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FULL TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT

VICTORIA AND OAK BAY BURY HATCHET
Danger of City Losing Market For Water Averted for Two Years

At a special meeting of the City Council held last evening an agreement was reached with Oak Bay on the question of a water supply for the neighboring municipality. The draft of the agreement was amended from its original form to make it operative for but two years at the ten-cent rate, the municipality not to press for the right to lay mains through the city until the expiration of 1911. Thereafter there shall be a yearly adjustment of the rate at which the water shall be supplied.

Mayor Morley presided, and there were present in an advisory capacity James L. Raymer, water commissioner, and W. J. Taylor, city barrister. Of the council four of the aldermen, Aldermen Bishop, Humber, Sargison and Lansley were absent. The agreement in its amended form now reads as follows:

"Whereas by agreement between the parties of the 2nd of March, 1909, the district is to be supplied by the city with its proportion of the existing supply of water until such time as the city obtains an improved system, said water to be supplied in bulk at a price not to exceed twenty cents per thousand gallons, and when the city procures an improved system the price is to be readjusted.

"And whereas the district is by a bill presented to the Legislative Assembly seeking certain powers set forth in section 2 and sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 3 and section 4, and it has been arranged that upon the city giving the declaration hereinafter contained, the said sections and sub-sections shall be withdrawn therefrom.

"Now it is hereby declared, covenanted and promised by the city to and with the district as follows:

"1. From the 1st day of April, 1910, to the 1st day of April, 1912, the city shall supply the district with water delivered in bulk at the existing points at which water is now supplied at a price of 10 cents per thousand gallons.

"2. Should the city by the 31st day of December, 1911, have failed to make arrangements to augment its supply of water from a source other than Elk Lake, then the district may proceed with its application to the Legislative Assembly and the city may oppose the same as they may see fit in the same manner and in all respects as if the agreement had never been made.

"3. The obligations hereby by clause 1 undertaken by the city shall remain and be binding upon the city until the district shall, through increased growth, require a daily supply exceeding five million gallons, and should the city thereafter be unable to meet the actual requirements of the district, then the district may proceed with any application to the Legislative Assembly for power to obtain an increased supply from any source whatever as they may see fit, and the city may oppose such application as it may see fit in the same manner and in all respects as if this agreement had never been made.

"4. The district will take its supply of water solely from the city during the life of this agreement solely for use in the district.

"In witness whereof the corporate seals of the said parties hereto have hereunto affixed the day and year first before written."

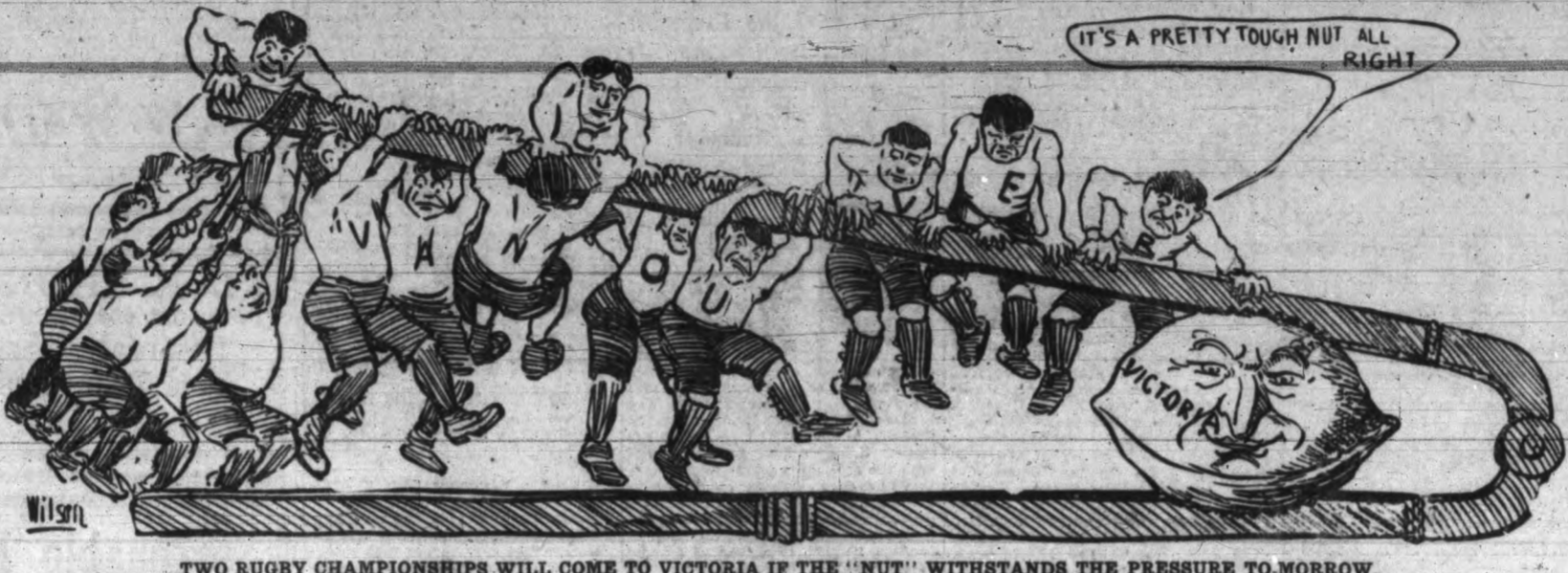
MOTHER ACCIDENTALLY KILLS HER SON

Lad Shot While Hunting and Dies in Hospital From Injury

(Times Leased Wire.)
Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 25.—Lewellyn Cushman, 14 years of age, died today from the effects of a shot fired by his mother, Mrs. E. L. Cushman, who is a widow. Mrs. Cushman and her son were hunting in the antique valley, nearly 100 miles from Los Angeles, late yesterday. The lad was walking in front of his mother when the gun she carried was discharged accidentally. The charge entered his left leg below the knee. Leaving the boy lying on a field the grief-stricken mother ran two miles to a ranch house where she procured an automobile.

Mrs. Cushman was brought to Los Angeles in the car and taken to the California hospital. Although the doctors worked determinedly all night to save his life, he had lost so much blood from the terrible wound in his leg that recovery was impossible. He died early today.

Mrs. Cushman collapsed when she was told of her son's death. She is in a precarious condition at the hospital.



TWO RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL COME TO VICTORIA IF THE "NUT" WITHSTANDS THE PRESSURE TO-MORROW.

MORE CARS ARE IN OPERATION

PHILADELPHIA COMPANY CLAIMS VICTORY

Mass Meeting of Unionists to Discuss Proposed General Strike

(Times Leased Wire.)
Philadelphia, Feb. 25.—Although a general strike of union men here in sympathy with the street railway employees who are fighting the company, appeared remote to-day, the question will be settled finally next Sunday at a great mass meeting of unionists.

The presence of armed men along the lines of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company prevented any semblance of a strike, and more cars were operated to-day by the company than at any time since the strike began.

No disturbances of any magnitude were reported, and the indications to-day are that the authorities will be able to hold the situation in hand with the forces already on duty.

The company claims a victory and refuses to arbitrate its differences with the strikers. Placards are up in the company's barns offering employment to men desirous of becoming motormen and conductors. The claim is made by the company that hundreds of men are offering their services.

A few of the more hot-headed strikers still continue to urge a general strike, but a majority of the carmen are said to oppose the plan.

The first semblance of disturbance came shortly before noon when a crowd of men and boys attacked a car. They were charged by police and state constabulary, and several rioters sustained minor injuries. One policeman was seriously wounded.

CANADIAN NOMINATED

(Special to the Times.)
Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 25.—The Conservative convention here yesterday nominated the sitting member, W. T. Waddell, for the provincial legislature.

SKELETON OF MURDERED SOLDIER FOUND

Officers at Fort Warden Are Trying to Solve the Mystery

(Times Leased Wire.)
Port Townsend, Wash., Feb. 25.—With the finding of the skeleton of another soldier, Port Townsend and nearby Fort Warden are intensely excited to-day.

The skeleton, the flesh gone from the bones and the uniform in tatters, was found in a bush near the point where Private Robert E. Dunn's corpse was discovered last week.

During the past year and a half soldiers have repeatedly disappeared a few hours after day and have been put down as deserters. Both in Dunn's case and the second there are marks of violence and officers at the fort believe the other men were also murdered.

There was no money in the pockets of the newest and an official at the fort are trying to identify the uniform to-day. Private Bennett is still in the guard house as a suspect in the Dunn case.

JAPANESE DOMESTIC LOAN

Has Been Oversubscribed and No More Applications Will Be Received

Tokyo, Feb. 25.—The domestic loan of \$1,000,000 has been oversubscribed, and the government announced to-day that no more applications would be received.

The action of financiers and financial institutions in subscribing to "large sums proved gratifying to the government, and the officials are well pleased.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO ARTILLERY

EARL GREY SPEAKS AT ASSOCIATION MEETING

Governor-General Regrets His Tenure of Office is Drawing to Close

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—At the annual meeting of the Canadian Artillery Association yesterday Col. McNaughton, in moving a vote of thanks to Earl Grey for his interest in the Artillery Association, said he believed that the governor-general had come closer into touch with the great questions affecting this great country than any of his predecessors. He hoped Earl Grey would convey to King Edward the unwavering loyalty of the Canadian Artillery Association.

Colonel Morrison, in seconding the motion, invited Earl Grey to Potters Camp before he returned to England.

Earl Grey, in reply, expressed the pleasure it would be for him to convey to the King the assurance of the loyalty of the association, though that was scarcely necessary. He expressed regret that his tenure of office as governor-general was drawing to a close, and felt sorry to leave this country after a residence of over five years. He added that from what he had seen of Canada and Canadians, he was convinced that nothing but the very best would suit them, and so he looked forward to the splendid efficient service that the artillery would become.

Sir Frederick Borden said soldiering was a very expensive business, and he had not been able to get for the militia all he would have liked. He expressed his personal thanks and gratitude to Earl Grey, for his excellency had supported all movements to better the militia service of the Dominion. In regard to the question of payment of duty upon uniforms and other necessary articles, the minister of militia expressed the opinion that before long all these articles could be obtained in Canada.

