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## NO CHANGE NEAR VERDUN, SAYS PARIS

Bombardment by Germans West of Meuse; Little Activity East

## ATTACK BY ENEMY AT FRESNES WAS FAILURE

Attempts in Lorraine and Alsace Repulsed by Joffre's Troops

Paris, March 2.—The war office announcement this afternoon says that there was intermittent bombardment of the Verdun and Woëvre fronts during the night, but that there were no developments of importance.

The text of the statement follows: "In the Artois district, east of the road running from Neuville to La Poile, we caused the explosion of a mine located under the old crater occupied by the enemy. We took possession of the new crater.

"In the region of Verdun the enemy bombarded violently last night. Le Mort Homme, at the Cote de l'Or, between Miancourt and Forges, as well as the principal crossings of the river Meuse. There was little activity on the part of the artillery to the east of the Meuse.

"In the Woëvre district, after an intense retaliatory fire from the artillery, the enemy yesterday evening delivered a spirited attack on our positions at Fresnes. They were driven back at once by our counter-attack from the few positions which they had succeeded in penetrating.

"In the Lorraine district a bombardment of several hours' duration against the Ste. Marie farm, west of Bezange, was followed by an attack on the part of the enemy which resulted in complete failure.

"In Alsace, tentative movements undertaken by strong German patrols against our outposts in the valley of the Lauch were repulsed by the use of hand grenades."

Fresnes is about 12 miles southeast of Verdun.

**German Claims.**  
Berlin, March 2.—The statement issued by army headquarters to-day says the French sacrificed men unsuccessfully in a counter-attack on Fort Douaumont, one of the outlying defences of Verdun, which was captured by the Germans.

The situation on the Franco-Belgian front, the communication says, is unchanged.

## ITALIAN VESSELS WILL CARRY GUNS

No Change; Two Steamships, Minesweeper and Three Smacks Sunk

Rome, March 2.—The Italian ambassador at Washington, Count Macchi, has been instructed to notify the American government that notwithstanding the German and Austrian decrees regarding the sinking of armed merchantmen without warning, Italian merchantmen will continue to carry armament.

The ambassador also has been instructed to say that the Italian merchantmen will use the guns only for defensive purposes.

Steamship; Three Smacks.  
The sinking of four more vessels was reported to-day. The crews of three British smacks landed at Lowestoft. Their vessels are said to have been sunk in the North Sea.

The Italian steamship Elisa, 429 tons gross, also is reported to have been sunk.

**Russian Steamship.**  
London, March 2.—The Russian steamship Alexander Wentzell, of 2,338 tons gross, plying between Cardiff and Archangel, was sunk by a German submarine yesterday without warning. Eighteen members of the crew were drowned. Eleven succeeded in getting away in a small boat and were rescued early to-day.

**French Mine Sweeper.**  
Havre, March 2.—The French mine sweeper Au Ibis was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine while engaged in sweeping the British transport lane. The crew was saved.

**Thornaby by Mine.**  
London, March 2.—Lloyds' agent at Blyth reports that the British steamship Thornaby was sunk by a mine on Monday last.

A dispatch yesterday announced that the Thornaby had been sunk in the North Sea and that all but three of the crew had been killed or drowned.

## REPORTED MOEWIE OR ROON CAPTURED

Ship Nearing Montevideo Intercepted—Message Telling of British Cruisers' Success

## DOUBT AS TO WHICH VESSEL WAS TAKEN

French Cruiser Damaged—Unknown German Raider Near Dakar, West Africa

Buenos Ayres, March 2.—Press dispatches from Montevideo say that a steamship which has arrived there from Europe intercepted near the coast of Brazil a wireless message stating that British cruisers had captured the German auxiliary cruiser Moewie.

The Moewie, it is said, was taken by the British cruisers to the island of Trinidad.

There is some doubt, however, as to the identity of the German vessel reported to have been captured. Another version of the account is that the vessel in question is the German cruiser Roon.

**A Raider Damaged.**  
The American steamship Santa Barbara has arrived at Montevideo, her captain making the announcement that a French cruiser which put out from Dakar, on the west coast of Africa, encountered a German raider, name not given, and opened fire on her. Under cover of darkness the German ship got away. She was damaged, however, on her upper works by the fire of the French cruiser.

The Moewie first came into prominence with the arrival at Hampton Roads several weeks ago of the British steamship Appam in charge of a German prize crew. She brought word of a mysterious German raider, the Moewie, which was roaming the seas and had captured and sunk seven British merchantmen and admiral's transports. In addition to capturing the Appam.

Dispatches from Canary Island late last month reported the arrival of the British steamship Westburn with a German prize crew on board, said to be from the Moewie. According to these reports the Moewie, continuing her activities after capturing the Appam and sinking the seven other British vessels between January 16 and Feb. 9, sank five British steamships off the coast of Brazil.

Moewie is Tramp.

A vigorous search for the Moewie was begun by the British admiralty. The Moewie was reported to be a tramp steamer fitted with guns for preying on commerce of the entente nations.

The German cruiser Roon was said to have escorted the Moewie when the latter captured the Appam. A report that the Roon had been captured by the British cruiser Drake off Bermuda was published last month, but subsequently was denied.

The Roon is a German armored cruiser displacing 9,050 tons. She was completed in 1905 and carries four 8.2-inch guns, ten 6-inch, and fourteen 24-pounders and is fitted with four submarine torpedo tubes. Her designed speed was 21 knots but her speed has fallen off. Her complement in peace times was 557.

**MAIL SEARCHED.**  
The Hague, March 2.—The British authorities have detained the mail on board the Dutch steamship Sommeldijk, which has arrived at Rotterdam from New York.

## GORE STATES WILSON THINKS THE STATES SHOULD JOIN ALLIES

Washington, March 2.—Senator Gore declared in the senate to-day that the impelling reason for his resolution warning Americans off armed merchantmen was a report that President Wilson had told certain congressmen that a war between the United States and Germany "might not be ungrateful, and might result in advancing civilization by bringing about the end of the European war by mid-summer."

Senator Stone vehemently denied it.

## THE SENATE WILL SUPPORT WILSON

Will Vote Down Resolution to Warn Americans Off Armed Ships

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Chairman Stone, of the foreign relations committee, announcing openly from the floor that he was not in accord with the president in the issue, proposed, however, that the senate take an adjournment instead of another recess and thereby get into a new legislative day, relieving the parliamentary situation which thus far has held Senator Gore's resolution from coming to a vote. His action was taken after a conference of administration leaders who had been notified they had the votes to defeat the Gore resolution and demonstrate to Germany that discussions against the president's foreign policy did not have the support of congress.

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**Measures Against Trade of Germany.**  
London, March 2.—The process of crushing German militarism and preventing its resurrection will not end with the victories with which the allied forces, working in unison under the plans of the war council of the allies, will finish the war. For some time statements have been made which indicated that the allied governments were considering measures designed to render ineffective the plans the Germans have been laying to pick up their former great trade, which the seapower of the allies has wiped out. It is understood that these proposals are taking definite form.

A wall against imports from Germany, is to be erected in the allied countries after the war. The extent to which imports from Germany are to be prohibited by the allied countries, it is said, is to be determined at a joint conference of representatives of the entente governments. The amount of goods Germany may import will be fixed countries before the war was very great, so that the total lopped off by the arrangement will have a most serious influence on the efforts of the Germans to re-establish themselves after the struggle has ended.

At the same time trade among the allied countries will be fostered. Besides working to increase her trade with the countries now supporting her, Britain will seek to encourage as large a part of her imports as possible from the overseas dominions.

**Married Men From 25 to 32 to Join the Colors Soon.**  
London, March 2.—The married men from 25 to 32 years of age recruited under the Derby plan will be called to the colors soon.

## Liberal Meetings

### TO-NIGHT NORTH WARD SCHOOL

**SPEAKERS:** H. C. Brewster, Liberal Leader; M. A. Macdonald, M.P.P., Vancouver; F. A. Pauline, candidate for Saanich; Dr. Lewis Hall, school trustee; J. W. Connell, ex-member for Saskatchewan.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 3

Old Victoria Theatre—Grand rally.

**SPEAKERS:** H. C. Brewster, leader; M. A. Macdonald, M.P.P.; William Sloan, Nanaimo; Dr. King, Cranbrook; Ralph Smith, Vancouver; J. W. deB. Farris, and others.

Come and hear the issues discussed. Women specially invited. Chair taken at 8 p.m.

Liberal rooms open to give and to receive any assistance to secure election of H. C. Brewster. Phones 1576 and 1635.

## GENERAL JOFFRE FULLY PREPARED

Only Local Reserves Used at Verdun; Great General Reserve Waiting

## GERMANS MAY ATTACK SOMME-AISNE LINE

They Would Be Open to Flank Attacks by the British

Paris, March 2.—The press and public of France are mystified at the continued pause in the German attacks around Verdun. Caution, born of experience, leads generally to the rejection of the view that the Germans have given up all hope of trying to capture the Lorraine fortress. It is thought more likely they are merely resting before starting afresh with greater energy. It is believed in many quarters that the attack on Verdun was only a preliminary to operations on a much larger scale for the purpose of trying to crush the French once and for all.

However that may be, it is affirmed that General Joffre is fully prepared for all eventualities. So far only the local French reserves have been called upon at Verdun, the great general reserve forces remaining intact for use in repelling other heavy onslaughts or for carrying out a great counter-attack when the opportune moment comes.

**Where Next?**  
The question is raised as to whether the next German attack will be against Verdun or along the front from the Somme to the Aisne, as it is known that the Germans have been making preparations along the latter line, the southern limit of which is many miles nearer to Paris than is Verdun. These preparations, however, are not so elaborate as those which were made for Verdun, and should the Germans attempt the latter plan the military observers say they would be liable to a flank attack by the British in Artois and Flanders.

No news has been received of Lieut.-Col. Driant, a son-in-law of the late General Boulanger and deputy for Nancy, since the beginning of the battle of Verdun, in which he commanded two battalions of light infantry.

## MEASURES AGAINST TRADE OF GERMANY

Will Be Unable to Send Goods into Allied Countries

## BULGARIA TRYING TO ARRANGE PEACE WITH THE ENTENTE

Rome, March 2.—One of the papers here states to-day that Bulgaria has quietly taken steps to conclude peace with the entente.

The Bulgarian government's intermediary is said to be a Scandinavian diplomat.

**Two Canadians Honored.**  
London, March 2.—Two Canadians were received by King George at Buckingham palace yesterday, Major George Andrews being invested with the Distinguished Service Order, and Major Robert Clark with the Military Cross.

**Public Notice.**  
It is estimated that the Voters List for the city is so padded that 40 per cent of the names on it are those of persons who have died or left the district. You will see what an opening this gives for personators. The scrutineers on Mr. Brewster's behalf propose to swear every person who applies for a vote in the name of any man who is reported to be an absentee. Perhaps a good many bona fide voters who have changed their addresses will be sworn, but remember that by taking this course the scrutineers may stop a personator from polling your vote before you get to the polls.

In most cases the information as to absentees will be certain enough to cause the immediate arrest of the personator. Justices of the Peace will attend at the polling divisions on election day and these Justices will have forms of information and warrants of arrest so that prompt action may be had in case of necessity. The Association asks your co-operation in defeating the efforts of the personator.

**REWARD.**  
The Victoria Liberal Association will pay One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to any person giving information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person guilty of personation at the coming by-election.

(Signed) A. B. FRASER,  
President Victoria Liberal Association.

**WORKMEN HEAR PARKER WILLIAMS TO-NIGHT**  
In the Romano Theatre 8 p.m.

## LAST SESSION OF THE PRESENT HOUSE

Legislature Was Opened This Afternoon by the Lieutenant-Governor

## SPEECH FROM THRONE HAS MANY PROMISES

M. A. Macdonald Introduced as First Member for the City of Vancouver

The fourth and last session of the legislature was opened this afternoon. There was a large attendance of the public present in the galleries and on the floor of the chamber. Around the speaker's dias were grouped judges, counsils, the clergy, and a number of distinguished visitors.

The guard of honor outside the parliament buildings was furnished by the 55th Battalion, under command of Captain Carew Martin. His honor entered the chamber followed by a brilliant naval and military staff.

Speech From the Throne.  
His honor then read the following speech from the throne: "Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly: "I welcome you to the final session of the thirteenth parliament of British Columbia.

"The war in which the empire has been engaged since August 4, 1914, still continues, and without any definite hopes of an early termination. The Dominion of Canada, along with British possessions, has been contributing to the utmost of its ability in support of Great Britain and her allies, and I am very pleased that British Columbia has taken so prominent a part, both in men and money, in furthering the common cause. I am sure I express a sentiment unanimously among its people that they will continue determinedly to the end in cordial co-operation with all other portions of the empire to bring about ultimate and decisive victory.

"Since you last met, a reconstruction of the government has taken place owing to the resignation of Sir Richard McBride, who has accepted the important post of agent-general for British Columbia in London, England. It is fitting here to express appreciation of the long and invaluable services rendered to the province by that gentleman as first minister. A measure will be submitted making suitable allowance for Mr. Turner, late agent-general in his retirement, in recognition of faithful and efficient work for fourteen years.

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## POLLING PLACES.

Ward One—569 Yates street, next Majestic theatre.  
Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue.  
Ward Three—Maynard's auction rooms, View street, just east of Douglas street.  
Ward Four—719 Courtney street, opposite the Alexandra club.  
Ward Five—Northwest Garage, corner of Broughton and Wharf streets.

## LOSSES OF GERMANS MORE THAN 125,000

One-Third of Enemy's Effectives Near Verdun, Says Petit Parisien

Paris, March 2.—The exact figure of the French losses in the Verdun region have been given to the committee on military affairs of the chamber of deputies by Col. Bouchard, chief secretary to General Gallieni, minister of war. It is stated they were not high.

The Petit Parisien says that the German losses to date in the fighting in the Verdun region amount to between 125,000 and 130,000, and constitute about one-third of the German effectives actively engaged.

Another Attempt Coming.  
London, March 2.—The consensus of opinion among the military observers here is that the lull in the fighting in the Verdun region is merely a stalling before a renewed attack by the enemy either in that region or elsewhere on the front.

Between Soissons and Rheims.  
London, March 2.—The Germans are carrying on a heavy bombardment of the French lines between Soissons and Rheims, the part of their front lying nearest to Paris, it is reported to-day, 99,000 at Busy.

London, March 2.—An Amsterdam dispatch to the Central News says that Fort Vaux, five miles northeast of Verdun, has been destroyed by heavy mortars, according to unconfirmed German reports, but that the Germans can not approach the fort, as the French have brought heavy artillery to bear on the approaches.

It is added that a German battery has been destroyed by French shells and that the Germans have concentrated near Busy 90,000 men, who are to resume the offensive with reinforcements from the Argonne. Busy is about 18 miles east of Verdun.

## BOWSER IS GIVEN LIE BY TESTIMONY TAKEN BY COURTS

The Denial of the Premier in the Kitsilano Reserve Affair is Punctured by a Recital of Facts; More Roorbachs Are Sprung in Hope of Catching Votes; Promises to City

Men. W. J. Bowser essays this morning to deny the allegations contained in the letter of Joseph Cole as published in the Times yesterday, in regard to the sum of \$300,000 of the Kitsilano reserve going to the office of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge. It will be noticed that the denial of the premier in the morning paper, which is not such a denial as it appears on the face of it after all, is that the firm did not receive \$300,000, it is not a denial of the receipt of any portion of the commission.

A large part of the "denial" is devoted to an allegation that because of a similarity of name the Liberals are trying to connect the name of Hamilton Read with that of R. L. Reid, K.C., the second member of the firm. No such attempt has ever been made and Cole, in his letter, distinguishes between the two.

The answer to Mr. Bowser's "denial," however, is to be found in the sworn testimony given in the trial of the action which Cole had to bring against Read to get the share of the commission which Mr. Bowser as well as Read had agreed he was to get. This suit went to the supreme court of Canada, and resulted in the upholding of Cole's claim. It is but a few days ago since the Times published the remarks of their lordships of the highest court on the deal, and the connection with it of the attorney-general and Mr. Read.

In his evidence Hamilton Read said: "After the first meeting with the Indians it seemed to me there was a very good chance of obtaining the option, and I went down to Victoria and saw Mr. Bowser, and told him I thought I could get an option on the Kitsilano reserve, and asked him whether the provincial government was willing to buy, and he said, 'Well, if you can get the reserve the government would consider it.' I am not actually giving you his words, it was neither yes or no, but he said 'You had better see Mr. Alexander; he was acting for us in the deal in connection with the reserve.' I think he mentioned in the month of July, and I thereupon saw Mr. Alexander.

Read went on to say that he saw Alexander and told him what the attorney-general had said. In examination for discovery Read spoke of an interview with the attorney-general in his office in Vancouver, when the latter said that if each family got \$10,000 and the Indians were all willing the province would give \$300,000.

"I was figuring that once I got the reserve signed to me for \$250,000 I could dispose of it to the government at an excess of \$300,000," said Read.

"I never meant to transfer that to the government for \$300,000. I would have blown it there up as a hell-a-million if I could have got it," he told Mr. Farris on cross-examination at the trial.

According to the arrangement, Read, said, he was to pay Cole \$20,000. H. O. Alexander swore that the first he knew of the amount to be paid being \$300,000 was from Read after the latter came back from Victoria where he had gone to see the government.

Cole, at the outset of his evidence, stated that he had already spoken to Mr. Bowser, who had told him that any time he was ready with the Indians to go ahead with the deal.

Mr. Bowser makes a reference to J. W. deB. Farris, who was counsel for Cole during the litigation which ended in the supreme court of Canada, and inferentially makes an appeal to that gentleman to sustain him in his denial. As it happens, Mr. Farris is in the city at present, and a Times reporter had a chat with him to-day about the case.

"I notice that the premier denies through the morning paper, the statements made by Cole in the letter which was published yesterday," said Mr. Farris. "Mr. Bowser refers to me as having full knowledge of the matter. I know that last week in Vancouver Mr. Bowser stated at a public meeting that he had never met Mr. Hamilton Read in connection with this matter.

"If Mr. Bowser wants my opinion I give it to him—that his statement is false. According to the sworn evidence of Read he came to Victoria and interviewed Mr. Bowser twice. The first time the attorney-general informed him that Alexander had to be in on this deal and later wired Alexander to come over here. As Alexander (Concluded on page 5.)

## 120,000 ROUMANIANS MASSED NEAR WIDIN, BULGARIAN FORTRESS

Salonica, March 2.—Roumanian forces to the number of 120,000 have been concentrated in the vicinity of Kalafat, Southwestern Roumania, opposite the fortress of Widin, which is in the Northwestern corner of Bulgaria, according to advices received here to-day.



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### MANY FISHERMEN IN BRITISH NAVY

Men Who Formerly Supplied Markets Are Serving Government Now

Grimsby, Eng., March 2.—Good fishermen are worth their weight in gold here, so scarce have they become since the outbreak of the war. Notwithstanding the mining of so many parts of the North Sea and other waters adjacent to the British Isles, the industry has suffered no decline. There are just as many fish and the demand for them is greater than ever. The difficulty in catching them is due to the fact that so many fishermen and their boats have been pressed into the Royal Naval reserve trawler section, the boats as mine-sweepers and other vessels on war service, and the men to man them.

