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MORMAN CANDIDATE. Apostle Reed Smoot Runs For Seat in the United States Senate. Salt Lake, Utah, Nov. 6.—The Telegram prints an interview with Apostle Reed Smoot, of the Mormon church, a candidate for the United States Senate, to succeed Senator Rawlins, Democrat.

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A PISTOL DUEL. One Man Killed and Several Wounded During Fight in a Saloon. Butte, Mont., Nov. 6.—A special to the Miner from Glasgow, Mont., says that as a result of ill-feeling engendered during the campaign, United States Deputy Collector of Customs James R. Stephens shot and instantly killed William Humphrey during a pistol duel yesterday. The fight occurred in a saloon and a number of bystanders were shot, though it is believed none fatally.

ARRIVAL OF THE GERMAN EMPEROR REACHED ENGLAND ON IMPERIAL YACHT Unusual Precautions Taken by Railway Officials During the Kaiser's Trip to Dover. London, Nov. 8.—The German Imperial yacht Hohenzollern, with Emperor William on board, accompanied by the escorting German cruisers and a flotilla of British torpedo boats, reached Port Victoria at 8 o'clock this morning.

COLD WAVE. Temperatures Below Zero in the Northwest Territories. Washington, Nov. 8.—The weather bureau this morning issued the following bulletin: "This morning the northwestern cold wave shows temperatures ranging from zero to twenty degrees below zero in the British Northwest Territory."

MONTREAL NOTES. Proposal to Reorganize the Crow's Nest Coal Company. Montreal, Nov. 8.—Don Vincenzo was arrested by Detective McCall last night on the charge of obtaining money under false pretences. For some time Italians who have failed because of physical or other reasons to gain admission to the United States, have been deceived by men in this way.

HAS LOST HIS REASON. New York, Nov. 9.—General Torral, who commanded the Spanish army at Santiago de Cuba at the time the town surrendered, has lost his reason, cables in the Madrid correspondent of the Herald. A few days ago, while at Alabama, in the southwest of Mexico, he received instructions from the Spanish government to draw up a full account of the surrender of Santiago. From that time he showed great signs of agitation, and was frequently heard repeating the words "Surrender," "Surrender."

SUPREME COURT CASES. Ottawa, Nov. 8.—In the Supreme court in the case of Hanley vs. Watson judgment was reserved. In the Trustees Guarantee Company vs. Hart an order for rehearing was discharged, and judgment rendered, dismissing the appeal with costs.

WORKMEN DELEGATES. Party Reaches Quebec and Will Visit Cities of Dominion. Quebec, Nov. 8.—Twelve representatives of English workmen, including one lady, arrived on the Lake Champlain last night, and will visit every important city of the Dominion to study the conditions of the Canadian working classes.

APPEAL REFUSED. In Loan Savings Company vs. Ontario Inspector of Insurance. Toronto, Nov. 8.—Attorney-General Gibson yesterday refused the appeal of the British Columbia Permanent Loan & Savings Company against Dr. Hunter, inspector of insurance for the province, debarring this company from doing business in Ontario.

EN ROUTE HERE. Messrs. Mackenzie, Mann and Green-shields Left Vancouver For Victoria To-Day. (Special to the Times.) Vancouver, Nov. 8.—Messrs. Mackenzie, Mann and Green-shields arrived last night, and went to Victoria to-day. They declined to outline the details of their proposed interview with the provincial government.

Brigantine Blakeley was bought for the Western Canadian Fish Company of this city, in which Messrs. John Boyd, Robert Kelly, Martin, Robertson and other Vancouver firms are interested. The plan is to erect a large plant for the installation of the Whitman drying process. The Blakeley goes to the Behring Sea to fish for cod for the Australian shipments. Other boats will immediately be purchased to make a large fishing fleet.

THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE. London Dispatch Says Canadian Officials Are Satisfied With Premier's Stand Against Militarism. (Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 8.—While there are charges from the South Seas that the colonial office included confidential documents in the blue book and discredited the case of Imperial federation by over emphasizing the moral that the colonies ought to bear a proportionate share of the burdens of the military and naval armaments, the Canadian officials and residents are making no complaint, says a London dispatch to the Tribune. They are well satisfied with Sir Wilfrid Laurier's attitude against militarism.

FOUND LARGE RIVER. Its Waters Empty Into Hudson Bay—New Lakes Discovered. New York, Nov. 8.—W. J. Wilson, an explorer of the Canadian geological survey, has returned with his party from a tour through the unexplored country to the southwest of James Bay, says a Times dispatch from Ottawa. Mr. Wilson reports the discovery of a large river, hitherto unsuspected, and running between Abitibi river on the north and the Ottawa river on the south. It has a course of over 800 miles, and near James Bay divides into two branches, emptying into Hudson bay. Several new lakes were also discovered.

ANOTHER CARLIST PLOT. Leaders of the Movement Have Been Arrested at Barcelona. (Associated Press.) Barcelona, Spain, Nov. 8.—The discovery of another Carlist plot here has been followed by the arrest of a number of the leaders of the movement. Apparently its immediate object was to secure funds for future operations, the plan being to raise the standard of revolt and reap profit in bourse transactions by operating for a fall in prices.

FISHERMEN'S UNION. Organization Will Include the Pacific Coast and Alaska. (Associated Press.) Seattle, Nov. 8.—Fishermen on the Pacific Coast and in Alaska are to be organized under the head of the Fishermen's Protective Union of the Pacific Coast and Alaska. The first local agency already has been established here.

TO MARK HEROES' GRAVES. Hamilton, Nov. 8.—At a meeting of the local chapter of the Imperial Daughters of the Empire yesterday it was announced that it was the intention to replace the wooden crosses over the graves of Canadian heroes in South Africa with iron crosses.

THE DOUKHOBORS. Winnipeg, Nov. 8.—The Doukhobors are corralled in the rink at Minnedosa. Reinforcements of police are expected, when they will be entrained and shipped back to Yorkton. The doors are being guarded. The Doukhobors refuse to go and trouble is expected.



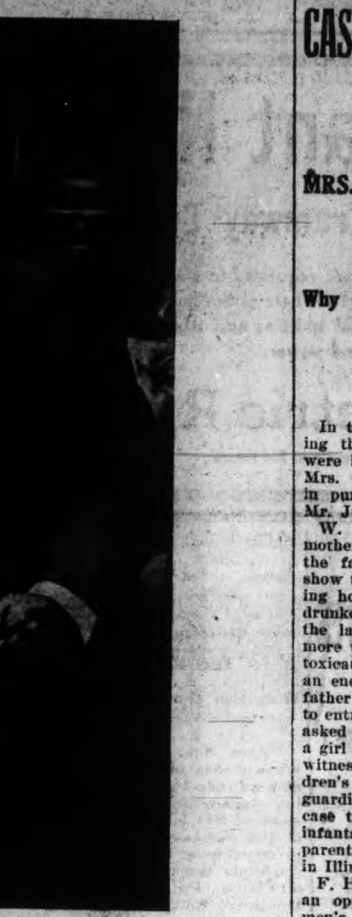
HIS MAJESTY KING EDWARD VII. WHO WILL CELEBRATE HIS SIXTY-FIRST BIRTHDAY TO-MORROW.

JAP SCHOONER IS BADLY BATTERED SHE REACHED SOOKE HARBOR YESTERDAY Almost Lost on the Way Home From Behring Sea—Captain and Men Reach Victoria. Brevet of all but one of her boats, and with her rigging and upper works in a wrecked condition, the Japanese sealing schooner Seifu, Captain Ritchie, reached Sooke harbor yesterday morning. The vessel has been so damaged by gales that it was found impossible to take her home without repairs.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM. Italian Exports to United States Far in Excess of Imports. (Associated Press.) Rome, Nov. 8.—Commenting on the alarm felt in some quarters at the threatened inundation of Italy by American goods, the Tribune to-day points out that the trade returns for September show that Italy's exports to the United States have exceeded the imports therefrom by \$600,000, and concludes that Italy has less to fear from the competition of the United States than other countries of Europe.

AMBASSADOR WHITE. President Roosevelt Thanks Him For His Services. Berlin, Nov. 7.—Ambassador White to-day opened the letter which President Roosevelt sent him several weeks ago marked "To be opened on your seventieth birthday."

RAILWAY EXTENSION. Proposal to Extend Line From Tilsonburg to Collingwood. (Associated Press.) Toronto, Nov. 8.—An important railway extension is contemplated affecting Western Ontario. This is the extension of the line now being constructed from Port Burwell to Tilsonburg. President Teal is in the city to-day conferring with the public works department, regarding plans, surveys, etc. The distance from Tilsonburg to Collingwood is about one hundred and thirty-five miles.



MRS. MEMMEN'S REPLY TO HUSBAND'S CHARGE

Why She Left Home—The Mother Brought Children Here on a Short Visit. In the habeas corpus matter concerning the Memmen infants, the children were brought into court by the mother, Mrs. Cora G. Memmen, this morning, in pursuance of the order granted by Mr. Justice Martin yesterday.

CANNOT MEET DEMAND. New York Coal Dealers Do Not Receive Enough Fuel to Fill Orders. (Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 8.—Although coal companies and railroad officials say every effort is being made to supply this city with anthracite coal, it is stated that only half enough is reaching here to supply the demand; that is New York is receiving five per cent. of the output against theoretical requirements of ten per cent. Retail dealers, who announced the scale of \$8.50 a ton recently, were flooded with orders, as bins had never scraped clean everywhere, and are now forced to admit their inability to supply the coal promised.

BOND-HAY TREATY. Washington, Nov. 8.—Secretary Hay, for the United States, and Sir Michael Herbert, representing the British government and the government of Newfoundland, to-day at the state department signed what is known as the Bond-Hay treaty, providing for reciprocity between the United States and Newfoundland covering fish products and salt. The treaty will be submitted to the senate immediately upon its re-assembling and meanwhile, following the rule in such cases, the state department refrains from making public its details.

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EXPERTS TO WATCH THE EXPERIMENTS

TWO BRITISH OFFICERS ARRIVE AT SYDNEY

Train From West Cancelled Owing to Wreck of Freight Train—Election Appeal.

Sydney, N. S., Nov. 7.—Vice-Admiral Sir Archibald Douglas and Lieut. Arnold Foster, British government expert, are here and visited the Marconi tower at Table Head, and afterwards were ironed through the plant of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company.

Winnipeg, Nov. 7.—The Canadian Pacific express from the West was cancelled to-day owing to a freight wreck near Morley blocking the track.

Interest in the Sunday street car question is increasing, and a heavy vote is expected on December 9th.

Frank Poldy, immigration inspector, left to-day for the Donkshobor districts.

The Lisgar election decision will be appealed to the Supreme court.

Montreal, Nov. 7.—The Kingston Locomotive Works are to be removed to Montreal. A reorganized company, headed by Hon. Mr. Harby, has purchased a site at Longue Point for which \$80,000 has been paid.

Toronto, Nov. 7.—Robert Arthur, a merchant of Barbados, West Indies, says the failure of Canada to trade in Barbados products and the slowness in filling orders are responsible for the small trade between the two countries.

Washington, Nov. 7.—The annual report of Major-General H. C. Corbin, adjutant-general of the army, deals with every feature of the army, and begins with a statement showing how the army is to be reduced by December 1st to 60,000 men, of which 2,877 belong to the staff departments.

The report shows that during the fiscal year there were 35 officers killed in action or died of wounds and disease, 21 resigned and 68 retired. Of the enlisted men, 1,277 were killed or died of wounds and disease; 36,806 were discharged by order of court martial, and 4,667 deserted; two are missing and 203 retired.

The wireless work, as conducted by the signal corps, established the fact that wireless telegraphy is an important factor in defensive operations in an army district, increasing by many miles the extreme distance at which the enemy's approach can be detected, and his spies located, thereby affording to the artillery commander ample time in which to perfect his own offensive operations.

Orders have been issued at Aniston, Alabama, calling out the second battalion of the third infantry, Alabama National Guard, to protect Jason Bacon, a negro who was brought here charged with assaulting Mrs. John Williams near here.

Riotous disturbances marked the election in the Favoriten district of Vienna of members of the Landtag, or provin-

BUSINESS SUSPENDED.

Scene in French Chamber When Count Boni's Election Was Invalidated.

Paris, Nov. 7.—The chamber of deputies, by 278 to 235 votes, to-day invalidated the election of Count Boni de Castellaine as a member of the house.

The question came up when the committee on contested elections presented its report without recommendation, leaving the chamber to pass upon the question.

Emile Chauvin bitterly attacked Count Castellaine, declaring that he had been guilty of irregularities, and that he had accused his opponent of being of German descent and a Dreyfusard.

M. Chauvin declared that Count de Castellaine, in order to warm the enthusiasm of his partisans, abandoned all reserve, and throughout his speech gave unlimited credit in hotels, banquets and drinking places, until the district was gay with fetes and merriment during the campaign.

The Count delivered his reply in vehement tones, and hurled back with indignation the accusations of M. Chauvin, which he declared absurd and untrue.

When the president of the chamber announced the result of the vote, Count Boni arose and started for the door. His friends crowded around him shaking his hand. The business of the chamber was suspended temporarily while the Count was escorted to the exit. Just before he left the chamber he turned and shouted defiantly, "Gentlemen, I will be with you again."

WASHINGTON MYSTERY.

Colored Porter Charged With Assaulting Woman Ten Months Ago.

Washington, Nov. 7.—Richard Cole, a colored porter, 30 years old, was to-day arrested and committed to jail to await the action of the grand jury on the charge of committing an assault on Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, a well known dressmaker, at her home in this city, over ten months ago.

Julius van Brakle (colored), a former porter in the Brunswick hotel, testified to-day before the coroner's jury that on March 19th Cole had said something to him to the effect that he (Cole) would be a happy man if Mrs. Dennis were dead. Van Brakle said Cole made certain statements regarding the reason why he did not care to visit the sick woman, among other things, that Mrs. Dennis might say something which would reopen the investigation.

Detective Hartigan, who has been working on the case ever since the crime was committed, testified that Cole is the only person among those he investigated who wavered in his statements. Cole, who also testified before the coroner's jury, denied making the statement, and protested that he had assisted the authorities.

THE MAD MULLAH.

His Forces Are Now Near Behotse—Town Well Garrisoned.

Berbera, East Africa, Nov. 7.—Col. Swayne, formerly British commander in Somaliland, who has been recalled to England, started for home to-day. He is ill.

General Manning, who succeeds him, is pushing the preparations for an advance against the Mullah, but he is hampered in his efforts by the fact that the country has so few resources, and the necessity of waiting for supplies.

The Mullah is profiting by the delay in the start of the British expedition. He has advanced to within a few miles of Behotse. He is known to have 2,000 rifles, one Maxim gun, much ammunition, 15,000 spearmen and immense reserves of camels and sheep at his command.

Behotse is well garrisoned, and has ample defences. It is impossible to prevent the running of guns to the Mullah through French territory, which is in constant progress.

CONTINUE ON STRIKE.

Six Thousand French Miners Decide Not to Accept Arbitrators' Award.

Paris, Nov. 7.—Six thousand striking coal miners held a meeting at Lévigny, department of Pas de Calais, to-day. They decided not to accept the decision of the arbitrators against an increase of present rates of wages, and to continue the strike.

The Chamber of Deputies to-day took up a resolution moved by M. Rouanet, Radical Socialist, for the appointment of a commission of 36 members to investigate the condition of the miners, and report upon means to prevent economic conflicts. Premier Combes said the government had no objection to the appointment of such a commission, and the resolution was adopted by 367 votes to 190.

CANADA'S NEW BANK.