A review of the artillery service of the Dominion was given by Sir Percy Lake, inspector-general.

The following officers were elected: President—Lieut.-Col. McNaughton, Cobourg.

Vice-presidents—Lieut.-Col. Bonaff, Montreal; Lieut.-Col. Davidson, Joseph; Lieut.-Col. Flowers, Halifax; Lieut.-Col. Penhale.

Executive—Col. Morrison, Lieut.-Col. Rathburn, Lieut.-Col. P. L. Johnston and Major W. Odell.

Council—Col. Benson, Lieut.-Col. J. S. Hendrie, Lieut.-Col. E. M. Cole, Lieut.-Col. D. T. Irwin, Lieut.-Col. R. Costigan, Lieut.-Col. J. Davidson, Lieut.-Col. A. H. MacDonald, Lieut.-Col. J. A. Hall, Lieut.-Col. G. J. Hurdman, Col. P. King and Major E. C. Arnold.

Secretary—Major Arnold.

GRANT SOUGHT FROM THE GOVERNMENT

Medical Officers' Association of Canadian Militia Holds Meeting

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Feb. 25.—The annual meeting of the Medical Officers' Association of the Canadian Militia elected officers yesterday afternoon. They are: Hon. president, Sir Frederick Borden; hon. vice-presidents, Col. Fleet and Col. Jones; G. M. S., president, Col. G. S. Rennie, of Hamilton; thirteen vice-presidents, one from each military district; secretary, Dr. A. H. Leggett, of Ottawa; assistant secretary, Dr. McLeod, of Ottawa; treasurer, Dr. Bell, of Ottawa. A committee was appointed to revise the by-laws of the association. It will then provide for an executive to consist of three officers from Ottawa, one from Toronto and one from Montreal. The association will send a delegation to ask the militia department to grant the association \$1,000 a year to be deposited for the welfare of this branch of the service.

UNCLE SAM MAY ENLARGE NAVY

Building of Two Battleships Yearly Will Probably Be Recommended

(Times Leased Wire.)
Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—Two great battleships yearly of 25,000 tons, costing \$11,000,000 each, may be recommended to congress by the House committee on naval affairs, according to a report current here to-day.

After a conference with Secretary Messersmith, navy department, a prominent member said that the secretary and a majority of the committee favored a greater navy. In addition to the battleships, which when launched will be the largest afloat, the committee probably will recommend the building each year of one repair vessel, two large colliers, five submarines and three destroyers.

AMBULANCE SOCIETY WILL EXTEND WORK

Branches to Be Established in Every City in the Dominion

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Feb. 25.—The St. John's Ambulance Society for Canada was organized at a meeting held in the railway committee room yesterday in the presence of a number of prominent Canadians, from all parts of the Dominion. For years the work of the St. John's Ambulance Society has been conducted in the different cities of Canada, especially in Toronto and Montreal, and also in connection with the different railways of this country, but the branches have always worked separately. From now on they will cooperate. It is an organization which trains the citizens in first aid to the injured.

The association will have a branch in every city and classes will be held there, addressed by medical men on the proper thing to be done in emergency.

Earl Grey, who presided, said that there was perhaps no other organization which did so much for suffering humanity as this society. Lady Grey has two certificates for qualifying in "first aid" courses.

Sir Frederick Borden also spoke of the great interest he took in this work.

SENATORS FIGHT DUEL

Paris, Feb. 25.—Senators Milles-Lacroix and Lintilhac fought a duel with swords yesterday in the Parc des Trinites. At the first encounter Milles-Lacroix nearly parried a lunge by Lintilhac and ran the latter through the forearm. Lintilhac wished to continue, but the seconds stopped the combat. The adversaries were reconciled before leaving the field.

The duel was the outgrowth of the dispute among the members of the committee on the secrecy of the ballot, of which Milles-Lacroix is president. The president called Lintilhac a liar and the latter responded "My seconds will deliver my answer." Later in the day Senator Lintilhac appeared in the Senate carrying his wounded arm in a sling. He told his colleagues that he had received a mere scratch.

GOOD ROADS COMMISSIONER

(Special to the Times.)
Toronto, Feb. 25.—Valentine Stock, member of the Legislature for Perth North, will introduce a bill to prohibit the use of country roads by automobiles on Saturdays, and also providing for more strict regulations as to speed, etc. Mr. Stock, who is said to have the backing of a number of members of rural constituencies, declares the present regulations regarding motor vehicles are not stringent enough.

THIBETAN SITUATION NOT ALARMING

London Times Declares Recent Reports Are Greatly Exaggerated

(Special to the Times.)
London, Feb. 25.—The Times says there is reason to believe that news agency dispatches from Szechuan reporting the situation in Tibet are exaggerations. The number of Chinese troops, 25,000 alleged, have entered Tibet, may be divided by five. The so-called arsenals at Chengtu, China, which were said to be working day and night are only small factories capable of making probably a dozen rifles a month. The machinery was installed seven years ago.

PREMIER ASQUITH HAS SURRENDERED

Agrees to Introduce Veto Bill and Budget Simultaneously—Government Majority Thirty-One in First Division of New Parliament

(Times Leased Wire.)
London, Feb. 25.—Premier Asquith to-day surrendered to a new alliance of the Radicals of his own party with the Nationalists and Laborites and agreed to introduce the veto bill and budget measure simultaneously. The Premier originally had planned to force a vote on the veto bill before the budget was taken up.

It was announced that to-day's agreement was unofficial, but it is believed that it will be binding on the parties. The action of Asquith in consenting to the simultaneous introduction of the bills is taken by some persons to indicate that the Premier already has the assurance of the King that he will appoint enough Liberal peers to pass the veto measure if the Lords reject the bill.

If the King should refuse to appoint enough Liberal peers, the cabinet will resign immediately without passing either the budget or even the royal salary list. This for a time would paralyze the administration of government business and might result disastrously to the nation.

The First Division.

Members of parliament to-day have learned that the Liberals can muster a sufficient vote on minor measures to assure their passage in the Commons, but the slender majority arouses speculation as to whether they can carry out the policies of the government.

The first test came yesterday when in a crowded session of the Commons Acute Chamberlain's fiscal amendment was rejected by a vote of 255 to 254. This was a narrow margin of 21 votes for the Liberals, but as there was no cross-voting and no apparent intention to overthrow the ministry, the result proved encouraging to Asquith's supporters. Incidentally, the Laborites voted with the government.

The Freeman's Journal, of Dublin, says this morning: "It cannot be stated with too much emphasis that the Irish party have not budged a hair's breadth from the policy which John Redmond has laid down. Unless the government speedily produces a veto scheme and presses it to an issue, the Irish party will enter on a policy of vigorous opposition to the government, with the result that either the ministry will be defeated in a few days or will be contented to eke out a comfortable existence with the aid of Balfour's supporters."

Replies to Martin.

(Special to the Times.)
London, Feb. 25.—In the Commons yesterday afternoon the Master of Elibank, under secretary of state for the colonies, replying to Jos. Martin's speech in respect to a speech delivered by Earl Grey last year in regard to the British navy, said:

"I presume Mr. Martin's question referred to a speech delivered by Earl Grey in Calgary last September. The secretary of state for the colonies has been informed that the criticism made in that speech was based upon incorrect reports which were due to the fact that no shorthand writers were present. The secretary consequently sees no reason why he should take any action."

HEAVY PENALTY FOR VIOLATING LAW

Man Convicted of Having Beaver Pelts in His Possession

(Special to the Times.)
Sudbury, Ont., Feb. 25.—Geo. T. S. Train, manager of the Bisco branch of the Hudson's Bay Company, on the main line of the T.P.E., was fined by Magistrate Bounin in Sudbury yesterday a total of \$8.150 and costs, or twenty years and six months in the penitentiary. This is a fine of \$50 and costs for each of 123 beaver pelts seized, or two months' imprisonment on each charge, the terms to run consecutively.

Counsel for the defence pleaded insanity, as this was Train's first offence, but the magistrate took the view that the real offender was Ag. Hudson's Bay Company, which accepted the furs, and this was not the first offence, hence the fine. The whole cost will be \$8,000, and the Hudson's Bay Company will have to pay it.

THE KING ON GAMBLING

London, Feb. 25.—Rev. Montague Fowler, lecturing on the subject of racing and gambling, quoted from a letter written by the King: "I have a horror of gambling and I shall always do my utmost to discourage it. Those who have an inclination for it should be protected, as the spirit of gambling is like intemperance, one of the greatest evils that can afflict a country."

IMPORTATION OF CATTLE

London, Feb. 25.—The board of agriculture order regarding the opening of British ports to Argentine cattle is momentarily expected. Argentina has given assurances that there is no fear of disease spreading from Brazil and Paraguay.

FOUR KILLED BY SNOWSLIDES

RAILWAYS BLOCKED AND TRAINS DELAYED
Relief Sent to Work Crew Marooned Without Food on Milwaukee Road

(Times Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25.—Not a train will pass over the west end of the Missoula division of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railway before late to-night or to-morrow. Almost the entire line from Haightman to Abery is blocked with snow, a distance of sixty miles. Avalanches continue to thunder down the mountain sides to-day.

Charles Nelson was struck by an avalanche near Abair, Mont., on the Bitter Root division, and buried under 300 feet of snow. A few hours later another slide at Adair killed two men named Shoes and the wife of one of the men.

Among the trains stalled in the mountains is the fast freight loaded with raw silk which the Milwaukee hoped to make a record run to New York. Only one overland train reached Seattle all day yesterday, the North Coast Limited, on the Northern Pacific, breaking through a blockade after being stalled 26 hours and arriving here at 10:30 p.m.

The Northern Pacific line is almost clear this morning, and the Great Northern will be before night, the rains and snow having stopped.

Work Crew Marooned.

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 25.—Northern Pacific laborers are hauling food on hand sleds to-day to a work crew of 150 men which with a big rotary snow plough is marooned on the Milwaukee road, about a mile and a half west of Keeschelus. The crew is without provisions. A large supply was sent to Easton this morning on the Northern Pacific and taken from there by sleigh.