The original steam fishing fleet here, which in peace times numbered more than 400 vessels, has been materially depleted. The type of fishermen has undergone a change, comprising now largely the class of men who work only when necessary demands. Trawler owners are offering big wages to good fishermen, the highest in years along the English coast, and the decrease in the number of trawlers available for fishing has had the effect of creating a financial boom among owners whose vessels have not been interfered with by the admiralty. Voyages are now profitable in the widest sense of the term. Prices for fish have more than quadrupled and, with the continuous shortage, due not only to the naval requirements in regard to vessels, but also to the restricted fishing area, there is always an overwhelming demand from all parts of the country.

### WOMEN AND ASTRONOMY.

London, March 2.—Astronomy is the latest field of human endeavor to be invaded by women. As a career for women it recently received impetus when the Royal Astronomical society obtained a supplementary charter from the crown in order to admit women members as fellows of the society. Five women were admitted to membership and that many more presumably will become fellows after the March meeting.

### THOSE BEHIND GERMAN LINE ARE IN NEED

Three and Quarter Million French Inhabitants in Occupied Territory

Paris, March 2.—Three and a quarter million French inhabitants still remain in the territory of the north and east occupied by the Germans. They are divided among the different departments as follows: North, 1,850,000; Alsace, 400,000; Ardennes, 318,000; Pas de Calais, 280,000; Meuse, 150,000; Meuse, 80,000; Somme, 75,000; Marne, 60,000; Oise, 35,000; Vosges, 6,000.

In all of these regions fresh beef is worth \$1.25 a pound and eggs bring 15 cents each. Even at these prices they are obtainable with difficulty by those who can afford such costly luxuries. The entire civilian population, excepting the Germans who have immigrated since the occupation began, would suffer but for the efforts of the American Relief Commission in co-operation with relief movements in Spain and Holland, according to Maurice Barres, of the French Academy. Even with the generous aid of the United States and other neutrals, it has been necessary to ration the food in limited quantities and with great care. Each family receives daily a card entitling it to a distribution of about 8 ounces of provisions per head, including 6 1/2 ounces of flour, 1 ounce of rice, 1 1/2 ounces of lard or bacon, 1/2 ounce of peas or beans, 1/4 ounce of sugar, 1/4 ounce of salt and 1/4 ounce of coffee. The average French working man consumes on the average 2 pounds of provisions a day, so that he is now obliged to live on the fourth of what he is accustomed to. The products of the soil have been exhausted largely by requisitions for the German troops.

Need Clothing.

Fifty thousand children in the region of Longwy are nearly all of them without proper clothing, and the same situation is said to exist throughout the occupied regions, it being almost impossible to find clothing at prices which the impoverished population is able to pay. Poorly-nourished and insufficiently clad, these people are the object of a great deal of anxiety on account of their exposure to disease and epidemics.

Supplies sent into the region for the relief of the population have reached their destinations through the efforts of the American representatives located at Lille, Valenciennes, Ypres, Charleville and Longwy. The distribution is in the hands of local committees of French volunteers under the direction of the Americans. The French National Relief committee, impressed with the urgent need of further relief in the form of clothing as well as provisions, is issuing an appeal for clothing supplies and money from Frenchmen inhabiting the uninvaded regions. The supplies contributed locally are forwarded to the population through the good offices of the Swiss government.

### CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 2.—The following casualty list was issued last night:

Eighth Battalion—Wounded: Pte. Edward Murphy, Quebec; Pte. C. E. Wade, England.

Ninth Battalion—Seriously ill: Pte. Hugh Morris, England.

Fourteenth Battalion—Accidentally wounded: Pte. Joseph Melanson, Scadoux, N. B.

Eighteenth Battalion—Seriously wounded: Lieut. A. M. Dillon, London, Ont.

Twenty-second Battalion—Killed in action: Pte. O. Nault, Biddeford, Maine.

Wounded: Pte. Odilon Trehaner, Montreal.

Twenty-seventh Battalion—Killed in action: Capt. Alfred J. Matthews, Winnipeg.

Royal Canadian Regiment—Wounded: Lieut. A. H. Campbell, Toronto.

Sixth Canadian Mounted Rifles—Died: Lieut.-Col. G. W. Westover, Waterville, N. B.

Fourth Artillery Brigade—Killed in action: Cpl. A. H. Bates, England.

First Pioneer—Seriously ill: Pte. John Roberts, Wales.

Third Divisional Train—Fractured arm: Pte. Frank Davidson, Ottawa.

No. 1 Canadian Stationary Hospital: Dangerously ill: Nursing Sister Mabel Clout, Quebec.

Canadian Army Medical Corps—Seriously ill: Pte. Archie Barnett, England.

### CUSTOMS OFFICER AT NEW YORK NEEDED

In Senate Bostock Urges Appointment of One; Would Aid Trade

Ottawa, March 2.—Hon. Hewitt Bostock, Liberal leader in the senate, yesterday called attention to correspondence the government had had with the Manufacturers' association relative to the appointment of a Canadian customs officer at the port of New York. He gave part and bank figures to show that there had been a serious decline in the volume of business from British Columbia. The community there wanted to improve trade and believed that the Panama canal could be made use of to do so.

New York could ship manufactured goods to Vancouver for exportation to the Orient, but goods could be handled in that way. To promote traffic, British Columbia had asked the appointment of a customs officer at New York. The government had been seen by a representative of the Canadian Manufacturers' association and Mr. Pearson, one of the delegates, had reported to the British Columbia government that Sir Robert Borden had expressed the opinion that to promote traffic through the Panama canal would interfere with the traffic of Canadian railways.

No Reasons Against It.

Mr. Blair, who had been sent to Ottawa to urge the case of British Columbia, had reported they had not been able to get a promise that the customs officer would be appointed, but that there had been no reasons given against it.

Senator Bostock said that the Canadian customs regulations forbade manufactured goods to enter Vancouver or Victoria duty free. For that reason goods made in Montreal or Toronto could not be taken to New York and sent on to Victoria or Vancouver by water through the Panama canal unless the duties were paid. Therefore, the people of British Columbia wanted a customs agent appointed for New York who could certify to Canadian-made goods trans-shipped from rail to ship at New York to go forward to British Columbia by water.

Senator Daniel.

Senator Daniel, Conservative, St. John, N. B., thought the views were peculiar. He could not understand how they could be held by the representative of a party which had committed the country to great expenditure for the trans-continental railway. With Canadian railroads built at great expense and with public aid and the eastern ports of Canada, St. John and Halifax, developed at great expense, the leader of the opposition in the senate now proposed the appointment of officials in New York at the expense of the Canadian government to promote business for American railroads and an American port.

Mr. Mackenzie Bowell.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell said that there still existed the same bonding privileges which had always existed. If Canadian manufacturers could ship their goods through the Panama canal with advantage to themselves, he would favor the argument for such a route being provided. He could not quite see what would be the duty or function of the proposed Canadian customs officer in New York. Goods could go forward by land to any place in the world if there was a case and it was properly placed before the prime minister, the matter would be properly dealt with.

The order for papers was adopted.

Business in Commons.

The house of commons yesterday passed a resolution urging the government to encourage the flax industry, to improve Canadian coastwise shipping laws, and passed the Yukon estimates and a good deal of the immigration appropriation.

The ordinary rules of the house were stretched in order to pass the bill moved by Hon. J. D. Reid, acting minister of railways, to empower the railway commission to co-operate in moving western grain still in the farmers' hands, much of which is lying in the fields and liable to serious damage if not moved before the spring thaw.

Dr. Reid read to the house a letter from Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the railway commission, who suggested the opposition approved the bill, and assisted the government in its speedy passage.

### WHERE TO VOTE

There has been a request for the publication of the polling places. These are as follows:

Ward One—560 Yates street, the old Fruit exchange, on the north side of the street, facing the end of Langley street.

Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue.

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### 10,000 BOYS NOW WORK AT WOOLWICH

Too Young to Fight, They Serve Empire by Making Munitions

Woolwich, Eng., March 2.—Ten thousand boys too young to fight are doing what they consider the best service for their country—turning out munitions in the government arsenal here. In ordinary times many would have become office boys, clerks, or telegraph messengers, but to-day the majority come from points miles from the factory and help the older men make the shells and guns needed by the men at the front.

The pay is attractive. A smart boy can earn \$7.50 a week, or even \$10, if he has a good machine and can keep steadily at work for as long as 12 hours a day. Parents who have to choose between putting their boys to learn a trade at \$2 or \$2.50 a week and allowing them to go into the arsenal at the higher remuneration naturally are inclined to decide on the work which not only brings in the quickest return, but seems to be in the national interest as well.

Social workers who have the boys' welfare at heart are inclined to lament that so many should be entering what perhaps may not prove a permanent occupation. They say that their future is not unlikely to become a problem after the war and that the country might well remember then that the great army of boy munitions workers played no small part in the difficult time.

The daily life of these boys shows what sacrifices they are making. Thousands live an hour's journey from the factory, and some have to leave home as early as 4.30 in the morning and cannot get back till 9.30 in the evening. All work twelve hours a day starting at 8 and finishing at 8. They take the night shift too, also for twelve hours, and after a boy may be seen asleep from sheer exhaustion on his way home in tram or train.

Every effort is made by the ministry of munitions to safeguard the health of the youngsters, but the problem is a difficult one. Eight-hour shifts are being urged and efforts are being made to improve the transportation facilities to and from the arsenal. One of the latest suggestions, and the one most likely to be carried out is to build miles of huts close to the arsenal where the boys could live while engaged in shell-making.

### RUSSIANS CONTINUING PURSUIT IN CAUCASUS

Petrograd, March 2.—The following official communication was issued last night:

"German aeroplanes threw bombs and fired machine guns northwest of Friedrichstadt and on Dwinsk. In the Lake Swenton district, we destroyed a detachment of German flying from their trenches owing to our artillery bombardment.

"Caucasus front—Our pursuit of the Turks continues.

"In the direction of Kermanshah, Persia, also we are continuing our pursuit, and have taken two more guns."

### Even Hospital Treatment For Kidney Disease Failed

#### Kell-Known Commercial Traveler Says That Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills Undoubtedly Cured Him

News of his recovery from kidney disease will be welcomed by the many friends of Mr. L. D. Griffin throughout the lower townships and the adjoining district of the United States.

Mr. Griffin has traveled this section for 35 years and what he says will be accepted as proven by all who know him best.

He tells in his letter how relief was obtained by treatment in Sherbrooke and Montreal hospitals, but the old kidney trouble returned again and again until by the persistent use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills cure was effected. As he says, these pills "undoubtedly did the work."

Mr. L. D. Griffin, Bulwer, Compton county, Quebec, writes: "I can add one more statement of kidney disease cured by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. For about twenty years I was bothered more or less with the kidneys, then the disease became worse and I was sick in bed for one year, took doctor's medicine to no avail, and on his advice went to Sherbrooke Hospital, where I was benefited, but the old trouble returned and I tried a Montreal hospital. Got a little better, but the help was only temporary, and I was soon bad again.

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## SON OF COURTENAY MAN DIED IN ENGLAND

Courtenay, March 2.—Alex. Beaton, an old resident here, has just received a cable message from England stating that his son, John, had died in a Newcastle hospital from wounds received at the front. Mr. Beaton has two other sons who are both at the front. The three brothers all joined the first overseas contingent, John, who was the eldest, being a South African volunteer.

Mr. Beaton has the sympathy of the community, as he has only lately recovered from a stroke of paralysis no doubt brought on by worry.

H. B. "Imperial" Lager Beer, pints \$1.00 per dozen.

What this province is suffering from is the government by an autocracy. Mr. Brewster and his colleagues will see that the public interest is safeguarded in the legislature. If the electors value representative institutions they will support the opposition candidate on Saturday.

## BY A GERMAN MINE IN SWEDISH WATERS

Swedish Steamship Knippla Was Sunk Inside Three-Mile Limit

Stockholm, March 2.—It has been learned that the Swedish steamship Knippla was sunk about 800 yards inside the limit of Swedish waters.

On February 29 it was announced that the Knippla, a vessel of 531 tons, had struck a mine and sank south of Falsterbo, Sweden, and that the crew had been rescued. On the same day a dispatch from Copenhagen reported that, according to a local newspaper, a large German flotilla was engaged in laying mines south of Falsterbo.

Neutrality of Sweden.

Stockholm, March 2.—Sweden is just as determined as she was eighteen months ago not to interfere in the war as long as she can maintain her national honor and dignity, said Eric Trolle, formerly Swedish minister of foreign affairs and late minister to Germany, discussing the country's policy.

"The only consideration on which Sweden would end her neutrality would be one involving violation of her sovereign rights by belligerents. I do not believe, however, that any of the belligerents would take the risk of adding to the enemies they have at present.

"The Swedish government and people are unanimous in favor of peace, but not of peace which means a sacrifice of rights."

Sweden's Prohibition.

London, March 2.—The correspondent at Copenhagen of the Central News says the Swedish government has decided to prevent citizens of any belligerent country addressing public gatherings in Sweden during the war. Official notification to that effect, he says, has been issued in Stockholm in connection with the invitation of student organizations to Professor Gilbert Murray, of Oxford University, and other foreigners to address them.

## MUCH ACCOMPLISHED DURING PAST YEAR

Record of Ganges Chapter, I. O. D. E. Membership Has Grown From 27 to 70.

Ganges, March 2.—The reports presented at the annual meeting of the Ganges Chapter, I. O. D. E., indicated that a great deal of good work had been accomplished during the year.

The Ganges chapter was organized on September 7, 1914, at a well-attended meeting in the Mason hall, with Mrs. Croft in the chair, accompanied by Mrs. Noroutso, organizing secretary. At the appointment of officers Mrs. F. Scott was elected regent. At the end of the meeting Mrs. Croft kindly gave a present of material to start work for the Red Cross and later Mrs. W. Scott,

a former resident of Ganges, presented the flag to the chapter.

During the year under a sewing and knitting committee, many hundreds of articles of clothing and dressings have been sent away to the Red Cross, the Belgians and the soldiers at the front. Money has been raised by first aid classes, weekly stalls at the wharf during part of the summer, a Trafalgar Day concert, two dramatic performances, co-partnership with the Lady Franklin chapter in a children's fancy dress dance, a garden fête and by private subscriptions. The proceeds have been distributed between the Red Cross fund, Duchess of Connaught fund, the local hospital and private cases on this island where help was needed and where special treatment in illness was necessary. Fruit has been gathered from local orchards and sent to regiments in Victoria, and for some months boxes of illustrated papers and magazines have been sent to the soldiers at Banfield; also large hamper composed of plum puddings, cakes, sweets, tobacco, cigarettes, etc., were sent to the men in the trenches for Christmas.

The chapter, beginning with 27 members, has now about 70 names on its list. Mrs. A. J. Smith is honorary secretary.

## ARTILLERY ACTIONS IN VERDUN REGION

German Infantry Made No Attempt Yesterday; Air Battles on British Front

Paris, March 2.—The following official communication was issued last night:

"In Belgium our artillery, in concert with the British artillery, effectively shelled the enemy trenches to the southeast of Boesinghe.

"To the east of Rheims a detachment of two companies which attempted to reach our line retreated hastily under our fire, leaving some dead on the ground.

"In the region of Verdun there was no infantry action during the day. The enemy bombardment continued to the west of the Meuse and in the district between Malancourt and Forges, to the east of the Meuse, especially in the regions of Vaux and Damloup, and in the Woivre, on our trenches at Froesch.

"Our artillery displayed great activity on the entire front of the enemy to the west of Pont-a-Mousson. Our trench guns shattered the enemy organizations in the Pretre wood, and our heavy artillery shelled the enemy establishments in the region of Thiaucourt.

"In Alsace there were rather spirited actions by our batteries in the valleys of the Fecht and Thedoller."

British Report.

London, March 2.—The following official statement was issued last night: "Yesterday there were 35 aerial encounters on our front. The enemy losses reported yesterday were an aeroplane captured and another destroyed. One of our machines failed to return from a reconnaissance.

"Last night, north of the Somme, our infantry and machine guns dispersed a party of Germans who attempted an advance from their trenches under cover of a bombardment. To-day was quiet, but there was considerable artillery activity in the neighborhood of Ypres."

## TO USE RAIDERS LIKE MOEWE, SAYS PERSIUS

Amsterdam, March 2.—Captain Persius, naval expert of the Berliner Tageblatt, discussing in that newspaper the new German campaign against merchant ships, makes the assertion that it will be carried out not so much through the medium of submarines, whose activities are hampered by diplomatic difficulties, as through disguised commerce-raiders like the Moewe, which already have sunk a number of vessels of the allies and which sent the Appan to Newport News with a prize crew.

## PREMIER'S CONCESSION TO PROHIBITIONISTS

Full Text of Mr. Bowser's Reply to the Delegation

It is more than a coincidence that Premier Bowser's pronouncement on the prohibition question should have come after the snowfalls in Vancouver and four days before the polling in Victoria in the midst of a hot election campaign. The sweeping character of his reluctant concession to the insistent demands of the prohibition committee as well as the measure of his desperation in a political sense may be seen in his reply to the delegation on Tuesday, which was as follows:

"Mr. President and Gentlemen—I will try and give you the decision of the executive council as clearly and in as explicit a way as possible, without any added paraphrasing, so that we may all have a common understanding of the decision that we have arrived at. I think that you will find, after hearing the decision of the executive, that the new government's course has been a consistent one since we took office on the 16th of December last, although we may not have met the views of the ardent prohibitionists as quickly as they would have liked and who, perhaps, have not been as patient with the government as we think they should have been, considering the conditions surrounding the whole question, and particularly on account of my absence from the city of Victoria.

"The suggestions which you make in reference to referring an act known as the Alberta act, or along the terms of the Alberta act, is not, of course, as you know, in accordance with the policy of the Conservative party; that is to say, we have not yet been educated up to the point that we are in favor of direct legislation. Some of the eastern provinces have followed that practice, which, I think, originated principally in the United States to the south of the boundary line, and the Liberal party in this province is now about to follow the practice of direct legislation. We, as Conservatives, have not yet come to that conclusion that it is the proper way to undertake the responsibilities of a cabinet or of the legislative assembly. We think that, to a certain extent, would do away with responsible government, and that in very many cases it would lead to the referring to the people of very many questions which they might afterwards find unnecessary.

"I do not say that in the case of prohibition, perhaps the question being a larger one—that it might not be argued we could make an exception, but in order, as a new leader of the party, to keep inviolate the principles of the Conservative party as we now have them, I think perhaps a compromise course might be met with in this way without our actually meeting your suggestion that we make a reference in the way spoken of by you. Now, I do not, on the other hand, think that the government should be asked to necessarily refer an act on the basis of the Alberta act, or the Saskatchewan act, or any other act.

"Will Draft Act.  
"But I think what can be done is that the government could draft an act, with the assistance of yourselves or your committee, which might not necessarily be an Alberta act or a Saskatchewan act, but might be a Hugh John Macdonald act, for instance. I do not say that it would be, but the fact of it being a Hugh John Macdonald act would be palatable, of course, to many of the Conservatives. But it seems to me that the government ought not to drop away from its policy. The idea of the government would be to draft an act in my department, in order to bring your views before the people, and we will be glad to have your committee or your solicitors consult with our departmental solicitor, in order to have the very best possible act in reference to prohibition drafted, and which would be left to the electors of this province to decide upon.