Encouraging Outlook For Business From the Time It Opens Its Doors.

Toronto, Nov. 8.—The recently organized Crown Bank of Canada, with a capital of \$2,000,000, has taken premises in the Temple Building, Toronto, and will shortly open for general banking business. It starts with good backing, having the support of some of the leading financiers of Ontario. It is assured of good business from the time it opens its doors, from the presence on its board of men representing large commercial interests.

Ninety per cent. of the 128,000,000 people of the Russian Empire are farmers.

OXFORD AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

Each College Will Take From Two to Five Scholars.

London, Nov. 7.—Dr. Geo. R. Parkin, of Toronto, who has charge of the arrangements connected with the Cecil Rhodes scholarships in the United States, has made inquiries at Oxford university as to how the Rhodes scholars will be received. He has ascertained that every one concerned in the matter is ready to co-operate heartily. Each college at Oxford prepared to take from two to five scholars a year, according to its size. The Daily Chronicle this morning expresses gratification that there is no tendency on the part of exclusive colleges to raise objections to being "Americanized."

"SHORE ACRES"

Will Be Presented at the Victoria Next Wednesday Night—Sale of Seats on Monday.

The lover of refined stage art is always glad to hear of the coming of "Shore Acres." No one that has seen this charming comedy drama, so thoroughly unconventional, so sweet and so poetic in every detail, and that realizes the high moral lesson it conveys, marvels at its ever increasing popularity. Like "Hip Van Winkle" and "The Old Homestead," "Shore Acres" has become an American classic, and its interpretation will always attract the lover of good plays. "Shore Acres," which is to be given a fine scenic production at the Victoria theatre on Wednesday night is a play that appeals to all classes of theatre patrons. The lover of comedy finds much to amuse him in the spontaneity of its wit and the quaintness of its humor. To those fond of pathos the play is a perfect well of delight. It is one that many of "Shore Acres's" most pathetic scenes are expressed indirectly and do not appeal to the thoughts. The hero of "Shore Acres," old Uncle Nat, is only a plain, every-day farmer, a backwoodsman, but seldom has the English-speaking stage been graced by a more lovable character. His sentiments are couched in the homely phraseology of the farm land, yet they never fail to touch the heart.

One of the enjoyable features of every coming of "Shore Acres" has been its artistic representation and fine acting company engaged for the many complex characters. James P. Gallagher, who plays the part of Uncle Nat, made famous by Mr. Herne, is a player of great experience, whose term on the stage has extended over many years. He was for several seasons stage manager and understudy for Mr. Herne, and in that capacity frequently played the part. In scarcely a gesture, in hardly a modulation of the voice or an expression of the face does his playing differ from that of the great actor-dramatist, and his work has been deservedly praised. Atkin Lawrence is hardly less successful in the rather more difficult part of Martin Berry, the younger brother. Mr. Lawrence is also a player who has seen years of services with all the great American actors, and can always be relied upon to do justice to the character entrusted to him. Among the other well-known players are Messrs. Charles E. Fisher, W. H. Burton, Herbert Flannery, and Mrs. Belle Theodore. There are also a number of very bright children. The sale of seats opens at the Victoria Book and Stationery Store on Monday morning.

SEASONABLE ADVICE

CHANGE OF WEATHER DISTROUS TO MANY PEOPLE.

Bad Blood Makes You Liable to Cold—A Cold Makes You Liable to Twenty Diseases—How to Protect Yourself. Changes of the season affects the health more or less perceptibly. The effect of the hot summer weather on the blood, leaves it thin and watery, and now that the weather is changing, this makes itself disagreeably felt. You feel bilious, dyspeptic and tired; there may be pimples or eruptions of the skin; the damp weather brings little twinges of rheumatism or neuralgia that give warning of the winter that is coming. If you want to be brisk and strong for the winter, it is now that you should build up the blood, and give the nerves a little tonic. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are the greatest of all blood-making, nerve-restoring tonics, and will make you strong and brave of the aches and pains of winter if you take them now. Mr. James Adams, Brandon, Man., is one of the thousands whom Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have restored to health and strength. He says: "It is with deep gratitude that I acknowledge the benefit I have derived from the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Before taking the pills my health was much shattered with rheumatism, nervous depression and sleeplessness. For fully twelve months I rarely got a good night's sleep. When I began the use of the pills it was with a determination to give them a fair trial. I did so and can truthfully say that I could not wish for better health than I now enjoy. I shall always speak a good word for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

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SISTERS OF CHARITY. RELY ON PE-RU-NA TO FIGHT CATARRH WHEREVER LOCATED IN THE SYSTEM.



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"I cannot say too much in praise of Peruna. Eight bottles of it cured me of catarrh of the lungs of four years' standing, and I would not have been without it for anything. It helped several Sisters of coughs and colds and I have yet to find one case of catarrh that it does not cure."—Sister Beatrix.

From a Catholic Institution in Central Ohio comes the following recommendation from the Sister Superior:

"Some years ago a friend of our institution recommended to us Dr. Hartman's Peruna as an excellent remedy for the influenza of which we then had several cases which tended to be of a serious character.

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Another recommendation from a Catholic Institution of one of the Central States writes by the Sister Superior reads as follows:

"A number of years ago our attention was called to Dr. Hartman's Peruna, and

since then we have used it with wonderful results for grip, coughs, colds and catarrhal diseases of the head and stomach.

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THE EXHIBITION ACCOUNTS.

According to the statement of the secretary of the exhibition association, a deficit of about three thousand dollars has been incurred on account of the late show. In one respect this is somewhat surprising. In another it is only what was expected. The weather which favored the exhibition was magnificent. The attendance was very large on the majority of the days. If the management had been as efficient as the elements were kindly there would have been no adverse balance as a monument of the incapacity of those who had charge of the Victoria industrial exhibition. Yet the result is not surprising to any one who attended the fair and paid attention to the manner in which it was conducted. The controlling strings were loosely held beyond all manner of doubt. On some of the days the employees were almost as numerous as the visitors. We hesitate to say that any individual is to blame for the plethora of attendants with which the institution was encumbered, or for the general looseness to which we have alluded. We believe it is the system that is at fault. All the exhibitions which have been pronounced successful in Canada are under the management of one capable man, who is responsible to a board for the manner in which the details are carried out. The Toronto fair, or the Westminster exhibition, or the New Westminster show, would have been in precisely the same position as the Victoria one is to-day if a half dozen committees had been empowered to incur liabilities, the one scarcely knowing what the other was doing, and all apparently regardless of the obvious limitations of the general resources.

It would be futile to attempt to deny that the report is discouraging, or that it will hamper the efforts of those who, knowing the success which should have been achieved this year, will persevere in their efforts until Victoria's annual fair is placed upon a stable footing. One thing is quite clear. If the exhibition is to be made to pay its way the recklessness in management which stubbornly shuts its eyes to the fact that the expenditure should bear at least an approximate relationship to the receipts which experience has shown can be relied upon must be corrected. There appears to be only one way in which this can be accomplished. We must adopt the system which has proved so successful in other places.

TWO FORMS OF GOVERNMENT.

An intelligent man and an observant, one with the letters M.D. after his name, lately arrived in the Northwest Territories of Canada and made a tour through that country. He discovered many marvellous, because unexpected, things there. And the most marvellous was not the extraordinary value of the region from the point of view of an agriculturist, but the following, which we give in his own words: "The laws and government of Canada, we learned, are in most respects similar to our own. Canadians actually govern themselves, and may have even improved some

things by observing our mistakes. An American could reside in Canada without experiencing any rude shocks to his notions of government or sacrificing his views of personal liberty." Probably there are millions of people in the United States who believe that the affairs of this country are managed by the Colonial Office of Great Britain. There are millions more who do not know that there is such a department as that of the colonies and have a hazy idea that the British government paternally looks after us and despotically rules us. But knowledge is spreading; light is breaking upon their darkened understanding. The twenty-five thousand American settlers who crossed the border this year will materially assist in propagating the truth that Canadians not only govern themselves, but that they do it better than seems to be possible in a democracy under which the operations of the law are hampered by the judges' sense of dependency upon the favor of the voter who has the power to pull down that which he raised up. The political history of the Dominion for the last six years indicates that the science of government is progressing. Our industrial history indicates material progress as well as that which is more important, an advancement in the direction of greater commercial freedom. The trusts dominate the fiscal legislation of the United States. Every year they are tightening their grip. Even if a party pledged to reform were to be returned to Congress with a majority the combines would not be defeated. They would, by methods they thoroughly understand, "control the house" and shape any legislation brought before the assembly. Nothing milder than a revolution will restore to the people of the United States the power that has passed from them. Canada is indeed better governed, and it behooves her people to be vigilant lest she fall into the hands of the industrial Philistines who are troubling her neighbors.

FORTUNE-TELLERS AND OTHERS

It is reported that the police are going to chase "fortune-tellers" out of the precincts of Victoria. If they do, no doubt a considerable number of people will esteem their action high-handed and an unwarrantable interference with personal liberty. Why should a man be debarred from consulting an oracle in regard to his future or a sentimental woman from ascertaining from the "powers of the air" what is in store for her in a very uncertain matrimonial lottery? A few days ago an apparently intelligent and unlighted stranger told the Times that one of the "Mahatmas" had told him all that he had done in the past. Why should she not be gifted with foresight as well as hindsight? argued this twentieth century believer of all things. What is the use of trying to protect such people against the consequences of their own credulity? Victoria is a cosmopolitan place, you know, and for that reason much should be permitted that would be considered, not to put it too bluntly, out of place in communities which have not the distinction of being "cosmopolitan." Our grandmothers placed the most implicit reliance on the forecasts of the weather, which were printed in almanacs more than a year before the winds were billed to blow and the rains descend. Why should their "afterbears" bring upon the race a reputation for being of little faith? There is at least an arguable case for permitting the fortune-tellers to practise their profession—lest their clients should fall into worse hands.

For the benefit of those who affect to be too enlightened to apply to "familiar spirits" for the knowledge of future events all men and women crave with a great craving, we note from an English paper that Zadkiel, a seer with an established reputation, has issued his almanac for the coming year. It is proclaimed, like all its predecessors, a very entertaining little work, in the preface to which the modern philosopher and the literary man are mildly rebuked for their aloofness from "Astral Truth," demonstration of which was given, it appears, in the Soufriere eruption and in other operations of natural forces in recent months.

In January, we learn, the King of Portugal and the Kaisers of Germany and Austria will be in danger; and the 18th of that month will be a critical day in Europe and China. An Eastern crisis will come in February, during which there will be earthquakes and mine explosions. It will, however, be a fortunate month for "lawyers, clergymen, woolen drapers, and clothiers," but not for those born on 10th October, who will in the approaching February have to guard against "danger, by fire and avoid dangerous places."

March is not so bad, "except that parliamentary circles will be greatly agitated," and "exciting debates" on the budget are promised for April. In May interest will centre in Continental disturbances, and persons born on the 25th of January will be "afflicted" under Saturn. All the capital cities of the Old World will have a bad time in June, "disputes," "violent scenes," "scandals," and "political crises" being predicted—and there will be numerous "unfavorable" birth-days.

The Voice of the Stars declares that July will yield acrid parliamentary debates and political excitement, fires, a big birth-rate, the German Emperor's

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plans at sixes and sevens, and fanatical unrest in Algeria and Tunis. Death and disaster will render August full of gloom, but as against that "the marriage rate will rise" and there will be "a happy event in the family of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales." Musicians, artists, actors and actresses whose birthday anniversaries fall in this month "will have a good and successful" spell, presumably at the seaside. For storms and earthquakes we must be prepared in September, and October will not be much better. November will see the King in good health and the nation prospering; and there will be phenomena more or less oppressive in December, which may be expected to bring a "sickly" Christmas season in many of our great cities.

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Cupid has appeared in a new role—that of an enemy of the churches. He smuggled his rotund little figure into the choir of a Jersey City congregation and plied his darts so industriously that a complete double sextette of young men and maidens passed under his potent rod. The choir loft was left of its principal soloists and the pastor was in despair. Be it known that in some American churches the soloist is considered a more important personage than the preacher. The pastor of this church made up his mind that he would put Cupid under bonds for his good behavior. No singer is admitted to his choir without first subscribing to the following document:

Memorandum of agreement made and entered into on the day of the date hereof between the undersigned members of the Zion Choral Union of the Zion E. L. Church of Jersey City, N. J.: Whereas the Zion Lutheran church choir became defunct owing to the great number of its members entering into a state of matrimony and resigning therefrom. Whereas the undersigned members desire to maintain the Zion Choral Union as a permanent organization, and realizing the temptations placed before its members to take the same step as their predecessors.

It is agreed by each and all of the undersigned members that they, each and all, will refrain from entering into a state of matrimony for a space of one year from the date hereof, under a penalty of a forfeiture of the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) to the Zion Choral Union after having been declared guilty by a majority of the members present at any regular meeting of the union. Dated at Jersey City, N. J., this 28th day of October, A. D. 1902. Signed and sealed in the presence of William Cordes, president, and Caroline Smith, treasurer.

The Colonist will not deny that its special telegrams from Ottawa these days are specially "Cooked" for the occasion.

THE LITTLE ONE AT THE DOOR. S. E. Kiser in Chicago Record-Herald. A baby kisses him at the door, And sweetly says good-bye. He hurries away to strive all day When the money-maddened wife. Time was when he showed no mercy there, But his ways have changed and his words are fair. He is pitiless no more. All day through the city's ceaseless roar He hears a happy song That a little one sings as the evening brings. The twinkling stars alone; There is love deep down in his bosom, where Grew only had room before, And he thinks of the care that others bear For little ones at the door.

THE BRACE TRUTH. London Express. Douglas Grand, who was the principal witness for the crown at the recent trial at Ennis, tells a good story regarding the examination of one of the witnesses. "Did you sell Major Studdert a horse?" "No, sir," replied witness. "Did your father sell Major Studdert a horse?" "No, sir." "Well, then, did your grandfather sell him a horse?" "No, sir." "Did any member of your family sell Major Studdert anything?" "Yes, sir." "Who did, then?" "I did," replied witness. "And what did you sell Major Studdert?" "I sold him a mare," replied witness.

to the chagrin of counsel and the delight of the court. THE PHILANTHROPIST WHO FAILED. S. E. Kiser in Chicago Record-Herald. Sold a man to himself one day, said he: "I long to be philanthropic." But it chanced, alas and alack, ah me! That his purse was microscopic. He cut and he grabbed away, With his beautiful intention To amass a pile wherewith, some day, To improve the world's condition. He offered up fervent prayers at night For goodness of heart and power, And daily moving on up the height Grew wealthier every hour. Grown very wealthy, at last, he sat Alone by his golden treasure, And thought of the old ambition that Had once filled his heart with pleasure. The world still needed his help; he saw The stricken ones in the ditches; But he left them there and he set his jaw And struggled for greater riches.

THEY HAVE LEARNED THE LESSON. Toronto News. The four generals should recognize the fact that they must not stir up the collection by the shouting of the crowd. THE CUP CONTEST. A dispatch from Glasgow says: Britishers who favor yachting, together with very many more who are moved to interest in it and all will refrain from entering into a state of matrimony for a space of one year from the date hereof, under a penalty of a forfeiture of the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) to the Zion Choral Union after having been declared guilty by a majority of the members present at any regular meeting of the union. Dated at Jersey City, N. J., this 28th day of October, A. D. 1902. Signed and sealed in the presence of William Cordes, president, and Caroline Smith, treasurer.