Passengers Held in Mountains.

Everett, Wash., Feb. 25.—Runners reached here to-day of a slide on the Great Northern near Seenic last night in which a cook and a waiter lost their lives. All the wires are down and the report cannot be confirmed.

A fresh slide, 200 feet long and 10 feet deep, west of Seenic, blocked the tracks this morning. Last night's Oriental Limited, out of Seattle, got as far as Skikomish and returned to Everett during the night. This morning's train also got to Skikomish, but is expected back this afternoon.

The six trains with 500 passengers are still stalled in the mountains, but have plenty of provisions and fuel.

VIOLATED CITY ORDINANCE

Industrial Workers of World Will Appeal to Higher Court

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 25.—"Guilty to C. L. Filigno." "Not guilty as to Elizabeth Gurley Flynn Jones."

These were the verdicts returned last night by the jury in the "Industrial Workers of the World" conspiracy. Filigno's case will be appealed immediately.

Filigno, one of the I. W. W. workers, is convicted of conspiracy to violate the anti-street-speaking ordinance. The penalty is one year in prison, a fine of \$1,000 or both.

While the city and county officials believe they have broken the back of the I. W. W. movement here by the conviction of Filigno, attorneys in the movement, still outside the jail assert that those of the leaders in jail have been persecuted by a prejudiced court and biased juries, instead of having been prosecuted on an equal plane with other men.

Filigno's conviction will not end the free speech campaign in Spokane. The I. W. W. has been driven to adjacent towns, and their hold upon Spokane has been temporarily broken, but they declare that the fight is not lost.

STRUGGLE BETWEEN RIVAL FEDERATIONS

Report That Gompers Will Support Engineers Employed at Montana Mines

Butte, Mont., Feb. 25.—The output of the mines is greater than at any time since the walkout of the engineers, the Diamond, Mountain View, Pennsylvania and Clark properties being added to other mines in operation with new engineers in charge of the shafts.

The situation is taking on the appearance of a gigantic struggle between the American Federation of Labor and the Western Federation of Miners. Matt Comerford, national president of the International Steam Engineers' Union, has arrived from Brooklyn, where he was in conference with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and according to members of the engineers' union, following a secret meeting, Comerford has come to Butte carrying with him the support of the Federation, and is prepared to order out all thing-crafts affiliated with the Federation.

According to Comerford, the American Federation of Labor will not permit the mines to remain in operation over the engineers. Machinists, rope men, carpenters, blacksmiths, tool sharpeners and carmen are affiliated with the American Federation.

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CANADA'S GOOD CREDIT.

London, Feb. 25.—At a meeting of the English Association of American Bond shareholders, A. W. Smithers, the American chairman, said he believed in long service in big enterprises in Canada for which adequate capital would be forthcoming. If Canada maintained her present proud position respecting credit, Mr. Smithers is also chairman of the Grand Trunk Railway.

RUNNING DOWN A CANARD.

London, Feb. 25.—Mr. J. Obad Smith, a Canadian immigration superintendant for Great Britain, has been busy endeavoring to trace the authority for a statement made that well-to-do farmers in the far west of Canada pay domestic servants a wage of £100 a year. Other misleading statements were made in the same article.

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DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEETS

Earl Grey Speaks at Annual Gathering—New Officers Elected

(Special to the Times) Ottawa, Feb. 25.—At the annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association today Col. MacDonald and Col. Tilton reviewed the work of the past year, the latter mentioning the specially splendid work of the Canadian team at Bisley last year. Secretary Birdwhistle, in his annual report, stated there were 700 entries at the D. R. A. meet last year, an increase of 144 over the previous year. The following officers were elected: President, Col. Sam Hughes, M. P. Vice-presidents for western Canada, Col. Prior, Victoria; Col. Crutchshanks, Alberta; Col. Steele, Manitoba; Lt.-Col. Gwynne, Saskatchewan. Secretary, Captain Birdwhistle, Ottawa. Treasurer, Major W. D. Sutherland, Ottawa. Auditors, Cunningham & Co., Ottawa. In reply to a resolution, expressing regret at the near approach of his return to England, Earl Grey said the five years spent in Canada were the happiest of his life. He would go back to England as a Canadian, and would feel himself somewhat in the capacity of a Canadian ambassador.

LAWYER ASSAILS HON. G. E. FOSTER

Criticizes Attacks Made on the Editor of the Toronto Globe

(Special to the Times) Toronto, Feb. 25.—E. F. B. Johnston finished his address to the jury in the Foster-Macdonald libel suit shortly before 1 o'clock this afternoon, having commenced when the court opened at 10 this morning. His moderation was one of its most striking features. There was no attempt at rhetoric, no appealing to the sentimental or emotional side; it was a calm analysis of the evidence and more particularly the evidence given by Mr. Foster himself, and free from partisan bias. Mr. Johnston pointed out at the beginning that there was no slander, as had been charged by the plaintiff, the case having come down to one of alleged libel only. The charges were not criminal and did not in any way assail the private character of Mr. Foster, but dealt only with his public actions. These had been the subject of inquiry before the insurance commission, and had been subject of discussion in parliament, on the platform and elsewhere. Mr. Foster, Johnston declared, in endeavoring to answer the charges made against him, had assailed Mr. Macdonald in language and terms while speaking in parliament and on the platform which, if used to a man's face and in the street would have resulted in the user being knocked down.

RETAIL MERCHANTS ENTER PROTESTS

Object to Bill Respecting Co-operative Societies Now Before Commons

(Special to the Times) Ottawa, Feb. 25.—Representatives of the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada, 400 strong, marshalled by E. M. Trower, secretary, of Toronto, and J. A. Beaudry, treasurer, of Montreal, assembled in the Commons chamber at noon to-day and presented to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues strong protests against the passing of two bills respecting co-operative societies now being advocated in parliament by Messrs. Monk and Harris, M.P.s. The arguments were in brief that the bills, if passed, would give co-operative societies special and unwarranted privileges, such as the obtaining of charters as limited companies without the payment of the usual fees, no limitation as to capital, no compulsion as to adequate auditing of accounts and no restriction as to the payment of dividends out of capital. The retail merchants would be put at a disadvantage and in the long run members of co-operative associations would suffer loss. The deputation included representatives from branch associations throughout Ontario and Quebec. Sir Wilfrid in replying said the bills were not government or party measures and the representations of the deputation would receive full consideration by all members of the House.

HOTEL KEEPER FINED

(Special to the Times) Kingston, Ont., Feb. 25.—For selling liquor to railway. Engineer M. Mc-Glade was on duty. L. Blair, hotel keeper, of Sherbrooke, was today fined \$50 and costs. Blair's defence was that Mc-Glade said he was not on duty.

LEADERS STIR THE COMMONS

SCENE AT FIRST DIVISION IN PARLIAMENT

Chancellor of the Exchequer Taunts Tariff Reform Members

(Special to the Times) London, Feb. 25.—The continuation of the debate on Austen Chamberlain's amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne in the Commons, was vigorous and exciting. A hush fell when the question was put and ayes and nays came with equal volume from either side of the house. Members rapidly streamed back from the lobbies to hear the figures, giving the government a majority of 31, which were received with loud cheers and counter cheers. Mr. Balfour spoke finely. As he arose there was a roar from the Unionist benches. His speech had a note of triumph in it and he gripped the House, Unionists and Liberals alike, with the first few sentences. His tall, thin and silvered figure carried confidence and a fascination that seemed irresistible. He took the question of unemployment as his text. It was impossible, he said, to survey all aspects of the question in one speech. The colonial aspect alone might occupy the House for hours, but he said that if a preference on wheat which brought more colonial land under the plough resulted in increased railway accommodation in Canada, it might well be that the supply of wheat would be undiminished, yet a rise in price which the growing dependence of the world might otherwise produce, would be prevented from that moment. When Lloyd George stood up the temperature of the House began to rise, as a crisis was approaching. The members filled their seats rapidly in order to be present for the final dramatic scene. The chancellor of the exchequer attacked Mr. Austen Chamberlain warmly. He scoffed at his arguments and lunged taunts at tariff reform members in general. He rapidly lashed the Liberals and Labor members into excited applause. Mr. Asquith, who was seated at his side, was flushed and was smiling happily in the midst of the unionist cheers which have been badly lacking for days past. Mr. Honor Law, who concluded the debate, thought the fiscal history of Canada was far more interesting for Great Britain than any other. After having surveyed it, he asked after thirty years what happened? Americans were pouring across the border to enjoy the benefit of greater natural resources which protection had developed in the Dominion. Martin's Question. London, Feb. 25.—It is learned that Joseph Martin had some trouble in regard to his question respecting Earl Grey in the Commons. The clerk of the House first refused to put the question on the list, remarking: "We have nothing to do with the Governor-General. You must see the Speaker of the House." Mr. Martin replied: "Why should I see the Speaker? I have brought the question to your notice in the usual way." The clerk, in a sharp tone, replied: "Oh, very well, I will see the Speaker."

IS CHARGED WITH LOOTING BANK

Former Treasurer is Taken Into Custody Upon Return to Surrender

(Times Leased Wire) Boston, Mass., Feb. 25.—George W. Coleman, former treasurer of the National Bank of Cambridge, arrested on a charge of having looted the bank of more than \$100,000, was asked this afternoon what he had done with the money. Coleman hesitated for a while, then replied: "What did they expect of a man at \$11.50 a week?" Coleman is being held by the police for \$50,000 bail. His friends announce that they expect to raise the entire amount by to-night and obtain his release. The Coleman case is being considered by the grand jury and definite action by the jury is expected soon. He refused to say whether any other person is implicated in the muddled affairs of the bank. Coleman was arrested here at the railroad station upon his return here to surrender to the authorities. Many Harvard students have funds tied up in the bank.

MEDAL FOR BRAVE RAILWAY CONDUCTOR

(Special to the Times) Ottawa, Feb. 25.—His Majesty King Edward has granted the Albert medal of the first class to Conductor Reginald for his heroic rescue of passengers in the recent C. P. R. wreck at Spanish River.

