Inst. The city has entirely outgrown the capacity of the present High School building. When completed it had nine rooms and an assembly hall. This latter has lately been partitioned off into classrooms, and a small building has been erected in the rear containing

three more small classrooms. All these are now occupied. At the time of the recent half-yearly entrance examination the city superintendent had to instruct the different principals of the public schools not to permit their pupils to go up for this examination, as accommodation in the High School could not possibly be found for them. In Vancouver over 200 tried this examination and 184 passed. Here only five from the city schools tried, all of them, it is said, being pupils who are leaving school and who wished to secure the entrance certificate. Thus a large number of pupils are being held back in the public schools for another half year because there is no High School accommodation for them. "Vancouver must now have over forty" rooms where High School and college work is being carried on. There is the new High School building in Fairview containing twenty-five rooms, the new building just completed in Grandview, two rooms in the centre of the city, and the rooms elsewhere in which the college work is done. For a city which aspires to be an educational centre the contrast which Victoria presents as against Vancouver is not greatly to our credit. This city is getting good value for every dollar it is spending on its High School. The writer has no hesitation in declaring that within the limit of its sphere of action there is not an educational institution in Canada that is doing better work or securing better results. This is shown every time its students come into competition with those of other institutions in the various provincial and university examinations.

The by-law providing \$150,000 for a new High School and increased general accommodation for pupils is the most important question to be submitted to the ratepayers at the coming elections. There will be a few votes cast against it of course, but it ought to be carried unanimously.

**ALAS! POOR COOK.**

Our readers will remember that the famous Dr. Cook announced on his return from the Arctic regions that he had wrenched the north pole from its firm base, inserted a brass plate in its stead, and brought the unique trophy, decorated with an American flag, home to the United States. At the time, we commented upon some contradictions and absurdities in the story of the doctor. Our scepticism has been proved well founded. Dr. Cook brought back with him not the pole, but the brass he claimed to have substituted therefor. At the same time the fact that the impostor had not the nerve to face the situation his imposture had created may be counted to his credit. He is ashamed of himself, which is a sign that he is not wholly bad. There are many impostors abroad, naked, exposed and unshamed, in the United States, in Canada, and even in British Columbia; and very few of them will bury themselves in "obscure" when found out. We are consequently inclined to sympathize with Dr. Cook, impostor, liar and perjurer though he may be, now that the newspapers which were the first to accept his story and to glorify the nation because of his alleged discovery are the loudest and most severe in their condemnation. The temptation was great, human nature is weak, the possibilities of exposure appeared to be remote, and the chances are that not one American out of a thousand in similar circumstances but would have fallen. Remembering human frailty, let us deal as leniently as possible with the Doctor. He is a dead one, let his ashes as an explorer rest in peace.

Some of the most interesting as well as the most convincing points being made against the Lords in the great political battle now in progress in Great Britain are quotations from the speeches of great statesmen of the past. For example, William Pitt, afterwards Lord Chatham, when a member of the House of Commons said: "Taxes are a voluntary gift and grant of the Commons alone. . . . In legislation the three estates are alike concerned; but the concurrence of the Peers and the Crown to any tax is only necessary to clothe it with the form of a law. The gift and grant is of the Commons alone. We represent the rest of the inhabitants. When, therefore, in this House of Commons, we give and grant, we give and grant what is our own. The distinction between legislation and taxation is essentially necessary to liberty."

There is no valid reason why the cost of living in this province should be abnormally high. It is true, but the cost of living is high, and it is mounting higher. What are we going to do about it? Mr. Cotsworth gives expression to his views on the subject in this issue of the Times. Our correspondent does not think the matter ought to be left to solve itself mechanically or automatically through the slow but sure workings of the law of supply and demand. He advocates action. The questions are, is there any machinery applicable to the case, and can a force be applied to the wheels that will make them go round?

Some time ago the Monetary Times of Toronto estimated the amount of American capital invested in Canada at over two hundred and twenty-five million dollars. The investments increased enormously during the past year, and will grow steadily in volume for a great many years to come. And

the investments are being reinforced by an ever-increasing army of immigrants from the south. The money is just as good as any in the world, and the settlers are hard to beat. Both are welcome. They will increase and multiply in this modern Canada of ours.

**HAMILTON TIMES:** New South Wales, out of patience with the parties to the disastrous coal strike there, has passed a bill with the object of imprisoning those who cause strikes or lock-outs. It is not to be wondered at that the public is tiring of being ground between the upper and nether millstones of arrogant capital and tyrannous labor bosses; but wouldn't it be wise to try something in the line of the Lemieux Act as a remedy? It aims at discovering where the wrong is and recommending the proper means to right it.

**APPROPOS** of the statement of the London Daily News that an indirect descendant of Admiral Lord Nelson has drawn from the revenues of the United Kingdom a sum aggregating more than half a million pounds in the form of a pension, an opponent of the hereditary principle says: "I have no doubt the present Lord Nelson is a very estimable man, but we don't make him First Sea Lord on the ground that his ancestor won the Battle of Trafalgar. The present Duke of Wellington doubtless has many virtues, but we don't place him in command of our army because his ancestor won the Battle of Waterloo."

The milk question is of considerable interest to the people of Victoria at the present time. Some of our correspondents have undertaken to criticize in rather severe terms the action of the milkmen. There are two sides to the question. One of the dealers has written us a letter defending the increase in prices. Unfortunately the communication is in such a form that it cannot be printed without considerable loss of time. If "Milkman" will have his letter re-written we will be pleased to publish it.

Next week the people of Victoria will elect a new city council. Next week also the people of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland will begin to select a new House of Commons. The year 1910 is going to bear testimony to some epoch-making historical events.

**"TRADE WITH CANADA" CAMPAIGN.**  
(London Mail.)  
Frank T. Caryer, of Hereford, proposes that a representative body of British manufacturers should combine on the co-operative principles to extend their trade in Canada. There would be a small annual subscription to raise funds to found agencies in some of the country cities in the Dominion; each agency would advertise and have their representatives on the spot to push trade. The association would have its special catalogue containing specifications of the leading lines of each subscribing firm, and the exact price for delivery. By means of a small commission on sales, and by liberal premiums to local agents, the movement should be made self-supporting as its representatives kept keen.

**THEY GASP AND DISAPPEAR.**  
(Hamilton Spectator.)  
A Toronto member of parliament stated in the House yesterday that he did not personally know a single man who had been injured by race-track gambling. That's easy. The young fellows who are ruined by race-track gambling do not travel in this gentleman's set.

**"IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE."**  
(Mail and Order Journal.)  
There was a man in our town who thought he was wondrous wise; He swore by all the fabled gods that he'd never advertise. But, alas! He advertised, and thereby hangs a tale. His ad. was set in nonpareil and headed "Serif's Sale."

**A GOOD CHRISTMAS BOX.**  
(London Advertiser.)  
The organ of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association reports that 186 factories are in need of more help, and it predicts a labor famine. It is a happy state of affairs. A labor famine is a Christmas box for the country.

**AN EASY PROFESSION.**  
(Cleveland Leader.)  
"My son has at last decided on a profession that he thinks he'll like."  
"Good. What has he chosen?"  
"He wants to be a lineman for a wireless telegraph company."

**WORSE THAN FOOTBALL.**  
(Newark News.)  
Thirty-four hunters were killed during the open season this year, and five more are expected to die of their wounds. In the race between the hunting season and the football season, the former seems to be a little ahead.

**NICARAGUAN REVOLT.**  
Estrada May Avoid Meeting Government Troops Until He Reaches Capital.  
Bluefields (By wireless to Colon) Jan. 2.—General Estrada has determined not to strike the fate of the revolution upon a battle with the government troops at Aceyapa, if the manner of the advance he has begun upon Managua may be taken to indicate

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Regular \$20 Values for \$5

DURING OUR JANUARY SALE we are offering some exceptional values in Ladies' Fine Millinery, but to take advantage of them, you must be at the doors sharp at 8:30. These hats are just the thing. They are trimmed with feathers and wings, with shapes made of felt and corded silk. These regularly sell at \$20.00, but to clear them out at our January Sale we are offering them at . . . . . **\$5**

## Special in Children's Sailor Dresses

What is more suitable for the little one than a good Sailor Dress? We are offering them during our January Sale at prices which it would be impossible to duplicate elsewhere. They are made of navy blue serge, nicely trimmed with white braid.

Regular Value \$3 for \$1.50

## January Sale of Men's Overcoats

Regular \$10.00 values for . . . . .	\$5.75
Regular \$12.50 to \$13.50 values for . . . . .	\$9.75
Regular \$15.00 to \$18.00 values for . . . . .	\$13.75
Regular \$20.00 to \$25.00 values for . . . . .	\$16.75

Just in the nick of time is these offerings. In many cases the prices are cut nearly in half. These overcoats are in gray-cettes, waterproof tweeds, beavers and friezes, and would justify the most fastidious dresser. In coming to inspect them you won't leave without buying one.

## Move-Quick Prices on Men's Pants

Men's Pants made of fancy worsteds and tweeds are all reduced for quick clearance.

MEN'S PANTS, regular \$4.75 to \$5.75, for . . . . .	\$3.75
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## January Sale of Embroidery

During this great January Sale we are offering an extraordinary bargain in Embroideries. These consist of flouncings and Ruchings.

Regular 5c per yard. January Sale Price, 2 1/2 yards for 5¢	
Regular 10c per yard. January Sale Price . . . . .	5¢
Regular 15c per yard. January Sale Price . . . . .	10¢
Regular 25c per yard. January Sale Price . . . . .	15¢
Regular 40c per yard. January Sale Price . . . . .	25¢
Regular 65c per yard. January Sale Price . . . . .	35¢

## Footwear at January Sale Prices

Men's Boots, Reg. Val. to \$6.50, for \$3.50
Boys' Boots, Regular \$2.25, for \$1.50
Women's Boots and Oxfords, Regular to \$5, for \$2.50
Misses' Boots at \$1.25
Child's Slippers at 85c
Infants' Boots and Slippers at 65c
Boys' Boots, Regular to \$1.50 for 90c.

This includes practically the whole of our stock of Men's Fall and Winter Shoes, made for our higher grade trade. All are new, fresh goods and are guaranteed to give entire satisfaction. The regular prices are \$4.50 to . . . . . **\$6.50**

MEN'S GUN METAL CALF BLUCHER, double soles, Goodyear welts. Regular value \$6.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

TAN OIL GRAIN BLUCHER, waterproof soles, American make. Regular value \$6.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

TAN CHROME LEATHER BLUCHER, leather lined, broad last. Regular value . . . . . **\$3.50**

GUN METAL CALF BLUCHER, broad toe, Goodyear welts. Regular value \$5.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

BOX CALF BLUCHER, leather lined, extra heavy soles. Regular value \$5.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

TAN RUSSIA CALF BLUCHER, leather lined, double soles. Regular value \$5.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

ENGLISH KIP BLUCHER, waterproof sole. A wonder for wear. Regular value \$5.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

PATENT COLT BLUCHER, Goodyear welt, broad, medium or narrow toes. Regular value \$5.00 . . . . . **\$3.50**

BOX CALF BLUCHER, Goodyear welts, broad, medium or narrow toes. Regular value \$5.00 . . . . . **\$3.50**

CHROME CALF BLUCHER, waterproof, broad last. Regular value \$5.00 . . . . . **\$3.50**

GUN METAL BUTTON BOOT, smart swing last, American make. Regular value \$5.00 . . . . . **\$3.50**

PATENT COLT BUTTON BOOTS, smart style, Goodyear welts. Regular value \$5.00 . . . . . **\$3.50**

BOX CALF LACE BOOT, plain toe, heavy sole, leather lined. Police pattern. Sizes 6 to 12. Regular \$4.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

About 120 pairs Men's Black Oxford Shoes, in patent colt and gun metal calf, all shapes. Not all sizes in each line, but all sizes in the lot. Regular value \$5.00 and \$5.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

75 pairs Men's Tan Oxford Shoes in Russia calf and vicid kid. All Goodyear welts. Regular value \$5.00 and \$5.50 . . . . . **\$3.50**

BOYS' BUFF LEATHER BOOTS, sizes 11 to 5. Regular \$1.25 to \$1.50 . . . . . **90¢**

BOYS' KID BLUCHER, stout soles, sizes 11 to 13. Regular value \$1.25 . . . . . **90¢**

# David Spencer, Ltd.

40c . . . . . 60c

PRAIRIE PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO ARRIVE

Activity Continues in the Local Real-Estate Market.