THE MAD MULLAH AND HIS PEOPLE CHARACTER OF CHIEF FIGHTING BRITISH He is a Religious Fanatic and Preaches War of Extermination of the Whites. As the forces of the Mad Mullah are now reported within a few miles of Bechote, the following particulars regarding the religious fanatic against whose army another expedition is shortly to be sent, will be of interest: Some twelve or fifteen miles in Somaliland are known to the inhabitants as "Mullah's" and are also called sheikhs or widdahs. These are the religious leaders of the Somalis, the followers of Islam. Comparatively few of the Somalis have been regarded as fanatical Mohammedans; small European trading parties have repeatedly traveled through their country in safety; and most of the white visitors have had a good word for the people, and also for the Mullahs, who have been represented to be very quiet and respectable persons, generally on the side of order and peace and civil in their treatment of travelers.

In all inner Somaliland there are no permanent settlements except those occupied by these Mohammedan leaders. Each Mullah has a settlement around his home. These centres of population are on an average at least 70 miles apart. The largest of them is the town of the Mullah Seyid Mohammed, in Ogaden. The next most important settlement is supposed to be that of the Mullah Hargais in British Somaliland; besides these two religious leaders there are about a dozen other Mullahs of less importance scattered over several degrees of latitude and longitude. The Mullahs have been enabled to settle down, form permanent villages and cultivate the land around them because all the people hold them in the greatest respect. The Somalis are great fighters, and one tribe does not hesitate to send an armed party to rob another tribe of its horses, donkeys, camels, or grain; but a looting party would be driven to the last extremity of hunger before it would attack the village of a Mullah, and even then it would take no more plunder than necessary to provide food for a few days. It is thus seen that the Mullahs have great influence; and as a rule they have not used that power they wield over the people to turn them against the whites.

A Religious Fanatic. One of the less important Mullahs, however, a man who was never known outside his country until he began to be heard of as "The Mad Mullah," suddenly assumed, in 1901, an attitude of hostility to the white races. He is known as Haji Mohammed Bui Abdullah. He is a religious fanatic, one of the leaders in Islam whose religion has become a frenzy, and he has exhibited magnetic and persuasive qualities sufficient to imbue those around him with his own rabid ideas. He is called by Europeans the Mad Mullah, simply because he has been preaching a war of extermination against the whites. He has rallied around him thousands of

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fairly well-armed natives who are devoted to his cause. The reports from Somaliland have been very meagre, and it is not known how many of the other Mullahs, if any, have joined his standard; but the Mad Mullah has been exceedingly active since he began to attract attention. Within the past year he has met the forces sent against him in British Somaliland, in Italian Somaliland further south, and in the Abyssinian territory to the west. He has generally been repulsed, and has fled to a considerable distance only to re-organise his forces and take the field again. Near Great Trade Routes. This fighting has been going on only 100 to 300 miles south of the Gulf of Aden, where steamers are constantly passing on their way to the Suez canal. The seasonal disturbances in this quiet near one of the greatest trade routes in the world. Most of the trouble has occurred in British Somaliland, which fronts on the Gulf of Aden, and has an area of about 68,000 square miles. Along its coast are the considerable ports of Berbera, Buhar and Zeila, which have had important trade with the Somali, though the commerce of Berbera and Buhar has been nearly ruined by the present troubles. The larger part of British Somaliland is an elevated plateau crossed by barren mountain ranges. For a part of the year the country is very dry and water can be obtained only along the few rivers and in the wells; but in the fall and winter seasons a great deal of rain falls over most of the country. This is the time when the livestock has most food, and the people are most active. Somaliland is now in the midst of the rainy season, and this is one of the reasons why the Mad Mullah has resumed hostilities, for there is now plenty of grass to sustain the horses of his cavalry. It is believed that not more than 250,000 natives are living in British Somaliland, but though the hostile Somalis are nearly all residents of British Somaliland, they have carried on

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**City News in Brief.**

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A part rehearsed for sopranos of the chorus in "Judas Macabeus" will be held this evening in First Presbyterian school room at 8 o'clock. All the members at this part are requested to be in attendance.

An illustrated lecture on "The Granary of the Empire" will be given by Herbert Cuthbert in the school room of the Centennial Methodist church on Wednesday, the 10th. The data for this lecture was gathered by Mr. Cuthbert during his recent visit to Manitoba and the Northwest, in the interests of the Tourist's Association. It will be illustrated by a number of new lime-light views of the Northwest and scenes about Victoria. The chair will be occupied by Mayor Hayward.

Another "self-improvement" association has been added to the list in this city. This time it is the Work estate which is to derive benefit from the organization, which is to be known as the Work Estate Athletic Club. Comfortable quarters are being fitted up in the old Hillside station of the V. & S. railroad, where punching bags, bars, clubs and other athletic paraphernalia have been installed for the physical improvement of the members, while magazines, papers, etc., will provide the mental gratification necessary during the long winter evenings. A good membership is already assured.

**THE MINISTER SAID.**  
"Dear beloved brethren, I'm going to stop this season right here. How can I preach who two-thirds of this congregation are coughing their heads off? I earnestly commend you before next Sunday comes, to go to Fawcett's Drug Store and provide yourselves with their famous Dr. Williams' Cough Cure, which costs but 50 cents a bottle, and cures a cold like the COOL DOUGLAS ST. AND KING'S ROAD, TELEPHONE 630.

The Victoria Laborers' Protection Union, Federal Union No. 2, of the Trades and Labor Congress, received its charter with due ceremony last night in the presence of a large number of members. Preceding the presentation officers were elected as follows: President, L. Johnson; vice-president, A. Jeeves; secretary-treasurer, J. Goldstraw; recording secretary, G. Jackson; trustees, T. Laidard, T. McConnell and S. Riley; conductor, John Charlton; warden, Wm. McKay. The officers were then installed, after which the charter was presented by Organizer T. H. Twigg. The latter delivered an encouraging address in making the presentation, and was tendered a hearty vote of thanks. The strength of the union is now 227, 32 new members having joined last night. During the evening W. McKay announced his candidature for school trustee at the next election. Mr. Twigg has also announced his intention of entering the field.

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Steamer Borocovits has reached Vancouver from northern ports, and has taken part of her salmon cargo from the North to the Fraser. She will arrive here this evening.

The regular monthly meeting of the Local Council of Women will be held on Monday at 2:30 at the city hall. Resolutions from affiliated societies for the annual meeting must be considered by the executive on Monday.

The Socialist League will meet in Labor hall on Wednesday evening next for the election of officers to fill certain vacancies and the transaction of other important business. Although this is the regular business meeting, the public are welcome, and an effort will be made to make it worth attending. Short speeches will be made after the business is completed. No admission fee and no collection.

There was a large attendance at the Cinderella dance in the Assembly hall last night, despite the very unfavorable weather. The children had full sway until 10 o'clock, and certainly they presented a very pretty appearance, their frolic costumes uniting with the decorations in producing an attractive effect. Following the children's dance the floor was surrendered to the elders, and it is not too much to say that the second affair was just as enjoyable as the big function on the previous night.

With the arrival of the sealing schooners Diana and Victoria yesterday afternoon only four more of the fleet which cruised in search of seals in Behring Sea have yet to return, namely, the South Bend, Favorite, Enterprise and Carrie C. W. The last named was in company with yesterday's arrivals after leaving the coast port, and should arrive at any time. The South Bend was not spoken, but the other vessels were still in port when the Diana and Victoria left the coast for Victoria. The Diana's catch was 276 skins and the Victoria's 246.

There was a light docket in the police court this morning. John Irving, one of those who failed to appear yesterday when their names were called for vagrancy, was arrested last night, and to-day was the only occupant of the box. He explained that the reason he didn't appear yesterday was that he expected to go to work, and understood it would be all right if he did so. His case was remanded until Monday next, the accused being allowed his liberty in the meantime, as an opportunity to leave the city. A bloodthirsty named Mary was called for drunkenness. She didn't appear, so her bail of \$10 was exonerated.

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A message was received to-day by His Worship the Mayor from Admiral Bickford, informing him that the King's birthday will be celebrated by the naval forces on Monday, instead of to-morrow.

In the city superintendent's office next week the regular monthly teachers' conference will be held: on Monday, at 3:30 p.m., junior grade, and on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively, commencing at 3:30 p.m., intermediate and senior grades.

Victoria has an innovation in the person of a lady barber. She has been presiding over a chair in a local establishment for several weeks, and is said to be quite expert in the tonsorial art. Her chair, it is understood, is rarely empty.

The twelfth annual report of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital has been issued. It contains a full record of the year's work in that institution compiled from the various reports presented at the annual meeting. The work was done at the Cusack Press, of this city.

The sixty-first anniversary of the birth of His Majesty King Edward VII. to-morrow will not be observed as a public holiday in Canada on account of the decision that the official celebration of His Majesty's natal day should take place on May 24th annually.

Last evening a meeting of No. 5 Company, Fifth Regiment, was held at the drill hall for the purpose of appointing a manager to arrange for the military band. Owing to the promotion of Corp. R. O. Clarke, to the post of sergeant, Br. W. H. Spurrier was appointed to take over the duties of secretary-treasurer.

The following regimental order has been issued: The following men have been taken on the strength of the regiment: No. 73, Gr. N. E. McKay, 31st October, 1902; No. 150, Gr. H. B. Hatch, 1st November, 1902. The following men have been taken on the strength of the regiment and are posted to the band: Bandsman M. V. McGregor, 28th October, 1902; Bandsman T. W. Rennie, 4th November, 1902.

The Lake Poets" is the topic for the literary meeting of the Young People's Guild, to be held in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Monday evening. The programme will consist of three parts: First, essay on the lives of Wordsworth, Coleridge and Southey; second, rhyme of Ancient Mariner, by seven young ladies; third, capping of quotations.

A magnificent cock pheasant paid a visit to the city this morning. It was seen by the motorer of one of the Fort street cars sitting on the track immediately in front of the residence of Chief Langley. Why it should select this particular locality it is hard to tell. It may have been only the wraith of a bird, but then why should it desire to haunt so enthusiastic a sportsman as the chief, or the other devotees of the gun who live in the vicinity?

Chairvoants, fortune tellers, mahatmas, "inspired prophets," and all of that ilk must leave this city. They have received notice to quit the place, the chief of police having given instructions to have them acquainted with section 396 of the code, which says: "Every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment who pretends to exercise or use any kind of witchcraft, sorcery, enchantment, or conjuration or undertakes to tell fortunes or pretends from his skill or knowledge in any occult or crafty science to discover where or in what manner goods or chattels supposed to have been stolen or lost may be found." There are several practising in the city liable to prosecution under this section, and the chief intends to push proceedings unless they depart.

**Samuel Clay Dead.**  
Well Known Victorian Passed Away at Ladysmith Yesterday Morning.

Yesterday forenoon at Ladysmith there passed away one of British Columbia's pioneers in the person of Samuel Clay, aged 70 years. The funeral will take place in Victoria to-morrow afternoon, the remains arriving here on the morning train. Mr. Hilbert, funeral director of Nanaimo, went to Ladysmith this morning to arrange for the funeral.

Mr. Clay was born in Devonshire, Eng., and in his young manhood came out to Victoria. After an exciting experience in the Cariboo gold fields, where he was moderately successful, Mr. Clay returned to this city, where he engaged in business on Johnson street, being proprietor of the Blue Post saloon, and a grocery business for many years. Three years ago, when Ladysmith was but a townsite and a name, Mr. Clay, with his family, moved to Oyster Harbor, opening the first store in what is now known as Ladysmith, he being one of the first three or four to erect buildings there. He continued in business until his death.

The deceased had been in poor health for several months, suffering from a general breaking down, due to advancing years, to which he at last succumbed, though able to be up and about until a few days prior to his demise.

He leaves a widow and six children, two sons and four daughters, all residents of Ladysmith.

The funeral will take place from Hanna's undertaking parlors to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

**INSPECTING BOG IRON.**  
Body of This Ore on Quatsino Sound Being Examined by Interested Parties.

It is possible that one of the principal difficulties which has prevented the establishment of iron works on Vancouver Island is to be solved. The iron ore found on the island is magnetite, which of itself does not produce good pig iron. At the Ironside smelter this ore has been mixed with bog iron found from Washington state to a small proportion, and the result has been that the best of iron has been produced.

Last year it was reported that a large deposit of bog iron had been discovered on Quatsino Sound. The discovery was made by a party of prospectors headed by a man named Hicks. It has since attracted a great deal of attention until H. C. Newton and a party of experts visited Quatsino a few days ago. His visit is believed to have been undertaken in order to see what body of bog iron existed, and which will have an important bearing upon the proposed iron smelter on the West Coast.

**THE PAST SEASON.**  
The Yachts That Won Honors For Their Owners—Lively Cruise.

As already stated a meeting of the management committee of the Victoria Yacht Club was held last week, when the list of prize winners for the season recently terminated was drawn up. Altogether the season of 1902 was very successful, and justifies yachting enthusiasts in making plans of a somewhat elaborate nature for next year.

In A class Dionne takes first place, winning the prize presented by the Victoria Yacht Club; also the commodore's cup presented by F. S. Barnard, for the boat coming first in A class. While on a cruise in the same class, having come in first twice, but losing one race on time allowance to Dionne. Alterations about to be made on Widenwake by her energetic owner, A. T. Pierce, will probably improve her greatly and make her faster in heavy weather. The Daneshe also made a good showing in A class, developing considerable speed, but was not raced continuously. She, however, was fitted out for cruising, and made a trip to Vancouver and back, which was a creditable record for so small a boat.

It is hoped that her owner, Robert Cassidy, will get a larger boat by next season, which will prove a credit to the yacht club and Victoria, under the skilful management of one of the most expert sailors, as the smaller boat has done.

B class, Redskin easily comes first, Marietta taking second place. It is quite apparent that the boats in the one design class that were kept in good form by having the hull polished and sails properly stretched for each race were easily the winners, which does not detract in any way from the skilful manner in which they were handled by their owners. It is to be regretted that a series of races were not arranged for the cruisers. However, it is to be hoped that next season they will be taken into consideration.

It is likely that a few cruisers on the lines of the Sea Bird, which proved such a wonderful little sea boat, will be built in the near future by a couple of Victorians, who prefer a good comfortable craft that will stand any weather, to a crack racer that will give them a shower bath in even moderate weather. The last cruise of the season was made on Saturday last by the Swallow, owned by Sergt-Major Mulcahy. The staunch little craft had on board her owner, Mr. Taylor, of the Hudson's Bay Company, and Mr. Elliott, of the army service corps. They left the inner harbor between 3 and 4 o'clock, in the afternoon, reaching their destination, Albert Head, a couple of hours later. They decided to put in the night on board, so dropping anchor they turned in. As will be remembered a storm sprang up during the night, which developed into a perfect hurricane, especially in the

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Straits, and the serene slumber of the yachtsmen were rudely disturbed by the rough and tumble entertainment to which they were subjected by the elements. They put out more anchors, and managed to keep off the rocks, but it was only by a narrow margin for next morning they found themselves but a very few yards away. They remained in the vicinity until 1 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Swallow was started for port. The wind was blowing about for port an hour, and needless to say the yachtsmen had an interesting trip. Although close reefed the yacht dashed through the water at a great rate, arriving in the harbor in about half an hour.

**IN LODGE CIRCLES.**  
Far West Lodge Hold House Warming Entertainment—Important Meeting Woodmen of World.

Far West lodge, No. 1, K. of P., held a "house warming" in their new hall at the corner of Douglas and Pandora streets last evening, and those attending had a very pleasant and agreeable time notwithstanding that the weather was anything but pleasant. The opening address was made by Past Supreme Representative H. F. W. Beinson, who presided, and after making a few pointed and spicy remarks he introduced the well known vocalist E. Codlin, who delighted and held spell-bound his many admirers with one of his favorite songs.