"Do not think that I can put it any clearer than that. You saw my Liquor act, which I take some personal credit for and which was known as the Bowser act locally, and I do not see why we should not have a liquor act perhaps better than the Saskatchewan act—I do not know whether better than the Alberta act or perhaps better than the H. J. Macdonald act—but have an act that might be termed the Bowser act, which we can agree upon, and that act will be submitted to the people.

Now we want, of course, to place

before the people in this act your views, and it may be for the people to decide whether they will have prohibition in this province or not.

"It is the decision of the government, as early as possible, to place this act containing your views before the house, which begins on Thursday, and have it carried to its third reading this session, and there will be a section in the act which states that it will come into operation after the people have approved of it. This act will come into force on the first of January next. There is one advantage about that, that it does not make any difference what happens in the general election—which, of necessity, takes place this summer—which party is returned, whether Conservative or Liberal. No session could be held before the first of January, after the people approve of the act that we pass this session, and without any reference to what the color of the next house may be, this act will become law if carried by the people before the next session. This will also meet your wishes and our own, namely, that the matter will be kept out of party politics.

"As to the next question of the assistance to be given on the day of the polls to see that the proper vote is recorded, you can rest assured that as Mr. Nelson suggested this morning, the same assistance will be given your people to have their votes recorded as we would give for recording the votes on election day in any of the candidates.

Barred Majority Will Suffice.

"And now the next question is of the majority. There has been a difference in the matter of majorities in local option in Ontario. They require a different majority there, larger than anywhere else, greater than in Manitoba. The only plebiscite since I have been in the legislature was at the time when we referred the question of local option to the people. The policy then laid down by the government was that all those voting in the poll on election day for the election of candidates and who did not vote at all on the local option question were counted in the grand total as against the measure.

"The prohibition matter, however, has been the subject of so much public debate that all the people are educated to a certain view, and there is a great deal of interest being taken in it, and if a man has sufficient interest to go to vote for any candidate, and under the circumstances does not see fit to ask for a prohibition ticket, to vote either for or against it, then in that case we will not consider his vote at all. But the majority of the votes cast on the prohibition question will decide the matter.

"Now, in order that there may be no mistake about this matter, I propose to write a letter to Mr. Rogers setting out the views of the government upon the question, so that there will be no suggestion of misinterpretation of the statement which I am making this afternoon, which must necessarily be more or less effective.

In Force on January 1, 1917.  
"Now comes the question of the act coming into force next January, providing it is carried by the people. Of course, if it is not carried by the people, it drops there. The government feels that the conditions caused by the war have so sobered the people and given them a different viewpoint, as Mr. Malkin very properly put it this morning when he made the suggestion that the soul of the people had really been stirred upon all moral questions, that it seems to me there should be, as you suggest, amendments to the Liquor act to come into force at once this session. These of course will be of a most stringent nature, and will deal with several questions, some of which I will have mentioned this morning regarding closing hours and any other important amendments which I think will be improvements to the Liquor act, and which will be in force during the war and the war period only. The war will not probably be over next January

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## WOMEN IN MUNITIONS PLANTS IN MOTHERLAND

London, March 2.—The ministry of munitions has issued an elaborate illustrated booklet dealing with the employment and training of unskilled women for munitions work. The book contains hundreds of photographs showing the operations, with descriptive and explanatory notes. Mr. Lloyd George writes in the preface: "The photographic records and written descriptions of what is actually being done by women in munitions factories, on processes hitherto performed solely by skilled men, will, I believe, act as an incentive and a guide in many factories where employers and employed have been sceptical as to the possibilities of dilution. Being convinced that until that policy is boldly adopted throughout the country we cannot provide our armies with such an adequate supply of munitions as will enable them to bring this war to an early and successful conclusion, I very earnestly commend this book to the most serious consideration of employers and employed."

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### WHERE TO VOTE

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- Ward One—560 Yates street, the old Fruit exchange, on the north side of the street, facing the end of Langley street.
- Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue.
- Ward Three—Maynard's auction rooms, in the old institute hall, View street, between Douglas and Blanshard streets.
- Ward Four—719 Courtney street, in the store formerly occupied by George Carter & Son, opposite the Alexandra club.
- Ward Five—Northwest Garage, corner of Wharf and streets, across from the G. T. P. docks.





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THE ROOT OF OUR TROUBLES.

"Given a strong government and a full treasury and a weak opposition and you would debauch a committee of archangels."—Sir John Macdonald.

The experience of British Columbia has confirmed absolutely the truth of this dictum, uttered by a statesman of great sagacity and profound knowledge of political affairs.

With the decline in the opposition in the legislature there began, too, those sinister transactions in which fortunes were given to middlemen favorites of the government.

With the decline of the opposition there began a dangerous decline in democratic government. One by one the functions of the legislature were torn from it, and government by order-in-council, determined in secret sessions of the executive council, was substituted.

care? The government was supreme. There were only two opposition members. The Bowser machine had its elation on every branch of the public service.

There began a decline, too, in the calibre and ethics of the ministers. One of them thought it was all right to accept a gift of \$105,000 worth of coal stock from a company which had dealings with the government.

What has been the effect of these conditions upon the province generally? It has been ruinous. It has undermined the only foundation of sound genuine progress. It has wasted our substance at home and injured our credit abroad.

THE KITSILANO DEAL.

In his allusion to the Kitsilano Reserve transaction Mr. Bowser is quoted by the morning paper as saying "evidently there is an effort being made by my political opponents to connect the name of Mr. Hamilton Reid with that of Mr. R. L. Reid, a partner in the firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge."

Where does Mr. Bowser's denial of the assertion made by Cole, one of the participants in the affair, leave the matter? Precisely as follows: Hamilton Reid, who just before the negotiations had been a clerk in the office of Mr. Bowser's law firm, and H. O. Alexander, a political friend of Mr. Bowser's, received \$30,000 for obtaining the surrender of the Kitsilano reserve by the Indians for \$250,000.

But does not Mr. Bowser see anything wrong in this transaction? Does he not realize that it was not his own money but the money of the taxpayers he was giving his former "law clerk" and his political henchman for a transaction which should have been conducted by officials of one of the government departments?

generality that his opponents are indulging in innuendo and misrepresentation!

RED HERRINGS.

One of the political roobachs to which the public probably will be treated in the closing days of the campaign will have reference to alleged scandals in the province of Saskatchewan. Hon. "Bob" Rogers, the most corrupt politician in the world, would hate to see the government of British Columbia, which is entirely after his own heart, suffer the fate of the late government of Manitoba, organized and controlled by him.

MORE UNDERTAKINGS.

The identical space on the front page of our morning contemporary which accommodated Harry Price's letter of self-effacement, Mr. Flumerfelt's "challenge" to Mr. Brewster (now conveniently forgotten), the "aid to shipbuilding" and other well-known roobachs, contains another entertaining "undertaking" by Mr. Bowser to-day.

IMPUDENT INDEED.

Yesterday we declared that the shipbuilding proposal so garishly displayed on the front page of the morning paper was an impudent attempt to bribe the electors of Victoria with counterfeit money.

In the letter of R. F. Taylor, liquidator of the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber Company, which appears in the Colonist to-day, is a statement which does not agree with the formal notice issued by him in pursuance of an order of the Supreme

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Court relative to the winding up of the company. In his letter he states that an offer of fifty cents on the dollar was made to all unsecured creditors in excess of \$5,000.

The Vancouver Sun, a paper which "did its bit" in the defeat of Mr. Tisdall in Vancouver, thus discusses the innumerable pledges the premier in the day of extremity is shovelling out to the electors of Victoria.

And now comes Sir William Mackenzie with an alleged promise to Mr. Bowser to contribute \$25,000 to the Johnson Street bridge. This is, indeed, the last straw.

The Speech from the Throne to-day announces more aid for the Pacific Great Eastern. This is the third instalment and the fourth call. Is it going to be granted by the government without an impartial investigation of the manner in which the \$20,000,000 already expended by the company has been disbursed?

Aid to agriculture, aid to mining, aid to smelting, aid to shipbuilding, aid to Johnson street bridge (aid to Laurel Point Bridge will come to-morrow or the next day), aid to workmen, aid to public markets, aid to fishermen, aid to the Pacific Great Eastern, prohibition, aid to the returned soldier, grain elevators, high wages for everybody, no more hard-times, milk and honey all round—these are only a few of the promises

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An Entirely New Range of Separate Cloth Dress Skirts to Sell at \$7.50

A complete new range of Cloth Dress Skirts revealing all the newest features and styles for spring was opened up yesterday. The assortment is wide, giving ample room for choice, and the quality fabrics used are of superior grades.

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An assortment of very choice silks, including Paillettes, Messalines, Charmeuse and Satins; 40 inches wide and a good range of very rich shades.

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Inexpensive Waists in New Attractive Styles for Spring

For good values at low prices these new Waists would be hard to equal. The styles and trimmings are most attractive, and the fabrics are of good washing qualities.

- One Waist of white muslin has very smart collar of Dolly Varden in shades of rose, mauve and green pin tuck front and three-quarter length sleeves. Inexpensively priced at 50c

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Finely Woven White Cottons Suitable for Dainty Waists and Underwear

Our new spring stocks of fine White Cottons, nainsooks, madapolains, Victoria lawns and cambrics, suitable for women's and children's underwear, has been opened up and we can give you a selection second to none in B. C., and at prices that cannot be equalled.

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of the last four days, and we have still two days to go. The promise of a new City Hall is almost a certainty, while Mr. Lorne Campbell will probably wire the Colonel that he has arranged for the capture of the Kaiser, who will be sent in a cage to Victoria to be placed on exhibition in Beacon Hill Park.

The Cameron Lumber Company also, we are told, is ready to enter the shipbuilding business under Bowser "promised" guarantees. Nobody will question the company's enterprise when given an opportunity.

Will Mr. Bowser permit Mr. Macdonald to find out how it was that Alvo von Alvensleben, the Kaiser's friend, was able to loot the Dominion Trust of a million dollars, notwithstanding the Trust Company inspection regulations of which Mr. Bowser was so proud and the fact that the vigilant firm of Bowser, Reid & Wallbridge were solicitors to the defunct company and occupied offices in the company's building?

The Speech from the Throne, read in the legislature this afternoon, promises so many things that it might have been written by Harry Price himself. The question the electors are asking themselves to-day is this: If the election of one additional opposition member can work such a transformation in the Bowser administration what might we not expect from the return of Mr. Brewster as well? These two new members, together with the two present ones,

clearly will be splendid assets for the province.

Our satirical contemporary the Western Howl thus sums up the situation: "So, as we remarked, if you want an automobile, house and lot, twins, prohibition, referendum, recall, initiative, suffrage, free silver, full dinner-pails, free beer, battleships, four acres or anything else, go ask Mr. Bowser. You'll get a promise."

Speaking to a Times reporter yesterday evening, a visitor at the Empress hotel remarked: "I don't know anything about your politics, but judging by the number and character of the promises your government is making, it must have been alien during the years it has been in office."

And meanwhile this administration of paragon must depend upon Harry Price to run its election in the capital city of the province in which a member of the cabinet is a candidate. Shades of Boss Croker and Ross Tweed!

How would it do for our contemporary to cap the climax on Saturday morning with another telegram bearing the signature of Sir Robert Borden announcing that he stood "for a white Canada, the protection of white labor and the total exclusion of Asiatics?"

JUST IMAGINE!

Imagine Prussian soldiers in Berlin, Prussia, being openly subjected to insult and abuse by disloyal civilians, as Canadian soldiers in Berlin, Ont., have been, and still are! The lives of such civilians wouldn't be worth one of the iron penknives now in circulation.

Old Lady (to chemist): "Age you quite sure this is carbonate of soda, not arsenic?" Druggist: "Quite, ma'am. Try it and judge for yourself."

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If you could see your ancestors All standing in a row, Would you be proud of them or not, Or don't you really know? Some strange discoveries are made in climbing family trees, And some of them, you know, do not Particularly please.

If you could see your ancestors All standing in a row, There might be some of them, perhaps, You wouldn't care to know. But here's another question, which Requires a different view: If you could meet your ancestors, Would they be proud of you? —Somerville Journal.

He—"A maid must not expect such lovers as she finds in books. Few men are paragons." She—"Oh! I should not expect a paragon. I should be satisfied with a lover, young, handsome, brave, noble, and unselfish."

Lord Kitchener, who has a choice collection of old china, has lately added to it several fine specimens of Crown Derby.—Punch.



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Summer term commences Wednesday, April 12, 1916. Warden—Rev. W. W. Bolton, M.A. Headmaster—J. C. Barnacle, Esq. (London University). For particulars and prospectus apply the Headmaster.

Are You Interested in the Western Scots?

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY

Victoria Times, March 2, 1891.

A denial that the E. & N. railway and Wellington Collieries are to be sold to the Canadian Pacific railway is given by James Dunsmuir, of Dunsmuir & Sons, in an interview to-day.

Messrs. Eiford & Smith to-day commenced work on the new brick factory on Humboldt street for Weller Bros. The building will be finished in 90 days.

The schooner Oscar and Hattie, lately purchased in San Francisco, arrived in Victoria to-day to change her registry. She will be used as a sealer.

MESSENGEERS OF CHEER!

Each advertisement in this newspaper is a cheery messenger. It comes carrying the offer of service. It is addressed to human wants.

It is backed up by men who are prepared to make good their promises. There is satisfaction in buying advertised brands, and in dealing with merchants who come out into the open day with their offers.

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Vagrant Sentenced.—John O'Brien was sentenced in police court yesterday to two months for vagrancy.

Manx Society.—The Victoria Manx Society will meet at the home of R. Hampton, 1537 Hillside avenue, tomorrow evening.

Board of Trade Council.—The board of trade council meets tomorrow forenoon to deal with a quantity of business which has accumulated upon the secretary's file.

Recruiting Posters.—The walls of the police court room are now decorated with recruiting posters, calling upon the more or less idle class which haunts the courts daily to go out and do something for their country.

Sister is Sought For.—Miss C. M. Wilson, sister of Private Charles J. Wilson, of the 18th Battalion, Australian Imperial Force, is asked to communicate with Major Moore at Work Point barracks here.

Fifth Regiment Band.—Mrs. Roy Troup has kindly consented to sing two numbers on the programme of the Fifth Regiment Band concert next Sunday evening.

Elks Install Officers.—L. W. Bick, district grand installer, and P. A. Ferguson, assistant district grand installer, installed last evening the officers of Victoria Lodge, No. 2, B. P. O. Elks for the present year as follows: Exalted ruler, A. Peden; leading knight, D. W. Spence; loyal knight, A. Proctor; lecturing knight, D. MacKay; treasurer, W. S. Stewart; secretary, F. C. Dillabough; squire, H. J. McConnell; chaplain, F. L. Thompson; inner guard, A. F. H. Brown; Tyler, A. Johns. On next Thursday evening, March 9, a musical programme will be given in the clubrooms, to which all Elks and their friends are invited.

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TWO CONFLICTING OPINIONS ON SITE

Wards IV. and VII.; Saanich Ratepayers' Associations, Take Opposite Stand

Two conflicting opinions with regard to the wisdom of the Saanich school board in selecting the Tillicum site for a school were aired at meetings of Ward IV. and Ward VII. associations of ratepayers held last evening.

At Ward IV. meeting there were a number of recommendations for improvements to the schools. Mrs. Hutchinson, a trustee and secretary of the board, attending it was the opinion of the meeting that the building of a school at Tillicum would be inadvisable. To relieve the pressure at Tolmie school, it was suggested that the proper method would be to utilize the empty rooms of the Quadra and Burnside schools by renting them from the city. The opinion was further expressed that the city trustees would be glad to lease their vacant school rooms at a fair rental.

The meeting decided to ask the trustees to abandon employing specialists, and notify the teachers they must qualify themselves to teach domestic science, manual training, and singing.

Councillor D. W. Jones answered a number of questions about the crossings on Blackwood road being in bad repair. Mr. Jones said the engineer's report showed that the trenching machine work cost 17 cents a yard and day labor 50 cents per cubic yard.

Many opinions were expressed on the paving, and a deputation with a petition is to wait on the council asking that the paving nearer the city be finished before the machinery is moved to the East Saanich road.

At the Ward VII meeting the association passed a resolution expressing confidence in the school trustees' action in obtaining the Tillicum site.

The secretary drew the attention of the meeting to the agitation for locating the school in another section of the municipality, and the meeting declared the action to be due to an erroneous understanding and misrepresentation of facts. It was stated the issue had been raised only to embarrass the trustees, and that a substantial school in the Tillicum district was essential.

The meeting unanimously agreed that the construction of the Tillicum school should be expedited in every way. The delay in construction of the water mains came under discussion, and it was decided to press the council to finish the undertaking as early as possible.

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LAST SESSION OF THE PRESENT HOUSE

(Continued from page 1.)

"It is a pleasure to state that, while the province has not fully recovered from the conditions brought on by the war, the great natural industries of the country are prosperous and that production has remained normal. The timber industry, which was in a depressed state owing to lack of facilities for being marketed, gives promise of coming speedily to the front again; and in this connection the members of my government have been giving careful consideration to the best means of supplying transportation by water, and will provide guarantees to assist in the matter of supplying ships for the purpose.

"It is the intention of the government to bring into operation as speedily as possible the provisions of the 'Agricultural Act,' passed at your last session, and arrangements are now about completed for the necessary loan. A measure will be submitted amending the 'Constitution Act,' providing for the appointment of a minister of agriculture apart from the portfolio of minister of finance.

"It is the intention also to make provision for the establishment of public markets. Careful estimates will contain provision for the development of the Songhees reserve as a railway terminal and for assisting in the construction of Johnson street bridge as a necessary part of the plans.

"A measure for workmen's compensation, which was submitted tentatively to the legislature of 1915, has in the meantime been under consideration by a commission appointed for the purpose, and will be placed before you in a fully revised form for the purpose of becoming law this session.

"You will have laid before you a measure for the prohibition of the sale of liquor in the province, which will become operative on Jan. 1, 1917, subject to approval by popular vote. To meet conditions created by the war, amendments to the 'Liquor Act' will be submitted, further restricting and regulating the sale of liquor until peace has been declared.

"Authority will be taken for the purpose of rendering assistance by way of loan, looking towards speedily completing the construction of the Pacific Great Eastern railway, which has been delayed owing to financial conditions.

"Careful consideration has been given to the requirements of the mining industry, looking to further and higher development; and also to the necessities of the returned soldiers on a basis of land-settlement in suitable localities and under favorable conditions, and both these matters will have your attention.

"The public accounts for the fiscal year 1914-15 will be laid before you. I now leave you to your deliberations with confidence that in all your acts and discussions you will be governed by a high sense of duty in respect of provincial interests."

After his honor had retired the usual formal motions in regard to the appointment of committees, the printing of the proceedings of the house, and other matters were passed.

Malcolm A. Macdonald, member-elect for Vancouver city, was introduced between Parker Williams and

There were some reports presented. Following the adjournment of the house the premier and Mrs. Brewster held a reception in the rotunda of the library. To-night his honor the lieutenant-governor and Mrs. Barnard will hold a reception at Government House.