FOUND DROWNED

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25.—The body of an unidentified woman, fashionably garbed, was found floating in the bay at the foot of Massachusetts street today.

There were no marks of violence on the body except a slight bruise on the left arm, and nothing to indicate anything but a suicide. The body had been in the water evidently about three days and was that of a woman between 25 and 30.

BIG SHIPBUILDING PLANT PROPOSED

May Be Erected at Victoria—Dominion Government's New Drydock

(Special to the Times) Ottawa, Feb. 25.—Definite announcement that a big shipbuilding plant will be established at either Halifax, St. John or Montreal is expected to be made shortly by the government. The government will also bring down a bill increasing the subsidy for the building of a drydock. The terms will be 25 instead of 20 years. The Pacific coast will also benefit by the plans of the government and a shipbuilding plant probably will be built at Vancouver or Victoria on a large scale.

REJOICING AMONG NICARAGUANS PREMATURE

Insurgents Not Yet Masters of the Situation in the Republic

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Feb. 25.—(Via wireless to Colon.)—Reports from Western Nicaragua to-day are conflicting. Messages from La Libertad were received here saying that groups of stragglers from General Estrada's army report fighting at Acoyapa, San Vincent and other western points with results not entirely successful to the provisional government. The stragglers, however, had been cut off from the main command for some time, and did not possess late information. They confirmed the death of Capt. Godfrey Fowler, formerly of the United States Army, who was directing artillery operations in Estrada's army. News of further fighting has arrived here after the city had spent a night in jubilation over what was believed to be a complete victory for the insurgents.

SLIDES DESTROY BRIDGES

Everett, Wash., Feb. 25.—Loaded with every available bridge worker and wrecking man, a special train was sent into the mountains to-day to follow the snow ploughs. Two carloads of provisions were taken also to prevent any suffering among the passengers of the stalled trains. At the general offices here it is believed most of the bridges in the mountains have been torn out by the slides.

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NINE MILLIONS IN ESTIMATES

GREAT INCREASE IN FIGURES FOR 1910-11

Public Works Are Responsible for the Greater Amount of This

Legislative Press Gallery, February 24th.

The estimates of the expenditure of the province for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1911, were brought down this afternoon by the minister of finance, Hon. W. J. Bowser. The total amount asked for is \$7,738,257.11, together with a statutory obligation on account of the guarantee of three sets of railway bonds estimated to call for \$40,000 this year, or a sum of \$7,778,257.11. The aggregate amount asked for for the year now drawing to a close was \$5,655,798.11, so that there is an increase in the estimated expenditure of the province for the coming fiscal year of over two million dollars more than the current year.

The supplementary estimates are slightly larger than those of last year. For the current fiscal year there is needed \$1,231,302.46, and for some odd ends of account for the fiscal year of 1908-09 there is required a further sum of \$79,671.63. The sum total of the estimates to be voted this session is thus \$9,009,231.20, which, when compared with the total vote of \$6,839,37.12 last year, is certainly making the money fly, as the new holder of the portfolio of finance is credited with having said soon after his accession to the stewardship of the purse.

The increase is made up chiefly in the proposed expenditure on public works. Where there was voted last session, even with an election as a likelihood, \$2,831,100, the total vote asked this year on account of this item is \$4,256,805. Civil government is costing but \$92,000 more with the increase of salaries incident to the recent grading. Education gets \$130,000 more, and hospitals and charities an increase of about 70 per cent. on last year's vote. The estimated expenditure by services, omitting the \$40,000 for the guarantee of the bonds of the Shuswap & Okanagan, the Nakusp & Slocan and the Victoria & Sidney, compared with the amounts for the current year, are as follows:

Public debt	1910-11	1909-10
Civil government (salaries)	\$21,719	\$20,824
Administration of Justice (salaries)	68,142	37,440
Legislation	161,138	152,548
Public institutions (main-tenance)	251,295	225,114
Hospitals and charities	332,100	200,000
Administration of Justice (other than salaries)	201,550	172,000
Education	745,742	614,500
Transport	47,000	37,000
Revenue	4,900	40,000
Public Works and buildings	\$3,988,500	
Gov't House	5,000	
Roads, streets, bridges and wharves	2,830,000	
Subsidies to steamboats, ferries and bridges	19,100	
Surveys and improvement of lands	225,000	
Contingencies	100,000	
Miscellaneous	1,200,000	8,911,100
Total	\$7,738,257	\$5,615,798

The estimate of receipts which is given on the first page of the blue book gives promise of a deficit on the year's operations. The estimated expenditure of \$7,738,257, there is a revenue estimated of \$7,000,025, so that the then minister of finance was able to show an excess of some \$238,000 in his estimate of receipts over his estimate of expenditures.

The item of \$458,142 for civil government is made up thus:
Lieutenant-Governor's office \$1,800
Premier's office 4,900
Provincial Secretary's department, 12,542
Department of Mines 30,370
Department of Finance and Agriculture 48,230
Lands Department 51,408
Public Works Department 36,490
Attorney-General's Department 15,730
Land Registry office 34,320
Timber Inspectors 14,004
Legislative library 4,000
Steam-boiler inspection 18,000
Statistical bureau 4,432
Surveyor of taxes and inspectors of revenue 3,250
Assessors throughout the province 3,504
Assessor's office, Victoria 3,500
Administrative Staffs—
Cassiar agency 4,428
Alberni agency 2,354
Comox agency 2,620
Nanaimo agency 5,424
New Westminster agency 17,734
East Kootenay agency 18,220
West Kootenay agency 20,776
Cariboo agency 5,600
Cassiar agency 24,420
Kamloops agency 4,322
Yarvon Agency 5,320
Fairview agency 4,400
Clinton agency 3,938
Ashcroft agency 2,820
Nicola agency 2,484
Sintikam agency 1,250
Temporary assistance 15,000

In addition to the civil servants whose salaries are included in the above, there are several other Victorian officials under the heads of the administration of justice, public institutions and education. The vote for the office of the King's printer is \$88,387. The following are the votes for education:
Education office \$15,616
Free text book branch 23,632
Inspection of schools 24,700
Provincial Normal school 10,700
Education of deaf and dumb and blind 4,500
Evening schools 16,000
Per-capita grant to city, municipalities and rural school districts, schools in E. & N. railway belt and unforeseen requirements 624,583

The night school vote is a new one and is to provide the salaries of teachers and equipment. The per capita grant is divided thus: City schools, \$285,000; municipalities, \$150,000; rural (Concluded on page 11)

TWO DIVISIONS ON SCHOOL BILL

QUESTION OF CHINESE MIXING WITH WHITES

Liquor License Bill—Land Act Amendments—Prince Rupert Bill

Legislative Press Gallery, February 24

There were two divisions taken this afternoon, both on the report stage of the public schools amending bill. Of the two the most important matter on which a vote was taken was that of the attendance of Oriental children in the schools, in company with white children. An amendment to the Public Schools Act was proposed. The subject being to give boards the power to exclude children from the public schools for racial reasons. The actual object behind this, as stated by the mover a few days ago, was to force the matter to the attention of the public and compel the government to provide schools where Oriental children may be educated apart from whites.

The minister of education looked on this as the introduction of the separate school system and declared himself against it.

The liquor act was finally passed in committee and stands for report. H. C. Brewster will then move an amendment which he brought forward to-day, designed to strengthen the section prohibiting the giving or selling of liquor to certain classes of persons.

The land act amendments, which include the adoption of the Liberal policy of practically perpetual tenure of timber leases, and the Victoria Rupert Incorporation act were read a second time.

The estimates were brought down and several other items of business transacted filled up a busy afternoon.

Prayers were read by Rev. A. Henderson.

Teachers in E. & N. Grant.

Parker Williams moved for the striking out of the section added the other day at the instance of W. H. Hayward (Cowan), to the school bill, giving to school districts within the E. & N. land grant the right to assess themselves for the purpose of improving the educational facilities should they so desire. Mr. Williams took the ground that the government should pay the whole salary of all teachers within the belt, and good salaries at that. Salaries of teachers there had not advanced in the same ratio as in other places and as salaries in other professions. Hence the inability of districts to secure good teachers. Since the government would not do it, he member for Cowichan moved his amendment to allow the districts to assess themselves, a burden many of them could not assume. As a matter of fact the alleged tax reduction was a myth.

Hon. Dr. Young declined to accept Mr. Williams' amendment. The amendment had fully informed itself on the facts, he said, before accepting Mr. Hayward's amendment. That proposal was no new matter. The department had been considering it for months, the people had asked for it and many representations had been made by them to the department through the Vancouver Island Development League. This year the government was beginning to raise salaries and would continue to do so, and no reproach could be laid at the government's door in regard to its willingness to do all it could to advance education.

H. H. Hawthornthwaite took umbrage at representations being forwarded by the Vancouver Island Development League—"through," not "by," he was corrected by Dr. Young—and he hinted that "legislation will be necessary to deal with such bodies."

He made an attack on Dr. Robertson, superintendent of education, and asserted that that officer "interferes entirely too much in legislation." The member for Nanaimo joined his colleague from Newcastle in declaring the tax reduction to be a farce. The farmers were paying more than ever before, he said.

Premier McGillicuddy defended the government's education policy generally, and as to the Esquimalt & Nanaimo belt in particular. The amendment added to the bill by Mr. Hayward, he said, did not impose any burdens on the people, except where they optionally chose to assess themselves.

No Option About It.

H. C. Brewster spoke in a thoroughly non-partisan manner, and took it that the government was not at all interested in education in any way. The schools in the belt were in what is known as the assisted school class. It was said of Mr. Hayward's amendment that it simply made it optional for districts to assess themselves. It was not purely optional. In the first place the government refused to give larger salaries and, secondly, the teachers refused to work for the salaries offered. Therefore, it became necessary for districts to augment salaries in order to get competent teachers. By means of Mr. Hayward's amendment the government would be able to shuffle off its duty to pay full and sufficient salaries to teachers in the Esquimalt & Nanaimo belt.