The Rev. Mr. Bryth then delivered a very able address, taking for his subject "Fraternalism," and all present felt better that the kind words had been spoken in their behalf.

Miss L. McDougall then gave a song, which was much appreciated, her style being ever an attraction among her many friends. Next was a recitation by B. F. August, after which Mr. Lanigar delighted the brothers with a piccolo solo. This was rendered with great taste, and was well applauded. A thirty minutes intermission then took place, while refreshments were served, consisting of sandwiches and coffee, after which all indulged in an old-fashioned smoke and spinning yarns of by-gone days.

The programme was opened by a duet by Miss L. McDougall and Master H. Hughes, who, although very young, did their parts in a masterly manner and to the full satisfaction of all present. Then came a song by Mr. F. Leroy, who brought the house down with several comic selections and witty sayings. The concluding part was a cornet duet by T. Gold and Master J. Rausch. Then the meeting broke up by singing "God Save the King," and everybody left for their homes with smiling faces and best wishes for the success of Lodge No. 1, K. of P.

The regular meeting of Victoria Camp, Woodmen of the World, No. 62, was held last evening, there being a good attendance. Business of importance was dealt with, among which was the appointing a committee to wait on the two Dominion House representatives, Geo. Riley, M. P., and Thos. Barle, M. P., for the purpose of requesting them to support a measure altering the act of incorporation of the order so as to allow the bestowing of sick and funeral benefits which will come before the House at the next session. At present the order is not permitted to do this, and a combined effort is being made all over the Dominion to pass a measure allowing it to be done in the future. Almost every representative of the Home will be waited upon by committees from the different branches of the Woodmen of the World, asking for their support in the matter. Besides this five initiatives and seven applications were dealt with in the usual way. After the business had been completed the remainder of the evening was spent in a social manner. Refreshments were served and an impromptu programme of a very meritorious character was given.

To-night at the drill hall the Fifth Regiment band will commence their regular series of promenade concerts. These concerts will be given every Saturday evening until May 1st, 1903. Special extra attractions will be presented at every concert. Basketball will be the extra for this evening, when the first game in the senior league series will be played. The contestants for this evening are James Bay vs. Victoria West. The musical programme is an interesting one, and includes a solo for euphonium by Bandsman Malcolm McGregor.

The schooner Bilboa arrived this morning from Chemainus en route to sea with a cargo of lumber for South America.

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**REFORMED EPISCOPAL.**  
At the Reformed Episcopal church there will be divine service in the morning at 11, at which the sermon will be preached by Rev. Bishop Cridge. Evening prayer at 7, when the pulpit will be occupied by the rector, Rev. H. J. Wood. Short service on Friday at 8 p. m. in the church of the church. Strangers welcome. The musical portion follows:  
Morning.  
Organ—Andante.....Andre  
Soprano and Tenor—As Set.....Marcer  
Te Deum.....Camidge  
Benedictus.....Lemon  
Gloria.....Gibson  
Agnus—Inno Will keep Him in Perpetual Peace Who said He Stayed  
Kyrie.....Button  
Gloria.....Button  
Hymn.....149  
Hymn.....285  
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Handel  
Let All the Angels.....Handel  
Evening.  
Largo.....Gulmann  
Psalm—As Set.....Marcer  
Te Deum.....Camidge  
Agnus Dinitis.....Cathedral Psalter  
Gloria.....Gibson  
Agnus—Inno Will keep Him in Perpetual Peace Who said He Stayed  
Hymn.....422  
Hymn.....305  
Doxology.....16  
Amen—Thurwell.....Marcer  
Alleluia—Pomposo.....John E. West

**ST. JOHN'S.**  
There will be morning prayer and Hymn at 11 and evensong at 7, the rector, Rev. Percival Jenus, being the preacher at both services. The musical arrangements are as follows:  
Morning.  
Organ—Largo in G.....Handel  
Te Deum.....Marcer  
Hymns.....527, 183 and 530  
Organ—Allegro.....Dr. Rimbaud  
Evening.  
Organ—Angels Ever Bright and Fair.....Handel  
Magnificat.....Turner in F  
Agnus Dinitis.....Marcer  
Hymns.....625, 302 and 255  
Voluntary—Gloria in B Flat.....Haydn

**CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.**  
Preacher, morning and evening, Canon Beaudin. The musical portion follows:  
Morning.  
Voluntary—Andante.....Tours  
Vocalists.....Cathedral Psalter  
Te Deum.....Woodward  
Benedictus.....Marcer  
Hymns.....36, 299 and 174  
Voluntary—Fantasia.....Tours  
Evening.  
Voluntary—Postlude.....K. I. Middleton  
Hymns.....291  
Psalm.....Cathedral Psalter  
Magnificat.....St. J. Goss  
Agnus Dinitis.....Fons Perigrinus  
Hymns.....187, 255 and 250  
Recessional Hymn.....248  
Voluntary—March.....Handel

**ST. SAUVOIR'S.**  
Holy communion, 8 a.m.; morning prayer, 11 a. m.; evening prayer, 7 p. m. Preacher, Rev. W. Baugh Allen.

**ST. BARNABAS'S.**  
Holy eucharist at 8, matins and Hymn at 11, subject of address, "The Letter from the General Synod of Canada." Evensong at 7. Preacher, Rev. R. Council, of St. Luke's, Cedar Hill.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.**  
Dr. Campbell will preach at both morning and evening services. In the evening the annual thanksgiving services for soldiers and sailors will be held, at which the following will be the musical service:  
Hymns.....70, 404, 402 and 101  
The Lord Prayer.....J. G. Brown  
Anthem—Gloria Me O Thou Great Jehovah.....Mrs. G. Brown  
Solo—Abide With Me, Mrs. G. J. Burnett  
Doxology.....Handel

**ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN.**  
Rev. W. Leslie Clay will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school, 3:30 p. m. Bible class, 8.


**METROPOLITAN METHODIST.**  
Rev. Elliott S. Rowe will conduct both morning and evening services. Sunday school and Bible class in the afternoon at the usual time.

**CENTENNIAL METHODIST.**  
Special services to-morrow at 11 a. m., 2:30 and 7 p. m. The pastor will speak at each service, and the choir will furnish suitable music. Evening subject, "The Live Question of To-Day."

**JAMES BAY METHODIST.**  
Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. W. Scott. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m. The cultured are all requested to be present, as the morning sermon will be especially for them. Subject, "Faith," Gen. xxii, 19. Evening subject, "Joy or Sorrow Predominate in Our Local Life?" John xv, 11. Epworth League prayer meeting after evening service.

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DANUBE'S EXCITING EXPERIENCE ON COAST

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Eleven hours off Cape Scott in a violent sea with a heavy cargo on board and several thousand feet of lumber piled on deck was the very exciting experience of the steamer Danube on her voyage, which she completed this morning.

At Quatsino the Danube picked up H. E. Newton and party, who had been storm bound on the steamer Manie, and took them on to Rivers Inlet, where the party embarked on the Capilano for Vancouver.

TRADER'S APPRAISEMENT. Friday's Tacoma Ledger says: "The board recently appointed by the Federal court to appraise the value of the Canadian steamer Trader, which was in collision with the stern-wheel steamer Capital City recently, surveyed the Trader yesterday. The board consists of Harbormaster J. B. Clift, Walter S. Milner and James Reid, of Crawford & Reid, shipbuilders.



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begin to set aside the Capital City's claim on the grounds that the Trader could not be libeled for more than she is worth.

The immediate damages to the Trader as a result of the collision are said to have been fixed at \$250. It is reported, however, that many of her beams are started, and that she will ultimately have to be docked and caulked throughout, which will greatly increase the cost of her repairs.

LA FRANCE IN ICE. A report comes from Minto, on the Yukon, that the steamer La France in making her last trip from White Horse Dawson was caught at that place in the ice and is in a helpless position. The mail has been forwarded to Dawson on a stage to be forwarded to Dawson. The thermometer has dropped at White Horse to 16 below, and the cold snap extends as far as Dawson.

MARINE NOTES. A. Brownlee, formerly chief engineer of the Islander, and latterly chief of the engineer department of the Charm, during the absence of T. G. Mitchell, who has gone to England to superintend the work of installing the machinery in the steamer Princess Victoria, now building.

THE BRIGANTINE BLAKELEY WHICH WAS SOLD YESTERDAY. After several months' idleness the brigantine Blakeley is again to enter service. She is now to be employed in the cod fishing industry, under the ownership and management of the Western Fish Company, of Vancouver.

SAVE THE BABY. A Mother Tells How Many a Threatened Life May Be Preserved.

To the loving mother no expense is too great, no labor too severe, if it will preserve the health of her little ones. Childhood ills are generally simple, but so often a knowledge of the right thing to do that turns the tide at a crisis.

NEW DIRIGIBLE BALLOON. Two Persons Were in Car During Trial Trip, Which Was Successful.

It has been known for some time past, says a Paris dispatch, that the brothers Lebaudy and an engineer named Jullit have been constructing a steerable balloon, but such secrecy has been observed that little or nothing has been published about the new flying machine.

Engineer Jullit, who had charge of the motor, said that he was completely satisfied with the test, but declined to be interviewed.

The reporter describes the Lebaudy balloon as similar in appearance to, but twice the size of that of M. Santos-Dumont. It is 6 1/2 yards long and 12 yards in diameter. The car is 5 1/2 yards long and can hold three persons. The propeller is driven by a motor of 40-horse power.

TO ENFORCE ACT. Maxwell Smith Will See That Provisions of Fruit Marks Act Are Carried Out.

Maxwell Smith, the officer appointed to see that the provisions of the Fruit Marks Act are carried out in this province, left the city last night for Vancouver. He will then proceed to the Okanagan valley for the interests of his work. His appointment and the duties of his office have been referred to in the Times previous to this, the latter being fully set forth in an interview with Prof. Robertson upon his visit to Victoria a few weeks ago.

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WELL MERITED GROWTH.

Among the publications that came to our attention this week is that little annual messenger, DODD'S ALMANAC, published by The Dodd's Medicine Co., Limited. Its growth in the estimation of the public is attested by the fact that in the eight years of its life its circulation has grown from thousands to many millions, and that it is now printed in many languages and is found almost everywhere.

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Notice is hereby given that all persons having any claim against the estate of Charles Todd, deceased, late of Metlakatla, British Columbia, Indian agent, are required to send particulars of such claim to the undersigned on or before the 30th day of January, 1904, after which date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets amongst the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have had notice.

THE TOURIST ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA, B. C. The First Annual Meeting. Of this Association will be held in the City Hall at 8 p. m. on Wednesday, Nov. 12th. All subscribers or intending subscribers are particularly requested to be present. Business—Presentation of Reports and Election of Officers.

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OURSELVES.

AS SEEN FROM MARS.

What peculiar little people those mortals are down there on old Mother Earth. See how they rush about! Those with pants on are men. They come out of their little houses every morning to go to a place, and rush along the same road every day, as if they never would be there in time. The funny part is that when they get there, some of them do nothing but scratch a little piece of steel on paper making black marks, others count green pieces of paper, and the more of this paper they have the happier they seem. In the evening, back they hurry along the same road again to their little houses. They do this day after day, and they don't seem ever to weary.

Those other little figures in pretty dresses—they are called women. They look sensible. Most of them are, too. But it's really wonderful how many of them are in slavery and don't know it. If they could only get above their surroundings, and look at themselves—how queer some of their work would seem. For instance, they are very anxious to keep their little houses, their little hands and faces, and their clothing clean.

You see that one there with her hands all roughened, and her knuckles hard! She did that trying to clean her clothing, and she did not need to had she only known.

Look at that one rubbing the clothes up and down on that board! She does that week by week. She wears away the clothes more in the washing than she does in using them.

See that one hurrying to the bargain counter! She did the same a few months ago; made a good bargain, too; but she wore out the bargain in half the time for want of just a little thought, and here she is hurrying to the bargain counter again.

What a waste of shoe leather! Notice how old looking some of them get before their time—that is really the effect of downright white slavery. And the worst of it is they don't know they are slaves.

Peep into that room where those two are sweating their lives out! Do you see that little square piece of buff-

looking material? Well, that is what ruins their hands, wears out their clothing, and keeps them in a perpetual flurry. They are absolute slaves to that—and they don't know it.

Look into that room; there are a number of women whose hands are not rough, whose clothing is whiter than the rest, and wears longer; they are not old before their time. They have taken time to think, and have realized that it made all the difference to their hands, their clothes and their work, whether that buff material was pure or impure.

Some of these little women, when they want some of that buff material they use so much of, simply hurry to send some one to a shop and ask for "soap." Those who think and know the difference ask for "Sunlight Soap." They know Sunlight Soap is pure.

See, there is one of the thinking women in that shop—that little man has given her something else instead of "Sunlight Soap." See her push it back and say "I'll have nothing else but Sunlight Soap, octagon bar."

That little child running along the road with a packet is returning to a shop to say that her mother won't have the impure soap sent in place of "Sunlight Soap."

It is very interesting for us up here in Mars to watch how the little mortals on old Mother Earth come gradually, to realize how much depends on little things, and on such a little thing as soap, and how, as they think for themselves, they all turn to "Sunlight Soap."

See that little girl dropping a postcard into that letter box! That card is addressed to Lever Brothers, Limited, Toronto, and asks them to send her free a copy of "Weekly Expenses Reduced." Sure as they read that book they turn to use "Sunlight Soap," and they do really save money in the weekly wash.

Note:—The above may seem, and is a picture of this world as it is, but Sunlight Soap is distinct from all common laundry soaps, and there is a marked difference in the effect produced by it. One ounce of "Sunlight Soap" is worth two ounces of ordinary soap.

to succeed Mr. MacInnes, assistant freight traffic manager of Western lines, with headquarters at Winnipeg, it is of interest to recall the fact that Mr. Peters entered the services of the Canadian Pacific railway in 1881. Prior to that date, in 1878, he had held an appointment on the Intercolonial railway in the construction and telegraph department.

In 1881, Mr. Peters obtained a subordinate position in the railway freight office at Winnipeg. His efficiency gained him quick promotion and an increase in salary, and early in 1882 he was appointed freight, passenger and land agent at Brandon, the C. P. R. main line having, at that time, reached but a few miles beyond that town. For seven years Mr. Peters worked in the new prairie town and, in 1889, was promoted to the post of agent at Port Arthur. The year the Northern Pacific lines entered Winnipeg, and Mr. Peters was removed to that city to act as C. P. R. freight agent. In 1896 the growth of the mining industry and general traffic in the Kootenays made a general officer necessary to look after the railway company's business in Southeastern British Columbia, and Mr. Peters was appointed district freight agent there, with headquarters at Nelson. Later he was advanced another step, and made assistant general freight agent. In 1898, A. Cameron's retirement from the company led to the important office of general freight agent of the Pacific division vacant, and Mr. Peters was appointed to the position.

NEW WESTMINSTER. The contractor for the Carnegie library building is pushing the work forward, and the walls are now a good distance above the level of the ground. The lower part of the walls are to be of stone, and this has all been laid, and the men are now doing the brick work of the superstructure.

At the accident, was narrowly averted at the Columbia wharf storage wharf the other morning. As was noted, the wharf had just been unloaded and the horses left standing, when a small boy happened along and the horses started backing, until they backed the wagon off the east end of the wharf. Fortunately the water is shallow here and the wagon was easily recovered.

On Wednesday Charles Wingren, alias Wingate, accused of murder of one Leith, at Mount Vernon, Wash., and held here on an extradition warrant, came up for hearing before Judge Boie. Howay & Reid, on behalf of Skagit county, asked for a further remand until the 11th inst., and this was granted.