BOWSER IS GIVEN LIE BY TESTIMONY TAKEN BY COURTS

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place could not come Read came in his place, and it was then that Mr. Bowser revealed the scheme of paying \$300,000, which Alexander first learned through Read after that visit of the latter to Bowser here. Both Cole and Magistrate Alexander corroborate this in their testimony.

"I notice that in Mr. Bowser's denial this morning he says that Read left his office a month or so before the negotiations were commenced. This, also, is a misstatement by the premier, according to the sworn statements made at the time. It was not until the negotiations were well under way that Read left Bowser's office.

"As to Mr. Bowser's denial of the allegation that the \$300,000 was paid into his firm, that matter did not come out at the trial, since it was not in issue in the contest between Cole and Read as to their respective shares of the \$300,000 commission. I can say to Mr. Bowser, however, that from the very first Cole always maintained to me privately that the draft for \$300,000 went through the firm of Bowser, Reid & Walbridge.

"I can say, further, that in view of Mr. Bowser's misstatement in other particulars his denial in this connection does not carry as much weight as it otherwise might."

"The magic of a by-election in which certain defeat stares the administration is responsible for the settlement overnight of a vexed question which has been before the citizens of Victoria for four years or more. The Johnson Street bridge will be built at once and all will be rosy. Incidentally Mr. Flumescit will be elected on Saturday by a grateful people who desire to show their appreciation of such a nightman as the premier of British Columbia.

This is all the way it appears to Mr. Bowser, though one would hardly believe that he really thinks such eleven-hour schemes can have any weight with the people of Victoria. It would mean, if the promise which has been given to him by Sir William Mackenzie were to be trusted, that suddenly, in the twinkling of an eye, the Canadian Northern Pacific railway company recedes from its position that it had no interest whatever in the bridge, and graciously makes the city

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A1622—"A Perfect Lay." Quartette.
A1832—"Poet and Peasant." Marimba Band.
A5729—"Back Home in Tennessee." Two-step.
A5733—"Love's Old Sweet Song." Corinne Ryder-Kelsey.
A1792—"It's Tullip Time in Holland." Ethel Costello.
A5718—"I'll Take You Home Again." Kathleen. Oscar Seagle.
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"Of course no elector nor any other citizen of Victoria believes one word that comes from either Sir William Mackenzie or Sir Donald Mann that has to do with the plans of their railway on Vancouver Island. For this position the two promoters have themselves to thank, and their unfulfilled pledges of six years past. Apart from that, it is to be remembered that the city of Victoria has not one line from Sir William Mackenzie to bind his company to the payment of this sum. Nor has Mr. Bowser, so far as anyone knows.

Nothing is too absurd to expect a desperate man to try. The premier's announcement of Tuesday on the question of prohibition revealed a change in his attitude. Today another change is visible in what to all but those immediately concerned would probably be considered as a minor matter. The record of the legislature show that Mr. Bowser has consistently opposed the granting of a half-holiday to shop assistants of any sort. His attitude was that which was expressed by him in those words in reference to another bill for the protection of miners introduced by Mr. Brewster, that one's cook would be wanting to be included if this legislation was passed.

Now Mr. Bowser, faced by certain defeat of his minister of finance in this city, is willing to promise anything and everything. He has written to the secretary of the Retail Employees' organization, stating that he "sees no reason why we should not introduce a bill" along the lines suggested; whether as an amendment to the Shops Regulation Act or by giving power to the city of Victoria through an amendment to the Municipal Act to pass a by-law would be a matter for later consideration.

Mr. Bowser is usually an astute, but he gives himself away in his letter when he says there might be an amendment to the Municipal Act to give Victoria the power. Victoria is the only place a promise would do any good just now, and the only place that has a promise of legislation held out to it is Victoria. The clerks of other cities can hang for all Mr. Bowser cares in the present by-election.

Hon. Charles Tisdall, minister of public works, yesterday took the expected course, following his defeat at the polls on Saturday, and resigned his portfolio, which he has held for just two months and a half. Hon. Thomas Taylor, whom Mr. Tisdall replaced in that position, will resume the administration of that department, as well as guiding the educational destinies of the province and watching over the charitable institutions which the provincial secretary has under his charge. No doubt with prophetic insight, although it has not been noted for that quality, the organ for official announcements states that Hon. Mr. Taylor will be acting minister for "the balance of the government's term."

A man who calls himself a Socialist appears in the city to-night in an attempt to offset the splendid effect of the address of Parker Williams here last week. The two branches of the Socialist party—the Socialist Party of Canada and the Social Democratic Party—both disown him and disavow all knowledge of his motives.

It is not likely that he will have much of an audience, seeing that Parker Williams is speaking to-night in the Romano theatre, where he is certain to draw a large crowd.

Mr. Brewster and other speakers will be heard to-night in the North Ward school, and to-morrow there will be a grand closing rally in the old Victoria theatre.



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| Aylmer Corn, per tin . . . . . 10¢                 | Peaches, Quaker Brand, 2 tins . . . . . 25¢        |
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| Royal Household Flour, 49-lb. sacks . . . . . \$1.74 | White Swan Washing Powder, per pkg. . . . . 19¢    |
|  | Fels Naptha Soap, 4 cakes for . . . . . 24¢        |

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C. D. Gatehouse, of Courtenay, is at the Dominion.

J. C. Metcalfe, of Hammond, is at the Dominion hotel.

R. H. Carley, of Montreal, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

William Martin, of Seattle, is a guest at the Empress hotel.

A. McDonald, M. P. F., of Clinton, is at the Dominion hotel.

S. Stenell, of Nelson, is registered at the Dominion hotel.

W. J. Avison, of Quesnel, is staying at the Dominion hotel.

C. E. Griffiths, of Portland, is a guest of the Dominion hotel.

Hans Hilgerson, of Metchoin, is stopping at the Dominion.

Mrs. R. J. Basall, of San Francisco, is staying at the Empress hotel.

Thos. Scott is one of the new arrivals at the Hotel Strathcona.

G. R. Topham, of San Francisco, is registered at the Dominion hotel.

Dr. J. A. M. Hemmeon, of Halifax, N. S., is at the Strathcona hotel.

A. R. Bissett is over from Vancouver, and is at the Strathcona hotel.

W. J. Muirhead, of Seattle, Wash., arrived at the Empress hotel yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Rutherford, of Duncan, are guests at the Empress hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kernode, of Nanaimo, are registered at the Empress hotel.

H. Huwitt, of East Sooke, is in the city and is a guest at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McStewart, of Edmonton, are registered at the Empress hotel.

R. C. Treherne, of the Experimental Farm at Agassiz, is registered at the Dominion.

J. W. Jones, of Red Deer, Alta., is a visitor in the city and is at the Strathcona hotel.

Mrs. Geo. Gowland is down from Duncan, and is staying at the Strathcona hotel.

J. H. Schofield, of Trill, M. P. F., for that riding, has arrived in the city for the session.

W. W. Brady and Miss Brady, of Reston, Man., are stopping at the Dominion hotel.

F. S. Batty and S. Batty left yesterday via the Northern Pacific for Oakes, North Dakota.

Philip L. Brown is over from the mainland, and is registered at the Strathcona hotel.

John A. Hirst, F. N. Thurnburn, A. D. Boorman, Bert Hirst, and S. Gale, of

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Parkville, are stopping at the Dominion.

C. A. Briggs, of Wellington, New Zealand, was among yesterday's arrivals at the Dominion.

J. P. Scarlett, of Sidney, B. C., registered for himself and Mrs. Scarlett at the Strathcona hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Mahy, from Vancouver, are visitors in the city, and are staying at the Strathcona hotel.

Mrs. N. H. Jackson, of Creston, B. C., arrived on Monday and is the guest of Mrs. R. D. Cossan, 246 Howe St.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. O'Neill Hayes and Mrs. D. McLachlan left on Tuesday on a trip to points in Southern California.

J. M. Wood, of the Wood Motor Co. Ltd., left for the east to-day for the purpose of visiting the Ford factory at Detroit.

Thomas Gifford, M. P. F. for New Westminster, and S. A. Cawley, M. P. F. for Chilliwack, are stopping at the Dominion hotel.

Hon. D. W. Higgins, British consul at Port Angeles, is in the city for the opening of the legislature. He was a member of that body for twelve years and was speaker from 1890 to 1898. Mr. Higgins is looking the picture of health, and declares himself to be feeling as young as ever. He has organized the work of the office at Port Angeles on an excellent basis, and in his recent report to the foreign office he points out the great openings for trade that exist with that portion of the Pacific Northwest.

### FAVORS MILITARY TRAINING IN SCHOOLS

Local Council of Women Passes Resolution Urging Compulsory Course

"Whereas preparedness for war is the surest guarantee of peace and this present war has shown the immense value of speed in getting well trained men into the field and the enormous saving of expense to the country thereby.

"Be it resolved, that the National Council of Women be asked to urge upon the federal government the necessity of introducing universal military training into the public schools as part of the curriculum, as the Commonwealth of Australia has already done to the great advantage of that part of the empire."

The above resolution, moved by Mrs. H. C. Hanington, seconded by Mrs. Henderson, and with an amendment by Mrs. McPhillips, that "Military" be changed to "Naval or Military," was passed at yesterday afternoon's session of the Local Council of Women.

The resolution was one of those on the agenda of business for the meeting, and the mover, seconded, and other speakers to the motion came well fortified with arguments favoring compulsory military training into the schools. Mrs. Hanington was the chief spokesman. She reminded her hearers that cadet training had already been inaugurated by the department of militia by an agreement with the provincial authorities. All that was now required to make the proposed motion effective, was that the present provincial condition be made universal and compulsory. After all the British navy had done much more than the Hague conference to safeguard Britain in the present crisis. Other speakers to the motion were Mrs. Riddell, Mrs. Rolston, and Mrs. McPhillips.

Education Report.

The report of the education committee was given by Mrs. Jenkins, who very comprehensively reviewed the work done in the city schools during the past year. Outstanding was a plea that the women join the weight of their influence against a spirit of false economy by the cheapening of things educational. Never had the nation needed more than at present, she said, to keep a high educational standard. The improvement in the domestic science, and manual training departments of the school were noted in the report, and reference also made to the work which the children are doing in gardening. Satisfaction at the success of the night schools under the direction of the school board was also expressed, and the matter of cadet instruction was briefly alluded to. In connection with this latter Mrs. Jenkins explained that an instructor had had to be brought in from outside for the training of the North Ward School cadets, as all the local men qualified for the work seemed to have enlisted. A very hearty tribute to the splendid work being done by Miss Wynne in the training of backward children was included, the report concluding with an appeal to the women of Victoria to show more personal interest in the education of their children by occasionally visiting the schools and seeing the working of these for themselves.

A very interesting address was given by Miss Wynne, who, at the request of the Local Council, gave a report of the work which she had undertaken to do in connection with the Victoria school. An explanation of the methods used for bringing out and developing the latent individuality of the children in her care was given, and emphasis was placed on the fact that as little formal training as possible was insisted on, the idea being to bring the child to that point where it expressed a desire to do something. She noted with satisfaction that the Victoria school was singularly well equipped to begin with, and this had greatly helped her with her work. An explanation of how her little pupils had built a model bungalow and gone about the construction of baskets and other objects was of infinite interest, the speaker concluding by stating that constant encouragement and firmness were two of the great things which must be applied by a teacher in this work.

Bishop Speaks.

There were present throughout the greater part of the afternoon proceedings Right Reverend the Bishop of

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WHERE TO VOTE

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Ward One—560 Yates street, the old Fruit exchange, on the north side of the street, facing the end of Langley street.

Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue.

Ward Three—Maynard's auction rooms, in the old Institute hall, View street, between Douglas and Blanshard streets.

Ward Four—719 Courtney street, in the store formerly occupied by George Carter & Son, opposite the Alexandra club.

Ward Five—Northwest Garage, corner of Wharf and streets, across from the G. T. P. docks.

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### CONCERT SUCCESSFUL

Many Talented Entertainers Assisted at St. Columba Church Programme Last Evening.

A big audience filled St. Columba church almost to capacity last evening, the occasion being the Scotch concert arranged in aid of the church funds by J. G. Brown. The programme was almost a complete repetition of the very excellent one given on the occasion of the Burns' anniversary celebration at the First Presbyterian church at the beginning of last month, and the numbers which most pleased on that occasion also found the greatest favor with the audience last evening. These included the duet, "The Crooked Bow," by Sgt. Morrison and Mrs. Jesse Longfield; the trio, "What'll Ebb't the Door?" by two same vocalists and J. G. Brown; the two recitations by James Walker, "Peter Pirnie's Woe," and "The Breaking of the Bowl," in very broad Scottish dialect; the pianoforte solo by A. Longfield; and the numbers by the double quartette.

There were a number of other artists, all of whom contributed greatly to the enjoyment of the evening by their songs and instrumental numbers. They were as follows: Jesse Longfield, violinist; James Petrie, Mrs. S. M. Morton; Mrs. G. J. Burnett; Jackson Hanby, G. F. Watson and Miss Hazel Harkness, all vocalists of talent. William Henderson presided as chairman at the proceedings, and at the close of the evening a very special vote of thanks to J. G. Brown for his trouble in preparing the entertainment was passed amid applause.

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"CAPTAIN JINKS, OF THE HORSE MARINES"

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**AT THE THEATRES**

**"CAPTAIN JINKS."**

For the first time this afternoon the Royal Victoria had for its attraction a five-reel comedy, entitled "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines." It is one of the most delightful characterizations ever flashed on the screen, and one of the most delightful personalities. The picture is a visualization of the late Clyde Fitch's romantic comedy of the period of 1852. The director has constructed a refined comedy, which is not without its moments of near-tragedy, in such a manner that most picture-goers will be pleased with it. In Ann Murdock the Big Four people have secured a star who was born to the screen. The whole programme is worth a visit to-night, or Saturday. On Friday there will be no performance owing to the theatre having been taken for a meeting.

**DOMINION THEATRE.**

How a Victoria Cross, worn by a son in memory of his lost father, saves him from death and gives to him the girl he loves, are some of the instances in the thrilling drama, "The Unknown," in which Lou Tellegen will appear in the stellar role at the Dominion to-night.

How the father, after persecuting his boy for months, finally recognizes the Cross and permits him to go free, presents an unusual situation for a photo-drama. The scenes are laid in a little Algerian town at the edge of the great Sahara desert and the actors in this fascinating drama are members of the famous foreign legion, that military sanctuary where men who have met with misfortune or disgrace may redeem their past by bravery and honorable service.

A new era in photo-dramatic art is said to have been founded when "The Unknown" was produced by the Jesse L. Lasky company. In the cast supporting Mr. Tellegen, who will be remembered here by his splendid performance in "The Explorer," are Theodora Roberts, Hal Clements, Dorothy Davenport, Horace B. Carpenter, Tom Forman, Raymond Hatton and other members of the Lasky all-star organization.

**PANTAGES THEATRE.**

Actresses who have attained any prominence in their chosen profession are never exempt from the attention of the anonymous correspondents. In addition to the regular army of letter writers who always follow their movements, with epistolary effusions, Miss Maidie de Long, the talented comedienne who is delighting audi-

ences at Pantages, has not been exempt from these communications. She treasures the following, however, as one of the most sincere, if simple,



MISS MAIDIE DE LONG

appreciations of her work she ever received. The letter reads:

"Peoria, Ill.  
"My Dear Young Lady: These lines are not penned by a Charlie Boy with a tendency to become mushy over a stage favorite. I am a man with grey hairs, and I trust, some sense. But I feel impelled to tell you that you furnished me fifteen minutes of the keenest enjoyment this afternoon, that has come my way for a long time. To my mind there is nothing so hard to carry out successfully on the stage as a monologue. In all my theatre experience I have never met with but two who came up to my expectations. One was Egan Kendall and the other yourself.  
"Your make-up, gestures and dialect were excruciatingly funny, and it was a continual laugh for me. You received generous applause and you deserved it all.  
"I hope the future will bring you only success and I feel it is bound to come to one who tries so hard to please and entertain.  
"You would not be interested in me so I shall sign myself  
"Your unknown friend,  
"GUESS WHO."

**COLUMBIA'S COMEDY BILL.**

Strongly flavored with comedy, spiced with sprightly dances and garnished with pleasing musical selections, "The French Cook," as presented by the versatile Cox Family at the Columbia proves a delightful dessert for the amusement menu at that popular house for the last half of the current week. "The French Cook" was written specially for the Cox Family, and at the same time was intended mainly for laughing purposes. As interpreted by this half-dozen capable entertainers, the merry farce certainly fulfills its mission in that respect. Mr. Cox, senior, and his two sons, are seen in the comedy roles, while all three of the charming daughters have congenial character parts and both sing and dance pleasingly. The Spanish dance by Miss Belle Cox in particular was very gracefully executed and enthusiastically received. It makes a good, laughing headliner for a bill that runs strongly to comedy. The Bimbos, a man and woman, who offer a knock-about comedy acrobatic sketch, a la Charlie Chaplin, also furnish a goodly share of the hilarity that predominates throughout the bill. The man of the team, who is an accomplished acrobat, does several very daring stunts, and his barrel fall, from four tables high, surpasses anything that Chaplin ever attempts even on the screen. Belle Markham and Carl Lee are a man and maid who have a line of pert patter and pleasing parodies that they "get over" in good style. Miss Markham has a winning personality, and with her partner's help makes their turn a very mirthful one. Will Fraser, a banjoist who can also sing in acceptable style, made a distinctly pleasing impression with his instrumental and vocal offerings. He is above the average in both lines, and makes his spot on the bill a distinctly bright one. The motion picture part of the programme is also largely of the comedy order.

Leap Year Anticipations.—A fine spring is expected in France, Flanders and Poland. If the weather is propitious a total eclipse will be visible in Berlin and Vienna.—Punch.

The people of Vancouver showed that they were sick of the political machine. Is Victoria still willing to be governed by Harry Price and his crowd? Let us smash the machine just as thoroughly as it was smashed by the Conservative, Liberal, Socialist, Labor and Independent voters of Vancouver last Saturday.

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**URGED TO FILE CLAIMS**

Liquidator of C. H. I. C. Expects to Have Over Half-Million to Divide Up; Advice to Contract Holders.

The liquidation of the C. H. I. C. for which the time for filing creditors' claims was extended by Mrs. Justice Morrison until June 15, has given rise to one of the biggest jobs in auditing and accountancy of any recent liquidation, all of which has so far been conducted under the supervision of the liquidator, J. G. Forrester, without a cent of cost for outside auditors. The extent of the work was due not only to the number of the claims—there were approximately 18,000 contracts to be individually audited—but also to the system employed which required them to be first considered as a whole, and then later to be segregated and separately audited into ninety-three different series, each with a separate balance sheet and dividend.

Eliminating the contracts which have lapsed, obtained a loan or been otherwise satisfied, Mr. Forrester states that there will be about 7,000 contracts finally left, among the holders of which the assets, after realization, will be divided. The assets are valued at \$600,000. Hitherto many contract holders have neglected to file their

claims. It is to enable everyone who has a claim to get it filed so as to share in the distribution that the liquidator has obtained an extension of time for filing.

The liquidator will mail to each contract holder whose name appears on the company's books a form of claim in which will be stated the amount which the contract holder is entitled to claim, according to the books of the company. If this is signed and returned it will be held to be a good claim. A letter explaining the terms of recent court orders will also be enclosed.