Interest in the activity in real estate has received a fillip in the arrival of the first contingent of people from the prairie provinces who have taken advantage of the cheap excursion rates prevailing on the C. P. R. and are now

A visit of inspection to the coast. At the various hotels there are a number of such arrivals and they say that considerable numbers are coming to Victoria. Many will spend the balance of the winter here, and nearly all of them will, it is believed, invest in local real estate.

Numerous sales of property are reported each day, but it is very difficult to get accurate details of such transactions. Agents are averse to giving the information to the press and the parties directly interested, as a rule also decline to tell of their deals.

V. C. Maddock has sold the late residence of Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley at Oak Bay for \$25,000. Mr. Maddock, when he purchased the property in the first instance some time ago, subdivid-

ed the same and sold a portion at a good figure. The fact that he has now sold the balance on which stands the residence for such a large sum, shows how greatly property in Oak Bay has increased in value.

The property known as Woodlawn Crescent will shortly be opened up by a street and it is said to be the intention of the owner to erect a number of cottages on the property. Woodlawn Crescent lies just off Monterey avenue and is most desirably situated.

Messrs. Harman & Appleton report that feature of the situation is the inquiries for house property. They have had a large number of applications for small houses on single lots. This they consider a most reassuring sign, as it indicates that the present

movement in real estate is not confined to speculators but that many are newcomers and are desirous of making their homes here.

There is said to be a renewed interest manifested in Spanish property consequent on the announcement that the B. C. Electric Railway Company is preparing to undertake the extension of the street railway system to the peninsula.

The meetings in connection with the week of prayer for tomorrow will be conducted in the afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. by Rev. F. E. Holling, and at 8 o'clock in the evening at the Church of Our Lord by Rev. A. Henderson. W. A. Gibson will preside at the evening meeting.





CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY

A BY-LAW FOR REGULATING THE RATES, CONDITIONS AND TERMS UNDER AND UPON WHICH WATER MAY BE SUPPLIED.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the district of Oak Bay hereby enacts as follows: 1. The expression "Water Commissioner" herein used means the Water Commissioner for the time being appointed by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay, pursuant to Section 45 of the Municipalities Act.

POSTAL FACILITIES IN PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Room Fitted Up in Basement for Handling Mail Matter Expediently.

In the basement of the provincial parliament buildings a very convenient little postoffice has been fitted up for the better handling of the mail that is intended for the buildings. That there is a necessity for it is shown by the fact that in one day of last week 1,900 letters were received and dispatched at the buildings, and 400 pounds by parcel post.

MORE CANDIDATES. Business Men Being Brought Out in Oak Bay.

J. D. Carlin and Percy Hillis are mentioned as probable candidates in the North Ward at Oak Bay. This is the ward in which J. C. Sprague and J. H. Harkness are also thinking of running. In the centre-Councilor Nobbs and Councilor McGregor will be candidates, and there is a rumor that Mr. Gunter will also be in the field.

same to be verified by statutory declaration.

The Water Commissioner may apply to the court for an order to require the registered owner of the real property on which such water rates and charges are payable to be sworn to and depose that the premises are used or supplied as stated by whom it was used, and such depositions shall be taken at the court of the Small Debts Court at Victoria at Victoria.

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE.

Donations to the Institution Are Acknowledged by Committee in Charge. The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Guild of the Seamen's Institute was held this morning at the rooms, Bastion Square. Very little business was up for discussion, and the meeting did not last long.

THE PRICE OF MILK.

To the Editor:—Two articles have appeared in the Times, ridiculing the dairy men for increasing the price of milk. It is quite evident that those gentlemen know nothing of the conditions that we dairymen have to work under. We find that within the last five years the increase in the cost of producing milk greatly exceeds the increase that we have received in our price, so much so that instead of having a profitable business we have a very unprofitable one.

WANTS TO KNOW.

To the Editor:—Will Alderman Henderson kindly take the public into his confidence on the following knotty points at his meeting this evening? "In, if he looks like it, in his opinion, the best source of water supply for the city of Victoria, why did he last year and year before allow himself to be placed in nomination on a ticket by interests opposed to the election of those who ad-

ONE WHO PAYS THE BILLS.

Andrew Bligh, of the Chicago Alberta Oil Company, is in the city from Vancouver in the interests of his firm. He says things are still humming in the Terminal City.

OAK BAY GIVES OLIVER BOUQUET

REGRET EXPRESSED AT LOSING HIS SERVICES

Uplands Farm By-Law Ready for Electors—Routine Work.

Councillor Oliver of Oak Bay last night received a bouquet from his fellow councillors on the occasion of the last meeting of the Oak Bay council. A resolution moved by Councillor Newton and seconded by Councillor Colbert expressed regret at losing his services and spoke of the great help Mr. Oliver had been to the municipality during the three and a half years of their municipal existence.

Reeve Henderson said that from no other member of the council had the municipality received as much help as from Mr. Oliver. In reply, Mr. Oliver said it was a rare thing now for anyone to say anything nice and kind about him since he had been in the field for the majority. During the last week or two he had received more criticisms of his motives than in all the time he had been connected with the municipal council.

A letter was read from V. C. Maddock, asking for a water main on Woodlawn Crescent, connecting with Monterey avenue north. Mr. Maddock intimated that a number of new houses were going to be built there at once, and as soon as the street was graded it would be handed over to the municipality.

Councillor Newton moved that the matter be left to the water commissioner to do the work if practicable, but later changed his motion to refer it to the next council.

A letter from J. E. Burn in regard to a drain on Foul Bay road was referred to the engineer for report.

The new water by-law, which deals with the powers of the water commissioner and the conditions under which water may be obtained from the municipality, received its third reading, after having been approved by the solicitors.

A letter was received from William Hicks Gardiner, in which that gentleman promised to carry out the provisions of the new Uplands Farm by-law. The by-law itself was also put through its several stages and will be referred to the people at the same time that they elect their representatives to the council. There has been no recent change in the by-law, and its passing was merely a formality.

The assessment of the Uplands property is to remain at the present sum of \$278,000 for ten years on condition that the company expend a quarter of a million dollars in building roads, sewers, drains, sidewalks and boulevards, and laying water mains. The by-law must receive the vote of three-fifths of the electors in order to become law. If it passes and the company finds no difficulty in raising the money with which to do the work, much more than the stated sum will be spent and the Uplands Farm property will be made one of the most beautiful residential parks in the Dominion of Canada.

All the members of the council were present last night with the exception of Councillor Pemberton.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the donors who subscribed Christmas gifts to the institute. Following is a list of those who donated: J. Kingham & Co., half ton of coal; Hall & Walker, half ton of coal; J. W. Painter, half ton of coal; Mrs. J. D. Pemberton, \$5 and fruit; Mrs. Herbert Kent, \$2 and roast; Mrs. A. Tobin, cakes; Mrs. Hanbury, cakes; Mr. Salmon, cigars and tobacco; Mr. Morena, cigars and tobacco; Admiral Fleet, \$5 underclothing; Finch & Finch, two pair of stockings; B. Williams & Co., loan of graphophone; Mrs. Anderson, tobacco; Jamieson, coffee; Bishop of Columbia, Christmas box and \$10; and Mr. Monteth, overcoat.

—Rev. Bruce Wallace, of London, England, is conducting a series of lectures in the city each evening. His lectures are given in the hall over Hall & Goepel's, on Government street. The subject for to-night's lecture will be "The Gospel of Unity." Other lectures during the week will be "Letchworth, the Garden City of England," "Lessons From the Old Land for Canada," "Jesus and the New Social Order," and "After Death What?" In the afternoon meetings are held when questions arising out of the lectures will be answered by the speaker.

—Police Returns for December, 1909, totaled 170 cases. There were 83 arrests, 18 summons cases, 1 unsound mind and 88 safe keeping. Offences for which prisoners were tried were: Assault 7, assaulting police 1, breaking and entering 8, offences against the city by-laws 8, drunken 52, fighting 6, frequenting bawdy house 1, offences against the liquor traffic regulation act 1, neglecting to provide for family 1, obscene language 3, sleeping in, unsound mind 1, safe keeping 68, threatening language 1, vagrancy 8. The patrol wagon made 110 runs.

—The Water Charges By-Law, 1909, is hereby repealed. The Municipal Council the 3rd day of January, 1910.

J. S. FLOYD, Clerk.

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of the proposed By-Law upon which the vote of the Municipality will be taken at the School House, Oak Bay avenue, on Saturday, the 15th day of January 1910, from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m.

J. S. FLOYD, C. M. C.

Oak Bay, B. C., 3rd January, 1910.

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What Other People Think INCOMPETENCE OR INDIFFERENCE? To the Editor:—The city council has many advisers. It is the inalienable right of a British subject to grumble, then to criticize and lastly to give advice. Singularly enough, neither grumbling, nor criticizing, nor advising seems to have worked out any miraculous changes. The wharf street people appear to have exercised these faculties towards the city council in respect of the local improvement lately completed. It must be admitted that they had reasonable grounds of complaint. One point only of the defence I wish to deal with. It appears that the bonds for this improvement were sold at the pitiful price of 92. I presume that the usual interest of 4 per cent. was offered, and yet the metropolis of British Columbia could only place its local improvement bonds, guaranteed upon one of the best business streets of the city, for the ridiculous sum of 92 cents on the dollar, thereby incurring a loss of \$1,000. The stupendous folly of this proceeding will be realized by the general public when they reflect that at the present time we are loaning one of the chartered banks of the city \$700,000 at par at 4 per cent. This sum forms the sinking fund of the various loans borrowed by the city. Why in the name of common sense should this thing be? Is there no school boy in the high school that could work out the problem how far the city council might go in using its own savings? Here is a vast sum of money, which is steadily enlarging each year, which the bank must employ profitably by loaning to its customers, which every financial institution would employ in the way of industrial and other investments, and which every government, Dominion and Provincial, would use for re-investment in its own securities, and which the city council either is too incompetent or too indifferent to profitably employ. There is no investment that the city financiers could better invest in than its own 10-year local improvement bonds, and there is no sane reason why the unfortunate acceptors to a local improvement scheme should be implicated in such a heavy loss, simply because the city council does not, or will not, believe in the value of its own securities. I submit to the judgment of all intelligent citizens that the city of Victoria will do well to invest in its own securities at par. It is at all likely that other investors will rank these securities higher than the would be borrowers do? In all probability there would be little need even to use the sinking fund. If the advertisement stated for tenders for these debentures stated that no bid would be accepted at less than par, the value of the securities would leap at once. The city council need not to underwrite the loans, using the sinking funds as its last resort. Of course it would be necessary to make the same repayments to the

sinking funds as before, whether characterized as interest or principal. A sapient (1) council about twenty years ago proceeded to pay off one-half of a loan with the accumulated sinking fund, and then sagely (2) concluded that only one-half contribution to the sinking fund would be necessary in the future. If there is no financier capable of advising the council, why not ask the chartered accountants who audit the books to look into the matter? W. MARCHANT. [P.S.—Enquiries at the city hall have elicited the statement that the Wharf street debentures have not actually been sold, but have been estimated to produce 92 per cent. If they are sold at more than this figure the scheme will be credited with the difference.—W.M.] THE PRICE OF MILK. To the Editor:—Two articles have appeared in the Times, ridiculing the dairy men for increasing the price of milk. It is quite evident that those gentlemen know nothing of the conditions that we dairymen have to work under. We find that within the last five years the increase in the cost of producing milk greatly exceeds the increase that we have received in our price, so much so that instead of having a profitable business we have a very unprofitable one. Four years ago we were buying local hay for \$14 per ton. To-day it is quoted at \$30 per ton. Fraser River and Prairie-hay can be bought much cheaper than this. But considering the difference in quality, a dairyman would be almost as well off to buy local hay. We were then paying for bran and middlings \$22 and \$23 per ton respectively. To-day we are paying \$27 and \$28 per ton. About that price, or before we received any increase in our price, white labor, which the most of us dairymen employ, could be secured at \$30 per month. At present we are paying on an average of \$40 per month, and it costs us \$10 per month more to room and board each man than it did then. So we are really paying \$20 per month more for labor. And with few or no exceptions our rents have almost doubled. The average dairy cow then cost us \$45 cash. Now she costs us \$70, and for a fairly good cow the butchers would give us \$45. At present there is no demand for local beef, and we are forced to sacrifice them. It might be well to compare the price and quality of milk in Victoria with that in Vancouver, where it is estimated on good authority that the farmers there can produce milk one-third cheaper than our farmers can here, and yet they were getting much more for it, and it is being retailed at 10 cents per quart, and the quality much inferior to here. Nearly a dozen dairymen in Victoria within the last few years have either failed or else gone out of business on account of losing money. And out of twenty-five dairymen only five have their own places, and some of these are talking of going out of the milk business. Now for manure, rubber-tired buggies and the opera. Who is

The Finest of Scotch Whiskies and the Best Value in the Market HUDSON'S BAY SPECIAL BOTTLED IN SCOTLAND FOR The Hudson's Bay Co. PURE MILK. WANTS TO KNOW. To the Editor:—Will Alderman Henderson kindly take the public into his confidence on the following knotty points at his meeting this evening? "In, if he looks like it, in his opinion, the best source of water supply for the city of Victoria, why did he last year and year before allow himself to be placed in nomination on a ticket by interests opposed to the election of those who ad-

MANY FISH CAUGHT BY TRAWLER KINGSWAY

No More Vessels Until Kingsway Proved to Be Profitable.