The death occurred at his farm on Lulu island of John James Fairman. The deceased had lived for some years on a farm near London's Landing, and was a native of Ontario. He leaves a number of relatives, including a widow, father and sister to mourn his loss.

Secretary W. J. Brandt, of the Fruit Growers' Association, has shipped by express a shipment of oats to the land commissioner of the Great Northern railway at St. Paul, Minn. The grain was seven feet high, and half a bushel of the threshing showed the weight to be 46 pounds per bushel. It was grown on the farm of Harry Burr, Ladner, and is of the variety called "Tartar King."

The seeds were imported from England in April, 1901, and from three successive sowings, the yield was 150 sacks. This year's crop was sown on May 1st, and was fit to cut August 15th, the yield being one-third greater than that from Swedish oats sown on the same ground.

Prof. George, the palmit, was fined the sum of a license, \$10, and costs, in the police court for "practising" in defiance of by-law prohibitions. He says he will appeal to a higher court.

NANAIMO. Yesterday morning George House found the body of his father-in-law, Richard Fielding, lying on the roadside near the Nanaimo river, the head bound to pieces. The old man had been dependent for several weeks, and taking a rifle piece his car to the muzzle and

blew out his brains. He was a highly respected pioneer, and for many years was engaged in logging business for local mines. He leaves a widow and a grown up family.

COMMUNICATIONS.

J. B.'S WORKS.

To the Editor:—Last Saturday you gave us a sample of the quiet way J. Bull does his work. Here is a sample of how he works and causes the resurrection of a dead nation. If the Americans had done this they would have watered the stock as well as the land and put up so much for a brass band to play about it: A dispatch on August 1st announced that the last coping-stone of the great dam across the Nile at Assuan was laid. This marks the completion of the greatest national work of its kind in existence, and one which will have a wonderful effect on the agricultural resources of Egypt. The completion of this dam and a similar one at Assouiat will provide water storage in the Nile valley which will supply over one billion cubic yards of water every year. By this large tract of land will produce two crops a year, and vast areas which have been unproductive for centuries will be made fruitful, increasing largely the scope of sugar cultivation. The dam at Assuan is one of the greatest engineering works in existence. It is one and one-fourth miles long, and is pierced by one hundred and eighty openings, twenty-three feet high and seven feet wide, fitted with steel gates. The contract for the work, which is done by an English firm, and includes the two dams, calls for about twenty-five million dollars. The contract was let in February, 1902, and called for completion by July, 1903. The progress already made indicates that this will be anticipated by six months. Continuous employment for the past eighteen months has been given to sixteen thousand men, of whom about fourteen thousand were Egyptians. This element of labor has of itself been of great economic value to Egypt, and the enrichment of the country due to the benefits of this increased irrigation will be enormous.

In connection with the vast irrigation system which is being carried out in Egypt, and of which these new dams are only additional features, it is stated that rainfalls are becoming comparatively frequent in that country, instead of a rare event to be remembered for years. This is ascribed to the fact that vegetation has covered already a large area formerly only desert sand, which has had, in a small measure, the same result that tree-planting is supposed to have. The Sphinx and other monuments the distant past are said to be showing the effects of this increased rainfall in increasing disintegration. The World's Events.

OBSERVER.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

To the Editor:—I made a very wry face on Saturday last when perusing your editorial regarding the English Educational Bill. You appear to have formed your ex parte conclusions through reading the opinions expressed in the Nineteenth Century Magazine by well known English churchmen, who naturally are strongly prejudiced in favor of the bill. It is true, also, that some leading educationists have pronounced themselves in favor of accepting the bill with certain amendments, but these persons have either leanings to or are directly affiliated with the state church of England and Wales.

In order to understand the question, it should be explained that the present system of education in England was introduced by Mr. Gladstone's government in 1870. Mr. Foster, the home secretary, having charge of the measure, it was a compromise bill, and was not by any means a complete measure, but it did fairly provide a comparatively free education for children of all classes. In order to obtain the consent of parliament to the bill, Mr. Foster consented the voluntary system of schools then existing, permitted the starting of others, and introduced a new feature, the board schools, managed by a popularly elected board of school trustees. This formed the common school system of Great Britain. The voluntary schools were assisted by the government, as also the board schools, by grants based upon standards of efficiency. About three-fourths of the voluntary schools were in the hands of the state church and generally known as national schools, the Non-conformists maintaining a portion, generally known as British schools. Besides these, there were a vast number of private schools supported exclusively by the fees paid by pupils. As the board schools were gradually established all over the country, it was quickly seen that they were by far the best equipped, managed and taught. So much so, that numbers of private schools were discontinued, and the so-called voluntary schools were hardly pressed. In consequence, the church authorities made vigorous efforts to obtain additional grants from the central government and succeeded. Still further pressing their advantage, they have apparently induced the government to go one step further, and under the guise of unifying the education system—to give greater power and influence to the clergy of the Church of England.

Now, it would have been supposed to have accomplished such an object, the government would rather have extended the system which has confessedly been the most efficient. Instead of enlarging the powers and scope of the popular elected boards of school trustees, they have put back the educational clock, and reverted to the antiquated system of partial control by the clergy of the state church, and it is this vicious principle of ecclesiastical domination that has aroused the militant spirit of Nonconformity and true educationalists. At the annual meeting of the autumn assembly of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland in Mr. Chamberlain's constituency, Birmingham, the following objections were formulated and were carried unanimously:

1. That the bill seeks to confirm and perpetuate clerical control of public elementary schools.

2. That it provides no effective remedy for the grievous wrong which is done to Nonconformist and other parents in 7-

470 parishes where the only public elementary schools are those whose avowed object is the training of the scholars in the principles of the Established church.

3. That in the case of 11,777 Church of England and 1,045 Roman Catholic schools, while the entire cost of teaching staff and furniture and apparatus would be defrayed from the public purse, denominational managers would appoint and dismiss teachers and prescribe any form of religious instruction which they pleased; and

4. That the bill violates the fundamental principle of the constitution that taxation shall be accomplished by popular control.

They regard the bill as the product of an alliance between the government and the High Anglican party and the Roman Catholic Hierarchy, having for its main purpose the clericalizing of education at the cost of the just rights of all Free church citizens and to the injury of Protestantism and Nonconformity; and since this attempt occurs at the end of a series of sectarian aggressions in our national education legislation, and as a fresh and unprovoked disturbance of the present arrangements, they are resolved to use their political influence in securing a system of national education in harmony with the principles of justice and efficiency, and in which every public elementary school shall be unsectarian and placed under the management of a board of which women may be members, and no citizen, teacher or scholar be placed at any legal disadvantage on account of religious opinions.

The doctrine of passive resistance was then enunciated by a sacred resolution as follows:

"They now declare their solemn determination not to submit to this measure if it becomes law, and to render it unworkable by every lawful means in their power. They are not surprised that very many of the opponents of the bill have resolved to suffer distraint of goods as a protest against this obnoxious measure, rather than pay the school rate, and they are for their own part resolved to adopt this course."

An amendment was moved by Dr. Glover to delete the whole of resolution No. 2, and substitute the following:

"They therefore resolve that it is earnestly to be desired that the members of our churches, with all to whom the liberty, the religion and progress of the country are dear, should use their utmost efforts to prevent this mischievous measure being passed into law; and, in the event of its being forced through parliament, to return such a majority in the next parliament as will reverse the policy unhappily adopted, and secure to the people the absolute control of the education of their children."

Only twenty voted for the amendment, and nearly the entire assembly against it. Rev. John Thomas gave expression to what is clearly the conviction of evangelical England when he said "If it comes to choosing between selling his conscience and selling his goods, his goods would have to go."

It will thus be seen that the most thorough paced opposition will be offered to this bill, should it ever unhappily become law.

As the Times has always stood for the principle of equal educational rights for all class regardless of creed, the foresaid article caused me no little surprise. I supposed, however—stretching charity to the farthest limit—that the editor had been indulging in a Rip Van Winkle sleep, and only woke up in time to placate the printer's devil. Hence the article.

H. M'EWEN.

AUTOMOBILE REPRESSION.

French Rules and Practice Officially Stated Apropos of the Fair Accident.

M. Lepine, prefect of police, in an interview on the possibility of preventing the recurrence of such a motor-car accident as befell Mr. and Mrs. Fair, is reported to have said:

"No special legislation is required to regulate the matter. The proof is that such an accident not only never happened in Paris, but could not happen here; and for a very simple reason. We have sufficient police to compel drivers of motor-cars to moderate the speed of their machines according to that is, to go more slowly or even to come to a stop altogether if the congestion of street traffic requires it. The regulations with regard to automobiles are laid down in a circular issued by the minister of public works. According to these documents 30 kilometers an hour is the extreme speed limit, and that

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is permitted only with absolutely unobstructed roads, for 20 kilometers in the limit in towns. Moreover, drivers of motor-cars are subject to article 475 of the Penal Code, which punishes with a fine or, in case of a repetition of the offence, with imprisonment those who may have violated the regulations governing the load, rapidity, or direction of vehicles.

A common-sense interpretation of this article allows the Paris police to insure the safety of the public without interfering unduly with drivers' cars. That is to say, the police do not feel called upon to intervene, even though an automobile may be travelling above the limit of the speed allowed by law, should the road be clear. On the other hand, they have full power to stop a car, although it may be going at only four or five kilometers an hour, if that speed, should constitute a public danger. Special regulations, issued by the prefect of the Seine, govern automobiles in the Bois de Boulogne and the Bois de Vincennes, which are the property of the Paris municipality. Here the extreme limit of speed permitted to an automobile is twelve kilometers an hour, a limit that is needlessly low at certain hours of the day, when the Bois de Boulogne is virtually deserted, and is far too high at others, when the throng of carriages and other vehicles is very dense.

"No special legislation is necessary. The authorities all over France are amply equipped to deal with the matter. The difficulty lies in enforcing the law. How are you to prevent the driver of a motor-car from travelling at a speed of sixty, seventy, eighty, or one hundred kilometers an hour on roads in the country, where the representatives of the law are few and far between? In Paris, of course, we can and do prevent it. Consequently we have not had to deplore such an accident as the one which happened near Pacy-sur-Eure. Here in Paris and in other cities it is easy to enforce the law, as we have police sufficient for the purpose. In the open country, however, the personnel is too small, and accidents caused by excessive speed, will always be possible until such time as all the roads are sufficiently widened so that drivers of motor-cars themselves realize the risks to which they subject themselves and others by travelling too fast."

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Provincial News.

VANCOUVER.

The local police have received word from Field of the theft of some \$350 in cash from the safe of the C. P. R. hotel at that place. It appears that the combination of the safe was not properly closed, and the thief had thus an easy job.

Mrs. McIntosh passed away at 1076 Pender street at 3 o'clock on Thursday afternoon. The deceased lady had been ailing for some time, but it was not until Wednesday that her condition became serious. Mrs. McIntosh, who was the daughter of Alexander McIntosh, of Roxboro', Glangary county, Ont., was born at Mountjoy Farm, on King's road, near Martintown, Ont., in 1828. Of her nine children seven survive her.

Under the pastorate of Rev. E. E. Scott Methodist in the West End of the city has made rapid strides, and the official board of the church at its last meeting showed its appreciation of the pastor's successful work by increasing the salary to \$2,000. This, with a free parsonage (furnished), etc., makes the Wesley church pastorate worth about \$2,500 a year. During Mr. Scott's term the congregation has almost doubled, and the moneys raised by the congregation during the past three years have amounted to nearly \$13,000 a year.

The idea of forming a Policemen's Protective Association in connection with the Vancouver force has been abandoned. It may be remembered that about a year ago certain funds, about \$300, accrued to the force from the publication of a police souvenir. Primarily it was the intention of the policemen to deposit their share of the souvenir profits, as the nucleus for a protective or benefit association. Instead, the scheme was considered seriously, and efforts made to effect its materialization. Many difficulties were discovered, however, not at first discernible, in organizing such an association, and after vainly endeavoring to engage the sympathy of the police committee in some such scheme of organization, the idea gradually wilted, and was finally abandoned altogether.

On Thursday afternoon members of the force convened in the guard room to decide what should be done with the \$300 lying useless in the strong box. After brief discussion it was agreed unanimously that it shall be apportioned as follows: Vancouver General hospital fund, \$100; Alexandra Orphanage, \$100; ex-Sergeant Johnston, \$100.

Ex-Sergeant Johnston, as may be recalled, was obliged, through falling health, to seek a new climate, and took up his residence in Kamloops, a couple of years ago.

In connection with the rumored promotion of F. W. Peters, C. P. R. general freight agent for the Pacific division

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Messrs. K. Scholefield and A. Gillespie Leave for Montreal on 20th—Schedule of Games.

All arrangements in connection with the tour of Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales by an All-Canadian Rugby team have been successfully completed. One of the most difficult matters encountered in carrying the scheme to a successful issue was undoubtedly that of choosing a team which, while being the strongest possible, would be fairly representative of the Dominion. The question of finances also required a great deal of consideration. These problems, however, have been satisfactorily solved, and A. T. Goward yesterday received word from the East asking Messrs. K. Scholefield and A. Gillespie to prepare to

leave for Montreal by the 20th at the latest, in order to take the places which have been given them on the team. The Canadians will leave shortly after the Victorians arrive at Montreal, giving little opportunity for practice at that place before departure.

According to a dispatch from Montreal British Columbia will be well represented, bearing out the statement made by Mr. McClure, one of the promoters of the project, that the players of the Eastern and Western coast would be largely depended upon to make up the strength of the aggregation. Besides the two Victoria men, one is taken from Vancouver, one from Nanaimo and two from Revelstoke, making a total of six men out of a team of fifteen players, being little less than half. The team, as far as known at present, is: Montreal, Ogilvie and Jack; Britannia, McClure, Brockville, Phillips; Hamilton, Marshall and Dumoulin; Argonauts, Hardisty; Victoria, Gillespie and Scholefield; Vancouver, Tait and Flood; Revelstoke, Purvis and Taylor; Nanaimo, Rendie; Halifax, Farrell and two others. There will be representatives from Ottawa, Charlottetown and another from the Argonauts and the Britannias.

It is uncertain yet as to whether any exhibition games will be played before leaving for the Old Country. As all the members of the team selected are supposed to be in Montreal by the 25th inst., it is likely that an exhibition match will be arranged to take place about that date. It is also announced that a game will be played in Halifax about the 6th of November, or just prior to sailing.

The itinerary, as announced, opens in the north of Ireland. The team then goes to the south of Ireland, thence to Scotland, and from there to Wales and England. London will be the first point touched after leaving Canada, then Belfast, Dublin, and then across to Glasgow and Edinburgh, and from there to Swansea and Cardiff, and lastly London.

It is understood that the team will travel under the auspices of the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union and the Canadian Rugby Union. It is estimated that the trip will be completed by February 4th, 1903, and by February 14th, 1903, the team will be back in Canada. All games will be played under the English rules.

The visitors are assured a hearty welcome in the Old Country. Already invitations for different social events are

to hand, and there is no doubt that the boys will thoroughly enjoy themselves. A rough draft of the schedule of games has been completed, and is as follows:

- Dec. 15—North of Ireland.
- Dec. 16—Trinity College, Dublin.
- Dec. 17—Lansker Provincial.
- Dec. 18—London.
- Dec. 20—Edinburgh Academicals.
- Dec. 21—Edinburgh Wanderers.
- Dec. 22—North of Scotland.
- Jan. 1—Halifax.
- Jan. 3—Jed Forest.
- Jan. 5—Harrowgate.
- Jan. 7—London.
- Jan. 15—Llanelli.
- Jan. 17—Swansea.
- Jan. 21—Aberdeen.
- Jan. 24—London Scottish.
- Jan. 28—Oxford.
- Jan. 31—Blackheath.
- Feb. 4—Cambridge.