Mr. H. Hayward said the teachers in the Esquimalt & Nanaimo belt were not less competent than others, as the remarks of some speakers would suggest. What the people wanted was the power to secure a higher graded teacher. The member for Cowichan also rebuked the member for Newcastle for speaking of districts in the belt, which he represented in part, as if these were less able to pay teachers than other parts of the province.

The motion was defeated on the following vote:
Yeas—Williams, Hawthornthwaite, Brewster, Jardine—4.
Nays—McBride, Bowser, Young, Cotton, Schimid, Bensen, Hunter, Manson (Dewdney), MacGowan, Gifford, Hayward, McGuire, Parson, Davey, Manson (Skeena), Tidall, Wright, Callanan, Miller, Jackson, Caven, Shaw, Watson, Fraser, McDonald, MacKenzie, Braden, Manson (Comox)—31.
Absent—Taylor, Mackay, Shatford, Callanan, Cavley.

Oriental in Schools.

J. H. Hawthornthwaite moved that the following section be added to the public school act:
"The board of trustees shall have the power to exclude any child or children from the school or schools on the ground that owing to racial differences it is deemed to be inadvisable in the best interests of the majority of the children to admit them."

In support of this he made a very good speech, disclosing his intention of referring to the Chinese and Japanese races, but advancing reasons why children who reached adolescence at an age so much earlier than the whites who were compelled to mix with them, should be educated by themselves. The high state of civilization, comparatively, which the Celestial Kingdom had arrived at thousands of years ago, was acknowledged and the various theories advanced to explain the long halt of that race revised. In answer to the question as to whether the other day the member for Nanaimo declared there was nothing in it.

Hon. Dr. Young said he appreciated in large measure the question from the point of view of the member for Nanaimo. It was not a new question, having been discussed in the House, in the press and on the platform for some years. The department of education recognized the seriousness of the matter, and the difficulties that had to be overcome in making out of the different elements that came to this country the true ideal citizen. At the same time it recognized the broader aspect of the question, the doubling of the school machinery and the introduction of a separate school system.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite asked if the minister meant a separate school system as commonly known.

Dr. Young replied that a school was a separate school, whether the separation was religious or racial. If special schools were to be formed for Oriental children these would be separate schools. To allow that would be doubling the machinery of education, would be weakening of the department and would entail a loss of efficiency and in the benefits to the people of the educational system. For these reasons the government could not assent to the amendment.

John Jardine termed the minister's words on "separate" schools unfortunate. The carrying out of such a proposal as the member for Nanaimo made did not mean a separate school system and did not entail such sufferings as Dr. Young imagined. The mixing of Asiatic children with white children was a grave danger and the people had the right to protect themselves. Victoria had to some extent solved the problem by a special school for some grades. Mr. Jardine gave the House an assurance that no difficulty



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THE DAILY TIMES

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HOW THE GAME IS PLAYED.

The Premier stated in his address to the stalwarts last evening that they were not, "like some, always out for the leaves and the fishes." But he did not undertake to lift the veil from the mystery attaching to the political appointments in connection with the police commissioners and license commissioners of the Victoria. It is of course greatly to the credit of the gentlemen who had filled these purely honorary posts in the past that they served the city from strictly disinterested motives—that they desired no other reward than a consciousness of duty patriotically performed.

A GLORIOUS PROSPECT—FOR OUR SUCCESSORS.

Readers of this paper will remember that on various occasions it has contained references to the inventions of Mr. Edison, the wizard of the electrical world, and to promises he had made in regard to what might be expected to come to pass when he had completed his electrical storage battery. That promised invention seemed to hang fire a long time. But it has made its appearance. Whether it is going to realize all that was promised for it is another matter. Still it is true that tram cars are being propelled in New York State by stored electricity. Motor cars are spinning along the streets of Victoria also, and they are leaving no halo of burnt gas-line behind them.

whose power is derived from oil combustion. It would be a fine thing, however, from the esthetic point of view if the street cars now being experimented with in New York should prove the success anticipated. In such an event the poles, wires, and other trolley equipments which disfigure the streets of cities would be cast into a junk pile. The many dangers which lurk in charged wires would be eliminated also. One could turn on his street light switch without apprehension of the dread possibility of its being charged with a voltage sufficient to drive a hundred street cars with their heavy loads of human freight.

We are building extensively on Mr. Edison's genius for accomplishing things and hoping for much from his actual achievements. But the inventor claims to be but an infant in the realm he has so long occupied. What he has done is as a mere infant groping in the dark compared with what is yet to come to pass as a result of what may be anticipated through the inventions of his successors, building on the foundations he has laid. He says that within 200 years the world will witness wonders surpassing all imagination, when man, who will by means of science have learnt how to extract all the power he needs for the purposes of life from the earth, wind, and tide, and when "living will be so cheap that an ordinary laborer will live just as well as a man of the present day with 100,000 annual income," says the London Telegraph. "Mr. Edison believes, not only in the wonderful resources of radium, but even that steam volcanoes will be exploited for the uses of civilization. So far, he declares, we have only been groping in the dark, and this despite the many learned statements of many learned scientists."

"How ignorant we are! We don't know what gravity is, neither do we know the nature of heat, light, and electricity, though we handle them a little. We are only animals. We are just coming out of the dog stage, and getting a glimpse of our environment. We don't know. We just suspect a few things, and it will take an enormous evolution of our brains to bring us anywhere. Our practice of shooting one another in war is a proof that we are still animals. The make-up of our society is hideous!"

"Incidentally, Mr. Edison declared that the clothes of the future will be so cheap that every young woman will be able to follow the fashions promptly. 'Artificial silk that is superior to natural silk is now made of wood pulp. It shines better than silk, and I think that the silk-worm barbarian will go in fifty years, just as the Indigo of India went with the production of indigo in modern laboratories.'"

PACIFIC COAST FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

One of the best evidences of the growth in wealth and importance of this western section of Canada is to be found in the formation of a considerable number of financial institutions and the rapidity with which they are occupying the field which was formerly held exclusively by eastern, British or foreign organizations. The twentieth annual meeting of the Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company was held in Vancouver on Wednesday last. The reports presented to the directors were gratifying in the extreme, proving that while in the early stages of the company's existence there were conditions prevailing in the business world of the province which did not permit of rapid expansion, now the situation is entirely changed and that the young company is growing in strength and achievement. It is gathering up a connection of an extremely valuable character, and much business which would otherwise have gone out of the province is being transacted with beneficial effects provincially.

But the company is not going to be satisfied with a merely local clientele. It purposes extending its field until it covers the United States and Great Britain. Dr. Wilson, the president, was able to point out that all claims against the company have been promptly and satisfactorily met and that its career is without blemish in the business world. During the year the paid-up capital of the institution has been increased from \$145,625 to \$157,940; the reserves have been increased by \$46,170, and the security to policy holders by \$81,170, a very excellent showing indeed, and one which indicates what advance this institution is likely to make within the next few years.

General Manager R. H. Duke reviewed the conditions now obtaining, and pointed to the future as extremely bright for the company, says the Vancouver Province in its review of the proceedings at the annual meeting. He stated that the premiums written for the year, after deducting rebates and cancellations, amounted to \$146,321, and he expressed the opinion that the conservative methods of the management would be appreciated when he said that instead of retaining the whole liability which this amount of premium represented, almost one-quarter had been reinsured with different treaty companies. Manager Duke took occasion to remark that at the rate the new stock now on the market was being bought up by shrewd local investors the company should close the present year with a subscribed capital of

\$500,000 and a paid up capital of \$400,000. While he said this standing would put the Pacific Coast in the front rank of the fire insurance companies of Canada, he believed the progressive western spirit of the directors and other shareholders would not be satisfied until the company had subscribed and fully paid up capital of \$7,000,000.

The finances of the province are in a prosperous condition, but the wonderful improvement has been brought about, as conservative men on both sides of politics admit, by the permanent alienation of a considerable amount of our natural assets. The Finance Minister may take the position that as posterity has never done anything calling for our consideration, his claims to a share in the provincial patrimony should be lightly brushed aside. He is evidently going to "clap on, all sail," and bother the consequences. Perhaps Mr. Bowser may exclaim, "wait until you see us next year!"

The Minister of Lands was able to show in the Legislature yesterday, in his characteristically direct way, that the province of British Columbia is naturally the most opulent section of the American continent. Even at that, Mr. Ellison will admit that great care should be taken to conserve this wealth and to administer it for the benefit of all the people, to whom it belongs. Has that been done in the past? Is it being done at the present day?

The Times is pleased indeed to be informed that it has been an instrument in the hands of Providence for the advancement of the political fortunes of Mr. Leonard-Tait. The Police Commissioner of the city of Victoria says: "his elevation to the honorable post of president of the Conservative Association is due to the attacks of this paper upon him. This confirms our impression that the qualifications required in a president of the local Tory organization are peculiar."

It is not very clear how the thing can be managed, but it would be a good joke on the Lords if they should be confronted with the dilemma of either passing a finance bill which contained a provision for their own reformation or throwing the finances of the United Kingdom into a state of chaos. That would indeed be a perplexing situation.

What Other People Think

AIMS OF NAVY LEAGUE.

To the Editor:—One of my committee has called my attention to a letter which appeared in your columns, signed "A Person." I regret its tone and the want of fair play which it displays, but I have no intention of resenting that in print. I only write to say that the Navy League is a non-party organization, that no one is allowed to "use it" for any purposes; that its meeting of last year seemed to show that the citizens of Victoria believe in it as a fair-minded body; that its resolution last year was carried unanimously by the largest audience the theatre could contain; that the resolution this year was drafted by a well-known Victorian Liberal, and will be either moved or seconded by him, and that I hope in consideration of these facts "A Person" will withdraw his assertion that the "Navy Leaguers" are Imperialists only when it suits their purposes.

They are Imperialists who put the interests of the Empire before party, personal interests or pocket. I know of nothing in the resolution to be put before the meeting contrary to the resolution of March, 1909, supported by both sides of the Canadian House of Commons.

CLIVE PHILLIPS-WOLLEY. President Victoria Navy League. "The Island," Corfield, B. C.

TAXING IMPROVEMENTS.