Steam trawler Kingsway is still tied up at the dock at Vancouver, where she is likely to remain until spring.

Mr. Hobson, secretary of the board of directors of the Pacific Coast Fisheries Company, in an interview with a Times representative, said that it was not the intention of the company to secure more steam trawlers until the Kingsway had been thoroughly tested.

HOLDING SALMON FOR HIGHER PRICES

Peabody & Co. Report Little Selling During Past Few Months.

The salmon on this coast is already finding its way to Europe by the Tehuantepec route.

During the last four months practically no trade has been done in British Columbia salmon, either on the spot or to arrive.

BOSCOWITZ STEAMERS CHANGE OF SCHEDULE

Will Leave Wednesdays—St. Denis Arrives From North.

The schedule of the Boscowitz steamers has been changed to allow them to leave this port on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays.

Abbey's Effervescent Salt. When you jump out of bed, jump for Abbey's Effervescent Salt.

CHARTER MARKET IS WEAKER STILL

Barley Being Done at 15c. 6d.—Lumber Continues Firm.

The withdrawal of the union minimum on grain freights, Pacific Coast loading, has had little effect on the market.

Offshore lumber rates are quoted as follows: Lumber from Puget Sound or British Columbia to Sydney, 20c.

SIX SCHOONERS FOR SEALING GROUNDS

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THIRTY-FIVE FEET TO BE ADDED TO STEAMER

Will Be Sawn in Two and Equipped With New Engines.

The steamer Neptune, a well-known Sound freighter which has recently been engaged on the Puget Sound navy yard run, making regular trips with freight only, is to be lengthened to the extent of thirty-five feet to give additional space for a cargo.

The recent heavy expansion in the Sound freighting business has caused a considerable demand for good freight carriers, and a number of the smaller craft which have been laid up for some time are expected to be again put into service.

The Neptune will go on the marine railroad early in the week, the work preparatory to this having been under way for some time.

The present length of the Neptune is 90 feet and when sawn in two and rebuilt she will have a length over all of 125 feet.

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Chase Sanborn's Seal Brand Coffee. Means The Certainty of Satisfaction. Seal Brand Coffee is more than a name.

SHIPPING GUIDE

Table with columns: Vessel, From, To, Date. Includes entries for Shinano Maru, Empress of Japan, Marama, etc.

SLACK WATER, ACTIVE PASS, B. C.

Table with columns: Date, H.W. Slack, L.W. Slack. Shows tide times for January 1910.

SURVEY STATIONS FOR WIRELESS AND MARINE

C. P. Edwards Leaving Saturday for Prince Rupert.

On or about Saturday next C. P. Edwards, the superintendent of the Dominion government wireless stations, accompanied by Engineer Killen, will proceed to Prince Rupert to survey the ground to the site of the wireless station on Diabey Island.

Mr. Killen has another work to perform while at Prince Rupert. He will survey the site for the new sub-station of the marine department for the Dominion government.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

The agent of marine at this port gives notice that the bell of the fog alarm is now undergoing repair.

SHIPPING REPORT

Cape Lazo, Jan. 4, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; calm; bar, 30.60; temp., 37; sea smooth; Princess May, southbound to Seymour Narrows, reported meeting Princess Beatrice in Millbank Sound, 3 p. m. Monday; Princess arrived at Vancouver, 4:30 p. m.

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B. C. Coast Service. SAILINGS TO Northern B. C. Ports, Queen Charlotte Islands and Alaska. Includes shipping schedule and contact information for L. D. Chetham.

SHINANO MARU DUE HERE TOMORROW

Rumor That Six Steamers Will Soon Be Once More on Run.

To-morrow or the day following the steamer Shinano Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, is due at this port from Yokohama with fourteen passengers.

The next steamer after the Shinano to come here will be the Awa Maru, which is due to arrive February 2nd.

There is a persistent rumor on the Sound that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha will soon increase the number of steamers once more to six.

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Magistrate Threatened Defendant With Imprisonment if Brought Up Again

Vancouver, Jan. 3.—A case of wanton cruelty to a horse resulted in a fine of \$25 and costs being imposed on Martin Dabber...

BIG TRUST COMPANIES HAVE BEEN MERGED

Levi P. Morton is Chairman of the Board of New Concern

New York, Jan. 4.—J. Pierpont Morgan, Thomas F. Ryan and Levi P. Morton linked hands in New York yesterday in a trust company merger...



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REVELSTOKE WANTS MORE RAILWAYS

Board of Trade Approves of Policy for Opening Up Province.

Revelstoke, Jan. 3.—At a meeting of the executive and transportation committees of the board of trade...

HOTEL ARRIVALS

- DOMINION. A. White, Evansville; D. Barrie, Calgary; A. Jones, Boston...

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BALMORAL. E. D. Road, Duncan; J. P. Montello, Mr. and Mrs. Addison Hall...

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Calgary, Jan. 4.—Building returns for the year just total \$2,420,452. This merely represents eighty per cent. of the value of the buildings erected...

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May 25th, 1909.

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THE TIMES HAS THE NEWS

## MONTHLY REVIEW OF STOCK MARKET

Local Brokers Give Features of Conditions of Different Markets.

F. W. Stevenson & Co., in their monthly review of the stock market for December, say:

New York Stock.  
The end of the year finds the stock market strong and business conditions, as shown by bank clearances and trade reports, extremely favorable. Congress has met and the president's message has been regarded favorably in all conservative quarters, although the attitude of the administration with regard to further legislation for the regulation of corporations, will be watched with the very closest interest. While the possibility of labor disturbances has so far simply tended to make business men more conservative, we believe this is a factor to be reckoned with sooner or later, as labor organizations are apparently determined to strike "while the iron is hot." Labor in general is to-day receiving good wages, which compare favorably, in most instances, especially the railroads, with the highest wages ever paid, but the cost of living has advanced tremendously, and labor organizations are making the most of it. The railroads appear determined not to raise wages unless they can secure higher freight rates, and we are inclined to expect a campaign on the part of the railroads along these lines. We believe that if the railroads pay higher wages, they are entitled to just as high freight rates. As a matter of opinion, we believe that wages will be increased and that freight rates will be advanced as a solution of this problem, but no element in the situation will deserve closer watching than this one.

The time money market shows a decided tendency to become easier, but call loan rates remain as they have been for the greater part of the autumn at about 5 per cent. New York Exchange at most interior points rules at a considerable premium, indicating the tendency of money to return to New York much earlier than usual, and in view of the fact that we have continued to ship gold out of the country, this is in some respects a fortunate thing for the security markets. With the approach of a period of the year when money is normally easy, namely, January, we are not inclined to regard the money situation by itself as holding any very unfavorable aspects. There are many conflicting views as to the attitude of the so-called "big interests." One, which at times seems reasonable, is that most stocks are being persistently sold on all rallies and are being bought by large speculative operators and commission houses. Another view held in banking quarters is that stocks as a whole are still well held and are being bought by banking interests on all reactions. Both views are probably in a measure correct and represent a diversity of opinion among banking interests themselves, but the ultimate outcome will depend, as always, upon the actual developments in conditions affecting security values and the prospects for the future. We are inclined to believe that the prospects for the future are sufficiently good to warrant the purchase of standard stocks on all reactions for a fair turn or until the future can be more clearly discerned.

Montreal Market.  
This market has been persistently strong during the past month, and speculators who have been waiting for a reaction on which to buy have been disappointed.

A leading feature has been the heavy buying of Montreal Light and Power and Dominion Textile common for European account, principally London and Paris. This buying is probably due in a measure to the present political unrest in England, but it also demonstrates the favor with which Canadian securities are now being received abroad.

Talk of additional bonuses on the flouring mills' companies' stocks has resulted in a further advance in these issues during the month. Lake of the Woods common making a further gain of over ten points.

As an investment, the stocks of our leading industrial and railroad corporations present unlimited possibilities, even at the present level prices.

Boston Copper.  
Copper metal is firm, with Lake at 13 1/2 to 14 cents, and Electrolytic at 12 1/2 to 13 cents per pound, and the market fairly active, sales of Lake being reported at 14 cents.

The copper share market during the month has been relatively firm and price levels have been working steadily higher.

The report of the Copper Producers' Association, showing a decrease of 506,099 pounds in the American visible surplus during November was hardly as good as expected, but marks a turn in the tide, and from now on deliveries should show a steadily increasing margin over production.

The feature of the share market has been the pronounced strength in Lake and Hancock, and this has encouraged speculative buying of other good copper shares.  
Reports of a hitch in the Utah Copper, Boston, Cons. and Nevada Cons. merger plans have been prevalent lately, but we believe negotiations will continue until a consolidation plan acceptable to all parties involved is finally reached.

There are so many bull factors in the copper share market at this time that we feel confident copper will continue advancing until the general level of prices is very much higher than at present.

These properties indicate an active and higher market for these issues during the coming year.

**WEALTH OF NATIONS.**  
Standard of Comfort of the Peoples Keeps on Advancing.

George Parish, editor of the London Statesman, talked to the Finance Forum of the West Side Young Men's Christian Association, New York, on "The Advantages of the Export of Capital by the Older Countries." He expressed the belief that the outflow of capital from the older to the newer countries would continue for an indefinite period.

"This is my chief reason," he said, "for anticipating a further great increase in productivity and wealth of the world in proportion to population and additional advance in the standard of comfort of all nations. Great Britain has invested about \$15,000,000,000 in other lands, and most of this money has been invested in the last sixty years.

"On the other hand, I calculate that the United States has obtained about \$6,000,000,000 of capital from other lands, mainly in the last sixty years.

"What has been the expansion in the income and wealth of the two nations in this period in which the one has supplied other countries with so much capital and the other attained the use of so much capital?"

"In Great Britain a little over two generations ago, the average income per annum per head of population was only \$50. At the present time the average annual income per person in Great Britain is over \$200. The wealth of Great Britain in this period has increased from about \$20,000,000,000, or \$714 per capita, to \$60,000,000,000, or \$1,117 per capita, and the wealth of Great Britain is doubling itself in every thirty-three years.

"I have not particulars of the average income of the American people two or three generations ago, but comparisons of the wealth of the country shows how rapid the growth of income has been. In 1850 the census returns showed an aggregate wealth of a little over a billion, or about \$207 per capita. In 1904 that wealth was officially calculated at \$107,000,000,000, equal to \$1,319 per capita. The wealth of the United States doubles every twenty years.