### SPRUNG A LEAK.

E. B. Marvin Had a Misfortune After Leaving For Falkland Islands.

W. B. Reid, of this city, has received a letter from Fred Smith, one of the crew of the sealing schooner E. B. Marvin, which left there for the Falkland Islands a few weeks ago. The letter was written on Santa Cruz on the 1st inst. The writer says:

"We have taken just ten days to come this far. The second day out I thought it would be a case of going back to Victoria, for when we tried the pumps we found that she was leaking. It took the 'Old Man' and the mate and Bob Johnson a couple of hours to find the leak, which was in the rudder casing, but we are all right now. We are going to call here for some cooking gear and a cabin boy."

### ART EXHIBITION.

New York, Nov. 8.—The English art club's autumn show is less characteristic than usual, says a Tribune dispatch from London. The young artists either have been over zealous in imitating French impressionist methods, or have become infatuated with the idea of painting homely and uninteresting women in ill-furnished rooms.

### PERSONAL.

E. L. Denis, of Montreal; Van Curtin, of Portland; Geo. H. McFarlane, of Toronto; Frank J. Lee, of Seattle; and G. Morris, of Columbus, are at the Vernon.

Capt. H. P. Steward, formerly of this city, but now of White Horse, Yukon, is in the city, this being his first visit to Victoria in eighteen months.

Dr. Williams has returned to the city and will resume practice at his optical parlors, 106 Government street, near Yates.

E. R. Rand, W. W. Chan and G. White, of Vancouver, are guests at the Driford.

J. C. Caskey, of Seattle, is at the Driford.

### TORONTO MINING EXCHANGE.

(Published by the Stuart Robertson Co., Ltd., Successors to A. W. More & Co., Ltd., Mining Brokers, 23 Broad St.)

Toronto, Nov. 8.—The following were the closing quotations on the Mining Exchange to-day:	
Black Tail	Asked. Bid.
Canadian G. F. S.	109 1/2 109
Cariboo McKinney	23 1/2 23
Cariboo Hyd.	2 1/2 2 1/2
Centre Star	37 1/2 37 1/2
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	125 1/2 125
Deer Trail Con.	2 1/2 2 1/2
Fairview Corp.	5 1/2 5 1/2
Giant	5 1/2 5 1/2
Granby Silver	33 1/2 33
Iron Mask	9 1/2 9 1/2
Lone Pine—Surprise Con.	54 1/2 54 1/2
Moraine Gold	100 1/2 100 1/2
Morrison	3 1/2 3 1/2
Mountain Lion	17 1/2 17 1/2
North Star	16 1/2 16 1/2
Payne	16 1/2 16 1/2
Rambler Cariboo Con.	55 3/4 55 3/4
Republic	8 1/2 8 1/2
Sullivan	8 1/2 8 1/2
Virtue	9 1/2 9 1/2
War Eagle Con.	20 1/2 20 1/2
White Bear	3 1/2 3 1/2
Winnipeg	4 1/2 4 1/2
Wonderful	4 1/2 4 1/2
Don. Cons.	45 1/2 45 1/2
St. Eugene	45 1/2 45 1/2

Toronto Sales To-Day.  
War Eagle—2,000 at 10 1/2.  
White Bear—3,000 at 3 1/2.  
Rossland Sales Yesterday.  
Cariboo McKinney—3,000 at 19 1/2.  
War Eagle—1,500 at 17.  
Homestake—1,500 at 2 1/2.  
America Boy—4,000 at 4 1/2.

The members of the city council and the directors of the Victoria Terminal Railway Company met together yesterday afternoon and further discussed the terms with respect to the proposed changes in the agreement between the city and that corporation. The exact terms were not yet agreed upon, but will be laid over until next week. In the meantime the solicitors representing both parties are getting the matter in shape.

### TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., November, 1902. (Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
1	5:29	7.0	8:47	6.4	13:30	8.4
2	6:24	7.2	9:39	6.8	14:08	8.3
3	7:13	7.3	10:22	7.1	14:29	8.1
4	8:03	7.4	11:02	7.1	14:29	8.1
5	8:55	7.6	11:38	7.4	14:50	7.5
6	9:45	7.8	12:14	7.6	14:50	7.5
7	10:32	7.9	12:44	7.6	14:50	7.5
8	11:19	8.1	13:11	7.8	14:50	7.5
9	12:04	8.2	13:36	8.0	14:50	7.5
10	12:48	8.3	14:00	8.2	14:50	7.5
11	13:31	8.4	14:22	8.3	14:50	7.5
12	14:13	8.5	14:43	8.4	14:50	7.5
13	14:54	8.6	15:03	8.5	14:50	7.5
14	15:34	8.7	15:22	8.6	14:50	7.5
15	16:13	8.8	15:40	8.7	14:50	7.5
16	16:51	8.9	15:57	8.8	14:50	7.5
17	17:28	9.0	16:13	8.9	14:50	7.5
18	18:04	9.1	16:28	9.0	14:50	7.5
19	18:39	9.2	16:42	9.1	14:50	7.5
20	19:13	9.3	16:55	9.2	14:50	7.5
21	19:46	9.4	17:07	9.3	14:50	7.5
22	20:18	9.5	17:18	9.4	14:50	7.5
23	20:49	9.6	17:28	9.5	14:50	7.5
24	21:19	9.7	17:37	9.6	14:50	7.5
25	21:48	9.8	17:45	9.7	14:50	7.5
26	22:16	9.9	17:52	9.8	14:50	7.5
27	22:43	10.0	17:58	9.9	14:50	7.5
28	23:09	10.1	18:03	10.0	14:50	7.5
29	23:34	10.2	18:07	10.1	14:50	7.5
30	23:58	10.3	18:10	10.2	14:50	7.5

The time used is Pacific standard for the 12th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot. 2 feet of above height corresponds to 1 foot in the fairway of Victoria harbor. Requisite at Dry Dock.—From observations during six months, May to October, compared with simultaneous observations continued at Victoria by Mr. F. N. Denton. For time of high water, add 14 minutes to H. W. at Victoria. For time of low water, add 17 minutes to L. W. at Victoria.

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### DIED.

MINTOSH—At Vancouver, on Nov. 6th, Charlotte, widow of Alexander McIntosh, of Roxboro, Gleangray County, Ont., in her 75th year.  
POINGESTRE—New Westminster, on Nov. 6th, the wife of J. H. Poingestrest, of a daughter.

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Experiments have been made with Prof. Artemieff's safety dress in the high tension laboratory of Messrs. Siemens & Halska. This dress is constructed entirely of flax, but thickly woven wire gauze. It completely encloses the wearer, inclusive of hands, feet and head. Its total weight is 3.3 pounds, its resistance from hand to hand, .017 ohms, and its capacity varies from 6000 up to 60025 microfarads, according as the wearer is far away from or near to a wall. The cooling surface is so great that a current of 200 amperes can pass through the dress for some seconds from hand to hand without perceptible heating effect. Standing unsheltered on the ground, and clad with this dress, Prof. Artemieff drew sparks from the secondary terminals of a transformer which was giving a tension of 75,000 volts, the period being fifty cycles per second. He next seized the main, and later on the potential being raised to 150,000 volts he drew sparks from both terminals, and handled the latter. The machine supplying this transformer was of 170-kilowatt capacity. In concluding the experiments the inventor short-circuited this generator by clutching hold of the terminals, the potential difference between the two being 1,000 volts, and the current passed 200 amperes. The circuit was broken by simply letting go of one electrode. Throughout these experiments, slightest sensation of any current through his body.—Engineering.

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VICTORIA, B. C., SATURDAY NOVEMBER 8, 1902.

THE TRAGEDY OF THE GREAT STRIKE

A REVIEW OF IT BY HENRY GEORGE, JUNIOR

Average of the Workers in the Mines Was Less Than a Dollar a Day.

High in a coal breaker sit a number of little boys, and among them, here and there, an old man. The coal, elevated fresh from the mine to the top of the great wooden structure is emptied into chutes and comes sliding down inclines past the little boys and old men, whose eyes must be quick to detect the pieces of slate which the hands must be ready to snatch out. It is a long, tedious, monotonous business, this one of slate picking, for the stream of coal seems never ending, and there is a continuous straining of the sight, bending of the back and wearing away of the finger tips—the latter until the skin becomes thin and supersensitive, or hard and callous as black. Besides there is the constant black clouds of dust—dust that powders the clothes, hands, face, head, everything, and that enters the nostrils and turns the lungs into a kind of black sponge, accompanied with fearful frequency by consumption and miners' asthma.

There, together in the coal breaker, sit youth and age. Side by side, they are earning their daily bread. The boys are beginning at the lowest rung of the ladder of anthracite coal mining; the men have been through all the grades in the prime of their manhood, have earned the wages of skilled workmen, and now in the decline of years and powers, with nothing saved from the, at least, poor wages with which to protect old age, they are back at the lowest rung of the ladder, ending life where they began.

Began in the breaker; ended in the breaker! That tells the tale of the average Pennsylvania anthracite miner who reaches old age in the mines. Who reaches old age! but, of course, many are maimed and cannot continue at the vocation until old age. Others escape when they can from coal mining, as from a region of terrors; and death by accident or mine disease makes dreadful claims. Hence there is not nearly so large a proportion of old men among these hard coal miners as among men of other vocations.

But as if to compensate, there are many old young men, while boys are serious and grave far beyond their years, and womanhood is nipped of its beauty and fragrances before the blossom.

This is the state of things in the hard coal fields of Pennsylvania, where for several slow-dragging months John Mitchell has been leading a strike of the united mining population for a little better pay, a little shortening of working hours and a little added humanity.

Average Wage Under \$1 Per Day. For it should be known that the wages of the average Pennsylvania hard coal miner, taking one year with another, is between \$250 and \$270 per annum. This rate of pay would, under good conditions, all things considered, be very small. But considering that the mine worker is called upon to spend his long working hours under ground, where danger from blasting, from caving-in, from the rushing of tunnel coal cars, from gases, from dampness is ever present, this rate of pay seems to be more in keeping with the brutalizing conditions of European labor than that of free and equal American citizenship.

Yet to establish and to continue this extremely low rate of wages has long been the policy of the real rulers of the hard coal fields of Pennsylvania. Years ago, President McGowan, of the Philadelphia and Reading railway—a man who now would be called a "captain of industry"—knowing how valuable the hard coal fields of Pennsylvania were, and anticipating their greatly added value in the near future, began to acquire by purchase and lease all the anthracite coal bearing land possible. His railroad ran through the heart of the hard coal belt. Several other railroads also ran to or through this section of the state, and they followed the example of the Reading railroad to greater or less extent.

A lot of small coal operators were scattered over these regions at that time, and the railroads began to put up freight rates so as to squeeze them out of the coal-mining business. The coal operators took defensive measures. They had a bill put through the legislature forbidding a transportation company to engage in the mining business. The railroads went around this by organizing mining companies, ostensibly separate and distinct from the transportation companies, but in fact with the same officers and a policy that made them mere coal-mining departments of the coal carrying railroads.

How Railroads Squeezed. It was soon found that this separate organization served two purposes. It squeezed the independent operators on the one side and mine workers on the other; for the railroads had a charge of from \$1.50 to \$2 a ton for carrying coal to tide-water, a higher rate than is charged by other railroads of the country for a similar haul, and much higher than these same hard coal rail-

roads regularly and by schedule charge for high class perishable freight.

This policy of absorption, which is the polite name for robbery on a grand scale, has been proceeding steadily and remorselessly, until by the recent report of the United States industrial commission it appears that nine-tenths of the hard coal lands of Pennsylvania are owned by eight railroad companies. It is notorious that such coal lands as these roads do not own are dependent on them for coal carriage, so that their operators are compelled to make contracts to run for several years, for the hauling of their coal at certain high rates, and to make the railroads their selling agents.

Therefore, it may be truthfully said that eight railroads, to all intents and purposes, own all the hard coal lands in the United States, for Pennsylvania contains the only anthracite deposits in this country. The Reading railroad, the Erie railroad and the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad own considerably more than half of the hard coal lands, and their policy dominates.

Of course, unions among workmen are deplorable if not wicked. This we often hear from the circles of the magnates, and find expressed in their organs. But for years there have been the worst kind of a union among those railroads and their subject operators. A few men having the control of the whole industry, have been accustomed to gather around a directors' table in a New York office once, twice or three times annually and decide how much coal should be taken out of the ground, and what its price should be. The public have not been consulted; it has simply been expected to pay what these half-dozen or more gentlemen in their gracious and benevolent wisdom chose to ask, which as is always what happens in such cases, was "all that the traffic could bear."

As for the mine workers, of course they were not at any time consulted. They were never consulted about anything. The systematic policy towards them has always been one of crushing.

President McGowan at the beginning, conceived the idea of establishing in Pennsylvania a hard coal field a worse than European condition of cut-throat competition among mine workers. Welsh, English, Irish and native Americans—all English speaking and composing a homogeneous people—had been doing the work of mining coal in the anthracite fields. President McGowan imported a great number of Poles and men of other nationalities, with their families, endeavoring apparently to get men who, while accustomed to very low wages, should be antagonistic to each other by national, racial, religious and other prejudices, and be detached in small groups, as it were, by the barriers of language.

Wages Docked For "Religion." On the score of the imprudence of the mine workers and the necessity for securing the proper worship of God Almighty in the Pennsylvania coal regions, coal magnates made a practice of taking from the mine workers wages a certain sum to support religion, this sum to be expended not by or at the direction of the mine workers, but by and according to the wishes of the mining magnates.

This in a variety of ways the mine workers were held down to a low rate of remuneration. They were robbed of part of their originally small wages and held back in the payment of the remainder. These were conditions that breed desperation, fruits of which the magnates soon experienced. They went to the submissive Pennsylvania legislature—a law-making body that for several generations has been the creature of the great coal, iron, railroad and tariff-protected corporations—and obtained the passage of an act authorizing the establishment of "coal and iron police," who were to carry firearms, and who constituted a private standing army.

Coal and Iron Police. This Coal and Iron Police force was additional to the usual sheriff's posse and the military regiments that were to be hired by the coal companies for the mere calling, but it had a function that made it the more deadly against any kind of trade unionism or organized movement among the mine workers for betterment of working conditions. It was to a large extent a secret service—a service of detectives or spies. Its members had secret commissions from the coal companies, wore no distinctive badges or uniforms, and reported to the coal magnates from whom they received their pay.

All these circumstances combined to make the coal magnates all-powerful masters in the coal fields, and they used a subtle influence to array colliery against colliery and region against region, so that there was never any harmonious purpose among all the mine workers, and no concerted movement for betterment. For twenty-five years the strike movements were separate and unrelated, and they all failed. During the quarter century following the middle seventies not one of the multitude of workmen's strikes in Pennsylvania hard coal fields succeeded.

For this reason the presidents of the hard coal mining railroads complacently and superciliously smiled when in 1900, just two years ago, John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, the national organization of the coal miners, demanded better pay, shorter hours, abolition of the company store, in fact as well as in name, monthly payment of wages and some other things, on pain of a general concerted strike of the hard coal miners in case of refusal. The railroad managers comfortably reviewed the past years dotted with the tombstones of strike failures.

But the hour for a great concerted movement, which should overlap the barriers of language, ally religious intolerance and bury past animosities had come, and with the hour had come the man to lead—a young man of 28, bred to the mines, but having with the hardships of the miner imbibed the so-

pirations of the American citizen. With the clear sight, sound judgment, daring and prudence of a good leader, he offered a character to inspire with confidence all who might follow. This man was John Mitchell.