To the Editor:—I call the following from a Chicago Journal: "The fact that every public improvement, and even the prospect of public improvements, adds to the value of land and benefits landowners is being well illustrated on the Pacific Coast. Oakland has just annexed a large area of suburban district, and real estate dealers report higher prices in the annexed district, where streets are to be paved and other improvements are to be made. Oakland has recently voted millions for harbor improvements, and no sooner were the bonds voted than real estate took a jump to a higher plane. Alameda, next door to Oakland, has voted the modest sum of \$150,000 for a school in a new district, and real estate in that district is higher. In Berkeley, adjoining Oakland on the north, the transportation companies are building new lines, and land values are increasing on that account. When Oakland annexed new territory, the street car fares to and from that annexed territory were immediately reduced, and land values increased. Every public improvement increases land values, and increased land values go into the pockets of landowners. Comment is unnecessary."

PRINCE RUPERT.

To the Editor:—Please correct the idea that the persons who bought property in Prince Rupert are going to have the right to vote according to the bill brought down, Section 27, read as follows: "At said first election and at any other election held during the year 1910 any male or female resident within the municipality for at least six months prior to the date of election, being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, who," etc. The first requisite is six months' residence in order to qualify as a voter. Incorporated companies have the right of voting through a resident representative of an assessed value of \$100. OBSERVER.

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TO VICTORIA.

The days that I spent with you, dear Victoria, have been Like angel visits on this sphere. Few, few and far between.

Oh, for a stroll along the strand Of Puget deep and strange, A glimpse of peaks, serene and grand, Of great Olympic range.

The Gorge, the Parliamentary pile, The park on Beacon Hill, Did make a golden hour beguile And pleasant thought instill.

And here are bames, bright, lovely homes, Like England's dearest, best, The tourist keen who lingers looms Would here the longest rest.

The same delightful English air, The hedge, the walk, the green, Make up a picture fresh and fair, Elsewhere but seldom seen.

One here enjoys earth's fairest scenes, And clime beyond all praise, And here it is the man of means Would spend life's closing days.

A charming and salubrious place, A peaceful, rostral haven, On memory's page its air and grace Shall be forever given.

THOMAS MCK. NELSON. Gaston, Oregon.

TRIED TO START REVOLT IN THIBET

Chinese Government Issues Note of Removal of the Dalai Lama

Peking, Feb. 25.—The Chinese government to-day issued a statement declaring that the removal of the Dalai Lama from the management of the Thibetan government was the result of an effort upon his part to start revolution. The Dalai Lama escaped from the Chinese soldiers and reached India. He is the head of the Lamaist hierarchy. The government's statement in part follows: "The Dalai Lama, upon his arrival at Lhasa from Peking, circulated, with the object of organizing a general revolt, these rumors: 'First, that China intended to exterminate Lamaism, and second, that British trade in effect was injuring Thibet. The Dalai Lama then took measures to thwart this trade, whereupon China became alarmed and ordered 2,000 troops to go to Lhasa with the object of preserving the peace and affording protection. When the Dalai Lama learned of the above, the Peking government ordered the Chinese resident agent to reason with the Dalai Lama, who refused to do so, and on the twelfth secretly left Lhasa with his followers. The resident agent searched ineffectively, whereupon China deposed the Dalai Lama, ordered the Thibetans to elect his successor and issued a decree ordering the protection of Lamaism, and then continued the existence of treaties with foreign powers concerning Thibet with the purpose of preserving the status quo.'"

REGISTRAR DEAD.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 25.—J. D. Thompson, registrar of Frontenac, died this morning, aged 62 years. He was in the forwarding trade here for many years before being appointed registrar. He was born in Montreal.

PRIVY COUNCIL.

London, Feb. 25.—Before the judicial committee of the Privy Council to-day judgment was reserved in the case of Jones and others vs. the North Vancouver Land Improvement Company.

His Honor the Lieut.-Governor attended the legislature this afternoon and assented to a number of bills that had already passed their third readings.

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BERRY PINS, small, black and white, 2 for 5c
TOILET PINS, large cube 5c
DRESS SHIELDS, nainsook covered, size 2 and 3. Per pair 10c
SKIRT BELTING, double, black and white, 3 for 10c
DRESS STEELS, sizes 6, 7, 8, 9. Dozen 5c
BRASS PINS, 350 to paper, 3 for 10c
SILKO BINDING BRAIDS, all shades. Per yard 4c
CORSET CLASPS, B & C, sateen covered, cork protector. Per pair 10c
CELLULOID COLLAR SUPPORTERS, 6 on card, 2 for 5c
WAX for polishing irons, 2 for 5c
CORSET LACES, white. Per pair 2c
MENDING TISSUE, per package 5c
MENDING WOOLS, 2 for 5c
WASHERS, 3 for 10c
BUTTON MOULDS, all sizes. Per dozen 5c
HAT WIRE RINGS, of 6 yards, each 5c
PERFECTION DARNERS, for darning stockings 15c
C. M. C. BELT HOSE SUPPORTERS, with pad, extra strong hse elastic. Pair 25c
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HAIR BINDERS for the hair, 2 for 5c
HAIR-LIKE HAIR NETS, extra large size. Each 10c
HAIR PINS, in packages, all sizes, 4 for 5c
HAIR PINS, invisible, 2 for 5c
HAIR PINS, assorted, boxes of 100, per box 5c
AGATE OR GLASS BUTTONS, 3 doz. for 5c
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Regular 7c to 15c for 2c
EMBROIDERIES which we usually sell all the way from 7c to 15c per yard are to be cleaned out. These are slightly soiled, so to make doubly sure of quick riddance they are marked per yard, at 2c

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MENS AND BOYS' SUITS, made of reliable materials, splendidly tailored and the acme of style, fit and finish, coupled with the specially low prices which we are offering them at, is sure to cause people who know good clothes to purchase on Friday and Saturday. When we say reliable clothing we mean that the suits we are showing at these prices are the best in their respective grades, where the prices cannot possibly be lower. We have marked these at this special price in order to make room. MEN'S SUITS in fawns, greens, browns and grey mixtures. Friday and Saturday price \$6.75. Also a fine line at \$10.00. BOYS' NORFOLK SUITS in fancy tweeds and serges. Friday and Saturday \$2.75. BOYS' FANCY SUITS in worsteds and tweeds \$3.50.

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The funeral of the late Thomas McKeown took place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Victoria Undertaking Parlors, Yates street. Rev. Bishop Perrin officiated.

An auction sale of W. C. Meed's stock, which has been pastured on W. J. Taylor's farm at Saanich, was held yesterday. A number of local horsemen left on the morning train for Saanich, and many of the thoroughbred stock brought exceptionally good prices. Stewart Williams conducted the sale.

The opening of the E. P. Charlton & Company's 5, 10 and 15-cent store on Government street has been postponed, according to the management. As announced in last night's Times the store was to have opened on Saturday. It has been found impossible to do this, however, and the opening will not take place until Friday, March 4th. The new firm has on hand a very select stock for the opening day.

The applications for the position of city engineer and city solicitor will be dealt with by the council at the meeting on Monday evening next. In both cases the council is checking the position in large. There have been many applications also for the new position that has been created, that of storekeeper. Provision will have to be made for a store room at the city hall in which the official may work.

Only two more days to secure those great furniture bargains, as the end is in sight of the great annual February Furniture Sale of the Capital Furniture Company. The whole stock has been greatly reduced and specially priced, and we must have room for our spring arrivals which will be here in a few days. Now is your chance to make a great saving on any furniture or house furnishings needed in the home, no money so easily earned as that which you save. Be on hand for the great wind-up. Special bargains for Saturday and Monday, see ad on another page.

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PIONEER TO CELEBRATE ARRIVAL IN CITY

Mrs. M. A. Hall Will Receive on Tuesday Afternoon and Evening

Mrs. M. A. Hall, of 629 John street, will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of her arrival in Victoria, on Tuesday, March 1st, 1910. Mrs. Hall, who also celebrates her 74th birthday on February 25th, arrived in this city on February 29th, 1840, on the ship Athelstan, Captain Tracey. The material for the St. John's church came on the same vessel. Mrs. Hall married the late Philip J. Hall (who died about 28 years ago) in 1861, and all her family were born in Victoria, and consist of Mr. Philip J. Hall, of B. C. Salvage Co.; Mr. A. H. Hall, who is spending the winter here from Yukon; Mr. W. B. Hall, the popular Douglas street grocer; Mr. C. H. Hall, who is employed with W. B. Hall; Mrs. F. P. Watson, of Vancouver; Mrs. A. E. McDonald, of Cochrane, Alberta; Mrs. E. B. Rogerson, of this city.

Mrs. Hall has seen Victoria steadily grow and can tell of things that happened a half century ago as readily as if they took place only last week.

PRINGLE COMPANY

Victoria is to have a short season of dramatic stock at the A. O. U. W. hall. The Pringle company, who have played in three different engagements in this city in the last five years, with good success, is to-day the oldest and best-known stock company on the Pacific coast, having played all the principal houses from Los Angeles to Vancouver, and from Victoria to Halifax. For the last three years the company has not been out of Canada, filling engagements in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Ontario. The Pringle-like Victoria, and Victoria likes the Pringles, and it is safe to predict a big success for them when they open at the A. O. U. W. hall on Monday night.

The C. P. R. has made very generous appropriations for the work of railway extension and maintenance on Vancouver Island this year. No new work beyond that already in hand is to be undertaken. Large sums will be spent in maintaining the branch to Alberni and for land clearing at Nanaimo and other districts. Another important work which is already in hand is the replacing of the wooden trestle over Niagara Canyon with one of steel.

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SORBY PLAN IS DISCUSSED

HARBOR ASSOCIATION APPROVES SCHEME

Statement Made That Money Was Ready for Big Enterprise

After a good deal of discussion at their special meeting at the city hall yesterday afternoon, the Inner Harbor Association decided to endorse the principle of the scheme for improving the south side of the inner harbor by a big company which it is proposed to form. There was a good deal of dis-sultory discussion, the feeling being expressed by many that no existing rights of the citizens should be allowed to be taken. There was also considerable objection to any large amount of the harbor being taken for the wharfage purposes, it being already all too small. Thomas C. Sorby, who had charge of the proposal on behalf of the promoters, expressed willingness to call back the line and also to keep the street ends open, if necessary. G. A. Kirk presided, and there were also present Messrs. Leeming, Sorby, Joseph Peirson, Vincent, McGregor, J. Thomson, Young, Bannerman, and Captain Clark and Mayor Morley.