"Thus the growth of the income and of the wealth of Great Britain in the seventy years in which she has supplied other countries with a vast amount of capital, has been very great. On the other hand, the growth of the wealth of the United States has been even more remarkable. The experience of these two countries, the one the leading investing country, and the other the most important borrower, are typical of the experience of the other lending and borrowing countries.

**BIG ELECTRIC CRANE.**  
Devonport Dockyard Has One of 240 Tons Capacity.

A powerful electric crane of 160 tons capacity has just been completed at the Keyham extension of Devonport Dockyard. The crane consists of a tower 100 feet in height and 46 feet square to the centers of the main columns, carrying cantilever girders of about 220 feet long and 25 feet deep at the center. The crane is nominally of 160 tons lifting capacity, but has been tested by the admiralty with a load of 240 tons. Loads of 160 tons are taken at 95 feet radius, 80 tons at 105 feet radius and 50 tons at 125 feet radius. The speeds are: Main lift, 160 tons (two blocks) at 5 feet per minute; light shift, 30 tons at 20 feet per minute, and loads up to 7 1/2 tons at 75 feet per minute; traversing, 160 tons at 30 feet per minute, and 80 tons at 60 feet per minute; slowing, with 160 tons, one revolution in 8 minutes; 80 tons, one revolution in 6 minutes, and with no load, one revolution in 5 minutes. The roller paths are 46 feet in diameter, and there are 23 solid forged steel rollers, each alternate one being connected to the center casting by steel radial rods. Revolving motion is transmitted to the rack through worm spur and bevel gearing. The motors of the cantilever when lifting 160 tons

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What is expected to be the finest installation of the kind in Europe is the \$4,000,000 insane asylum being constructed by the Bohemian government at Prague.

The German government has spent more money up to the present time than any other nation to promote aviation.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA. Ladies and Gentlemen: In beg to announce that I am a candidate for re-election as School Trustee at the forthcoming Municipal Elections and respectfully solicit your vote and influence. MARGARET JENKINS. January 3rd, 1910.

FOR ALDERMAN IN WARD TWO.

To the Electors—Ladies and Gentlemen— I beg to offer myself for re-election for Alderman in the above ward, and respectfully solicit your votes and influence. H. F. BISHOP.

MR. W. E. OLIVER

Will address the Electors in the Trades and Labor Hall 1406 DOUGLAS STREET Wednesday, Jan. 5th At 8 o'clock P. M.

In support of his candidature for Mayor. He invites the other candidates to be present to state their Views.

AGENTS

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575 Yates Street Phone 1425 A Bargain—Seven acres of choice land, no rock, frontage on Wilkinson road, 3 1/2 miles from city hall; \$2,650; terms can be arranged. Four miles from city, 10 acres of first class land; 300 fruit trees; land is all tile drained; two-room shack; good water; \$4,250; terms.

Snap for cash—6 1/2 acres, 3 1/2 miles out; \$2,100 cash. Strawberry Vale—5 acres of good land, \$1,000; terms.

Johnson Street Corner A GOOD BUY

Two Story Brick, substantially built, would carry three more stories. Corner Waddington alley, opposite Store street, 30 foot frontage. Fair rentals. Monthly tenants. For quick sale \$20,000. E. C. B. Bagshawe & Co. 1212 Broad St. Tel. 2271

Form No. 11. LAND ACT. FORM OF NOTICE. Range 1, Coast Land District. Take notice that Gilbert Oswald Smith, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation, real estate agent, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted on the north shore of Bull Creek, about 3 miles westerly from the head of said Bull Creek, thence following shore line easterly 100 chains, thence southerly 20 chains, thence following shore line 20 chains distant therefrom westerly 100 chains, thence to point of commencement. Located Nov. 26th, 1909. GILBERT OSWALD SMITH. December 22nd, 1909.

ERNEST LAMBERT BORROWS NEW HAT

Magistrate Holds Exchange of Tile is Not a Robbery. Ernest Lambert, a waiter, was charged in the police court this morning with stealing a new hat from Peter Jarvis, but on agreeing to pay \$2 for it he was allowed to go. Lambert admitted having taken the hat. The informant said he went into the Colonial hotel last November and passing through the bar Lambert approached him, took his hat, gave him his old one in exchange and left. Jarvis followed him to the door and asked for the hat, which Lambert said he was going to a dance and would return it later. He, however, had never returned the hat but went to Vancouver. He came back for the election still wearing the hat and after failing to keep promises to pay the \$2, Peter Jarvis had him arrested, hat and all, and brought before the magistrate this morning. The accused had the hat with him in the dock.

Lambert said he had borrowed the hat to go to a dance and gave Jarvis his old one in return. He had not stolen it but had not paid for it. He agreed that \$2 of money held by the police on his account should go to Jarvis, and the magistrate discharged him. T. Fuller, charged with stealing five hams and five sides of bacon from the sailing schooner Peschawa, was retained until to-morrow. He wants to obtain a lawyer for his defence. The hams were stolen when the steward of the schooner went up town after his dog, which had been taken from the schooner.

COURT OF APPEAL WAS OPENED THIS MORNING

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Treasurer of Benchers. Hon. C. E. Pooley, on behalf of the Benchers of the Law Society and the local practitioners, welcomed their lordships to their high and honorable position and expressed gratification that the Appellate Court was at last at work. They now looked forward to business being carried on in a way which would not lead to delays of justice, such as had been brought by causes over which the judges of the Supreme Court had no control, but which were very vexatious to the profession.

Mr. Pooley mentioned that forty-seven years ago to-day he began his connection with the Bar of British Columbia, and he had thus seen the administration of justice develop from the time when there was one judge, one acting-registry (himself) and one constable. There were also five or six settlements through the province, without legal training, who acted as local judges, all of whom conducted business in such a way as to give the administration of justice in British Columbia a high name. This happy condition had always existed and the Bar of today had no doubt that the justice of appeal would continue the same high traditions. On behalf of the Bar he wished their lordships a happy New Year and a long judicial career. The list was then called over, there being sixty-nine cases set down on it, and to these ten more were added. The bulk of the appeals were from the Mainland and these were, with one or two exceptions, adjourned to the sitting in Vancouver in April. There are about twenty appeals to be argued here. Chief Justice Macdonald stated that the court was quite willing to hold a special sitting in Vancouver on the completion of their work here, for the purpose of hearing any cases that would have come up at the November sitting had the Fall Court remained in existence.

The First Case. The court then took up the hearing of criminal appeals, the first being Rex vs. Prosioloski. The accused was convicted on a perjury charge before Judge Howay in New Westminster County court, arising out of a case in which he had given evidence as to some stray cows. For the prisoner, E. B. Ross contended that the prisoner had been convicted on verbal evidence of what took place before the police magistrate, and that this was improper. Deputy Attorney-General Maclean, for the crown, contended that the conviction was perfectly regular. The argument will be continued this afternoon.

OPPOSED TO BY-LAW FOR NEW THEATRE

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legislation in favor of a proposition that a large section of the community cannot support from conscientious principles. The retiring president, Rev. Joseph McCoy, on behalf of his thanks to the members of the association for their hearty support and sympathy during the year of his presidency and the election of officers resulted in the Rev. A. E. Roberts being elected president and Rev. Jos. McCoy, secretary. A vote of thanks was accorded the retiring officers. The executive committee is composed of the president and secretary, with the Revs. Gladstone, Carson and Tapscott. —E. B. Jones, of Ward II, wishes to announce that he is not a candidate for aldermanic honors. —A building permit has been issued to Thomas Brooks for a dwelling on Adelaide street. It will cost \$600.

—The authorities last night deported to Seattle three men named J. Crawford, W. Fogg and Thomas Parker. They were recent arrivals and were caught begging on the streets.

CLAIMS HE IS OWNER OF ANTICOSTI ISLAND

Michel Parent is Offering it for Sale to Anyone. The offering for sale of the island of Anticosti by Michel Parent, terming himself the Seigneur of Mingan, recalls the famous and sensational case of the government of Quebec against the Labrador Land Company, the owners of Anticosti in the early nineties. The company contended that it had bought the island from seigneurs of Mingan. The government contended in opposition that the Seigneur of Mingan did not exist and that consequently its sale by those styling themselves the seigneurs had no legal existence. The government argued that they still held the land and were the real owners. The case was carried to the privy council and dismissed, each of the contestants being condemned to pay their own costs.

The land company did not have the assets and went into liquidation, the island of Anticosti being sold by sheriff's sale to Henri Meunier, the chocolate king, of France, in 1896, in whose possession it is at the present time. By the failure of the Labrador Land Company, which had originally been chartered to exploit the magnetic iron deposits of Labrador and had ultimately taken up big tracts of land, many of the most prominent Montreal merchants of the time lost money, among others, the late Andrew Allan, the late John Molson and the Redpaths.

That immense stretch of swamp and rock, 135 miles long by 70 wide, fit only for the habitation of a few poor fisher folk, and known as the island of Anticosti, from the dawn of Canadian history has been the subject of much contention and trouble. It, however, only comprises a part of the so-called Seigneurie of Mingan, this comprising all the islands stretching from Newfoundland to Point aux Applats, some distance below the mouth of the Saguenay river.

Peulpois-de-la-Fontaine, a noted explorer under the French regime, was the last seigneur proper before the English conquest. It is from him and some of his predecessors that the present claimant says that he receives his right through his wife to dub himself Seigneur of Mingan and owner of the island of Anticosti. In 1789 Pallissier, the governor of Newfoundland, ordered de la Fontaine of his seigneurie, but de la Fontaine did not "budge." Finally, with the assistance of a war vessel, Murray succeeded in driving the seigneur away and replacing him by some favorites of his own. Murray was afterwards censured for the act and the wronged seigneur was rewarded with a governorship of a new tract of land. It was the descendants of these usurpers, Grant and Dun, that sold the land to the Labrador Land Company. Michel Parent, the man who is now offering the island for sale, was born in 1821 in the city of Quebec, and a composer by trade. He has been in Montreal since 1865 and has been retired from his trade since 1892, having been working during the last seven years on his claim to the seigneurie of Mingan.

He discovered his claim while reading over the proof of a book while employed by Lovell, the printer, in 1892. This claim is based on his rights but on those of his wife, who he claims is descended from the original seigneurs. He has never taken any action to prove his rights nor does he seem anxious to do so. He has a medal as a member of the order known as "The Aryan and Seigneural Order of the Empire." This is an order founded by a crank called Foraythe, terming himself the Count de Fransac, who was ordered out of Canada a number of years ago. This man founded a Canadian Herald's College at Ottawa, contending that the English Herald's College had no jurisdiction outside of Great Britain. He, in the course of his operations as Canadian Herald, founded this order and enlisted in its ranks whoever was willing to be presented with a medal.

NINETY-FIVE TONS IN THREE SCORE AND TEN

What a Man Will Have Eaten During a Long Life. If a man of 70 years was starving, it would probably be little comfort to him to think that he had consumed in the course of his life fifty-three and three-quarter tons of solid food and forty-two and three-quarter tons of liquid, or about 1,230 times his own weight in both solids and liquids, but it would be true. Being a man of average appetite and purse he would have eaten fifteen tons of bread, which would have made a single loaf containing 1,200 cubic feet, and appearing about as large as the average suburban home, and on this bread he would have spread one ton of butter. If his bacon had been cut in a single slice, says Harper's Weekly, the strip would have been four miles long and his chops placed end to end would have extended two miles. Twenty ordinary-sized buttecks have supplied him with beef, eighteen tons of which he has eaten, along with five tons of fish and 10,000 eggs and 350 pounds of cheese. If he had elected to have all his vegetables served at once they would have come to him in a train of cars, the load containing all his peas being over three miles long. He has had 5,000 pounds of sugar, 1,500 pounds of salt, 3 pounds of nutmeg and 100 cans of mustard. Three pints of liquid a day would have amounted to 76,000 pints, or 424 tons. If he had been a smoker, he would have burned about half a ton of tobacco in a pipe, or if he preferred, cigarettes would have smoked about a quarter of a million.