When Mr. Mitchell called upon all mine workers, whether union men or not, to strike, more than 120,000 out of 143,000 mine workers in the hard coal fields on the first day laid down their tools and refrained from work, and within a week practically every hard coal miner had stopped.

The strike was complete, and after many weeks was victorious. The coal magnates, who never before had conceded anything to their workmen on demand, had then to concede 10 per cent. increase in wages to induce them to work.



STAFF OF ENGINEER SERVICES, VICTORIA, B. C. The above cut is of the officers, warrant officers and no-coms. of the Royal Engineer Corps at West Point. Their names are as follows: From Left to Right—Seated.—Lieut. L. F. Blandy, Lieut. G. C. E. Elliott, Lieut.-Col. A. Grant, Capt. B. W. B. Bowdler, Lieut. (Hon.) P. G. Hood, Lieut. F. H. French. Standing—Second Row.—Foreman of Works S. S. Shore, Q. M. S. A. Clark, Lance-Corp. F. Brown, R. C. Sergt. D. Mackintosh, Sergt. W. G. Sney, Eng.-Clerk T. Murphy. Standing—Back Row.—Mr. J. McArthur, S. M. G. Barrington, Sergt. Reay, G. Barker, Supt. Clerk S. J. Morehouse, S. C. G. Featon, Foreman of Works Staff-Sergt. H. J. Warwick.

TWILIGHT.

A'm f'ol'in' leetle triste to-night—dat's wat you call "depress" — A'm tink about dat long ago, before I come out West. Seems lak I don't see tings de same as wat I use to saw. All roun' about an' everywhere w'en I was "un 'p'ti' gars"— De sonshine dot' shine bright enoff, de rain don' rain lak rain; Mon dien! I wonder w'en I see dat tunder storm again! W'en all de b'air was still, an' hot, an' close, till by en by You see de big black cloud roll up an' marche along de sky; You hear de tree top movin' an' you feel a puff o' win; Den "pat-tat-tat" across de fiel' de tunder storm begin. Bateval! I ron inside de house w'en rain begin to fall Long tam ago, near Cote des Neiges, behine ole Montreal.

Den w'en de storm was pass away an' go some oder place De son come out all smilin' lak de rain was wash his face, We ron out in de fiel', barefoot, because de grass is wet! An' everyting so fresh an' cool. Sapce! I smell him yet! Les pommes fameuses in gettin' big an' bigger every day. An' plenty farmer down below commence to-cut de hay. We see dem workin' cross de fiel', far off to St. Laurent, Until de son was almost set, an' den some young garcon Make shout: "Attends—les vaches qu'elles vienent," an' so we ron an' look To see de cow come tranquillement along chemin St. Luc! An' den we ron toute d'aute chez nous to hear de mudder call Hil's supper time at Cote des Neiges, behine ole Montreal.

W'en supper time was feenish an' les enfants va' coucher, Mon pere, he sit houtside de house for res' an' make fumer. A'm sit beside an' make demand pour reconter des contes Il 'lume sa pipe, an' den he say "P'tit choux, de pas d' houte?" "Your h'ole papa was work h'all day for gain un peu d'argent," "An' now you mek him talk h'all night lak he was jenne garcon?" I know he's only talk lak dat for have de fon wide me, An' so I don't say notthin' but I'm climb up on his knee. An' he was tell me story 'bout de days of autrefois, 'Bout hunt an' trap de big black bear dat's runnin' dans le bois; 'Bout fightin' wid de Irlandais wat dug Lachine canawl Long tam ago, near Cote des Neiges, behine ole Montreal.

Den by en by we hear de bell ring on de seminaire; Dat's nine o'clock, my bed time me, an' den he say mon pere, "Marche a coucher mon p'tit soldat—ta mere l'attends dedans." "Baise donc ton pere an' kiss good night, dat's plenty now—vaten." Good night, mon pere; good night ma mere; dat's long, long wile ago. An' yet sometam it seem so near an' come so close, you know, Dat w'en I stut de cabia door for go to mek de sleep, I tink my fader sittin' dere houtside for smoke "sa pipe," Dat's mek a big ole roq lak me feel vary queer; an' den Sometam I get up with my bed an' open de door again. An' den I go to sleep right hof, an' don't feel triste at all; A'm back ches nous at Cote des Neiges, behine ole Montreal.

J. H. M.

THE CHINESE "LIKIN."

One More of the Picturesque Institutions of Celestial Empire Removed. The abolition of the "likin" in China, which was announced in a recent decree from Peking, removed one more of the picturesque institutions of the Celestial Empire, says the New York Times. The "likin" was typically Chinese, and the manner in which it was levied and collected could have afforded interesting material for comic opera. Indeed, the comedy writers missed an opportunity when they did not make use of it while it lasted. And now, alas! it is gone.

The "likin" was a great thing for the Mandarins. To begin with, it was sort of internal tax levied to make up for the cost of the Taiping rebellion. It was supposed to end when the rebellion did, but the Mandarins saw the great possibilities it possessed and kept it up. Every Mandarin who was sufficiently removed from the risk all through his Pekin to take the risk set up "likin" barriers along the roads. The barriers were just as thick as the Mandarin dared to set them—and the Chinese Mandarin is a daring individual when it comes to collecting money for his personal exchequer.

On the waterway between Shanghai and Soochow—to take a single example—there are ten barriers in a distance of 80 miles—a "likin" for every eight miles. There was no fixed rule as to the amount to be collected from the passing merchant, and the transaction accordingly resolved itself into a diplomatic negotiation between the pig-tailed collector and the equally appendaged tradesman. In any event, there was always a good deal of delay, and by the time the man of business got to the place he was headed for he had generally expended a good many taels of money and many hours of time. However, time is cheap in China, and could be left out of the calculation. Whenever a new trade route was opened up it was at once pounced upon by enterprising Mandarins and a "likin" established. Sometimes the merchants who had previously been going that way would thereupon hire coolies to carry their packs of goods by circuitous back-country routes to their destination. This was all right for a time, but the "likin" carrier soon found them out in their new path.

Occasionally the people have rebelled at the "likin" and risen up and leveled the barriers. It takes a good deal to arouse a Chinaman, but when he does arouse he is like most mobs, and just goes ahead and wrecks things generally. By its published annual report current during the coal strike of 1900, the Lehigh Valley railroad was paying a quarter of a million dollars a year in minimum royalties on coal land from which it was not taking a pound of the mineral, but was purposely holding out of use.

The policy of the "Christian men to whom," according to Mr. Reading Railroad President Baer, "God in His infinite wisdom has given the control of the property interests of the country," has been to make scarce and high-priced the masses of men what the Almighty

nature, for the use of His creatures. He did not hand down a coal mine title to Mr. President Baer and his associates and railroad presidents. This is the indispensable and everlasting truth. What has dimmed or hidden it is that men have fallen into the habit of confounding the works of man and the works of God. Mr. Baer and his associates and their companies are justly entitled to all that they can by their separate or combined efforts produce, but they never did, and never can, make one cubic inch of coal land. But what Mr. Baer in effect says is that "God in His infinite wisdom has given" not only the fruits of their toil to the railroad companies in question, but the control of nature's storehouse of coal as well.

Assuming for the moment that this were true, how are the railroads acting with this great trust? We have seen the hardships that coal mining workmen suffer. But observe

intended to be plentiful and low priced. Government Should Own Railroads. But how to remedy the evil is the problem. Two things are necessary. One is that the railroads, which are nothing more than steam highways, should be taken out of private hands, and conducted by the public's government for the benefit of the public, as they are conducted with great success and with small prejudice to public or private interests, among many civilized peoples of the world, the most notable results being shown, perhaps, among these people most like our own—the new-born, vigorous and progressive Australians. Publicly owned and conducted railroads would guarantee low and equal rates. What low freight rates would mean may be inferred from the fact that that electric railroad genius, Albert L. Johnson, was, at the time of his death, a year ago, in the midst of plans for a railroad that should carry coal from the anthracite mines to tide-water for 25 cents a ton, against the six to eight times that sum now charged. Next the coal lands ought to be taxed according to their actual selling value.

THE GREAT VALUE OF NAVAL POWER

CAPT. MAHAN WRITES ON A TIMELY TOPIC

Commercial and Political Anxieties Have Greatly Increased Responsibilities of Navies.

An article entitled "Why We Must Have a Greater Navy," which Captain Mahan has written for publication in America, contains the following passages, published in the London Times:

The argument of the opponents of territorial expansion, even within moderate limits, and with the regard to locality and consequent utility in the positions acquired, was plausible, and was deplorably successful; but it was fallacious. It adduced a sound military reason—the increased expense—but wholly ignored qualifying considerations of the most serious character, reverse of conclusions. It may with much more certainty be now alleged, and the assertion can be supported to the point of demonstration, that the acquisition of recent years, despite the additional requirement of their defence imposed upon us, have not necessitated any increase of our naval force, beyond that which would have been imperatively demanded at the present time, had they never passed into our hands.

Even more, they have lessened the burden of purely naval development, which but for them would have been necessary; for by the tenure of them, and due development of their resources, the navy itself receives an accession of strength, an increased facility of movement, by resting upon strong positions for equipment and repairs upon bases, to use the military term—in several parts of the world where our interests demand naval protection of the kind already mentioned—namely, readiness to take the offensive instantly.

Facilities of this character add a percentage of value to a given mobile force, military or naval, for they by so much increase its power and its mobility. This percentage may be difficult of precise definition as to amount, but it none the less exists. That coal can be obtained near at hand, plentifully, and with certainty; that ships can remain in readiness, and in security, near the possible scene of operations; that they can be repaired there, instead of returning to the United States, all these conditions, which our new possessions will afford, enable the work on the spot to be done by fewer ships, and diminish by their storage facilities—by their accumulated and natural resources—the immediate dependence upon home by a long chain of communications, which is the great drain on all military operations.

Thus, according to the particular conditions, one ship may do the work of two, or three ships of five, or perhaps nine or ten; but, be the proportion more or less, the gain in efficiency means, as such gain always does, smaller numbers and therefore less expense. When a battleship in war time runs upon an uncharted rock, as the Oregon did a year ago in the China seas, it makes an immense difference to an admiral, and to the operations in hand, whether she can be repaired at a distance of 500 miles or of 5,000. The case is the same with minor repairs, and with the removal of coal, and of the greatest of naval anxieties. For instance, it would be difficult to exaggerate the value of Guantanamo, only 50 miles from Santiago de Cuba, to the American fleet off the latter port, which otherwise had to coal in the open or depend upon a base many hundred miles away.

This is, not, in itself, an argument for large armaments, or indefinite territorial expansion. These, if desirable, rest upon reasons other than military. The military argument amounts simply to this, that a moderate number of such bases, suitably chosen in view of their position and resources, strengthen a military or naval situation, and thereby enable fewer men or fewer ships to do the necessary work, but it must be at once qualified by the other perfectly familiar military maxim, that the multiplication of such bases, as soon as you pass the limits of reasonable necessity, becomes a source of weakness, multiplying exposed points, and entailing division of force.

The march of events, not in the United States only, but over the world at large, not of military or naval events chiefly, but of political events, events economical and commercial, has brought about the necessity, which is now universally recognized, for large navies; navies much increased over the standard of twenty years ago. Of this course of events in those two decades, and their result to-day, our war with Spain, which led directly or indirectly to the acquisition of every foot of insular territory possessed by us, is simply one incident, and that an incident rather disconnected, something of a side issue, though one most timely for the welfare of the country.

Had that war not occurred there is no reason to believe that the mighty events which have transpired in Africa, Egypt, the Levant and China would not have happened; still less that there would not have been the immense commercial developments, which, if less striking, are even more momentous and are influential at this moment upon the policy of nations. The difference would, however, have been not that that war, that events, and conditions which are moving the







# An Absorbing Story Of An Epsom Jockey

### HOW HE IMPERILED HIS FUTURE RATHER THAN PULL HIS MOUNT AND SELL THE RACE.

"I tell you the beast must be pulled." The slightly built man, who looked little more than a lad, fixed a pair of sad, hollow eyes upon the ground between the pointed toes of his boots, and listened to his companion's imperious directions in mute despair.

"It's done every day for much less than this affair means to either you or me," the other urged. "It means being gay to me and prison to you if the beast gets home. If it doesn't, you shall have that unfortunate cheque together with a hundred-pound note the evening following."

"I never pulled a mount yet, Mr. Hall, and I'm hanged if I do now!" the jockey ejaculated through his set teeth.

"It will mean prison for you, then." "I dare say it will!" cried the jockey in a shrill voice. "You kept that cheque until you knew it was too late for me to prove I didn't forge it, and now you come and threaten me with it unless I do your dirty work. I won't do it, prison or no prison, so I tell you straight. Besides, who told you I'm riding Merry-may?"

"Do you take me for a mole?" said Mr. Hall. "I know you have been asked to ride the beast, and if you refuse or fail to pull him—well, you know how unpleasant will be the consequences."

"I suppose you've got on to The Baker for all you're worth?" Sillings said thoughtfully.

"That's none of your business. The Baker's got to win, that's all you need worry about, and if you pull Merry-may, all will be well."

"For you—yes, I don't doubt it. But what about Lord Shannon? P'raps you don't know that he backed my mount for all he's worth, and that Merry-may is relied upon to pay off the mortgage upon his estate? A win to The Baker would be absolute ruin to his lordship."

"More fool he! I can't be expected to drop all my money because a friend has backed the horse to win. Now, look here, Joe, don't let us have any more words about the matter. Will you not ride and pull?"

"No!" "Tut! Confound you! What do you think Miss Mustman will say when you're thrown into jail and branded a felon? What will she say when she knows that you have been courting her with the crime of a forger upon your conscience, such a high-minded young woman as she, too?"

"She'd think less had of me than if I pulled Merry-may," Sillings returned in a hushed voice.

"Well, put it another way. How can you marry her after three or four years in prison? You may not get 'beefy' in jail, but your skill will be spoilt, your name will be ruined, your career, which at present promises to carry you into the first rank of jockeys, will be cut short. In a word, you will be hopelessly ruined!"

"Surely the Prince of Tempters might come to you for hints!" the jockey hissed. "But even if Merry-may loses, The Baker may not win. He may go all wrong within the next three days. Then where will you be?"

"Fool! I have not backed The Baker, I have laid against Merry-may. If The Baker turns up fit on the course, then I may back him. But that is quite beside the point."

There, apparently, was Joe Sillings's last hope gone. No compromise between him and his tempter was possible. He had to choose between prison and ruin, the loss of the girl he loved and degradation in her eyes, which was perhaps even worse than losing her, and the mere tightening of a rein.

"Which will you do?" "I'll think it over, and you shall see," the jockey replied.

"Can't you decide now? Think what 'No' means to you."

"Can't you decide in your own mind what I shall do when the time comes?" Sillings replied doggedly.

"Yes, I think I can, Joe," said Mr. Hall, smiling quietly. "You're a wise man, Joe. The pros are out of all proportion to the cons."

"Have you anything else to say?" "No, I don't; think so."

"Then get out of my paddock, Cuthbert Hill!" Mr. Hall knew he had succeeded in his mission, and therefore took this insult with better temper than he would otherwise have done.

He went away without a word, but with a smiling face and a light heart. Sillings watched him disappear, and grinned.

He was in the hollow of the man's hands, and he would surrender a successful career, a life's possibilities and a life's love to racecourse ethics? Yet it was merely a question of racecourse ethics. Was it not rather an ephemeral effort which would be reflected by his conscience through all his life; an effort which would ruin many a home and wreck many a life?