T. C. Sorby laid the scheme before the meeting, explaining that the local promoters were C. A. Holland, of the B. C. Land & Investment Company, and R. T. Elliott. Neither of those gentlemen were present, Mr. Elliott being kept away by stress of legal work, and Mr. Holland also having another engagement.

The chief objection to the plan was taken by F. W. Vincent, representing the C. P. R. He said that the Sehl's point had never been much in their way for during the 26 years they had been operating in the harbor they had never had an accident there. He objected to the wharves being built out so far as proposed, as the harbor was already too small. Of course it would be a good thing to take off Sehl's point, but it would not be a good thing to fill up the harbor.

Alderman Bannerman pointed out that as it was at present any private party could obtain waterfront privileges to build out into the harbor, and there was not room for them all. He was in favor of the proposal.

J. Thomson, manager of the Hudson's Bay Company, asked if the association opposed it, would that prevent it going through. On being told that it would, he asked if Mr. Holland was willing to give securities. He thought that gentleman should have been present to explain his position and to assure them that it would be carried through.

It was necessary, however, that all should make some concessions in improving the harbor. It was in favor of the outline of the scheme. Joseph Peirson said that the spending of such a vast sum of money as four or five million dollars would be a good thing for the place. It was his opinion that the promoters should show that they were financially able to carry it through.

Mr. Kirk thought it was the duty of the provincial government to deal with the bona fides of the company. Mr. Sorby explained that Mr. Holland had told him the money for the enterprise was available. The chairman explained that it was for them to consider whether or not it would be a good thing for the harbor.

It was a good thing they should say in the company work it out. Personally he was in favor of it. Mr. Sorby thought the harbor should not be encroached upon, as it was all too small at present. The matter of street ends should also be considered. These should not be taken by the company as that would debar the public from privileges they at present enjoyed. With these exceptions he favored the scheme.

Mr. Vincent expressed the opinion that the promoters of the enterprise should have been present. There were no amended plans before them, nothing but a pencil line on the old plans which could easily be erased. He was of opinion that the plans should have gone to the public works department of the Dominion government first for their consideration. It was something for a harbor to be dealt with while he was in favor of the general scheme, he did not think they should give up any of their present rights.

The following resolution was then moved by Alderman Bannerman and seconded by M. Young: That the Inner Harbor Association approve the broad principle of the scheme proposed by the Victoria Harbor South Shore Conservation Company for the reclamation of the harbor along the inner side of the scheme as modified and subject to the approval of the public works department of the Dominion government. When the resolution was first put Mr. Vincent voted against it, but on a modification of the wording of the resolution he approved, this making the resolution unanimous. It was decided that the approved plan should be laid before the city council for their consideration.

ROMANO THEATRE

The first edition of "The Floods of Paris" will be shown at the Romano theatre this evening and at the same time tomorrow afternoon and evening. Citizens of Victoria have read of the disaster which occurred when the Seine river overflowed and flooded the city, but they will be able to see what actually did happen. The picture shows many of the big buildings there surrounded by water and also the large bridges which cross the river partly submerged. All through the scenes are very thrilling.

The Flourish Mandolin, Banjo and Guitar Club will hold its annual dance and concert on Monday evening next in the Broad street hall. Alfred K. Farland, the musician of the banjo, has been engaged to give a recital. After this is over dancing will be indulged in.

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

Victoria, Feb. 25.—5 a. m.—A marked depression covers British Columbia, and there have been heavy falls of sleet and rain from Port Simpson southward through the Pacific states, with fresh gales on the American coast; weather conditions in these districts remain unsettled. East of the Rockies the high area is centered over the Lakes, the pressure is giving way in the prairie provinces, where the temperatures are rising, and snowfall is becoming general.

Forecasts. For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Saturday. Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh southerly and westerly winds, chiefly cloudy, with sleet or rain, and not much change in temperature. Lower Mainland—Southerly and westerly winds, unsettled, with snow or rain, and stationary or higher temperature.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 29.82; temperature, 28; minimum, 26; wind, 34 miles S. W.; rain, .46; weather, rain, clear. New Westminster—Barometer, 29.78; temperature, 34; minimum, 34; wind, 6 miles S. W.; rain, .32; weather, part cloudy. Nanaimo—Wind, 6 miles N. W.; weather, part cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.44; temperature, 24; minimum, 22; wind, calm; snow, trace; weather, part cloudy. Barkerville—Barometer, 29.48; temperature, 14; minimum, 14; wind, 6 miles S.; snow, .06; weather, snow. San Francisco—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 52; minimum, 50; wind, 6 miles W.; rain, .26; weather, clear.

Port Simpson—Barometer, 29.54; temperature, 30; minimum, 28; wind, calm; snow, .20; weather, snow. Edmonton—Barometer, 29.84; temperature, 14 below; minimum, 11 below; wind, 4 miles N. E.; snow, .06; weather, part cloudy. Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, zero; minimum, 12 below; wind, 18 miles N. E.; snow, .21; weather, snow.

Far West lodge No. 1, K. of P., will hold its regular weekly session to-night in the lodge hall, corner of Douglas and Pandora, when the rank of Knight will be conferred on candidates. A full attendance is requested. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

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ATHLETES AFTER THREE TROPHIES

IMPORTANT STAGE IN LOCAL SPORTS Wins to Home Teams Can Bring All Honors to Victoria

TO-MORROW'S SPORTS

Rugby. Victoria and Vancouver at Royal Athletic park. Soccer. Ladysmith and Victoria West at Oak Bay. Hockey. Vancouver and Garrison at Work Point barracks.

Three matches, all of which have bearings on championships which can be brought to Victoria if the games are won by the local teams, are to be played on the athletic fields here to-morrow afternoon.

The Rugby game between Victoria and Vancouver is perhaps the most important of the three, for it brings here, if the Victoria team wins it, the McKechnie cup, the Cooper Keith cup, the championships of the province and the Pacific coast, and also brings the California team here next year.

The soccer match between Victoria West and Ladysmith must be won by the Victoria West eleven if that organization is to become the Island soccer champion team this season. Even this win will not give them the championship, but they will be at the head and have the best chance.

Should the Garrison win the hockey match at the Work Point barracks from the Vancouver team, the soldiers will have a similar lead for the prior cup to that of the Victoria West in the soccer league. A win for the Garrison will not absolutely give them the trophy but they will hold a strong position that will take a lot of beating.

This is perhaps the most unique situation in Victoria athletics that has ever occurred in the history of the city. To have three champion teams here in the three big winter sports is something that will be a boost far away out of the ordinary, and that is how to-morrow's matches figure.

In the Rugby games there is, of course, Nanaimo to contend with, but should Victoria defeat Vancouver to-morrow the Capitals will be regarded by Rugby critics as just about there for Nanaimo is not expected to put much of a crimp in against the Victoria or the Vancouver Rugby teams.

In both the other sports wins will give the teams the possible championship or at the least the right to play off deciding games for the soccer and hockey titles. That is how the standing of the clubs at present with relation to the matches yet to be played figures out, and it is certainly a most unique situation.

The athletes taking part in the three different games to-morrow will have the hearty support of all sportsmen in Victoria; for to see these three titles with the additional honors for the Rugby team come here to-morrow is a great big reward to the men who have fostered each of the games through many years, as well as to the players and all athletes in the city.

BASEBALL. KING'S CASE. (Times Leased Wire.) Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 25.—Johnny Kling, crack catcher of the Chicago Cubs two seasons ago, to-day is preparing to submit data to the national commission following an order by the highest baseball court allowing him five days in which to show cause why he should be reinstated to the ranks of eligible players.

Kling has been in conference with President Murphy, who ardently desires to see his former player restored to standing, because, as he expressed it: "The west side fans would tear down the ball park stands if Johnny Kling is not behind the plate next year." The commission has called upon Kling and Murphy to produce copies of any correspondence that may have passed between them.

Word was received here from Kling saying that he willingly will lay all data before the commission. He declared that he was compelled to leave the diamond last season to enter a private enterprise and that he was

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given a leave of absence by the Chicago club. The commission before adjourning awarded Player Friene of the California state league to the Philadelphia Americans.

The applications for reinstatement of Henderson of Oakland and Shotton of the Brooklyn club, so-called "out-laws," were denied.

LADIES PLAY FOR THE WILKERSON CUP

Hockey Match at Oak Bay Between the Local Teams

The Victoria Girls' Hockey team and the High school Girls' Hockey team will play the second game for the Wilkerston cup on Saturday afternoon at Oak Bay.

The first game resulted in a draw. It was played two weeks ago on the same field and the score was two goals all. The match to-morrow afternoon will be very exciting and the two sides will go into the game with the keenest rivalry. There will be a third game to be played later in the season.

The following will represent the Victoria Ladies' Club: Full backs, Misses J. Vincent, K. Dalby and D. Payne (captain); half backs, Mrs. Hamilton and the Misses E. Nason and E. Lubbe; forwards, Misses N. Hall, O. Grant, M. Stuart, L. Bone and S. Hiscocks. Substitutes, Misses M. Goodacre and L. Hiscocks.

Sidney and W. N. Winsky will referee the match which will commence at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

HESTER WOULD MATCH WOLGAST AND WELSH

Both Participants in Light-Weight Fight to Be in Vaudeville

(Times Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Feb. 25.—Offers of theatrical engagements continue to pour in on Tom Jones, Ad. Wolgast's manager.

Jones is determined to make hay for the new champion while the sun shines, but at the expense of his health. Therefore he has decided to select about ten weeks to make out the best engagements and after filling these to give Wolgast a rest.