WEILER BROS. Five Floors of Home Comfort WEILER BROS. DINING TABLES \$7.50 And From This Price Up to \$60 WAS your dining room "found wanting" during the holiday season? Not in the "refreshment" way, but in conveniences, in style? Wouldn't you have liked a new extension table, a new buffet, a china cabinet, or something of the sort? We would appreciate an opportunity to show you our big range of extension dining table styles, and to quote you prices from a list that includes one to fit any pocketbook. We have these tables in all the popular woods and finishes, and in round and square styles—pedestal and regular. Prices start as low as \$7.50. Diningroom Furniture There may be room for a new buffet or china cabinet, or perhaps the present chairs are a bit shaky. Choose some new chairs or a new buffet from this assortment offered here. Many styles, but a specially strong line of Mission effects—the most popular of all dining room furniture. Our prices will compare favorably with any quoted anywhere, while styles and quality are of the superior sort.

Warm Bedding For These Frosty Nights No Better Qualities or Values Are Offered Anywhere Warm bedding for these frosty nights—don't you want some? No better place to do the choosing than right here and no better time than to-day, for there are more chilly nights coming your way. This year's assortment of blankets and comforts is the best yet. Best in variety and completeness and best in values. We have sold more McLintock down quilts this season than ever before. As people learn the great advantages of the down quilt the sales increase. Try one and you'll be an enthusiastic booster. In wool blankets offerings include the very best from Scotland and the foremost Canadian makes. We guarantee the qualities. ALL-WOOL BLANKETS, from, per pair ..... \$3.50 McLINTOCK DOWN QUILTS, from ..... \$5.50

New Dinnerware Try the "Open Stock" Plan YOU couldn't do better than invest your cash gifts in an open stock dinnerware pattern. Choose few or many pieces as you wish. Start with a few and add as your purse permits. If unfortunate enough to break a few pieces, you can easily replace them here—no patchwork affair about it. We show a great choice of patterns—you'll find more than a dozen different patterns in our stock of "open stock" services. Easy to choose a pattern to please, and of course the matter of buying is regulated by your requirements. Come in and inspect. New Haviland Open Stock Pattern One of the best of the "open stocks" is a charming gold decoration in Haviland Limoges China. The name Haviland is famous the world over. We guarantee this to be the genuine. The ware is of the finest quality and the decoration one of the most pleasing gold treatments we have seen. Start a service of this—you couldn't better it. Welcome to come in and inspect at any time. Not the slightest obligation to purchase is incurred. Special Values In Linoleum Remnants The West's Greatest Furniture House FURNISHERS OF Churches Schools Boats FURNISHERS OF Homes Hotels Clubs

WEILERS

UNVEIL MONUMENT TO SIR JOHN MOORE Impressive Ceremony at Sandgate—Centenary of Hero of Corunna. But for the tragic magnitude of Sir John Moore's death, it is probable the public might have missed the subtlety of his greatness. He owes much, too, to his elegiac Wolfe's "Death of Sir John Moore," desecrated though it be by amateur reciters, is still one of the most splendid of our funeral hymns. The monument unveiled to Sir John Moore at Sandgate, England, November 19th, is a bust in high relief on a shaft of silver-gray granite, seven feet high. The sculptor is the Chevalier Danant, whose portrait bust of the late Lord Selby will probably find a place in the House of Commons. The ceremony of unveiling was simple and dramatic. Following a speech by Sir Edward Sassoon, M. P. for the borough, in which he recapitulated the life work of the hero—in particular his work at Shorncliffe Camp and his

meteoric career of victory in the Peninsula, with its tragic climax—Miss Mary Carrick Moore, grand-niece of Sir John Moore, unveiled the monument. The drums of the First Norfolk regiment that buried him, played the "Last Post." The sounds rose and died—again and again. One seemed to see at the base of the column a grating, new-dug, and a body with its martial cloud around it. Three long-drawn-out wailing notes. Then silence—the sharp, quick voice of command, and the noise of arms changing. A notable feature was the presence of detachments representing the regiments who fought at Corunna. This should have been the end, but a number of well-deserved votes of thanks followed—to the sculptor, to the Spanish and Portuguese embassies and the Corunna regiments for the part they had taken in the celebration. The Earl of Radnor and the Sandgate Urban district council for their co-operation in granting a site, and to Miss Moore and Sir Edward Sassoon for their presence. The monument is a work of artistic merit, boldly and broadly modelled, with none of the details that the open air makes mock of. It faces Shorncliffe Camp, of which Sir John Moore was such an able commander. The tablet below the bust is inscribed with these words: "This monument was erected in 1909 to commemorate the inspiring and simple, manly and patriotic life of Sir John Moore, K. B., who fell in action at the battle

of Corunna, January 15th, 1809." Then follow a quotation from the general orders commending his "undaunted and unconquerable perseverance," and a statement that Sir John Moore resided close to the site of the memorial when in command of Shorncliffe Camp in 1893-4. SIR OLIVER LODGE ON LIFE'S PROBLEM An Address on Pre-existence and Man's Destiny. An address by Sir Oliver Lodge on pre-existence and man's destiny created a profound impression on a gathering of men at Moseley, Birmingham, says the London Daily Mail. Existence, he said, was a series of adventures. There were three great adventures which very few escaped—birth, death and marriage. There was a truth in the idea of pre-existence in some sense, though it was not a truth easy to formulate. He did not in the past suggest such things as reincarnation, transmigration, or anything of that sort. Those were fancies. But we were fragments of the great reservoir

of mind, of spirit and of life. Birth and death were gradually entering into association with matter. What happened before our incarnation we had forgotten, or we never knew. Many guesses from Plato down thought that we had forgotten. It was an old idea, and he confessed that he for long thought it fanciful, poetic only. He was beginning to think it was more than that. —What was the meaning of existence? We were here to become worthy of our origin, to realize our Divine connection, to develop a character and a will, to become ripe for freedom. That was the dangerous gift that had been bestowed upon us. By scientific investigation he had come to perceive gradually, that the Christian churches had held of a great truth. All they said about it need not be truth, but there was a truth in it much better than anything they had yet said. People thought they would get through their trouble and pain here before they died and hereafter would only have enjoyment and idleness. After a few thousand years, doing nothing would get monotonous. That was not the ideal of the future. As we rose in the scale of existence we should learn to work and suffer for others. As a result of the Duke of Norfolk's throwing open Arundel Castle during the summer All they said about it need not be truth, but there was a truth in it much better than anything they had yet said. People thought they would get through their trouble and pain here before they died and hereafter would only have enjoyment and idleness. After a few thousand years, doing nothing would get monotonous. That was not the ideal of the future. As we rose in the scale of existence we should learn to work and suffer for others. Thus freeing the hospital from debt.



The great St. Lawrence well, Midway, Cal., on a rampage. A hurricane demolished this derrick a few days ago, but the flow of oil continues just the same. Notice the oil trickling down into the sump-hole like water in a trout stream! This well is flowing 4,000 bbls. of oil daily and is within three-eighths of a mile of the Canadian Pacific Oil Co. of B. C., Ltd., 60 acre

H. H. Blood, a noted oil expert, and member of the California Stock and Oil Exchange, made an interesting talk on California oil in the Board of Trade rooms, Victoria, a few days ago. Andrew Gray, Vice-President of this Company, and President of the Marine Iron Works, presided. Mr. Blood is the Field Manager of the Canadian Pacific Oil Company of B. C., Ltd. See what he said about California oil.

"Oil is the biggest industry in California to-day. Ten years ago the state was producing \$4,000,000 worth of crude oil; or against \$30,000,000 to-day—from the day of 11c oil to 75c.

"Ten years ago there was not a mile of pipe line in the state; to-day there are 4,500 miles—enough to reach through the continent to St. John's and then half way across the ocean. It cost \$10,000 per mile to put this line in place, thus making a total of \$45,000,000 wrapped up in pipe lines alone.

"Crude oil sells for 50 cents per bbl. at the well. It brings \$1.00 and upwards at tide-water; so you see the marketing companies make their profits also.

"The great California Oilfields, Limited, an English corporation financed by Balfour and Guthrie, of London, started with an investment of \$100,000 six miles away from the proven district. They got oil. The stock is paying 40 per cent. to-day and the company has bought \$2,000,000 worth of property in the past few years. You could not buy their holdings for \$25,000,000. I say, gentlemen, the Canadian Pacific Oil Co. of B. C., Limited, officered and financed by you gentlemen of British Columbia, has the opportunity to duplicate the success of this English corporation.

"The C. P. O. Co. of B. C., Ltd., is operating in two of the best fields of the State—Coalinga, where it has 40 acres, absolutely proven with producing wells on three sides; Midway, where it has 60 acres, with the Crandall well, 2,700 bbls.; the St. Lawrence well, 4,000 bbls., and the Santa Fe, 2,200 bbls., within from 3-8 to 1 mile west of the Midway line of this company.

"Twelve months ago there was scarcely a derrick standing in the Midway field. To-day there are 100.

"I say unqualifiedly this is not a gamble.

"The C. P. O. Co. of B. C., Ltd., should pay 25 per cent. and maybe 33 per cent. per annum.

"All we have to do to pay this dividend is:—Get a 2,000 bbl. well. This would mean \$365,000 per annum, figuring oil on the basis of 50 cents at the well. Figuring on 1,500,000 shares outstanding Treasury stock, each shareholder would get 40 per cent. per share dividend computing his stock on the basis of par, or \$1.00 per share. Stock in this corporation is selling for 25 cents per share—thus, shareholders purchasing now at 25 cents would get four times this amount, or the grand total of 160 per cent. on the investment.

"I could talk California oil all day and then only begin to tell the wonderful story

"California has a contract haul of 65,000,000 bbls. in 1910.

"The Japanese government has a standing offer to contract for 10,000,000 bbls. at current price, but no company in California or elsewhere is prepared to give bond for the fulfillment of the order.

"In 1908 California produced one-fifth the petroleum of the world, or about \$25,000,000. In 1909 this state will produce \$30,000,000 with the promise of \$35,000,000 in 1910.

"Every locomotive west of the Rockies and between New Orleans and Portland is burning oil for fuel. The Japanese steamship lines are all equipped with oil burners. Eight new battleships and gunboats being built for the American government are oil burners. Oil is the cheapest fuel from Cape Horn to Alaska, three barrels of oil being equal to one ton of coal.

"I invoke the irrevocable law of supply and demand to bear me out in the statement that oil has been raised from 15 cents to 65 cents in the past three years.

"In a few years, yea, even months, it will be \$1.00 at the well.

"This company has 740 acres of ground and is good for many millions of dollars

"All that is required is the capital to sink the first few wells. The first well will amply provide for the remainder.

"Three of the oil corporations with which I have been identified in my life-time—the Sterling, Del Ray and San Jacquin, are heavy dividend payers, the Sterling having last year paid its entire capitalization in dividends. I put \$800 into one of these companies and sold out for a quarter million dollars.

"I look for the Midway field, where we are down 500 feet, to prove a sensation in the oil world. The great wells already brought in—the St. Lawrence, 4,000 bbls. per day; the Santa Fe, 2,200 bbls. per day; the Crandall, 2,700 bbls. per day, all from three-eighths to a mile away from the western boundary line of the C. P. O. Co. of B. C., Ltd., holdings—afford ample reason to base these conclusions. The structure and formation of the country is all the same and as water seeks its level, so does oil. There is no reason, therefore, why this company should not get a well as big if not bigger than any of those already brought in.

"Not in any spirit of boastfulness or braggadocia, gentlemen, I am here to stand or fall on my record. In my experience covering twelve and a half years in California oil, I have drilled 59 wells. I am now drilling the 60th for the C. P. O. Co. of B. C., Ltd. I have yet to experience the sensation of a failure."

Most of this stock has been taken by a local syndicate; there is still a little left at 25 cents per share. The stock should go to par almost immediately. This is a British Columbia corporation, officered and financed by some of the big people of this town and Vancouver. The stock is par at \$1.00, and non-assessable.

Fill out this application to-day; to-morrow may be too late.

Royal Loan & Trust Co., Limited,  
Fiscal Agents, 638 View Street, Victoria, B. C.

Enclosed please find \$..... as..... payment for ..... Shares,  
of stock in the Canadian Pacific Oil Co. of British Columbia, Limited, at 25c. per share, fully paid  
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Name .....