In one of these orders the court has decided that there is no right of set-off in those cases where a contract holder who has obtained a loan on one contract is also the holder of other contracts in other series. The only set-off allowed is against those contracts held by the borrower which that on which he got his loan.

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BREEZY BITS

Billy Sherring, the former great Canadian marathon runner, has joined the Hamilton Tiger Battalion.

Hammy Pottary, the former Hamilton Tiger wing player, and last year's captain of the Montreal Big Four team, has enlisted in the Tiger Battalion.

Billy Ellis, a well-known Vancouver all-round athlete, has joined the local bantam Battalion. He has been given the rank of sergeant.

President J. J. McCaffery wrote Mike O'Leary, the V. C. hero, asking him to honor the Toronto club by accepting an honorary membership. He received a reply from the former Northwest mounted policeman accepting the membership.

The New York Americans certainly look very strong before the season starts and they should finish much better than last year. Buying one or two great players, however, does not always result in a championship as shown in the case of the Chicago White Sox last year when they bought E. W. Collins and Joseph Jack's son.

The Portland Ice Hippodrome will close earlier than usual this year. It was announced by the management yesterday morning that the doors of the huge structure would open for the last time to skaters this season on Wednesday, March 15. This gives the skaters a five months' season, as was the case last year. The Hippodrome opened last fall on October 15. The year before it opened on November 1 and closed April 7, giving the same length of time for skating. It is understood that the receipts from skating have not been quite as much this year as last year, but this is due principally on account of the bad weather experienced in January. The hockey team has drawn better this year than last, due to being up in the race all season long.

OREGON AGGIES WON.

Salem, March 1.—The Oregon-Agricultural college basketball team defeated the Willamette university team here last night by a score of 17 to 13.

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SPORTING NEWS

NO ENTRIES RECEIVED FROM CANADIAN CLUBS

Seattle, Spokane and Portland Have Entries in P. N. A. Championships

No entries have been received from Victoria and Vancouver for the Pacific Northwest championships which will be held at the Multnomah club of Portland to-night and to-morrow night. Only three cities are represented, Seattle, Spokane and Portland.

Portland, Ore., March 2.—Fifteen boxing and wrestling bouts, the first in the Pacific Northwest Association championships, will be run off at the Multnomah Athletic club. The ablest amateurs in the northwest country will compete in both events.

The meet promises to be one of the biggest events of its kind ever held in the northwest. In the wrestling matches, Runchey, of the Seattle club, will be greatly missed, as he had been scheduled and counted on two or more wrestling events.

The Seattle boys are expecting to carry off all of the boxing events, but the locals will give the invaders hard rubs for every title.

Following are bouts:

108-pound boxing—Frank Phala, Multnomah; Jack Harper, Seattle; Leo Ambaugh, Spokane; Harold Christensen, unattached.

115-pound boxing—Ralph Underwood, Multnomah; Irving Gleason, Seattle; Walter Cose, Spokane.

125-pound boxing—Earl Baird, Seattle; Ralph Underwood, Multnomah.

135-pound boxing—Lloyd Madden, Seattle; Albert Byers and G. H. Freese, Multnomah.

145-pound boxing—G. John Boscovitch, Multnomah; Archie Wyard, Seattle; Albert Byers, Multnomah; George Davis, unattached.

155-pound boxing—Val Sontag, Seattle; George Davis, unattached.

175-pound boxing—Val Sontag, Seattle; Thomas Loutt, Multnomah.

Heavyweight boxing—Val Sontag, Seattle; Thomas Loutt, Multnomah.

108-pound wrestling—Lionel Dalton, Washington high, Portland; Donald Thayer, Lincoln high, Portland; and Lloyd Whitmore, Spokane.

Seattle, March 2.—Chet McIntyre and a string of five Seattle boxers left for Portland last night and McIntyre declared that his men would come close to cleaning up in every class. The men who made the trip are: Jack Harper, 108 pounds; Irving Gleason, 115 pounds; Lloyd Madden, 125 pounds; Earl Baird, 135 pounds; Archie Wyard, 145 pounds, and Val Sontag, middleweight and heavyweight. No wrestlers made the trip. The boys are all in the best of condition.

AKRON BOY SHADED CLEVER MATT WELLS

Columbus, Ohio, March 2.—Johnny Griffiths, of Akron, Ohio, was credited with a shade over Matt Wells, of England, by the majority of local newspaper men following their twelve-round bout here last night. Neither man had a decided advantage, Griffiths landed more frequently, but the Briton offset this advantage by his aggressiveness.

Wells started out with a rush as if to conquer his opponent in a round or two, but his advances were met with stiff blows from the Akron boy. The first six rounds of the fight were very even. Griffiths rattled in the sixth, seventh and eighth rounds, and had the honor. Wells had a slight advantage in the ninth and tenth rounds. Griffiths easily outboxed the Englishman in the last two rounds, which entitled him to the decision.

WRESTLERS DRAW.

San Francisco, March 2.—Jess Westergaard and Ad Santel last night wrestled here 2 hours and 34 minutes without a fall. At the end of that time the match was stopped by orders of a police sergeant, who said the chief of police, C. A. White, had instructed him to close down the show at 12 o'clock. Referee "Demon" Dittmar declared the match a draw. Santel seemed the stronger at the close. Both men were aggressive from the start, but Santel was more so toward the end, when the match had come to be an endurance test.

MILLER BEAT O'CONNELL.

Portland, Ore., March 1.—Walter Miller, of St. Paul, defeated Eddie O'Connell, of Portland, in two falls last night. The first was after one hour and eight minutes on a reverse hammerlock, and the second after 34 minutes and 8 seconds, on a reverse bar leg hold.

BIG PURSE FOR BOUT.

Rock Island, Ill., March 2.—The Rock Island Exposition Park company to-day wired an offer of \$35,000 to Gen. Melady, of Omaha, to stage the proposed Gutch-Stecher championship wrestling match in this city.

88TH BATTALION HELD FIELD MEET YESTERDAY

No. 2 Co. Defeated No. 1 Co. in Soccer Final; Cross Country Run

Yesterday afternoon the 88th Battalion resumed their field sports after a long lay-off of five weeks. Weather conditions have been unfavorable for some time past for outdoor sport activity, but the sports committee is very confident that conditions will permit their weekly field day in the future. They plan to hold inter-company athletic competitions every Wednesday.

Yesterday afternoon's programme included a soccer match between No. 1 company and No. 2 company—the final match for possession of a handsome silver trophy. The game resulted in a win for No. 2 company. Play in the first half was very close, and if anything the losers had a slight advantage, but neither team succeeded in scoring. After the interval No. 2 company proved to be in better condition than their opponents, and towards the latter part of the game tallied two goals, clinching the game.

Keen was the rivalry in the inter-company cross country race, over a three-mile course to the rear of the Willow camp. No. 3 company gained premier honors, scoring 9 points. The following is the order they finished and the time:

1. Pte. Richmond (No. 3 Co.); time, 33 mins.; 4 pts.

2. Pte. Loder (machine gun section); time, 34 mins.; 3 pts.

3. Pte. Scott (No. 3 Co.); time, 35 mins.; 2 pts.

4. Pte. Busner (No. 3 Co.); time, 35 mins.; 1 pt.

5. Pte. Dyson (staff); time, 37 mins.; 1 pt.

6. Pte. Wilson (No. 3 Co.); time, 38 mins.; 1 pt.

7. Pte. Bigmore (No. 3 Co.); time, 38 mins.; 1 pt.

Total points: No. 3 Co., 9; staff, 4. Two men were disqualified for taking the wrong course.

FORMER NATIONAL CHAMP. ELIMINATES NEW YORKER

Chicago, March 2.—In the first game of the national pocket billiard championship tournament here last night, Charles (Cowboy) Weston, of Chicago, defeated J. L. Chapman, also of Chicago, by 100 to 40. The second game was won by Joseph Conannon, of Jersey City, from F. Taberski, of Schenectady, N. Y., by 100 to 61.

In the afternoon game Morris I. Brown, of the Hamilton club, Brooklyn, defeated Edgar T. Appleby, of this city, by a score of 400 to 269, in 47 innings, the longest contest of the week. The former national champion outclassed his younger opponent, who played fast billiards but spoiled some promising runs by impulsiveness. The score: Brown, 400; average, 8 24/47; high runs, 57, 39, 26. Appleby, 269; average, 5 34/47; high runs, 36, 25, 18.

LOCAL DOGS ENTERED FOR SEATTLE KENNEL SHOW

Seattle, Wash., March 2.—Secretary George Tinto, of the Seattle Kennel club, stated that, although the premium lists have been out but a few days, there are already a great many entries for the coming show, entries for which close on March 23.

A large entry is expected from Victoria. Among the Victoria dog fanciers who will have entries are C. A. Goodwin; Irish setters; J. & Hobb; English setters; Jack Wolfenden; pointers; and Tom Withers, English setters and others.

Vancouver, Bellingham, Portland, Everett, Tacoma and Pasco will also be represented.

LEWIS BEAT STONE.

New Orleans, March 2.—Ted Lewis of England, was awarded a referee's decision over Harry Stone, of New York, at the end of their twenty-round bout here last night. By his victory Lewis claimed the welterweight championship of the world.

WHERE TO VOTE

There has been a request for the publication of the polling places. These are as follows:

Ward One—560 Yates street, the old Fruit exchange, on the north side of the street, facing the end of Langley street.

Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue.

Ward Three—Maynard's auction rooms, in the old Institute hall, View street, between Douglas and Blanshard streets.

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LOCAL ATHLETE



BILL NEWITT

Popular local athlete who is attending Dental School in Portland. While not engaged in practicing dentistry, he puts in his time playing hockey for the Multnomah Athletic club in the city league. Bill is easily the best hockey player in the Portland City league, and it is mainly through his all-round brilliancy that his team is now leading the league. In a recent game against the policemen, his team won 3 to 1, and it was the local star who scored all three goals for his club. He is playing left wing and is far out in front in the goal-getting averages, more than two-thirds of the total number of goals credited to the Multnomah club having been tallied by Newitt.

Last year he played hockey with the local Carter & Mackenzie team, which won the City Commercial League championship, and the previous year he was a member of the Clothier team. Newitt is also prominent on the baseball field.

EGAN BOXES DRAW WITH CHAMPION BILLY WEEKS

Everett, March 2.—Billy Weeks, middleweight champion of Canada, and Charley Egan, of Everett, boxed four rounds to a draw last night at Everett. According to the referee, Egan made such a good showing in the final round that he wiped out the lead Weeks had piled up in the first three rounds. Of course Weeks does not agree with that view, but the referee had the last guess. Freddie Bogan, an old-time boxer and a good one, insists that in Egan he has the future middleweight champion of the world, and after last night's bout he is more firmly convinced than ever that he is on a winner.

BIG AUTO RACE WILL BE HELD AT SAN DIEGO

San Diego, March 2.—Announcement was made yesterday that a 50-mile automobile race will be staged at the fair grounds March 25, under the direction of the Panama-California international exposition. Entries have been received from Teddy Tetzlaff, Bob Burman, Barney Oldfield, Earl Cooper and Cliff Durant, and it is expected at least seven other noted races, including Eddie O'Donnell and Eddie Pullen, will participate. The entrants will compete for the \$2,500 Panama-California international exposition motor cup and prize money.

NEW LEAGUE LAUNCHED.

Tacoma, March 2.—The Valley Baseball league was launched last night with seven clubs in the organization, Tacoma, Kent, Auburn, Carbonado, Wilkeson, Sumner and Puyallup. An eighth club is to be selected from Spanaway, Georgetown, Renton or Buckley. The officers are: President, James P. Hughes; vice-president, J. C. Burke, of Kent; secretary, R. E. Knight; treasurer, August Abrams, of Wilkeson.

EXCITING GAMES IN LADIES' S.S. LEAGUE

League Leaders Just Nose Out Fairfields; Only One Senior League Fixture

Only one game was played in the Senior Sunday School Basketball league last night, the lone fixture being between the Congregational and Belmonts, resulting in a win for the latter by the score of 38 to 18. Both teams took the floor with but four men.

The game which was scheduled to be played between the Metropolitan "B" team and Knox was postponed, as neither was able to field a full team. In the Intermediate game on schedule between St. Andrew's and the Metropolitans, the former club defaulted.

One of the best games of the local season was played on the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, being an exhibition fixture between the league leading First Presbyterian church five and to the O. A. M. C. The latter club is made up of former Y. M. C. A. players, and the members gave the Presbyterians a hard fight. From the very start the result was in doubt. Play in the first period slightly favored the khaki-clad players, and they led at the interval 16 to 11.

Up until ten minutes from time the O. A. M. C. maintained their advantage, but in the final stages of the game, the Presbyterians came on with a delayed rally and eventually won out 45 to 20.

Ladies' League Games.

All the fixtures in the Ladies' Sunday School league were very evenly contested. The most complete surprise was the wonderful showing the Fairfields made against the league-leading Presbyterian church five, just nosing out 2 to 1.

The Metropolitans won from the Baptists 12 to 4, and Belmonts were defeated by the Congos 26 to 6.

League Standings.

Table with 4 columns: Men's Senior, P. W. L. Pts., and 4 rows of team names and scores.

Ladies' League.

Table with 4 columns: Ladies' League, P. W. L. Pts., and 6 rows of team names and scores.

O.H.A. RESULTS.

Toronto, March 1.—Last night's amateur hockey results: O.H.A. senior (group tie play-off)—Riversides 6, Aragonians 9. (Riversides won round by 9 to 3.) Intermediate (fourth round)—Midland-12, Brampton 1. (Midland won round by 13 to 1.) Second round—Port Colborne 7, Sarnia 6. (Sarnia won round by 17 to 12.) Northern league: Senior third round—London 22, Seaford 5. (London won the round by 15 goals.) Hamilton 13, Elmira 4. Group—Woodstock 7, 13, Ingersoll 4, Warton 4, Chesley 2. (Warton won the round.)

EASTERN HOCKEY RACE.

Last Night's Results.

Canadiens, 7; Toronto, 3.

Quebec, 4; Wanderers, 3.

Standing.

Table with 5 columns: W. L. D. F. A. Pts., and 5 rows of team names and scores.

SIoux CITY SIGNS INDIAN.

Sioux City, Ia., March 2.—Edmund Many Deeds, an Indian residing near Little Oak creek, S. D., will be given a tryout with the Sioux City baseball club of the Western league. Many Deeds has been attending the high school at Rapid City, where he distinguished himself as an athlete. Last fall he was centre of the Center City football team. He is an outfielder.

MAcon, Ga., March 1.—The second contingent of the New York Americans, among them Business Manager Sparrow and Lee Magee, who is mentioned as the 1916 captain, arrived here late last night. Manager William Donovan reached here last week with a squad of "recruits."

RAISING FUNDS.

Tacoma, March 2.—Russ Hall has everything in readiness for the big drive to be conducted by the Tacoma Commercial club for the sale of books of season tickets to put the Tacoma Northwest league baseball team on its feet financially before the opening of the season. A canvass will be made Friday by 150 members of the Commercial club, and it is believed 1,500 books will be sold.

ANNUAL MEETING TO-NIGHT.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Cricket club will be held to-night at 8 o'clock in room 206, Sayward block. Officers for the ensuing season will be elected and other business of importance transacted. All members are urgently requested to be present.

REMARKED ON THE SIDE

Davies Was Entitled to Decision. That Al Davies, the clever local boxer, was entitled to the decision over Lonnie McIntosh is indicated by the comments of the Seattle press. In Portus Baxter's column of the Seattle P.-I. is given the following description of the fight: "In the 125-pound class, Davies, of Victoria, might have received the decision over Lonnie McIntosh, of the local clubs. The judges, however, could not see it that way, and gave the verdict to the American. McIntosh had a shade for the first two rounds, but Davies showed a lot of craft and hard-hitting and evened up the score in the third stanza. A fourth round was called for, and according to the rules, the fight should have been judged on it, the previous rounds being thrown out. Davies won all the way in this round, and had his opponent on the road to defeat when the bell rang. It was a very clever exhibition.

Prominent English Cricketer Killed.

Captain G. B. Davies, whose death in action is reported, is the well-known Essex and Cambridge university cricketer, who in the ordinary course of events would have been secretary of University Cricket club during the past season. Captain Davies had a brilliant cricket career at Rossall School, and in 1912, after heading the school batting averages with an aggregate of 408 runs at the rate of 33.42 per innings, and taking 41 wickets for 1475 runs apiece, he played in five matches for Essex, showing very prominent form as a batsman against Yorkshire. He also got into the football team at Rossall, and was champion of the school at racquets and fives. Going up to Selwyn College, Cambridge, he got his Blue as a freshman, and was the most successful bowler in the side in 1913, besides doing well as a batsman. Last year he showed further improvement, heading the bowling averages, and being one of the most consistent batsmen in the team.

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MAGEE TO MANAGE YANKS.

Seattle, March 2.—Lee Magee, the former Seattle kid who is now one of the big things in baseball, will captain the New York American League club this season, according to a report sent out last night from Macon, Ga.; the training camp of the Yanks. Magee is now hard at work with the rest of the squad in the southern city, all who are working under the eye of Manager William Donovan. There are a throng of recruits in the camp.

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### ROTARY QUARTERLY MEETING NEXT WEEK

Dinner at Night With Special Programme and Speeches at the Empress

The quarterly meeting of the Victoria Rotary club will be held at the Empress hotel next Thursday night, taking the place of the regular weekly luncheon. Dinner will be served at 6.30 o'clock, and the members are to take their women folk: There will be a musical programme, which will be under the direction of the entertainment committee of the club. Ald. Todd and Messrs. Higgins, Denham, Walker and Rice will speak. The changes from luncheon to dinner will be for the one occasion only. Reference was made at lunch today to the resolution passed last Thursday in regard to the salt water baths. Geo. Warren asked if the club had received from the government any reply to the deputation which asked for a change

### Answers to Times Want Ads.

The following replies are waiting to be called for: 55, 176, 629, 1475, 1500, 1516, 1522, 1528, 1545, 1566, 1598, 1602, 1635, 1636, 1638, 1678, 1679, 1684, 1691, 1704, 1737, 1738, 1759, 1761, 1765, 1781, 1782, 1786, 1792, 2772, 2785, 2886, 3001, 3024, 3062.

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THERE'S A "KNOW HOW" in pressing a garment. Our service department has H. Cooper & Potts, tailors, 708 Yates street.