On the other hand, there was no certainty in horse-racing, and those men who had backed, or would back, Merry-may to win, knew they might lose; and if he pulled the horse, and the world knew why, would not his reason justify him before all except those who had lost by his act?

He wandered through his stables, his heart lonely and sick within him, debating with himself which course he should take, and it suddenly occurred to him that if he could discover the whereabouts of his old friend, John Granger, all would yet be well; John could prove that he never committed the forgery.

But where was John? Perhaps a thousand miles away; perhaps in the very next town. He had not heard anything of him for three years, and knew no one who had. John might be dead.

Still, there was hope in this idea. He would endeavor to find John before the day of the race, and if he failed—then he would have to choose.

Late in the evening of the following day Cuthbert Hill was hurrying about his chambers in Sloane street, preparing everything as far as he could to enable him to get down to Epsom early, without the necessity for rising before his usually late hour.

He was in high feather, flushed, and not absolutely sober. He was looking for the morrow as a day that would see his making, a day of events which would wipe out his financial difficulties and put a day, too, which would ruin forever the chances of his friend, Lord Shannon, redeeming his fortune sufficiently to marry Clair Dudley.

Mr. Hall was not the man to play half the game; he laid a plot to enrich himself and develop it to ruin his rival. He had schemed for months to reach these ends, and he had omitted nothing which could further object.

He had even forged a note to meet a creditor, whom he could easily have paid, to husband for a day or two a few hundred pounds which he would lay to his own gain. Then he would redeem the note, he decided, and wipe the matter out.

It was all planned to the finest point, and he was naturally elated. It was the honey of satisfaction to him to prepare for the eventful morrow.

At last, when all seemed done, he paused and pondered to know if there was nothing else he could do to anticipate the next day. Then he sat down at his writing table, and took a cashbox from a drawer. From the cashbox he extracted a folded cheque.

He satisfied himself that it was the one he wanted, took a sheet of plain note paper, and, pinning the cheque to it, wrote, "The B. N. follows to-morrow." He folded the two up, slipping them into an envelope which he closed, addressed and stamped.

"He shall have the hundred to-morrow," he said, glancing down at the letter and the blotting pad, as he rose and lit a cigarette; "meanwhile I can make four or five of it. I will take this with me, post it at the station on my return to town, and he will see that I am a man who keeps his word in either way."

He smoked the cigarette half through in restless meditation, and then, as if struck by a sudden thought, went out of the room, picked up a hat and stick from the hallrack and passed out of the building.

He had not been gone three minutes when his maid entered the room. His heavy eyes wandered over the room from one object to another until they rested upon the letter.

Picking it up, he read the super-scription apathetically, and he glanced at the clock on the mantel shelf.

"Juzins!" he muttered calmly. "I thought he was a bit way to-night. Two minutes to 12. I can just catch it, and if I don't I suppose I shall catch it—in another way."

Reluctant to cross the muddy road in his indoor shoes, he made a detour to his crossing, and posted the letter at the box opposite the chamber buildings. He returned by way of the crossing, availed himself of the lift, and entered the flat just behind his master, who had used the staircase.

"Been out, Pink?" Mr. Hall enquired. "Posted your letter, sir?" "Post—my—You blithering idiot!" cried the master, white with fear and rage. "Where did you post it?"

Pink told him, and followed him down the stairs three steps at a time, and across the road.

With fumbling fingers Mr. Hall struck a match and looked at the little enamelled plate, which indicated the time the box would next be cleared.

"Eight-twenty. The box is cleared. Oh, you vast fool!" he cried, turning passionately upon Pink.

He sprang into a hansom and drove to the district sorting office with all possible haste.

"By mistake a few minutes ago my man posted a letter in the pillar box at Camden street corner," he said to an official who came forward. "It is of vital importance that it should not be delivered. It is addressed to Mr. Joseph Sillings, Darcy Lodge, Epsom. The box has been cleared."

"Are you sure it was posted?" "Absolutely."

"Then I cannot help you; once posted, the letter belongs to the Postmaster-General until it is delivered at the address of the addressee."

"But I must have it, man." "Out of the question, sir." It was useless to argue; the official was obdurate.

"What time will it be delivered?" Hall asked anxiously.

"Epsom, you say? Between 11 and 12—about 11."

And Joe Sillings would not be on the course until 1 or 2 o'clock! He would probably get the letter before leaving home. Why, in that case, should he pull Merry-may?

Hill strode out of the office in a frenzy of rage and despair.

Somewhat he must draw Sillings away from his house before the letter arrived there, and keep the letter from him till after the race. But how?

"Pink," he said, when he had got back to his chambers, "I want you to send a telegram for me."

"Sillings, Epsom. Meet me at Leatherhead station 11, sharp; Wednesday. Important. John Granger." Was how he worded the message.

"That will draw if nothing else will," Hill said as he affixed a sixpenny stamp. "But even when this was sent off he was uneasy in his mind. He knew Sillings would be at Leatherhead station

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at the time appointed, that he would wait anxiously for the appearance of Granger, and that chances were a thousand to one against Sillings returning home before the race was run.

But there was the bare chance that the prematurely posted letter would get to Sillings hands in some way before Merry-may was paraded, and Hall could do nothing to obviate this contingency.

Next morning, however, refreshed by sleep and no longer muddled by drink, Hall was perfectly sanguine. On his way down to Epsom he had sent a telegram to Sillings's head groom to ask where his master was, and at the Epsom telegram office he found awaiting him a reply to the effect that Sillings had gone early to Leatherhead to meet a friend.

This was good news, indeed, but opened an ugly doubt for Hall.

Sillings's groom was almost certain to attend the race, and the letter must already have arrived at Darcy Lodge; and might not the groom take it to his master? It was a tortuous doubt.

By chance, however, Hall met the groom just outside Epsom station, and satisfied himself that the man had not brought the letter, which had not arrived when Sillings left home, and that no one was coming from Darcy Lodge to the meeting.

Lounging about the paddock some considerable time later, Hall caught sight of Sillings, out of the corners of his eyes.

The jockey's face was pale and haggard, and there was a hat, sad look about his mouth.

"What a fool the man is!" Hall said to himself. "One would imagine he was required to do murder."

Shortly afterward Merry-may passed by where Hall was standing. Sillings was up in his purple and white silk.

Instinctively he turned his head, and as he caught sight of Hall he gave him a look of mute despair. But Hall did not see it.

He was running his eye over The Baker and admiring the horse's wonderful condition, which so impressed him that he moved off and laid every penny he had with him upon the animal.

By the time he had edged himself into a good position for viewing the race the starters were already off. He could just make out the colored jackets of the jockeys bobbing along in the distance.

The Baker was third to get off, and Merry-may was running in a batch of five of the field behind the first three.

"How-d'ye-do, sir?" said a voice over Hall's shoulder.

Hall turned and blanched as he recognized the sunburnt, chubby face of John Granger.

He could find no words to speak in his surprise and alarm.

Fate was surely trying to unbind his mind; first by the hideous mistake about the letter and now by John Granger, the vanished man, turning up at such a time. If he had seen Sillings the day was lost, the lifetime ruined!

"I only arrived from South America last night, sir, but seeing my old friend, Joe Sillings, was bound to come down," Granger explained.

"Have you seen Sillings?" Hall inquired hoarsely.

"Not to speak to, but I've put a pony on his mount, you may be sure."

Hall turned his head away and shuddered. Fate had played a waiting game with him, he thought, but luck was all on his side.

Twice in twenty-four hours Hall had been within an ace of ruin, and had been saved by chance.

There was a roar and a pushing forward of the crowds that lined the course, as the horses swerved round the bend and began to come down the straight.

"Marcus!" roared half the crowd. "Harefoot!" yelled the other half, as two horses broke from the leading five and challenged each other.

There was a panting pause, then a roar that made the blood tingle in Hall's flushed cheek.

"The Baker!" shouted the crowd together, as another horse overtook Marcus and Harefoot and showed them his heels.

A moment later a fluttering patch of white and purple seemed to leap forward.

It dashed past Marcus and Harefoot, and began to overhurl The Baker.

"Merry-may does it! Merry-may!" Inch by inch Merry-may drew down upon The Baker. The shadow of the favorite's nose flickered on The Baker's thigh, then upon his flank, ribs and shoulders, and then The Baker's nose began to fall back from the level of Merry-may's shoulder to its thigh, when suddenly Merry-may seemed to pick himself up and leap forward a hundred yards.

two hundred yards, and Merry-may had won.

Half an hour later Hall, white, haggard and aged by many a year, too desperate to hurry from the scene of his triumph without an understanding with Sillings, met the jockey face to face.

Sillings was no less pale and hardly less haggard than Hall, but there was a triumphant light in his face which was naturally wanting in Hall's.

"You blackguard!" Hall hissed, half raising his stick.

"You can't honestly call me that," said Sillings quietly. "Not now, at least; I've given all my word to keep faith with Merry-may's backers, and I gave you the chance to hedge. I know what it means to me—ruin, unless I can find John Granger."

"Ay, I sent you a telegram to tell you that Merry-may was not as fit as might be, but if the horse could win he should."

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"Can you specify any of Herbert's work that is not original?" the witness was asked.

"Certainly," was the reply: "The President's March, arranged by him in 1895, embodied in them a theme, 'Clio March,' written by Gurnot in 1891. It was also in the same key. In his serenade, the waltz theme, part of the overture, was taken from Grace O'More, one of the disreputable songs we have in America, which was published in 1895. In his 'Singing Girl' there's an identical harmonious progression, taken from Faure's 'The Palmes'."

Planton Bruoff, an expert musician, testified that there is not an original line in "The Idol's Eye," "The Fortune Teller" and "The Wizard of the Nile."

The jury brought in a verdict of \$15,000 against the defendant. In his defence, Victor Herbert produced a large number of witnesses who testified to the similarities running through the works of many great musicians.

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It required considerable persuasion, it is said, to persuade Rose Coghlan to essay the role of Miss Multon, made famous by Clara Morris. Now, however, Miss Coghlan believes that Miss Multon is the bit of her life.

Charles Hawrey follows in the footsteps of Wilson Barrett and almost absolutely refuses to make a curtain speech, claiming that his action in so doing tends to destroy the illusion he is endeavoring to construct.

Samuel Edwards has resigned from the company playing "The Prince of Pilsen" in Chicago, and his part, Hans Wagner, the Cincinnati brewer, has been taken by John Ransome, the original in the Boston production.

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IN THE GREEN ROOM

Nov. 12—"Shore Acres," Nov. 17—"The Bonnie Brier Bush," Nov. 18—"Over the Peace," Nov. 21—"Stuart Robinson in 'Comedy of Errors'."

Victorians who enjoyed the splendid presentation of "The Bonnie Brier Bush" recently will be interested in the reminiscences of the wonderful old man whose portrayal of the role Lachlan Campbell will long be remembered.

"This is our second season, and we have done well in a way—I say 'in a way' because many people who have read 'The Bonnie Brier Bush' have said to themselves, 'I never could understand the book and I don't see how there can be anything in the play,' but where we have scored has been by repeating our dates. Through Canada we played to fair houses the first time and went and played to the capacity, and expect to go again. It is a play that wants to be known. It is the idea of my manager that 'The Bonnie Brier Bush' will be good for five or six years, and I hope it is, for I want it to be my last as well as my first piece to star in. I want to retire when through playing Lachlan Campbell. I like the part of Lachlan Campbell and it seems to like me a bit."

Usually when a play has stood the test of ten consecutive seasons, the public, or rather the portion of it which attends theatres, loses interest in it. This, however, is not the case with James A. Herne's famous comedy drama, "Shore Acres," which will be seen at the Victoria theatre next week. The past season, Mrs. Herne claims, was the most profitable the present company has yet had, and that is a pretty fair gauge whereby to judge of the play's continued attractiveness.

Since Mr. Herne's death "Shore Acres" has remained under the control of Mrs. Herne and has not been allowed to deteriorate in any particular. The acting company contains all the old players, with one or two exceptions, who have so long been identified with the piece, and the interpretation is pretty sure to satisfy. James T. Galloway will again appear in his excellent interpretation of Nathaniel Berry, with Atkins Lawrence as Martin Berry, the thick headed brother. These two actors were long identified with Mr. Herne and they have retained all his bits of stage business. This is said to be equally true of Miss Belle Theodore, who gives such a capital rendition of Mr. Berry; William M. Burton, the Josiah Blake; C. E. Fisher, the Joel Gates; and James Burrows, the captain of the Liddy Ann. Herbert Flansburgh, who has won such a success as Dr. Warren, was protégé of Mr. Herne and gives promise of becoming a noted character actor. The children in "Shore Acres" are also a most attractive feature. Although they have to be changed from time to time owing to their outgrowing the parts, Mrs. Herne devotes a great deal of time and attention to their characterizations and this results in keeping them within the picture. During the past summer the well known scenic artist, Ernest Albert, painted new scenery for the present production.

One of the successes of the Bostonians was "The Serenade," the music of which has proved among the most popular of the later light operas. The music is by Victor Herbert and great interest has been excited in musical circles throughout the country by a libel suit for \$50,000 damages brought by Victor Herbert, the well known composer, against the Musical Courier of New York, wherein Herbert was accused of cribbing. The trial is just closed. A most interesting witness last week was Mark A. Blumberg, editor of the Courier. He said, among many other interesting things: "Good music always becomes part of the folklore of street organs. Nobody plays Herbert's music except Herbert."

"You must remember that the conditions are quite different to-day. Maybe there is just as much ability to-day as yesterday, but everything is altered. There is no longer a school. The theatre is now a purely commercial institution in which the manager finds it to his advantage to feature a great many players that in former days would hardly have been considered ripe to graduate from the ranks. I have a cottage about 10 miles out

LEER FOLK GAVE

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of New York and have a few nice neighbors, one of whom is in a large publishing house and is a great admirer of Ian MacLaren. He came to me one day and said: "Governor, before you make your exit from the stage I want to see you play Dr. McClure in 'The Bonnie Brier Bush.' I told him I didn't think he would ever have that chance, because I did not think Dr. Watson would permit it to be produced on the stage. He said he knew James MacArthur, editor of the Bookman, who was a friend of Dr. Watson, and that he intended to speak to him about it. Mr. MacArthur thought as I did, that Dr. Watson would not permit it, but he decided to write him and we were all surprised to receive a letter from him saying it could be done well he had no objection.

"Then they read the story to me and I immediately saw that Lachlan Campbell was the part for me. I remarked that if I played in that piece I would play Lachlan Campbell. There was a dispute about that. They insisted they would write up Dr. McClure for me, because that is the part in the book, but I had my way.

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Reports from Boston indicate that Frances Belmont, formerly of the "Florodora," a sexette, now Charles Hawrey's leading woman, has done as well as the heroine of "A Message From Mars."

John Arthur Fraser, a prolific writer of melodramas, the majority of which were presented by Lincoln J. Carter, died in New York recently. He had the reputation of being able to turn out a complete play in 48 hours.

William Faversham abandons the rapier and gauntlets of the classic Don Caesar and is rehearsing in a new comedy by H. V. Emond, the author of "When We Were Twenty-One." It is a play of to-day, in three acts.

A report was started in New York recently that the Lieder company intended making a tremendous presentation of Shakespeare plays next season, having Kirk Bellew, James O'Neill and Viola Allen at the head of the company.

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Notice is hereby given that sixty days from this date I intend making application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land in the seaward District of British Columbia, viz.: Lot 373 seaward District, containing 163 1/2 acres.

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H. VAN RICKLEN. Dated the 4th day of September, 1902.

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