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### Saanich Municipal Elections

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the electors of the Municipality of Saanich, that I require the presence of said electors at the Municipal Office on January 10, at 12 o'clock (noon), for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Reeve and Councillors.

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: The candidates shall be nominated in writing; the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and 2 p. m. of the day of the nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll will be opened on the 14th day of January at the following places: For the First Ward, at Cedar Hill School House; for the Second Ward, at Talmie School House, Boleskin Road; for the Third Ward, at the Hall, Gordon Head; for the Fourth Ward, at Colquitz Hall, Carey Road; for the Fifth Ward, at Royal Oak School House; for the Sixth Ward, at the Temperance Hall, Saanich.

And such polling places will be open from 9 o'clock a. m. to 5 p. m., of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualifications for being a voter shall be being a male British subject and having been for the three months next preceding the day of the nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office, of land or real property situated within the municipality, the assessed value, on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, of five hundred dollars or more, and above any registered judgment charges and incumbrances, otherwise qualified as a voter.

The qualifications for a Councillor shall be his being a male British subject and having been for the three months next preceding the day of his nomination the registered owner in the Land Registry Office, of land or real property situated within the municipality of the assessed value, on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, of two hundred and fifty dollars or more, and above any registered judgment or charge, or being a homesteader, lessee from the Crown, or pre-emptor, who has resided within the municipality for the space of one year or more immediately preceding the nomination, and who is assessed for five hundred dollars or more on the last Municipal or Provincial Assessment Roll, and above any registered judgment or charge, and being otherwise qualified as a voter.

### What Other People Think

THE ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

To the Editor:—Some time ago an article appeared in your paper saying that it was thought too much money was being spent in the Isolation hospital. I would like to suggest that this is not correct, but that there is a certain amount of mismanagement somewhere. For instance, I was admitted into the hospital in March last, suffering from what was thought to be measles, so I was put under charge of a nurse who had already another patient. Both Mr. and Mrs. King suspected scarlet fever, and accordingly warned the health officer, but he did not come to examine me till I had been in for a fortnight. Surely if there had been the slightest suspicion of scarlet fever (they were found to be correct in my case) the health officer should have come over immediately and examined me as the other patient might have caught the infection. The patients were all treated with the greatest kindness by Mrs. King and there was always plenty of good plain food, so that I cannot understand anyone complaining about the inefficiency of the matron's management.

M. LESLIE BELVILLE.  
Somenes P. O., B. C., Jan. 1st, 1910.

PRICE OF MILK AND OTHER NECESSARIES.

To the Editor:—The reference in your issue of last evening to the advance in the price of milk impels me to crave permission through your columns to suggest the formation of a Citizens' Protection Association. Such an association would be very effective in fighting the various local "combinations" and would also be useful in many other ways. We hear a good deal lately about this, that and the other scheme or individual who is "knocking the city," but if there is anything that is "knocking Victoria" it is the outrageous amount it costs the average citizen to keep a house going on. If, as is stated in your article last evening, the milk dealers could be brought to book in the Citizens' Association could do that. If this is not so, then an organized boycott for a month or so would be quite an intolerable hardship and inconvenience to the dealer, to say nothing of being decidedly cheaper.

I shall be glad to hear from anyone who like "Condensed Milk" objects to being swindled.  
W. P. BEAVAN.  
Skinner St., Victoria West, January 3rd, 1910.

INCREASING COST OF LIVING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

To the Editor: The most vital factor controlling the destiny of every nation always has been and ever will be, the economic production and distribution of its food supplies. The simple but impressive fact that the nation's source in family life depends upon that, together with the allied factor of economic rent, is being forcibly brought home to every family around Victoria by the persistent advance now being engineered by the keener merchants and others now engaged in forcing up the prices of essential commodities regardless of the grave harm they are inflicting upon the poorer workers, and the still graver permanent injury they are unpatronically doing their country by investing their money in the commercial development through increasing the cost of living. This results upon the British Columbians by crippling their powers of competition with Japan, etc., for the great impending development of Pacific trade in the immediate future.

I am reluctantly forced to that conclusion by the comparison of costs which professional duties have required of me to make in Europe, the United States and British Columbia. Further, that conclusion is fully borne out by the most able and experienced authority in British Columbia.

Already the superior Japanese economic conditions, (mainly dependent upon their open city market arrangements), have enabled them to win decided advantages over British Columbians in the production and transportation of coal and iron, upon which the development of manufacturing industries and commercial supremacy of the Pacific mainly depend.

That trade advantage British Columbians cannot recover until they bring the cost of living down to reasonable limits, as the vast deposits of iron, coal, etc., cannot be developed to successfully compete with Japan and the United States until the cost of working are lowered by cheapening the cost of living.

Tariffs Are Paid for by Consumers.

That cannot be effected by Oriental labor in British Columbia, as the price of Chinese labor is increasing owing to the higher yearly cost of living and the operation of the \$500 poll tax, which has already about doubled the wages of local Chinese, who not only get that \$500 as increased wages from the employers here during the first two years, but keep advancing their price to loan out money at high interest to bring their brethren over.

The insurance company is credited with having about \$15,000 loaned out to bring a continuous stream of tariff payers to the company and Chinese so highly—at the expense of householders here.

The high customs tariff charged upon clothing, boots, etc., are all paid by consumers here, who also pay storekeepers for higher profits because the growing cost of living gives them tariff leverage, which more quickly makes them richer and the workers poorer.

This the masses in Great Britain and Europe are quickly learning through the increasing numbers of their relatives in America, who send to the homeland for their clothing and what paying duty direct, save so much. Their other relatives who experienced the unemployment and suffering under the "corn laws" were taught the prime importance of good cheap food and homes, as the coming elections, both in the United Kingdom and Germany will most emphatically demonstrate to all people who will truly benefit by their victory.

children, had been discounted by the fact that notice had that afternoon been received from the house agent that their rent was forced up \$10 from 10 to 20, and worse still, the new owner who only completed the purchase last month had called "For Sale" notices on the family's home, thereby creating the fear that any day the house may be resold, again advanced, and they forced out, with their means of livelihood crippled if not shattered, and they largely depend upon roomers who cannot lodge further away. She pitiously said there was no appeal against that great wrong, Irishmen, who have realized the benefit of "Fair Rent Courts" in Ireland would ask, "Where can justice be found in that?"

This same New Year's Eve the milkman presented the printed notice increasing the price of milk by 32 per cent. That together with rent and other increases more than swallowed up the 12 advance, so that they are now worse off and are losing faith in what should be a happy and prosperous new year in this promising land.

I had just been reading in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer of December 30th the revelations made by the deputy attorney-general in New York, who employed Accountant Scudder to investigate the accounts of the milk vendors against whom the consumers had protested because an unjustifiable attempt was being made to raise the price of milk from 8 to 9 cents per quart.

One milk company was on the 8-cent rate, paying 25 per cent on its capital. Another company was paying 22 per cent on its capital, \$500,000, of which more than \$300,000 was paid for "good-will" to members, who joined the combine, so that only \$200,000 was productive and the real dividend paid on that was 55 per cent. Beyond that they had a "surplus of \$92,672, or nearly double their watered capital," or about five times their real working capital.

No wonder why the deputy attorney-general was preparing to ask that, if such profits are possible at 8 cents a quart, what justification was there for raising the price to 9 cents—an increase of 12 1/2 per cent.

The 25 per cent notice of increase by the Victoria combine of milk dealers seems to call for a similar public inquiry into this and other matters which the above and following statements handed to me indicate may be advisable.

"In Victoria during the year 1908 milk was \$1 per month for one pint daily, then raised to \$1.25, later lowered to \$1, next raised to \$1.50, and now raised to \$2." I. e., 100 per cent increase in three years. It is highly important to remember that next to bread, milk is the most necessary food required to nurture young children, especially of the poorer classes, to build them up into efficient workers to compete with other nations. Therefore, it is a vital necessity to public welfare that milk should be sold at reasonable prices, as otherwise enfeebled children will develop into weaker adults to swell the costs of poor houses, jails and asylums to be kept up at our expense.

Butter will be further increased if these men get their way. Three years ago dairy butter was 20 cents in season and 25 cents in winter—now 40 cents and 50 cents, increases already 35 per cent, and 45 per cent.

Bread flour during 1909 alone has risen from \$1.85 to \$2.21 per cent in one year—in Canada the greatest of wheat lands.

Meat has almost doubled in price in about three years.

Rent and taxes have also about doubled.

Wood for fuel has risen from \$3 to \$7, or 133 per cent, in recent years—in this province endowed above all others with natural forest wealth.

Coal has been raised from \$1.50 to \$5.50 per ton—an increase of 67 per cent (in this greatest mineral province of Canada, which is blessed with the cheapest natural shores, sea meads of transportation in the world.)

Other necessities, such as sugar and other groceries and provisions, have been similarly forced up to the injury of home life.

In seeking the true remedy for this alarming condition which is becoming a danger to family and national life, we should seek to be just to all concerned, and above all to the industrious poor.

An inquiry should establish how far such statements are proved by facts, and devise effective remedies.

The milk dealers are so closely organized that they will have something in defence to say to those who urge that milk should be cheaper than anywhere else in America because cows graze nearly all the year around, as grass grows on more days here than any other part.

They are being forced up by real estate operators cornering agricultural land. The most unfortunate feature is that the farmers and milk sellers' employees who do the most work are not getting much higher prices for produce and labor than they did three years ago.

What is the cause of the above astounding increases in this province which above all others in the world has been endowed by nature with such abundant mineral, timber, agricultural, fishery, game, and water-power resources that the cost of living in British Columbia should under wise government be cheaper than anywhere else in the temperate zone, and would if a rightly directed enable the commerce of any two other provinces or states in America, and exceed most European countries?

Canada Has Its House of Lords (Senate) Issue.

Curiously enough the operative remedy we ought to have been able to promptly apply was inconsiderately and even unconstitutionally withheld from Canadians by the senate last year by an adverse vote of 7, although the secretary of state (Hon. Mr. Scott) stated in the Senate's Debates, July 15th, 1908, (page 1574), "The Act respecting co-operation was before the House of Commons for three years and passed there without any substantial opposition and the committee considering it included the attorney-general, and reported the conclusion unanimously to recommend its adoption." Again on page 1375, "It has been shown by the most undoubted evidence that it has been productive of widespread good" having been enacted in Quebec and

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## CITY ENGINEER'S PARTING SHOT

### C. H. TOPP SPEAKS PLAINLY TO COUNCIL

#### Declares That Street Work is Impeded by Lack of System.

"Referred to the incoming council," such was the course pursued at last evening's meeting of the city council in respect to all matters of importance coming before that body. Save in the case of a communication received from the city engineer, and a motion by Ald. Turner that certain works of local improvement be ordered, there was no debate on the business in hand. In regard to the letter from Mr. Topp, several of the aldermen took objection to the statement contained therein to the effect that the city council had so acted in ordering street work as to impose a hardship upon the engineering staff.

Mr. Topp points out some of the causes which have delayed several of the by-laws from being passed. The work, included in local improvement by-laws, are passed by the council in such a manner that the macadam roadways and permanent walks are bunched together, and the consequence has been that the sidewalk work has been carried out in-advance of the other work, as there were complete plants for such sidewalk work and material available, while on the other hand the macadam roadways have had to wait for want of sufficient apparatus, etc., and road-making material to carry out that class of work. Mr. Topp has always been of the opinion that sidewalk construction and macadam roadways should be included in separate by-laws, and also that the work should be kept in districts as much as possible. Unless this is done no system or economy can be expected in the carrying out of local improvements. In a great many cases the resolutions to undertake works are passed by the council without any consideration of expediting carrying out the work, and after the reports are laid before the council several works are grouped into by-laws with the engineer's office being consulted as to the adaptability of such works being carried out to the best advantage and in conjunction with another.

On a motion being made that the letter be referred to the incoming council, Ald. Fullerton objected to the suggestion made by Mr. Topp that the council had tied his hands. He thought it absurd for the engineer to say that his department had no knowledge of the various kinds of street work that was being ordered done.