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IF YOU WANT Wellington coal delivered today, Phone 828. Geo. Burt. m3

WANTED—Revolving post card rack, any size, and silent salesman 4 or 5. Phone 3428. Brown, photographer. m2

WE HAVE the largest supply of dry wood and Wellington coal in the city. Geo. Burt, 735 Pandora street. m2

FOR RENT—Two comfortable four-room cottages, No. 216 and 213 Bridge street; rent \$6 per month, including water. E. W. Whittington Lib. Co., 148, owners. Bridge street. m2

WANTED—able workman for two children. 278 Hampshire terrace, off South Hampshire road. m2

FOR SALE—Laying hens, \$1 each. Box 1294. Times. m2

LOST—Missing since Wednesday, Feb. 23, brown Pomeranian dog, answers to "Brownie." Reward on return to 2411 Wack street. m2

GOOD LEVEL LOT, 48x70, on Shelburne street, near Hamilton, 488, 1847, Times. m2

FRENCH GIRL, in need, seeks situation, good education, English and French, experienced stenographer, would accept any position offered. Box 128, Times. m2

R. I. RED EGGS, 500 setting, 1911 Belmont, Phone 2521. m2

FINE GARDEN LOT at George, full size, deep black soil, fenced and cultivated, ready for planting, 2000, south double lot. Owner, Box 75, P. O., m2

LAWN MOWERS ground, collected, delivered, H. Dandridge collection, Phone 12211, 6651. m2

FOUND—Small fox terrier, female, Harmon, 1621-Fell street. m2

WANTED—A hall porter, must write good hand; returned soldier preferred. Apply Pacific Club. m2

NICELY FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, \$2 a week. 829 Fort street. m2

SNAP IN LOT—Bank street, good level lot, no rock, 56x110 to lane; price \$250 cash. Sold 3 years ago for \$200. Currie & Power, 1214 Douglas street. Phone 1468. m4

WANTED—Furniture, at once, for 4 or 5 roomed house; I will pay good price. S. H. J. Mason, Phone 4751, corner Hillside and Quadra. m2

FOR SALE—Blue Angora Persian cat, female. Box 427. Times. m2

FOUND—Young Gordon setter. Phone 2761. m2

HOBBS SNAP—Fully modern, 8-room house, with bath inside 11-mile electric, for sale for \$2,250. Box 1809, Times. m2

BUNGALOW, thoroughly modern, by good tenant, with view to buying later. Phone 4621. m2

WANTED—Player-piano, cheap; no dealers. 187 Quadra. m2

WANTED—An experienced cook-general. Apply 1122 Nils Ave., Oak Bay. Phone 679. m2

FOR SALE—House, 4 rooms, well built, all modern conveniences (4 years old), situated in James Bay district; house cost to build \$2,600. This is a decided snap for \$2,300 reasonable terms. L. U. Conyers & Co., 659 View street. m2

WANTED—A few ranch tools, cow, horse and chickens. Phone 2164. m2

## BRIDGE NEGOTIATIONS TAKE A NEW TURN

### Premier Makes Promise on Eve of Election to Harbor Committee

## MANY MATTERS ARE STILL OUTSTANDING

### E. & N. Railway Has Not Notified City of Willingness to Sign

An important statement with regard to the Johnson street bridge construction is incorporated in a letter laid before the civic bridge committee by Alderman Todd, its chairman, this morning. This statement came from the premier, and is in response to a letter written by the chairman to Mr. Bowser on February 18, and to a conversation with the premier yesterday. The government, in the first place, offers an additional \$25,000 towards the cost of the bridge, or its equivalent, making the government's total contribution \$200,000. This figure rose from \$150,000 to \$175,000 at the earnest solicitation of the civic committee, which handled the matter in 1914 and 1915. Attempts have been made to raise the total somewhat commensurate with the commercial schemes the government proposes to develop on the reserve.

## MILITARY FUNERAL

### Body of Trooper A. L. Brown Borne to the Grave on Gun Carriage, This Forenoon

With all the impressive and solemn ceremonies of a military funeral, the remains of Trooper Albert Lawrence Brown, late of C Company, 11th C. M. R., were carried this morning from the B. C. Funeral chapel on a gun carriage to Ross Bay cemetery, where interment took place. There was no service at the chapel, but at the graveside Rev. J. M. Conroy, chaplain of Vernon, read the burial service. On the casket over the Union Jack rested wreaths from the comrades of the deceased in the regiment. The charger of the dead soldier was led after the gun carriage, with the riding boots reversed in the stirrups and the overcoat belted across the saddle. The pallbearers were Lance-Corporal Pearce, Troopers McKenale, Manning, McDonald, G. Parry and Graydon. The band of the regiment played the dead march, and at the grave a farewell volley was fired by a firing party while the bugles sounded out the last post.

## LOCAL NEWS

### F. L. Haynes means watchmaker and jeweler.

### Making First Visit—The new Russian consul at Vancouver, Constantin Ragosine, accompanied by his secretary, is in the city today on the first official visit.

### School Begins Earlier—Yesterday the winter hours for the public schools automatically changed, and classes are now in session from 9 o'clock to 3.30 p. m. instead of from 9.30 to 5 o'clock.

### Bridge Tea—The bridge tea arranged by the Lady Douglas chapter in aid of their funds will take place to-morrow afternoon, commencing at 2.45, at the residence of Mrs. Purser, Pemberton road. All friends and members are urged to give their patronage.

### Committed for Trial—In the Oak Bay police court today Reginald Dobbie, charged with the murder of the late Chief Syde, of the Oak Bay force, and Detective Heather, of a city force, on a charge of stealing a watch from Pte. W. H. Duncan, of the 67th, was committed for trial.

### Fire Loss in February—The fire loss in February within the city limits was \$268 on buildings, and \$475.70 on contents. This protected an insurance of \$12.50, the property at risk being \$206,500. Two box alarms, four telephones, and one messenger alarm were received. Sixteen premises were inspected, and one conviction for a breach of the fire prevention by-law secured in police court.

### Announcement has been received of the marriage at Cocanada, India, on December 28, of Miss Mary Caroline Limmenger, formerly of Victoria, and Rev. Henry H. Cross, of Scarborough, Eng. Rev. H. H. Cross is a brother of B. H. Cross, of the B. C. E. Ry. Co.

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## TWO CANDIDATES IN THE BY-ELECTION

### H. C. Brewster and Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt Put in Nomination This Afternoon

The nomination of candidates for the Victoria seat in the legislature made vacant by the resignation of Sir Richard McBride took place this afternoon in the provincial police station before H. W. R. Moore, the returning officer. There were but the two nominations: HARLAN CAREY BREWSTER, nominated by A. W. G. Cameron, seconded by A. McD. Fraser, and assenting to the nomination R. W. Douglas, L. U. Conyers and Joshua Kingham. ALFRED CORNELIUS FLUMERFELT, nominated by D. R. Ker, seconded by W. J. Maule, and assenting to the nomination R. P. Taylor, Chas. E. Redfern, and John Dilworth.

## COURT IS ADJOURNED

### Engineer Reports on Bascule Span for Rock Bay Bridge; Other Matters.

The court of revision on local improvement assessment by-law announced for this morning only occupied a few minutes. The mayor adjourned the session till March 23. The reason is that the opinion of the solicitors of the Dominion Securities company on the question of assessing work done under the old local improvement act to the property owners by virtue of the terms of the present act has not yet been received. To the harbor committee of council this morning City Engineer Rust sent a report on the Rock Bay bridge span steel system. This was considered by the committee. The engineer stated that the cost of such steel had been discarded when a lift bridge was erected across the waterway, and was now resting on the tide flats. It would have to be inspected. The cost at \$30 a ton would be \$4,500. He recommended delaying action till he had heard from the Dominion Bridge company at Montreal. The committee adopted the recommendation.

## WESTERN SCOTS' CONCERT

### Local Singers Offer Their Services for Entertainment Monday Night at Victoria Theatre.

Mrs. Macdonald Fahey and Mrs. R. H. Peck have consented to sing on Monday evening at the concert to be given at the old Victoria theatre, Douglas street, by the 67th battalion, Western Scots' band. The programme is being arranged by Bandmaster Louis Turner, who has brought the Scots' band to its present state of proficiency. It is claimed that the concert will be one of the best that has been given by military band in Victoria. As an added attraction the Western Scots will have on the stage a "Celtic machine gun, which recently arrived at the camp. The gun will be shown in action by a squad of men from the battalion. It will be the first opportunity the public has had of witnessing how the rapid fire gun is worked. The theatre has been lent for the concert by David Spencer, Limited, a kindness which the Scots desire to acknowledge publicly. Tickets for the concert are on sale today at Fletcher Brothers' music store.

## WHERE TO VOTE

There has been a request for the publication of the polling places. These are as follows: Ward One—560 Yates street, the old Fruit exchange, on the north side of the street, facing the end of Langley street. Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue. Ward Three—Maynard's auction rooms, in the old institute hall, View street, between Douglas and Blanshard streets. Ward Four—719 Courtney street, in the store formerly occupied by George Carter & Son, opposite the Alexandra club. Ward Five—Northwest Garage, corner of Wharf and Broughton streets, across from the marine and fisheries department.

## LOCAL COUNCIL CONTINUES SESSION

### Committee on Health Report of Particular Interest at Morning Meeting.

The second day's session of the Local Council of Women convened this morning at 10 o'clock, the first few moments being taken up with the reading of the minutes of yesterday's proceedings. Mrs. McPhillips requested that she might be recorded as saying that a trained citizen soldiery was entirely different from any scheme of militarism, this being as the result of the discussion of the matter of compulsory military training in the schools which was taken up yesterday afternoon.

The reports this morning were numerous. Ladies' Musical club reported through Mrs. Duncan Ross, who in her review of the work of the organization during the year, pointed to the new feature, the ladies' chorus, and also stated that several concerts for patriotic purposes had been held in the last twelve months, and soldiers and sailors welcomed to each and every of the entertainments as the guests of the club. The associate membership had decreased, but the active membership had increased. Mrs. Gordon Grant gave a very businesslike and interesting report of the Victoria Day Nursery, explaining that the girls under the care of the juvenile court had been placed in charge of the institution latterly. New quarters had been taken on Quadra street to meet the emergency of an increased household. Thanks were expressed to the many who had helped, and it was stated that the amount of money raised from all sources during the year was \$2,490.25, the balance in hand after the payment of all expenses being \$1.25.

The report of the Children's Aid society was also read by Mrs. Grant. There was one branch of the work the importance of which could not be over emphasized, viz. the juvenile court. Notwithstanding the decrease in the population of the city during the past year the number of delinquencies among children had increased, probably owing to the more frequent cases of very stern economy in some homes who had felt the pinch of the times. Even with this condition, however, Victoria still remained one of the best cities in the Dominion with respect to juvenile crime. The report commended the wisdom and justice of Magistrate Jay's decision in the juvenile court. A report of the Children's Aid home, prepared by Mrs. Spofford, was included.

The Diocesan board of the Women's Auxiliary of the Church of England in Canada submitted its first report, this showing that \$3,555.86 had been given by the organization during the year just closed to missions—foreign, Indian and diocesan. Last year there had been paid out in salaries the sum of \$709, and clothing to the value of \$773 had also been sent out. The W. A. is also assisting greatly with the work of upkeep of the three hospitals at ALERT BAY.

Miss Fox reported for the Victoria Literary Society that that body at the present time had 22 members, practically all the ladies among whom were doing patriotic work. The Centennial Methodist Church Ladies' Aid reported a busy year and the holding of many entertainments for the raising of funds. The Navy League Chapter reported beset with numerous activities in naval interests, the holding of an ice-cream last winter to aid finances, the service of tea at the naval sports' day last September, the holding of a Christmas tree for the children of the B. C. N. V. R. in aid of a number of donations to naval ends. The membership was 82, and the balance on hand in the treasury \$141.05.

Standing Committees. The report of the standing committee on laws was read by Mrs. Spofford during the forenoon. The necessity for women to understand the laws by which they are governed was urged. Mrs. William Grant asked that the recent changes in the laws affecting women and children should be printed and distributed. The president called attention to the act that such a pamphlet had been published and might now be had. A motion that the council purchase five dollars' worth of literature relating to these laws and the changes therein was carried by the meeting.

Mrs. Graves' report on toy-making as a possible industry for British Columbia pointed out that for the establishment of such a commerce cheap and plentiful supplies of material should be available. Health Report. Quite one of the most interesting reports was that by Mrs. H. C. Hanington representing the health committee. A portion of her remarks was a condensed statement of the health conditions in the city during the past year as noted in the report of the board of health, this being most encouraging, and showing that at times there was not a case of infectious disease at the isolation hospital, the cases this year being less than for the past fifteen years. Altogether there had been only 12 cases of scarlet fever and 3 of diphtheria during the year. The failure to isolate tubercular patients, however, came in for condemnation, and a free clinic was strongly recommended and state assistance for even incipient cases urged. Were it not for the splendid work of the Anti-Tuberculosis society the tubercular cases would be badly off at the present time as there was no place for the treatment of cases between the very incipient and the far-advanced. The matter should be taken up by the province as well as by the city, and the provincial board of health be induced to take up legislation on the question for the sake of protecting the state. "Child Welfare," "The Care of



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## New Thought Lectures AT THE Old Victoria Theatre

### Sunday Evenings of March 5 and 12 at 7.30 o'Clock

By T. W. Butler, Ph.D., D.P., who will give in outline the purpose and meaning, as also the practical results to be obtained from New Religion, by the New Man in the New Age at hand.

SUBJECTS March 5—"The New Thought Ideal and Its Realization." March 12—"The New Man in the New Age."

Admission is free with an offering. The public are cordially invited.

Children in the Home," etc. were also touched upon, and the need of education along these lines urged. The establishment of maternity homes within the paying capacity of those who attended them was strongly urged. Even the moderate fees in the small maternity ward at the Jubilee hospital were much too heavy for some. In this connection the incomparable work of the Victoria Order of Nurses was commented on, and an appeal made to work for stronger financial support for this organization from the city. In the matter of public health the city had made a saving of \$23,000, and surely under the circumstances it ought to be possible to increase rather than lessen the grant to such a magnificent and highly necessary organization as the Victorian Order of Nurses. The establishment of some provincial-wide system of education along the lines of preventive work in connection with disease would do much to lighten the responsibilities of the medical health officer, and would assist in the furtherance of that which everyone had close at heart, the improvement of the health of the community at large.

Miss Crease asked Mrs. Hanington to bring the matters contained in this very interesting report up at the next meeting of the Local Council of Women, so that they could consider the subject at greater length. An officer of the 103rd Battalion addressed the meeting and asked the co-operation of the Local Council in the "Woman's Recruiting Day" which is to be held in the city on March 4. The movement would be grateful for the support of the members of such an organization as the Local Council of Women. Mrs. Hanington probably expressed the feeling of the whole meeting when she stated that "practically every individual member of the Local Council was in sympathy with recruiting.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Miss Crease (by acclamation); first vice-president, Mrs. J. D. Gordon (by acclamation); secretary, Mrs. H. Burns (by acclamation); treasurer, Mrs. William Grant (by acclamation); recording secretary, Mrs. Day (by acclamation). Other vice-presidents were elected as follows: Miss Mary Lawson, Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. McPhillips, Mrs. Hanington and Mrs. Graves.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, maximum yesterday, 51; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles S.; rain, 0; weather, fair. Vancouver—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 32; wind, 10 miles E.; snow, 10; weather, snowing. Kamloops—Barometer, 29.93; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 22; wind, 4 miles W.; weather, clear.

Forecasts. For 26 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday, Victoria and vicinity—Strong winds of gales, mostly easterly and southerly, unsettled, with sleet or rain. Lower Mainland—Strong winds of gales, mostly easterly, unsettled, with snow or sleet.

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## OBITUARY RECORD

The funeral of the late Elsie W. Stewart, who died at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday, will be held to-morrow from the late residence, 1732 Lee avenue, at 2 p. m. The deceased was born in Winnipeg and was 21 years of age.

Mr. William Grady, a resident of the city for the past six years, who formerly lived in Montreal, died yesterday afternoon at the Royal Jubilee hospital. Deceased was a native of India, and 58 years of age. The body is reposing at the Sands funeral chapel, from where the funeral will take place at 10.30 a. m. to-morrow. Interment at Ross Bay cemetery.

The death occurred at her home, Kelvin road, at an early hour this morning, of Mrs. Sophia Shingles, beloved wife of Thomas Shingles, aged 56 years, born in Hammersmith, London, England, and a residence of this city for the past four years. The deceased leaves besides her husband and one son of Victoria, a mother and a brother in England, and one sister in Alberta. The funeral will take place on Saturday, the 4th inst., at 2 o'clock from the Sands funeral chapel, interment at Ross Bay cemetery. The death occurred yesterday of John Anthony Medwedrich, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Medwedrich, of 254 Forbes street. The remains are reposing at the Thomas funeral chapel, whence the funeral will take place to-morrow morning at 8.45 o'clock. At 9 o'clock services will be held at St. Andrew's cathedral, where Rev. Father Letermie will officiate. Interment will be made in Ross Bay cemetery. The funeral of Mrs. Jane Fraser Brashaw took place yesterday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the Thomson funeral chapel, Rev. Dr. Leslie Clay officiating. The chapel was filled with many friends of the deceased and the casket was covered with an abundance of beautiful floral tributes, among which was a large wreath from members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of which her husband, Mr. T. M. Brashaw, is a well-known member. The pallbearers were: Messrs. Geo. McCann, P. A. Bell, Peter Shanley, E. E. Greenshaw and James Bell. Interment took place in the family plot at Ross Bay cemetery.



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### THE SENATE WILL SUPPORT WILSON

(Continued from page 1)

Senator Stone's statement follows: "A sharp issue has been defined between Germany and Great Britain as to the status of armed merchantmen. Germany contends that armed merchant vessels are the equivalent of auxiliary war vessels and has announced her policy to be that after March 1 armed merchantmen would be regarded as warships and subject to the rules of war.

"On the other hand Great Britain contends that under international law merchantmen have the right to be armed for defensive purposes, and that armed merchantmen are entitled under the law to the same immunity as unarmed ships, without regard to cargo. She has announced her intention of carrying out that policy.

"Now where does the United States come in? In this way: If both should persist in these courses, neither yielding to the other, nor to the importunities of neutral nations, and if Germany should attack an armed merchantman and any American citizen be injured, the question would be presented to this government what our attitude would be. If no American citizen were on board, we would have no cause to interfere unless we proceeded on the altruistic theory of obligations of humanity.

Clearness Desired. "To my mind this emergency is of high importance. The president, senators and representatives should speak with each other and with the country free from political bias. We should wear our hearts on our sleeves so we may know our positions exactly.

"The president's attitude is this: He supports the contention that belligerent merchantmen have the right to bear arms for defensive purposes; but he does not say nor do I, and I doubt if anyone does, what constitutes defensive purposes.

"Furthermore, if a German warship without warning should attack and sink a merchantman, the president proposes to consider the attack a lawless act. He will be disposed to hold the German government to strict accountability and if the German government should persist, he would be tempted to sever diplomatic relations and submit the matter to congress, which, under the constitution, is the war-making body.

"If it must come to this and I must disagree with the president, and if I must disagree with my colleagues, I must not face this as a political question. His duty is clear. I cannot believe that if a belligerent merchantman is armed, whether for defensive or offensive purposes, it is the equivalent of a war vessel.

### AUSTRIAN SQUADRON DID NOT SEEK FIGHT WITH ALLIED FLEETS

Athens, March 2.—The Austrian squadron, stationed at Cattaro, appeared off Corfu yesterday, according to a dispatch received here to-day. It hurried away without seeking the allied fleets.

### PAY OF CANADIAN OFFICERS NOT TAXED

London, March 2.—Rt. Hon. Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, replying in the house of commons this afternoon regarding the imposition of a tax on the pay of Canadian officers, stated that instructions given by the board of inland revenue are that any income tax assessment on a person who has come from overseas to join the naval or military forces should be restricted to his pay from the United Kingdom, and any income derived from other sources in the overseas dominion should neither be charged, an income tax nor included in the calculations of total income.

### GREY'S STATEMENT ON ARMED MERCHANTMEN

London, March 2.—Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, has authorized for publication the following statement: "The assumption apparently made by the German government that all British merchant ships are armed is entirely incorrect. Practically all British merchant ships employed in the trade between the United States and the United Kingdom have previously been unarmed.

"The declaration, therefore, made by the German government that it will sink all British merchant ships at sight, because of their armament is one which cannot possibly be justified. This is clearly proved by the statement issued on Tuesday, giving a list of the British and neutral unarmed merchant ships which have been torpedoed by German submarines without warning.

### SWISS COLONEL FRIENDLY WITH TEUTON ATTACHES

Zurich, March 2.—Colonel Riechel, Swiss federal auditor, in his charge for the prosecution against the two Swiss colonels, whose acquittal already has been announced on the charge of communicating secret military documents to the German and Austrian attaches in Switzerland, said he strongly opposed the too friendly relations of one of the colonels with the attaches and added that to explain his sentiment in this regard he need only point to the fate of Belgium, whose adversaries have never been able with any show of reason to reproach her with anything except certain relations which her general staff is supposed to have had with foreign powers.

### WILSON WOULD SPEAK WITH GREATER WEIGHT

London, March 2.—The Daily News, commenting on President Wilson's demand on congress for a vote on what it terms the "piracy issue," says: "He has put before the nation the plain choice between honor and dishonor and called for a prompt and final decision on the one issue.

### NO ULTIMATUM SENT TO PORTUGAL BY GERMANY

London, March 2.—The Lisbon correspondent of the Morning Post wires: "The report that Germany has sent an ultimatum to Portugal with reference to the seizure of the German ships interned in Portuguese waters is denied in official circles here."

### REPORTED ATTEMPT MADE ON FERDINAND'S LIFE

Rome, March 2.—Confidential advice received here to-day say that the reported indisposition of King Ferdinand of Bulgaria is due in reality to wounds received when an attempt was made to assassinate him while he was en route to Vienna from Sofia.

### TORONTO BANK CLEARINGS.

Toronto, March 2.—The bank clearings here for the week ended to-day were \$43,492,738. During the corresponding week last year the clearances were \$34,425,407, and in 1914, \$4,145,626.

Portage la Prairie, March 2.—Tynko Nackonyahm, of Ethelbert, was hanged here this morning for the murder of Paul Jure.

### GORE'S STATEMENT DENIED BY WILSON

President Says He Did Not Speak of War With Germany

Washington, March 2.—The following statement was issued late to-day at the White House: "When the attention of the White House was called to certain statements in Senator Gore's speech this afternoon, the president authorized an unqualified denial of any intimation in which any such meaning could be attached.

Senator Lewis, of Illinois, late to-day determined to introduce immediately if possible a resolution pledging to President Wilson the support of the senate in his dealings in the submarine controversy.

The statements in Senator Gore's speech to which the denial issued at the White House referred was that there was a report that President Wilson had told certain congress leaders that war between the United States and Germany "might not be ungrateful and might result in advancing civilization by bringing about the end of the European war by midsummer."

### REPORTS IN BERLIN

Washington, March 2.—The state department received advices to-day that reports are being circulated in Berlin as coming from Washington that congress stands five to one against the president in the present crisis.

### MINING DEPUTATION SAW WHITE TO-DAY

Ottawa, March 2.—An influential deputation representing the Canadian Mining Institute and introduced by Dr. A. Thompson, member for the Yukon, waited on Sir Thomas White, minister of finance, this morning, and made strong representations concerning the effect of the proposed new business tax on the mining industry of the Dominion, and called attention to a resolution passed at the annual meeting of the institute yesterday to the effect that unless changes were made mining in Canada would suffer very severely.

It was pointed out that in the majority of commercial enterprises large annual returns meant the building up of the business or property, while mining profits were taken from real capital and meant an exhaustion of ore reserves. In this respect the new revenue bill promised to have a serious effect on the industry and to work in an inequitable manner.

It was believed that as a consequence of the representations made to-day and during the past two weeks some modification of the regulations as they affect mining companies would be made in Sir Thomas White's resolutions before they were brought down this afternoon. It was understood that these modifications would permit mining companies to make a profit greater than seven per cent, before falling under the new tax, and that they would be placed in the same class as unincorporated firms and businesses, which will be permitted to make 16 per cent on their paid-up capital before being taxed.

### METAL EXCHANGE MEN TO SEE LLOYD GEORGE

London, March 2.—Following the announcement that no speculative dealings would be permitted in metals used for making munitions, the members of the London metal exchange to-day decided to suspend all dealings with the exception of those in tin, pending the report of a deputation which will interview the minister of munitions to-morrow.

Dealings in the Glasgow pig iron market also have been suspended.

New York, March 2.—John D. Ryan, president of the Anaconda Copper Mining company, issued a statement to-day saying that the suspension on the London metal exchange of trading in all metals except tin occasioned no surprise.

Mr. Ryan declared that bids of most of the prominent producing companies indicated that the London market, as far as copper, lead and zinc were concerned, has been fictitious ever since the war began, chiefly because of the embargo placed by the British government on the exportation of metal from Great Britain.

### BISHOP FOR LOS ANGELES.

Rome, March 2.—The consistorial congregation met at the vatican to-day to nominate a candidate to succeed the late Bishop Conaty, of Los Angeles.

### WOMEN OF BRITAIN.

London, March 2.—The women are slow in responding to the campaign to secure women for agricultural service. Only 14,000 of the 200,000 women needed have yet enrolled.

### JUDGE SAYS HE HAS NOT CHANGED MIND

Refers to New Evidence in Dominion Trust Misfeasance Suit

Vancouver, March 2.—Mr. Justice Murphy has given a brief intimation to counsel for the Dominion Trust directors in the misfeasance suit that nothing in the evidence given on Tuesday by R. L. Reid, K. C., on behalf of himself and fellow directors has caused him to change his mind in regard to the question of the directors' liability for the losses caused by the trust and corporate funds of the company having been mixed in a common bank account instead of being kept separate as required by the Companies Act.

This means that the judgment as originally given by Mr. Justice Murphy on Jan. 23, printed in the Times, stands, though to enable the evidence of Mr. Reid to be considered by the court of appeal in the appeal proceedings, the order for judgment on the question of liability for losses through the mixture of funds, will be dated subsequently to Mr. Reid's evidence.

This morning his lordship heard counsel on a number of points arising out of the proceedings and the appeals which both sides have decided on. One point was in regard to dating the judgment so as to admit Mr. Reid's evidence to be entered on the record. Another was as to which side is to pay for the cost of the appeal books, which, owing to the great length of the proceedings doubtless will be a large item. It was decided to consider suggestion by Joseph Martin, K. C., counsel for the liquidator, that the cost of getting out the appeal books should be equally divided. Mr. Martin and Douglas Armour, counsel for the directors, will meet and agree to eliminate as much of the evidence as possible.

The question of who shall be held liable for costs and to what extent, proved a difficult question and his lordship set next Tuesday morning as a date to hear argument on the question before giving a ruling. Five of the out-of-town directors were held not liable in the proceedings at all, while all of them were freed from liability for losses through the breaches by W. R. Arnold of the lending rules of the company.

"I do not think that even all of the directors found liable are in the same position," observed his lordship. "Mr. Reid, for instance, may be liable sub genere and perhaps Miller, too."

The term sui generis, literally "by reason of his birth," refers to Mr. Reid's responsibility through his legal training, an element to which his lordship referred in his judgment of Jan. 23.

In the appeal proceedings, the liquidator is appealing from the part of the judgment which finds the directors not liable for losses for breaches of the lending rules and not finding the out-of-town directors liable for losses through the mixture of trust and corporate funds, while the Vancouver directors are appealing the portion of the judgment which finds them liable for losses resulting from the mixture of funds.

### CABLED REPORT ABOUT PERLEY IS INCORRECT

Ottawa, March 2.—The cable dispatch from London announcing that Sir George Perley had accepted the High Commissioner'ship is stated in official circles here to be incorrect.

The situation was explained by Sir Robert Borden recently. Sir George Perley has consented to act as High Commissioner until the war is over, an indefinite period. That he will take the post permanently however, is much doubted as Sir George is known to prefer residence in Canada.

### HON. JAS. MACDONALD DIES AT WEST BAY, C. B.

Halifax, March 2.—Hon. James Macdonald, member of the provincial cabinet without portfolio, died at his home at West Bay, C. B., this morning. He was born at Whycocomagh, C. B., in 1849, and was elected to the legislature first in 1897, entering the government in 1907. He is survived by three daughters and four sons.

### WHERE TO VOTE

There has been a request for the publication of the polling places. These are as follows: Ward One—560 Yates street, the old Fruit exchange, on the north side of the street, facing the end of Langley street. Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue. Ward Three—Maynard's auction rooms, in the old Institute hall, View street, between Douglas and Blanshard streets. Ward Four—719 Courtney street, in the store formerly occupied by George Carter & Son, opposite the Alexandra club. Ward Five—Northwest Garage, corner of Wharf and Broughton streets, across from the marine and fisheries department.

### CROWN PRINCE GOES TO HEADQUARTERS

Summoned by Leaders; Duke of Wurttemberg Commands His Army

London, March 2.—The correspondent of the Chronicle at Geneva sends the following dispatch which was received from Mainz, Hesse, Germany: "The crown prince has been urgently summoned to general headquarters, where there is expectation of imminent events. The crown prince will not return to the fighting front for some time. In the meantime the Duke of Wurttemberg will take over the command of the crown prince's army.

"Several generals are advising against a continuation of the Verdun offensive, but General von Falkenhayn, chief of the general staff, continues to send reinforcements. A spirit of disorganization is said to prevail."

### MONTREAL STOCKS

(By F. A. Borden & Co.) Montreal, March 2.—The Montreal market was dull again to-day, even though waiting for a lead from New York. Unless something unfavorable develops liquidation seems to be pretty well over and a lion seems to be in the Washington-Berlin situation would find this market bare of stocks. The statement just published by Cedar Rapids is very satisfactory.

### TO-DAY'S TRADING ON THE WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, March 2.—The market closed to be lower, with May at 196 and July at 194. The market of the fluctuation was very narrow, only 100. This depicted the character of the market. Trade was very dull, closing 1/2 to 1/4 lower, at 63 1/2 for May and 64 for July. Harley was down 1 cent, at 62, and flax was down 1/4 to 1/2, at 26 1/2 for May and 26 1/2 for July.

### NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) New York, March 2.—Cotton market today was quiet, with a slight upward movement in the near future. The market was generally quiet, with a slight upward movement in the near future.

### NEW YORK CURB PRICES.

(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) New York, March 2.—Curb prices today were generally steady, with some fluctuations in the near future.

### METAL MARKET.

New York, March 2.—Lead, 64 1/2; spot not quoted. Copper steady, electricity nearby, \$3.50; June and later, \$3.75. Tin, 100.00; steady and unchanged. Tin quiet, offered at 40.

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(By F. W. Stevenson & Co.) New York, March 2.—There was sufficient betterment in the political outlook in a theoretical sense to warrant conservative buying of stocks and conversely to keep bears in a nervous predicament. It was the general opinion that any favorable turn in events would start an unusually short element covering their commitments in converted order, but as it was, price enhancement was gradual and operations deliberate in character.

The situation remained acute but to a less extent, and the market therefore was better able to reflect domestic influences, which are fundamentally sound. High Low Bid Ask Am. Gold 117 1/2 117 1/2 117 3/4 117 1/2

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### NEW YORK SUGAR.

New York, March 2.—Raw sugar firm; centrifugal, 9.98; molasses, 44.11; refined (No. 10) 10.00; cut loaf, 17.50; crushed, 17.50; mould A and cubes, 17.50; XXXX powdered, 16.50; powdered, 16.50; fine granulated, 16.50; diamond A, 16.50; confectioners' A, 16.50; No. 1, 16.50.

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Maroon border and gilt edge	20.00	16.00
Rose pattern, 138 pieces	35.00	18.50
Rose pattern, Grecian border, 97 pieces	22.50	18.00
Gilt edge and black line	22.50	18.00
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Green floral border and gilt edge, 105 pieces	36.00	25.00
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## PREMIER'S ATTITUDE IN KITSILANO RESERVE

### John Oliver Goes Into Record of Maladministration of Province

Sledge-hammer blows were struck at the government last night by John Oliver, J. W. deB. Farris and T. D. Pattullo at a meeting in the Victoria theatre which was attended by several hundred men and women. The speakers all handled the ministers without gloves, and exposed the hollowness of the pretence that the present is any more a business government than the one which preceded it.

Following up the letter from Joseph Cole which was published in the Times yesterday afternoon in the matter of the Kitsilano reserve deal, Mr. Farris daily accused the premier of either falsehood in saying that he had never seen Hamilton Read in the course of the transaction, or of remissness in his duty if he allowed the fact of Joseph Cole and H. O. Alexander, the Vancouver magistrate who was a party with Hamilton Read in the taking of the \$50,000 commission on the deal, had sworn to the contrary to pass without any prosecution for perjury.

The chair was occupied by J. Stuart Yates, a former minister of the crown in this province, and on the stage were H. C. Brewster, John Oliver, Ralph Smith, J. W. deB. Farris, T. D. Pattullo, F. A. Pauline, the Liberal candidate in Saanich; Chas. E. Campbell, president of the Vancouver City Liberal association; Ald. W. G. Cameron, Ald. George Bell, Ald. Peden, John Hart, campaign manager for Mr. Brewster; Henry C. Hall, Joshua Kingham, and many others.

The chairman, an old campaigner, voiced his pleasure at doing his share in the election for Mr. Brewster. Their leader had with him on the platform several of the gentlemen who were candidates in the approaching general election, had the fine calibre of the men who would surround him in the house after the general elections could be seen. As a beginning to that end here, and a continuation of the work so well begun in Vancouver, it was for every voter to go to the polls on Saturday and vote for Mr. Brewster.

Conditions in the North. Mr. Pattullo told the audience something of the conditions existing in the north in spite of the bright pictures painted of its progress by Sir Richard McBride. That potentially rich section of the province had fish in the sea, fertility in the soil, timber on the mountains and minerals in the soil, and with a railway than which there were no better, the Grand Trunk Pacific, settlers had left the country by the thousands and those remaining were merely hanging on in the hope that some change of government would lead to better conditions.

The primary object of the government in everything it did in the north seemed to be not development of the resources of the province but such manipulation and exploitation as would grease the "machine" for party purposes. The district had contributed immense sums in revenue, but some money had been spent with a sole eye on the party advantage and not the necessities and interests of the people. The roads that had been made in the north were a disgrace, and in some cases it had happened that after road gangs had "improved" the rough trails, settlers had built, these became impassable.

Mr. Pattullo reminded his hearers that no true success could be attained in life without sincerity of intention, common-sense and hard work. The same thing applied in political life, and that it had been spent with a sole eye on the party advantage and not the necessities and interests of the people. The roads that had been made in the north were a disgrace, and in some cases it had happened that after road gangs had "improved" the rough trails, settlers had built, these became impassable.

Position of Ministers. Answering the morning paper's questions regarding the position of Messrs. Flumerfelt and Campbell before and after December 15, Mr. Pattullo reminded the audience that Mr. Campbell had sat in the house for years, had gone into the caucus to vote "aye", obediently when he was told to do so, and then came out and blamed it on the majority. It was strange that men who were ordinarily good and law-abiding citizens could take this view of their public duties.

Mr. Campbell, like his defeated colleague, Mr. Tisdall, said "aye" to the theft of \$50,000 paid in commissions in connection with the Kitsilano reserve. Another member of the government, the president of the council, Hon. Wm. Mangon, of Skeena, was equally dishonest to his constituents in the matter of the Prince Rupert charter. Entrusted by them to secure certain provisions, he allowed Mr. Brewster to force his will upon them, and when asked for an explanation he said: "The government in its wisdom has not seen fit to give us what we

asked, and I suppose we ought to be satisfied."

As for Mr. Flumerfelt, who would not take responsibility for what happened before December 15 but could not escape responsibility. If he valued his reputation so lightly—his character was a thing he made for himself—he would have thought of it before he joined the men he was now associated with. Financial records showed that Mr. Flumerfelt was a director of nineteen companies. How could he properly direct them? He sat in and voted "aye," just as the directors did in the case of the Dominion Trust. When these companies came in conflict with the province what was he going to do? Was he going to act and vote as Flumerfelt the director or Flumerfelt the minister? When a man took that position he was not honest. (Applause.)

"Yesterday, practically over his signature, Mr. Flumerfelt insults the electors of Victoria with a wholesale offer of a bribe of \$2,000,000. ("Shame"). Some people say that is not dishonesty. I believe it is. The Colonel asks: Does Mr. Brewster distinguish between personal and political honesty? There is no difference, but the worst kind of dishonesty is political dishonesty. (Cheers). Mr. Flumerfelt is not only dishonest, but he is ignorant; dishonest in offering this bribe and ignorant when he thinks that people will be foolish enough to "fall for it."

Speaks Friday Message. Speaking of Hon. Lorne Campbell's trip to the east and the expected message about Friday morning, Mr. Pattullo recalled the forged telegram and said that whatever information came from Mr. Campbell at Ottawa, when given out from the parliament buildings it would be distorted to suit Mr. Bower's purposes.

Mr. Farris told of a poster which started down from the billboards in Vancouver with the words: "Vote for Tisdall and Bower's Business Government." If that were to be brought over here it would probably be altered to: "Vote for Flumerfelt and Bower's Busted Business Government."

Was it really a business government? A very cursory glance over the record proved that it was not; that its members were simply a bunch of politicians, ready to promise anything to hold on to power. Their handling of finances was anything but that of businessmen, and had consisted largely of selling the assets of the province for ordinary requirements. The land question had been so managed that hardly an acre of land was left within reach of any means of transportation. Fake maps were sent out to inquirers, and in themselves were typical of the general dishonesty and inefficiency of the government.

Was it a business government in the matter of shipbuilding? If another defeat stimulated shipbuilding as had that of Saturday last, we would be turning out ships by wholesale.

"The Fall of the Axe." In Vancouver last week Mr. Tisdall drew so enthusiastic over shipbuilding that he could almost hear the buzz of the saw. He made a mistake; what he really heard was the fall of the axe. (Laughter and cheers.)

The government had shown no capacity to deal with the graft problem, as had been demonstrated in instance after instance. There was the Kitsilano case, in which the Times that afternoon had added to the public information on it. Hamilton Read got \$40,000, but when Joseph Cole got a judgment for \$20,000 Read said the money was all gone. After reading from the judgment of the supreme court of Canada, Mr. Farris continued:

"Mr. Bower not only lays himself open to this castigation at the hands of the highest court in Canada, but he comes over to Vancouver and in a public meeting states: 'I never met Hamilton Read in the course of the whole transaction.'"