Mayor Hall corrected Ald. Fullerton. The engineer was not complaining about the nature of the work ordered in various by-laws, but to the grouping of streets in different parts of the city in one by-law.

Ald. Fullerton stuck to his guns and declared that if any embarrassment caused in the engineer's department it was the fault of the city engineer, as that official must know all about the work from the time of its inception. In fact, in his opinion, the engineer knew more about the street work and the manner in which it was going to be executed than any member of the board.

Ald. Henderson also thought that the complaint of the city engineer was a little far-fetched. When he (Ald. Henderson) was chairman of the streets committee he had invariably consulted with the city engineer in respect to the manner in which the street work was going to be executed. The motion to refer the matter to the incoming council was then passed.

### CANADIAN ALMANAC.

This year's issue of The Canadian Almanac, which forms the sixty-third of the series, is unusually valuable, and is indispensable to every office and library in the Dominion. Many of the lists given are not found elsewhere, and in no other volume can so much information about Canada be found in so small a space. The Canadian Almanac has been published continuously since 1848, and is indispensable to every Canadian engaged in professional or business life.

It contains among other things: Astronomical calculations, eclipses, star tables, latitude tables, tide tables, Halifax, Quebec, St. John, complete customs tariff, the new French treaty, weights and measures and exchange tables, banks with branches and names of managers, patents in Canada, the British army and navy, full Canadian militia list, postal information, complete list of post offices, with railway station, list of newspapers published in Canada, with their circulation and politics, titled Canadians, Dominion

and provincial governments, and names of officials, with their salaries, foreign consuls in Canada, complete clergy list of all denominations, legal and judicial information, county and township officers, barristers and solicitors, educational institutions, miscellaneous societies, life insurance, with rates of various companies, bank and other stocks, showing dividend and highest and lowest prices at which sold. With every copy of the Almanac is given a map of Nipissing district, showing the famous silver region in Ontario. Price, 25 cents. Published by The Copp, Clark Company, Limited, Toronto.

### THE CANADIAN MAGAZINE.

The Canadian Magazine for January begins the new year with a very important and interesting article by Professor A. P. Coleman, of the University of Toronto. It is entitled, "The Interchangeable Beds at Toronto," and describes in a popular manner the information that has been obtained by scientists regarding the unusually interesting piece of geological formation. Another good article is "The Frontier Problem," by Joseph Wearing. This is an account, with illustrations, of the work that is being done by the Reading Camp Association to locate monastic working in camps along the Canadian frontier. "The White Man's Angry Heart," by Harold Sands, is a consideration of the British Columbia Indian and of his suspicion regarding the encroachment of the white man on what he regards as his special territory. Other timely articles are "The Conservation of Natural Resources," by Eilhu Stewart; "Edmonton to Prince Rupert," by Harold Havena; and "Western Political Dominance," by Arthur L. Ford. The fiction is strong, with an amusing novelette by Lloyd Osborne, entitled "The Klitten That Doh," and short stories by Arthur L. Sainsbury and May Wynne, with verse by Pauline Johnson, Ethelwyn Wetherald, H. O. Gifford, Florence Calton, Donald A. Fraser, Margaret O'Grady and John Mortimer.

### THE NEW BIRR MINTOSH MONTHLY.

The January number of the Burr McIntosh Monthly, the first in its new form, contains the usual range of fine pictures in considerable variety and reproduced in the manner for which this magazine is famous. The special color plates are unusually attractive, being reproduction of two of the works of Sorolla, the Spanish artist.

In addition to the fine pictorial portion of this magazine there are a number of attractive articles and some of them of considerable value. An article headed "City Government as a Business" will attract the attention of the public-spirited people everywhere. Chas. N. Chadwick, of the board of water supply, New York; R. Fulton Cutting, bureau of municipal research; and Toshiro Matsumura, a Japanese member of the commercial commission to America, furnish powerful and thoughtful articles on this subject. Ellis Parker Butler, famous as the author of "Pigs is Pigs," contributes a better story in "The Water Goat." Emory Pottle contributes a story entitled "The Woman of Intellect," which will give pleasure to admirers of this author. There are several other stories and articles in this issue, all of which will appeal to lovers of good literature.

### EXONERATES THE CHIEF.

Police Commission of Cranbrook Investigates Charges. Cranbrook, Jan. 3.—Rev. Robert Hughes, pastor of the Methodist church here, has been publishing from time to time recently a paper called the Searchlight, the last issue of which carried a serious charge against a sworn investigator of the charges was called for by Mr. Dow before the police commissioners, Mayor Fink, Jas. Ryan and D. J. Johnson. The inquiry opened on December 21st, when Mr. Hughes produced no witnesses in support of his allegations.

The inquiry was postponed in order to afford Mr. Hughes the opportunity to produce witnesses, and on being examined, A. I. Fisher, who appeared as counsel for Mr. Hughes, who stated that he got the information from what he considered a reliable source but had not verified it at the time of publication. He offered no evidence in substantiation of the allegations for which he said he took the fullest responsibility. He admitted writing the article and publishing the paper in which it appeared. He said it was all meant for the public good. He produced no witnesses for the chief of police on oath gave the most positive denial of the whole matter and was subjected by Mr. Fisher to a cross-examination in which counsel was permitted by the commissioners—the widest possible latitude. After the commissioners had consulted for about five minutes they entirely exonerated the chief of police.

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### YEAR WILL BE A PROSPEROUS ONE

#### Judge Gary, Chairman of U. S. Steel Corporation, Says Outlook is Hopeful.

New York, Jan. 4.—The outlook for 1910 in the iron and steel trade, which is taken as the barometer of business in general, is pronounced firm and hopeful in a statement given out by Judge E. H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corporation.

"Over-confidence, with consequent inflation and a corrective collapse, remain the dangers," he says, "of any period of prosperity, but we have all learned something by experience in the past few years.

"So far as relates to the iron and steel industry of this country at present," said Judge Gary, "there is little need for any elaborate statement. The figures which are given out from time to time speak for themselves. For the past eight months the new orders received by the subsidiary companies of the United States Steel Corporation have been gratifying. During the month of December, the bookings of these companies combined have been about 100,000 tons a day, while their capacity is about 41,000 tons per day. The only concern at the mills is to satisfy customers in regard to deliveries.

"Unlike former periods, there has been no speculative buying, and the demand for prompt delivery are more pronounced than ever before. Following the panic of 1907, there was a diminution in the buying of ordinary and regular supplies, and therefore the necessities of the purchasing public, particularly the railroads, had accumulated to such an extent that orders could no longer be deferred.

"Consequently their volume suddenly developed into abnormal proportions. This, with the growth of the country and increasing uses for iron and steel, together with the financial resources of the people, have brought about the great prosperity which is now in evidence. There is nothing in sight to indicate there will be any great reduction in the iron and steel trade for the year 1910. Most of the manufacturers have orders which will fully occupy their mills far into the future, and the new business from first-class orders will continue active and large, will soon fill the books for the entire year.

"Of course there are always possible dangers ahead, such as unjust and unreasonable competition or inconsiderate action by public officials, which tend to create distrust and thus postpone commitments for further extensions. Or, what is more probable, failure to keep pace with the rapidly changing conditions may be over-confidence on account of the rapidly rising prices or other mistakes by those who are in charge of important affairs.

"The law-makers, the administrators of the law and the active business and financial members of the community are all interested in working together to improve the material, as well as the moral conditions of the people, and this will be of great benefit.

### NEW GRAND THEATRE.

The greatest laughing act that has been in Victoria for many a long day is that of the Columbia Four, a musical quartet, now appearing at the New Grand and raising the roof with laughter. The four are splendid singers but very little of their voices can be heard for laughter caused by the Dutch Irishman and Blaghe. These two provide as much humor per ounce as can be got into a twenty-minute act and the house roared its hardest at yesterday's matinee.

Probet, however, while he had a big demonstration, making a recall, did not entertain with humor, but with whistling and bird imitations, which are wonderful in their faithfulness to the birds' melodies. The act is accompanied by the pictures of the birds and their haunts. The whole act is splendid and will give great pleasure to the crowds that will flock to hear him this week.

Al W. Fremont, Mary Freyhold and Claud Chandon, appearing in "The Way of the West," present a strong dramatic hit in which there is always action, and while there is a little comedy it offsets the heavier part of the dramatic story. The story grips from the instant and the intensity is felt right through to the end. There is a song introduced which adds color and is well received.

Emerald and Miss Dupree in a Scotch dance and a scene on the full stage provide fifteen minutes' hearty laughter and get the audience in good humor for the balance of the show. The final dance of the pair, however, is their best, for Emerald cuts a strange figure in his too small kilt. There is a good illustrated song and two first-class moving pictures to make the balance of the bill, which, all round, is one of the finest seen here for months.

### WITNESS SLAIN.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 4.—James Middleton, a farmer and the principal witness in a night rider trial set for this month, was shot from ambush and killed.

### NINETY-YEAR-OLD VICAR.

Rev. John F. Harvard, of Little Maplestead, Essex, the vicar who is happy on a week, celebrated his ninetieth birthday. The vicar has occupied his present position for fifty-five years.

The mysterious death of Prince Sviatoslav, the richest man in Russia, who left his fortune of \$2,000,000 to his private secretary, M. Petrov, is to be followed by a lawsuit. The Prince's family allege that the Prince was murdered after being hypnotized into drawing up the document.

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Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section (40 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within one mile of his homestead as a farm of at least 50 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister. In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section also; and he may homestead a quarter section in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent and cultivate fifty acres extra.

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## Corporation of the District of Oak Bay

### VOTERS' LIST, 1910.

#### COURT OF REVISION.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council will sit as a Court of Revision of the Voters' List in the Council Chamber, Oak Bay Avenue, on Monday, 3rd January, 1910, at 7.30 o'clock p. m., to hear and determine cases where- in it is alleged that any person's name has been improperly placed on or omitted from the said list, or that a person whose name has been omitted from the said list has, since the 1st day of December, become entitled to have his name placed thereon. Copies of Voters' List may be obtained from the undersigned.

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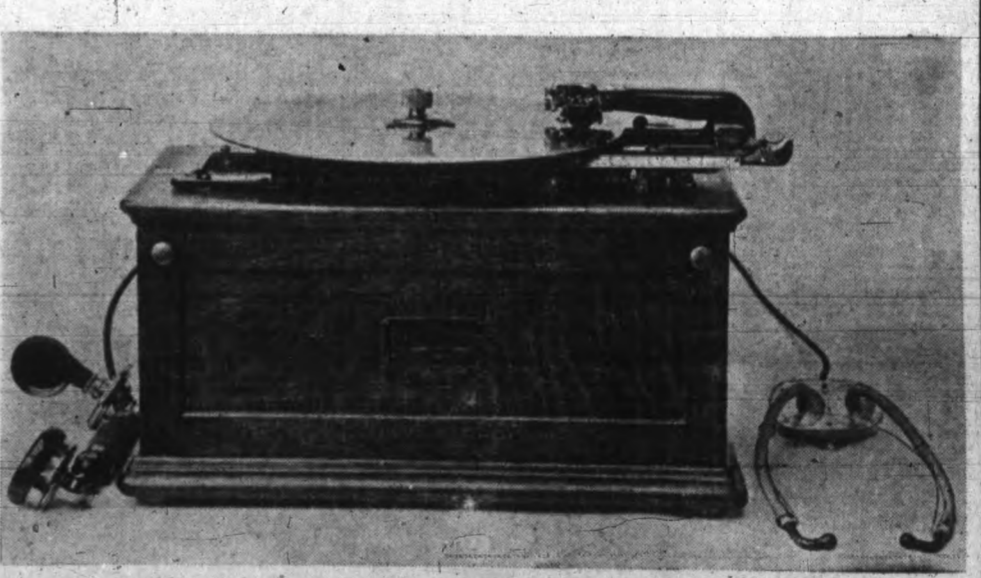
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Reports Received Covering Donations Received During Holiday Season.

The ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphan's Home met for their first meeting in 1910 at the city hall yesterday afternoon. The following ladies were present: Mesdames McCollough, Higgins, Huckle, E. Andrews, Toller, W. Munie, J. Langley, E. Few, W. Scowcroft, T. Fell, Sherwood, R. Croft, Miss Tolmie, Mrs. D. Miller. The meeting opened with prayer.