"I say on that that either Mr. Bower is telling a falsehood or he has been remiss in his duty as attorney-general. Cole says Read saw Bower in the matter, and Alexander says the first he knew of the price being \$300,000 came from Hamilton Read, who had come back from Bower with that information. That evidence was public and was well known. Mr. Bower knew these men were committing perjury, if what he said is true, and did not prosecute them, and permit Alexander to continue to be a magistrate. "Either that, or the other thing that I believe to be the fact, that the attorney-general came into Vancouver and deliberately made a misstatement. They say this is mud-slinging. It is a serious and a solemn criticism of a public man, brought upon himself by his own misconduct and misstatements. (Hear, hear.)"

In Desperate Straits.

The government was not a new one, Mr. Farris pointed out, and Mr. Flumerfelt could not have lived in the province for the last ten years without knowing the sort of government it was that he was joining. He had not been compelled to enter the cabinet, but walked into the mess and deliberately tried to throw the cloak of his respectability around the shame of it. One could forgive Tisdall and Campbell, who had been in it and stayed in; but the highest and strongest condemnation fell on the man who, in the name of honesty and respectability, tried to shield the malefactors from the just and righteous wrath of an outraged people. The "new" government was dominated by the same gang of railway promoters as the "old" one.

What had the Liberals to offer? They had to offer Mr. Brewster, the coming premier. (Cheers.) They had to offer the services of a man ready to go into the house to-morrow and try to get to the bottom of things or put a check on the mad career of the government. When the time came that a Liberal government took office it would have to offer to the people constructive policies which would assist in developing their resources and would bring back prosperity to the province. The result of the by-election here and the general elections

throughout the province would prove that the people would no longer consent to submit to the dictation of the machine and the machinations of an evil government.

Mr. Oliver recalled the last time he had been on the stage of the Victoria theatre, which was when the attorney-general, Mr. Hawthorthwaite and himself had discussed the workmen's compensation act, and in that connection declared that neither the word nor the handwriting of the attorney-general was reliable.

He took up the matter of shipbuilding and the pledges of the minister of finance in that connection. Mr. Flumerfelt was honest, according to the Colonel, he remarked, but who was going to vouch for the Colonel? The laughter which greeted this shot rang through the house, and broke out again and again for many seconds. There was a new benefactor in the case. The offer to build ships was not being made by Mackenzie & Mann, the greatest pair of public benefactors the world had ever produced, seeing that they had taken away our surplus money for fear we would spend it in riotous living. A new planet had arisen on the horizon and its name was Frederick Shibley, who came from little old New York. No truck or trade with the Yankees was quite forgotten when this benefactor of the government arose and generously offered to take over a couple of the province's now scarce mills. He was quite generous, too, in his willingness to take fifty per cent. of the cost of ships, although it was scarcely enough. (Laughter.)

Who was Shibley? He represented a concern that had bought up a prosperous sawmill and had run it so effectively that they could not pay their debts, and at present were compounding for fifty cents on the dollar. The government had made a contract with that individual, or his company; it was completed, according to the announcement of the government organ; it had made a contract with a firm that could not make its own business so as to keep it out of the bankruptcy court. It would hand over to that bankrupt concern fifty per cent. of the cost of six wooden ships, and that concern was relying on that contract to pay fifty cents on the dollar to its creditors here.

"They think the people of Victoria are fools," said Mr. Oliver, "that they have no more intelligence than to deem that as a business transaction of a business government."

"We are not fools," called out one of the audience and the whole assembly shouted its approval of the sentiment.

Wooden Ships.

Dealing with the proposal to build wooden ships Mr. Oliver pointed out that twenty years ago a ship of the United States' navy had been built from iron produced on Texada Island, and that this province had such immense deposits of iron ore that it was an act of disloyalty as well as of want of political foresight to talk of wooden ships when the building of iron and steel ships ought to be the ambition of the province.

Mr. Oliver reminded the audience that the premier, through the firm of Bower, Reid & Wallbridge, was solicitor for the C. N. Pacific, for the P. G. E.; that he had been solicitor for the Japanese Botoh at the time he was accusing the Liberals of planning to bring thousands of Japanese workers, and for the late Augustus Heinze. Was it right, he asked, that the province should have as its premier a man who told untruths? Yet they found that he had been guilty of this in many instances, and his multifarious manifestations had led the chief justice of the province to remark that justice in British Columbia was tainted at the fountain-head.

There had been a great acclaiming of the premier in connection with the result of the suit against Heinze over the taxation of the land grant lands, but the facts were that these lands had never been assessed until 1914 and that not a cent of taxes had ever been paid up to the present moment. In C. N. P. matters the country would have Bower, the attorney-general for the province, on the one hand; Bower, the solicitor for the railway, on the other; and Bower, the premier, as Judge between the two.

In connection between ministers and members of the house and land deals was traced by Mr. Oliver, and one instance he gave was that of the Dominion Stock & Bond company, of which Price Ellison is president. This company has lands in the Fort Fraser district, many of them obtained under fraudulent powers of attorney for which it is now asking the settler \$22.50 an acre. John Arbutnot was the vice-president of the Dominion Stock & Bond company. There was thus established the circle of connection between Dr. Young and Arbutnot in the Pacific coal case; Young and Ellison, in the cattle case; Ellison and Arbutnot in the land deals, in which they offered to the settler land at \$7.50 on which they paid the government twenty-five cents an acre and were thousands of dollars in arrears. This was but a sample of the ring of adventurers and exploiters, ministers, members and speculators, all engaged in robbing the people of their heritage.

"As a public man I have laid charges of fraud against these ministers of the crown, and charged them with assisting and conniving at frauds in the acquisition of land," said Mr. Oliver in conclusion. "I hold in my hand a copy of the petition I have sent to his honor the lieutenant-governor, asking for a public inquiry into these charges under the Public Inquiries act, and I never even had the courtesy of an acknowledgment of that petition."

"I have no desire to attack the representative of the king, but I say this to show you that we have resorted to every constitutional means of securing an inquiry into these things. To-night we appeal to you as the great court of last resort, as a court which has more power than all the parliaments, we are appealing to the people of this capital city of the province, for an expression of your opinion. "I charge you upon your honor, I charge you upon your judgment, I charge you upon your patriotism, I

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charge you upon your duty as citizens to yourselves and the province, to let that expression be recorded in no unmistakable terms at the ballot-box on Saturday next." Cheers and applause.

The meeting closed with the singing of the national anthem.

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Arise! yours is the potent might, For victory the battle wage. Fight, every man, for freedom fight; Fight for a freeman's heritage.

Shall this fair province of the west Be ever held in bondage chain; By autocratic rule overcast? While people semi-slaves remain!

For whom shall be great nature's store? Mines, forests, seas and fertile lands—Must they their wealthy treasures pour Unchallenged into favored hands?

No longer be asleep, suppose. The call is sounding deep and strong March forward in your battle line, Resolved to strike and right the wrong.

Not for a party clique or clan, For an exploiter's bold device, No more in weakness be the pawn To sell your rights for any "Price."

Our boys for freedom's cause have gone, If needed, more will follow yet; Hear ye the call that is your own, Vote for the right and do your bit.

So shall the people's will prevail, So shall the people's will prevail, The makers of their fate to halt New birth of true democracy! ONWARD.

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"I have never met," he said, "more than two really lovely women." "Ah," she said, looking up innocently into his face, "who was the other?"

### WHERE TO VOTE

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Ward Two—B. C. Pottery warehouse, corner of Broad street and Pandora avenue.

Ward Three—Maynard's auction rooms, in the old institute hall, view street, between Douglas and Blanshard streets.

Ward Four—719, Courtney street, in the store formerly occupied by George Carter & Son, opposite the Alexander's club.

Ward Five—Northwest Garage, corner of Wharf and Courtenay streets, across from the G. T. P. docks.



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### ATTEMPT TO EXPLAIN VANCOUVER DEBACLE

### Speakers at the Conservative Smoker Give Ingenious Reasons for Election of Liberal

The speakers at the Conservative smoker last evening spent a considerable time in abusing the Victoria Times and all its acts, and in attempting to explain away the significance of the Vancouver election. Hon. Col. Prior and R. H. Pooley, M.P.P., devoted their attention to the editorial "The Brazen Proposal" published last evening. Mr. Pooley assured the company that the ships would be built, while Col. Prior told his audience that the matter was in the hands of Mr. Shibley, who for fifteen years past had reorganized companies to make them dividend paying. Mr. Shibley, he stated, had no connection with the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber company, but had reported to his principals in New York that there was a good chance to reorganize the company on a paying basis. The government guarantee of 50 per cent. of the cost was secured by a first mortgage on the ships, the payments to be returned, he understood, at 20 per cent. of the investment per annum, so that in five years the ships would be paid for. The principals of the lumber company had offered to put up 25 per cent., but had authorized Mr. Shibley to negotiate on the basis of half cost to the company and half to the government. He believed that not six but sixty ships would be built in British Columbia accordingly.

The principal speaker on general questions was H. H. Watson, M.P.P., who attributed the defeat of Mr. Tisdall to the want of opposition in the house, the Dominion Trust failure, the prohibition sentiment, and the hard times. Some people had voted for Mr. Macdonald "just for luck," confident that Mr. Tisdall would be elected. Then the prohibitionists had intimated that the Conservatives were opposed to prohibition, instead of recognizing the stand already taken by the administration. In spite of the evidence of financial depression two weeks ago, Mr. Watson repeated the conservative plea that the war had caused hard times, and also claimed many votes had been lost by dissatisfaction concerning the Dominion Trust deposits.

A touching endorsement of Mr. Flumerfelt was given by R. W. Perry, who said he was prepared to forego sleep if any act of his could conduce to the election of the finance minister. Another speaker who stood up for the candidate was W. G. Gaunce, who termed him a man of courage, capacity, calibre and character. J. A. Fraser, M.P.P., stated he had traveled all over the extensive Cariboo riding, and the tales about the alienation of land to the speculator, voted at every Liberal meeting, were false. There was plenty of land, but capital was needed, and the Agricultural Credits bills would supply the necessary encouragement to the man without money to improve his land. "We have the land, good land, and plenty of it," he stated. "I went into details to show that a considerable amount of alluvial land in the river valleys had been reserved for the protection of pre-emptors."

H. B. Thomson, M.P.P., set out to answer Liberal statements about the increase in the public debt, and declared that the people of Victoria must vote for Mr. Flumerfelt. There was no constructive work in the Liberal policies. Mr. Thomson poked fun at John Oliver's railway map used in the campaign of 1909, and said Mr. Oliver had learnt the danger of putting promises on paper. Other speakers were Harold B. Robertson, the chairman, and F. W. Davoy. Interspersed with the speeches were songs and other selections by members of the Florodora company and others.

"I give my wife half my salary every week to spend on the housekeeping and herself." "And what do you do with the other half of your salary?" "Oh, my wife borrows that."

Jack: "Do you believe marriages are made in heaven?" Jill: "Probably. Heaven only knows why some are made."

The Bowser-Flumerfelt-Conservative election dodges are insulting to the electors who have long memories. What do the government gold-brick specialists think the people are, any way? Children?

### BOOM IN THE RUBBER INDUSTRY DUE TO WAR

### Visitor Speaks of Tremendous Demand for Automobiles by the Allies

"No one who has not been in Michigan since the war began can realize what remarkable effects the war has had on the automobile industry of the state," said F. M. Deane, who with Mrs. Deane, and a business companion, H. O. Probosco, arrived in the city from Grand Rapids, Michigan, yesterday.

Mr. Deane is the treasurer of the Bissell Carpet Sweeper company, manufacturers with an international reputation, who also have a Canadian factory at Niagara Falls.

"Detroit," Mr. Deane observed, "has received the greatest impetus from the demand for automobiles, but other towns of the state have considerable increases in their output. The difficulty in securing raw materials is likely to be the dominating factor in manufacturing automobiles and supplies, the call for rubber being tremendous. There are a number of commodities that a firm of the dimensions of the Bissell company must have, and one of these is rubber."

"Everything in the way of trucks was in instant demand in August, 1914, and contracts were fitted out and sent to the allies. War contracts in the United States, as far as I can learn, are determined by two factors, the strict penalties under which the manufacturers have been for delivery, and the inconvenience which it causes to their ordinary line of orders. For that reason there has been a little complaint, and disinclination to accept orders from foreign governments, but I am told it is the intention to relax some of the stringent regulations henceforth."

"While we hear so much about economy and retrenchment in Europe on account of war demands absorbing the surplus capital, it may interest your readers to know that the Bissell company sold more sweepers in England last year than ever before. The earnings of the people there has been so much increased by war orders that they have more money to spend."

Mr. Deane had some very interesting remarks to make with regard to the investment in Canadian government and municipal issues, in support of his observation that the United States investor regarded this country as an opportunity for investment in safe business and public works where the security is absolutely satisfactory, and in no sense of the speculative character such as many capitalists from the other side have regarded development of the natural resources. Mr. Deane said he could speak with some knowledge on the matter because Wisconsin and Michigan capitalists had particularly large holdings in B. C. lumber, and the record of their company promotions must be well known in this province.

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"No, sir. Not a penny!" was the reply of young Ardup's opulent but immovable relative. "I've lent you more money already than you will ever pay back. You can shift for yourself henceforth. The difference between us is that I am provident and you are improvident." "The difference between us," venturously retorted young Ardup, with his hand on the door knob, "is that I'm a man of moderate means and you're a man of immoderate means!" Then he fled.

### CERTIFICATES GRANTED

Announcement Made of Appointments in 11th and 104th Regiments.

- The following certificates have been granted in the 11th and 104th regiments, according to announcement contained in the latest military orders: Act-S-M. G. R. Jaggard, 11th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Sergt. H. C. Mortimer, 11th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Sergt. P. F. Conlin, 11th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. M. J. Conway, 11th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. C. F. Wilson, 11th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Sergt. F. C. B. Cave, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Sergt. D. Eastman, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Sergt. A. M. Grieve, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Sergt. E. G. Moore, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. C. S. Cameron, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. W. E. Palmer, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. J. H. Garrard, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. D. Maxwell, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. S. McL. Houston, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. J. McMaan, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. S. E. Foster-Thomas, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. W. F. House, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. P. Ryan, 104th Regt. Infantry, sergeant. Act-Corp. R. C. de Hollis, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. T. G. Nowitt, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. H. McElbion, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. C. F. Brown, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. C. Sayer, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. S. T. Martin, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. E. Q. Carter, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. S. A. Love, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. A. J. Christ, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. A. Dawson, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. H. G. B. Sullivan, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Sergt. N. C. McLean, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. W. Brookes, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. H. Carter, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. C. W. G. Heppell, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. P. L. Birrell, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. L. A. Lewis, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. B. N. Howell, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. F. J. Howwood, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal. Act-Corp. A. B. Cox, 104th Regt. Infantry, corporal.

### JOINS C. A. M. C.

Dr. J. A. M. Hemmeon, Seattle Physician, to Serve With Canadian Forces at the Front.

Dr. J. A. M. Hemmeon, for ten years a prominent Seattle physician, came to Victoria yesterday for the purpose of serving with section B, No. 1, Canadian Ambulance depot, which is expected to leave here for England shortly. Dr. Hemmeon is a Canadian, and had been trying for some months to be allowed to serve in a medical capacity.

On Monday night Dr. Hemmeon was guest at a banquet tendered him at Seattle by twenty-five fellow members of the Seattle Athletic club. Last week he was a guest at dinner of the Canadian University Graduates' club at Seattle.

Dr. Hemmeon graduated from Acadia university, Nova Scotia, and then studied in Baltimore and London, and since has practiced at Seattle. In his efforts to get a commission here he found the authorities reluctant to accept the offers of those residing in the United States, but being of Canadian birth he eventually succeeded in his object.

### OFFICERS' SCHOOL

A provisional school for the qualification of officers and non-commissioned officers, Canadian Engineers, will commence at North Vancouver to-morrow. This announcement is contained in military orders of yesterday.

Teacher (to new pupils)—"What is your last name, my little man?" New Pupil—"Tommy." "What is your full name?" "Tommy Tompkins." "When was your last name?" "No, it isn't. When I was born my name was Tompkins, and they didn't give me the other one for a month afterwards."

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# Spring Merchandise at Popular Prices

Special Value in Corsets \$1.00 Pair. Special Value in Nightgowns \$1.00. Gordons. 739 Yates St. Phone 5510.

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Fresh from the makers, in the newest colors for Spring—cherry, rose, canary, purple, white, saxe and black. They are well-made in a good style, with a girdle to tie at the waist. Price, each \$12.50.

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- New Spring Shapes, a good assortment of smart shapes in white, cream and black straw and chip. These are extraordinary value at \$1.00 and \$1.50. Gingham, in a great variety. Special per yard 10c. Roller Toweling, special quality. Special per yard 10c. White Duck Suiting, special yard 20c. White Flannelette, special yard 12c. Cashmere Hosiery, special per pair 25c. Children's Rib Hosiery, special per pair 20c. Turkish Towels, special per pair 25c. White Muslin Underwear. Corset Covers, very special values in muslin and crepe, from 65c to \$1.00. Suits of muslin and duck, special 75c. 85c and \$1.00. Drawers, per pair, 25c and 35c.

### Women's Knitted Underwear in Correct Weight for Spring

- Vests—Cotton Lisle Vests, low neck, short or no sleeves. Price 20c. Cotton Lisle Vests, plain or rib knit, short or no sleeves, plain or lace yoke. Price, each 25c. Better Quality, in plain, rib or porous knit, at 35c and 50c. Combinations—Fine garments of cotton lisle, in plain or rib knit, low neck, short or no sleeves, tight or loose knee 50c. Another special value to be had in all styles. Priced at \$1.00.



### Fibre Silk Hose in Wanted Colors

This low-priced Hose has already found many admirers. They possess an even finer lustre and better colors than the real silk. You may choose from grey, taupe, navy, pink, tan, pongee, black and white. Price, per pair 65c.

### Popular Priced Millinery

We have bought for this season a stock of unusually smart Ready-to-Wear Hats. These comprise the latest novelty effects of the season. You can select from black and many colors. Prices up from each \$2.75.

### TWO COURT MARTIALS

Military Orders Contain Appointments for Cases at Nanaimo and Vancouver.

Two court martials are ordered in military orders issued yesterday. One will be held at Nanaimo on Monday, and the other at Hastings Park, Vancouver, to-morrow.

Lieut.-Col. H. J. Rous Cullin, officer commanding the 88th battalion, has been appointed president of the military court to sit at Nanaimo, and with him will be as members, Major J. R. Ross and Capt. J. M. Reid, of the 142nd battalion. Major W. H. Langley, 62nd battalion, will preside at the Hastings Park court-martial, and the members will be Captain E. Meredith, 155th, and Capt. R. C. Spinks, 62nd battalion.

The evidence and verdicts in both cases will be forwarded to Col. Ogilvie, D. O. C.

### MILITARY ITEMS

Acknowledgment has been received by the Nanaimo board of trade of the request sent to the minister of militia that one thousand soldiers be stationed at Nanaimo. The acknowledgment contains the information that the request will get consideration. At the

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same meeting a letter was received from the Princeton board of trade asking for endorsement of its efforts for the building of provincial roads by interned aliens. The secretary was instructed to write the minister of public works supporting the view of the Princeton board.

Pte. Robert E. Trainor, 15th battalion, is reported to have been wounded and admitted to No. 1, Canadian general hospital at Etaples on February 20, suffering from shrapnel wounds in the leg. He was gassed last April at Ypres. He is the son of James Trainor, 76 Menzies street, and enlisted in the first contingent.

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