The excellent Christmas dinner so generously donated by Mr. Britton of Seattle, was reported as having passed off most successfully, the presidents of both committees being present, also several members of the same, who testified to the thorough enjoyment of the children. A hearty vote of thanks being passed to the kind donor. The Christmas tree entertainment was greatly enjoyed by the children and visitors, the former receiving presents in abundance from kind friends from far and near, who, whilst rejoicing themselves, did not forget the happiness of the fifty little inmates of the home. The members of the Duncan Christian Aid, through Mrs. Whidden, sent a very generous and acceptable donation of clothing, fruit and vegetables, this kind aid being greatly appreciated. A vote of condolence was given to Mrs. Sprague, a member of the committee and her family, who was expressing sympathy with them in their deep sorrow and bereavement. Bills were paid amounting to \$246.30. Mrs. McCollough and Mrs. J. Langley were appointed visitors for the month. The resignation of Mrs. T. Fell was received with regret.

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**Social and Personal**

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W. Moore of Seattle, is on a visit to this city.

Miss Young is spending a few days in Seattle.

J. H. Hemsworth, of Chemaluis, is in the city.

Miss E. A. Murray is visiting friends in Vancouver.

Miss Hilda Englehardt has left for Portland, Ore.

Miss Agnes Hansen left for Phoenix, Ariz., last night.

W. F. Salesbury crossed over to the mainland last night.

F. E. Clement was a passenger for Vancouver last night.

Miss M. Graham arrived in this city yesterday from Seattle.

E. A. Morris left on a business trip to Vancouver last night.

A. B. Palmer was among last night's passengers for Vancouver.

Miss Ross is on a visit to Vancouver and will be gone some time.

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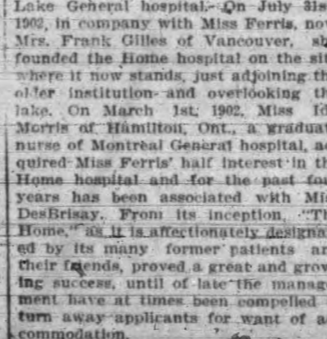
IMPROVEMENTS AT ASYLUM FARM Will Be Object Lesson for Farmers of Prairie—To Import Holsteins. New Westminster, Jan. 3.—We are working along the line of making the asylum farm at Coquitlam, outside of New Westminster, a model farm for British Columbia and in a way an experimental farm where the farmers of the province may see agricultural operations conducted in the most up-to-date manner and where they may secure thoroughbred stock to improve their strain at moderate prices." This was the statement made by Hon. Dr. Young, provincial secretary and minister of education, during his visit, a few days ago. "We have no idea of starting a series of experimental farms in the province," said Dr. Young. "That feature is looked after by the Dominion government. The idea which I am endeavoring to work up is rather to establish a model farm with thoroughbred stock for the assistance of the farmer. I got the idea when I was east last year where I found it working out very well near Montreal in connection with one of the colleges associated with McGill university. There they had thoroughbred stock of every description from chickens to cattle and horses, which the farmers were able to secure cheaply and thus improve the strain of their own stock. I believe the same scheme will work out very well here and Mr. Hodson is in accord with the idea.

"We have now under consideration a suggestion of sending an experienced man east this winter to select a herd of cattle for this farm. We have decided on Holsteins as being a good combination of milk and beef cattle and all that remains is to decide whether the herd will be secured in the west or selected in the east. At the present time we have some excellent Clydesdale horses which have carried off many prizes both at the Seattle and Victoria shows. In any event it is our intention to stock this farm with the best thoroughbred stock to be procured. "At the next session of the House I intend to ask for an appropriation of \$25,000 for the purpose of erecting permanent buildings at the asylum farm, apart from the main buildings being erected. This sum, if granted, will be used to build a dwelling for the superintendent of the farm; modern stables and other buildings necessary for the carrying out of the work on the farm. The work on the main building is progressing satisfactorily, and I think we will have good results. On the farm we have now 250 acres ploughed and 450 acres cleared, and next summer farming operations will be conducted on a much larger scale than this year."

HOSPITALS MERGED. Directors of Nelson General Hospital Acquire "The Home". Nelson, Jan. 3.—The Home hospital, situated in the east end of the city and owned and maintained by Miss Ella DesBrisay and Miss Ida Morris, has been acquired by the directors of the General Hospital and will be taken over on February 1st next. Miss DesBrisay came to Nelson twelve and a half years ago and for some time was matron at the Kootenay Lake General Hospital. On July 31st, 1902, in company with Miss Ferris, now Mrs. Frank Gilles of Vancouver, she founded the Home hospital on the site where it now stands, just adjoining the other institution and overlooking the lake. On March 1st, 1902, Miss Ida Morris of Hamilton, Ont., a graduate nurse of Montreal General hospital, acquired Miss Ferris' half interest in the Home hospital and for the past four years has been associated with Miss DesBrisay. From its inception, "The Home," as it is affectionately designated by its many former patients and their friends, proved a great and growing success, until of late the management have at times been compelled to turn away applicants for want of accommodations. Wholly a private institution, obtain-

ing no government or other aid, the Home hospital has always been selected year after year by the Canadian Pacific railway employees as the hospital for their sick or injured members under their annual medical contract, and the lady proprietors are deeply sensible of the loyal way in which the Kootenay C. P. R. "boys" have invariably supported "The Home" in every way.

Development work in Sheep Creek Camp Properties Getting Into Shape for Rawhiding Ores to Smelters. Nelson, Jan. 3.—A number of important mining deals have just gone through, among them one effecting a Sheep Creek property, another a property in the vicinity of Nelson. The Vancouver gold mine, which sent 23 tons of ore to the Trail smelter recently, its first shipment, running \$100 to the ton, and which shut down for the holidays, has resumed operation under new management, J. J. Malone of this city, becoming associated with the previous owners, George Henry Fisher and Frank Unfried. The Vancouver was opened this fall. It is located on Yellowstone mountain, south of the Kootenay Belle, and adjoins the Queen, lying across from the Bonanza. It is announced that W. Gosnell, J. J. Malone, George Matthew, Neil Lovell, and John Ostin, all of Nelson, have again secured possession of the Alma M. mine, near this city. They will continue the development where J. T. Hills and S. S. Raymond, the Vancouver lessees, left off, and operations will be pushed, Mr. Ostin being in charge of the work. The Alma M. shipped some ore two years ago, but all the work since then has been on development. The claim is located at the head of Sandy creek, a short distance from Nelson. Word comes from Ymir that Price & Burgess have struck a good body of ore on the Iona group of silver-lead properties on Jubilee mountain. The Yankee Girl, in the same neighborhood, on Dundee mountain, is employing 30 men. Mr. Rand of Vancouver, owner of the Dundee, will arrive in Nelson from the old country on January 10th, after which it is stated that extensive development work will be done on that property. Of the progress being made in the Sheep Creek camp, V. B. Poole, of the Nugget mine, cannot speak too favorably. He mentioned the commencement of shipments by the Vancouver mine as an instance of the progress which is being made. Work is proceeding on several other properties as well as on all the old ones, including the Nugget, the Queen, the Mother Lode, the Kootenay Belle, and others. Most of the properties are now getting into shape for rawhiding ore for the smelters. The Nugget has two earloads of concentrates ready and will follow this with regular shipments of ore during the winter. The Nugget mill is running steadily and good bricks are being turned out regularly. Altogether Mr. Poole considers that things never looked so bright in the Sheep Creek camp as at present and that another year will see it more generally and favorably known than even at the present.



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NOTICE "NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION ACT." Notice is hereby given that the Cameron Lumber Company, Limited, having its registered office in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, is applying to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada in Council for approval of the area plans, site and description of works proposed to be constructed in that part of the waters of Victoria Harbor known as Selkirk Water; between Point Elliot bridge and Halkett Island, being on the lands situate, lying and being in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and known, numbered and described as Lot "D," Generally Estate, and has deposited the area and site plans of the proposed works and a description thereof with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof with the Registrar-General of Titles in the Land Registry Office, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and that the matter of the said application will be proceeded with at the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of this notice in the Canada Gazette. Dated this 14th day of December, A. D. 1909. CAMERON LUMBER COMPANY, LIMITED. Per D. O. CAMERON, Secretary.

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WHAT MONTREAL OF FUTURE SHOULD BE

Experts Formulate Plans for Beautifying the Metropolis.

Professor Nobbs, the head of the architectural department of McGill, and W. S. Maxwell, one of the leading architects of Montreal, spoke in the art gallery at the convention held under the auspices of the Civic Improvement League of Montreal. The subject of the lecture was "City Planning and Improvement—the City and Land of To-morrow." The hall was crowded with an audience which was greatly impressed with the possibilities of making improvements to place Montreal in the highest rank among cities. The speaker claimed to be of interest, both to the pleasure seeker and to the citizen themselves.

GARDEN OF EDEN AS IT APPEARS TO-DAY

Rich Country if Properly Irrigated and Tilled Properly.

Sir William Willcocks, before the Royal Geographical Society in London recently, gave an account of his researches and surveys in Mesopotamia. He started with the Garden of Eden, and from the spot where Jewish tradition placed the "Gates of Paradise" followed the traces of the four rivers mentioned in the early chapters of Genesis. Upstream from Hit, past Anah, the Euphrates is to-day a series of very indifferent canals, where the current turns giant water wheels which lift water and irrigate the narrow valley at the expense of the fertile and unenclosed garden, orchards and date groves lie between fields of cotton, and life and prosperity appear wherever the water can reach. He did not think it possible to imagine anything more like a practical paradise than the country near Anah.

rent and the wind both steady from the north, the ark drifted southwards and wandered long in the Chaldean marshes. Finally it touched land, probably somewhere near Ur, of the Chaldees, on the edge of the desert. Ararat was the name of the desert mount where the ark rested, and when the families of the younger sons of the patriarch moved off and made new settlements they gave the name of Ararat to the highest mountain they knew in honor of the spot where the ark rested. This Armenian Ararat could no more be Ararat where the ark rested than New York be York.

CUMULATIVE VOTING

How That Kingdom Tries to Regulate Proportion.

The provisions of the cumulative voting law of Saxony, Germany, dis- tribute votes as follows: One vote—Every male citizen of Saxony who is 25 years of age and who pays direct state taxes in any amount. Two votes—Every citizen, as above, whose income is more than \$381 per year, or who, as a salaried public or private official, has an income of more than \$33 per year; or who, by reason of his business as a merchant or position as an educator, is entitled to vote for members of chambers of commerce or of the state board of education, and derives from his business or profession an annual income of more than \$33 per year; or who owns real estate or has the right to the use of the same, the income from which is more than \$29 per year, or who owns real estate or has the right to the use of the same, the income from which is more than \$29 per year, or who owns real estate or has the right to the use of the same, the income from which is more than \$29 per year.

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Bricklayers ..... 2nd and 4th Monday
Bartenders ..... 1st and 3rd Sunday
Cooks and Waiters ..... 2nd and 4th Tuesday
Carpenters ..... Alternate Wednesdays
Climbers ..... 1st Friday
Electrical Workers ..... 3rd Friday
Garment Workers ..... 1st Monday
Laborers ..... 1st and 3rd Friday
Leather Workers ..... 4th Thursday
Lumber Workers ..... 1st and 3rd Tuesday
Longshoremen ..... Every Monday
Lorry Carriers ..... 4th Wednesday
Machinists ..... 1st and 3rd Thursday
Moulders ..... 2nd Monday
Musicians ..... 3rd Sunday
Painters ..... 1st and 3rd Monday
Plumbers ..... 1st and 3rd Tuesday
Printing Pressmen ..... 2nd Monday
Shipwrights ..... 2nd and 4th Thursday
Steam Fitters ..... 1st and 3rd Tuesday
Stonecutters ..... 2nd Thursday
Street Railway Employees ..... 2nd Monday
Stereotypers ..... 3rd Tuesday; 3 p.m.
Tailors ..... 1st Monday
T. & L. Council ..... 1st and 3rd Wednesday
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