In all probability Wolgast's next opponent will be Freddie Welsh, but it is hardly likely that his demand for a \$20,000 guarantee will be granted. Wolgast evidently bases his estimate of his drawing power on the "crowd" that turned out to see his battle with Nelson, but a Wolgast-Welsh fight will bring as much money into the box office as did the Washington birthday affair. Welsh has never been seen here and San Francisco will have to be shown before it will give up enough money to justify Sid. Hester, who is backing for the prospective match, to guarantee Wolgast \$20,000.

Hester has asked Welsh, making him a definite offer to meet Wolgast in April or May and expects a reply. Battling Nelson was agreeably surprised when his manager, Jack Robinson, received telegrams from the East advising him that the Dane's theatrical dates, despite his defeat, had not been cancelled. They packed up at once and left for Chicago. Nelson will not have to appear before next Monday night, by which time he figures that his "mish" will have readjusted itself into something akin to the semblance of a human face. If Nelson finds that he can get back to his old form, he will ask Wolgast for a return match.

JEFFRIES IN TRAINING

(Times Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 2.—From now until the day he goes into active training for his mill with Johnson, Jim Jeffries will do daily road work in addition to his gymnasium workout, according to his statement to-day. Jeffries jogged a couple of miles yesterday and topped off with a brisk return walk. He said his wind was in better shape than at any time since he relinquished his title. It is believed he will establish his training quarters at his ranch near Burbank when Sam Berger arrives from San Francisco. He intimated to-day that he might not look far from Los Angeles for a place to do his preliminary work.

LORD FOX RAMSEY WON NOME DOG RACE

McKenzie River Huskies Beat Siberian Wolf-Dog Team

In a matched dog team race for \$200 a side, held at Nome on Wednesday under the auspices of the Nome Kennel Club, Lord Fox Ramsay's team of mixed McKenzie River Huskies easily defeated Louis Gosak's aggregation of Siberian wolf-dogs. Ramsay drove his own team, and established a lead when two miles out, increasing it gradually till the race was finished. The winning team covered the distance of sixty-four miles in 7 hours, 30-1-2 minutes.

Several thousand dollars were wagered on the result, and the victory of the Scottish gentleman was a decidedly popular one. Although a contest in many previous events, Ramsay's team had invariably met with an accident which made a vast difference to the result.

YACHTING. V. Y. C. MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Victoria Yacht Club will be held in the Pioneer hall, Broad street, on Thursday, March 3rd, at 8.15 p.m. All members are requested to attend if possible. An important business item connected with the International Yacht Racing Association regatta, to be held in Victoria next July, will come before the meeting.

SPECIAL TRAIN TO THE BIG JULY FIGHT

Planning a B. C. Excursion to Jeffries-Johnson Mill

A special from Vancouver to San Francisco to carry the spectators of this sporting to the Jeffries-Johnson fight is the latest undertaking of Con Jones.

He is organizing a party of Victoria and Vancouver sportsmen to fill the train and is going right ahead with the plans. He is in communication with the Southern Pacific and has definitely announced his intention of running a British Columbia special to San Francisco to arrive there early July 4th.

He wants at least three cars and a diner and expects a reply from the Southern Pacific as to whether he can buy a train or two by the middle of the coming week.

There will be a big lacrosse match in Vancouver July 1st, and, he says, after seeing it the people who have purchased tickets on the fight train will go right away to have dinner on the train and away to the south. The excursionists, it is planned, will live aboard the train while in Frisco, stay there one day after the fight and come right on home again.

FORTUNES LOST AND MADE IN AIR

AEROPLANING AS A BUSINESS VENTURE

Experts Who Invested Every Cent Before Any Returns Began to Come

Bleriot was a wealthy young man. He and his newly married wife started with 1,500,000 francs, producing \$12,000 a year without work or care. All was swallowed in aeroplane experiments. His wife along believed; the family would have had a spend-thrift guardian appointed—only, the money was already gone.

When Bleriot crossed the channel it was the end. He had also consumed the capital of his commanditaires, or "sleeping partners," brought in to sleep while he continued struggling.

Since then Bleriot has got it all back for self, wife and backers. At each of the two English meetings he earned \$20,000. Henry Farman had \$12,000 for one other English meeting. In three or four little Italian shows, where everyone paid admission, Bleriot netted \$4,000 to \$5,000 each. At Constantinople he got \$3,000.

The Rheims week had given \$10,000 apiece to Bleriot, Farman and perhaps two others; while the remaining cracks took away from \$5,000 to \$3,000 each.

Latham and Paulhan have each netted \$80,000 in the last nine months, just as sure as Farman has taken in \$200,000 since he started. In addition Latham has become manager of Actinette's concern with an unusually high salary and without losing his freedom to exhibit. Paulhan has just left for America with three aeroplanes and a \$30,000 engagement.

Understudies at \$40. The two men that Paulhan takes with him are unknown mechanicians who have commenced flying. They fly very well—as everyone does. Paulhan is bound to make such-and-such sensational flights. The understudies, at the rest, they started with \$100 on \$40 a week and expenses. It is prophesied that they will raise their prices. Latham is a young man of family who had money besides his earnings. They took him—and put it into the big business venture. Of course, he might have invested it in government bonds, like Paulhan.

The main point is that both earned \$50,000 in nine months by flying. What they pulled out of Germany was rich, though they got but half what they were promised. And so for Fournier, Breguet, Delagrang, Sommer, Rougier and the other. The list of the cracks increases daily. In obscure English, Austrian, French, Italian and Scandinavian meets they pull off prizes that make them the best-paid stars of the day.

This is not mentioning the wall of South Africa, South America, Canada, and the United States—if the Wrights will let anyone in. Comte de Lambert, who is with the Wrights at Pau, is the aeroplane vector, one might say, who proves the flight by an exception. His unexampled flight away up in the air above Paris—courageous, magnificent—astonishing—gained him not a dollar.

Some Examples. Comte de Lambert, perhaps, has taken in \$2,000 in all—his fare expenses. He refused to go to exhibitions. When present, he neglected to compete for prizes. What did he compete for? To show off the Wrights' machines. In a word, the Comte de Lambert is not in it for business; yet, as I shall presently describe him at Pau, he has the exterior look of it.

Santos-Dumont can hardly be called a similar exception, because it has always been known that Santos cared nothing for the earnings. He gave the 10,000 Deutsch-Mark prize to the poor of Paris and spent the \$20,000 Brazilian government encouragement prize on a Paris experiment and local Brazilian exhibitions, its specific objects. In truth, Santos has spent several fortunes out of his own great personal revenues; and if he has today the look of being in business with Fere Clement it can easily be explained.

Apart from these two they are all in the business—the Voisin brothers, Gaird and Charles, who stopped flying to construct the Wright brothers, Wilbur and Orville, with their Clermonteau pull in Paris and Tissandier push at Pau; the Farman brothers,



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All the old-time patrons have got into the business. Ernest Archdeacon and Deutsch (de la Meurthe), two supreme backers, have money stowed away in a half a dozen flying enterprises. The engineers, Kapferer and Surcouf, have dropped dirigibles for aeroplanes. The Lebadry brothers, patriots, who built for the French army—and have just sold their latest model to the English; Bleriot and Latham and the transcendent Tissandier—all are in the mad rush to build aeroplanes and sell them.

It is because there is such a rush to buy. From all over the world the buyers come to Paris, as a centre where to pick and choose—and learn to fly.

Sports Learning to Fly. Paris, or rather France, has half a dozen great expensive schools of flying. How expensive they are may be judged when you learn that a beginner may fall and break a \$5,000 machine.

The number of sports who are learning to fly is phenomenal. In this respect the Antoinette concern is looked upon by the needy as a peculiarly good thing. In its flying school at Chalons they take in \$10,000 a month. The school is fitted to pass his pilot's examination for \$500 flat.

There is no obligation to buy a machine; no damages to pay for machine injured. Consequently there is a rush to Chalons, in particular, for sporting youth without much money, ambitious to earn salaries as understudies of crack flyers—or scared amateurs.

These latter are numerous and amusing. A rich man, like Henri de Rothschild, orders an aeroplane, superintends its building, studies its motor, becomes learned, gets admired by lady friends and is in a hurry for delivery. At last the aeroplane is in the field. The experts try it. Beautiful, the eager owner is ready to go up. He has had twenty lessons, seated by a coaching pilot. But now he is in an aeroplane for the first time alone. They start the motor. The frame trembles. The air hurricanes. It is starting. Stop! Stop! the motor! The unbalanced desires to stop! When he is unbalanced he falls out in a dead funk. Thenceforth he needs a capable young sport to fly his aeroplane, win prizes and get his name in the papers.

Why had he not previously tried taking lessons alone? Outside the Antoinette school he cannot. All the other makers refuse to give lessons in other than their own machines. First buy; they teach you after. And the Antoinettes have been criticised as "avid for a great mass of business, or more exact, to form a numerous army of Antoinette pilots to support company wear and tear on company machines during perhaps three months for \$500—and no aeroplane positively sold on the deal.

Adopts in Six Days. At the beginning the Wright-Clermonteau combination taught pupils for \$300 flat, without a business engagement; but they discovered it to be speculative. Some pupils take three

months; others fly in six days, as did Graham White; and on a monoplane at Pau that. Yet there is a gentleman at Pau by the name of Elpel who has been at least four months without getting beyond "long jumps" on a biplane.

There are three flying schools at Pau—Wright, Bleriot and Bolson—though the main Voisin school is at Mourmelon, near Chalons. These are the two centres, Chalons and Pau. And they have so transformed the charming little Bearnaise capital that the mayor has just agreed that the town will have to make a fourth aerodrome.

Doubtless the Wrights are socially and materially rather in advance at Pau. They have governmental backing in Clemenceau's, and social and technical prestige in Comte de Lambert and the sublime Tissandier. In one week at Pau I counted thirty-four Wright pupils in various states of capacity; but there were also 29 Bleriot pupils and 11 Voisins. Among the best known were the balloonists, Rolls, Leblanc, Gasnier, Zena, Mamet and Balaban; the auto sports Sallenave, Jaloux, Prince Bibesco, Count Malenski (the fencing expert), the young Comte de Montpensier and the younger Comte de Vogue. Among the English were Boothby, Mander, Duckworth, Wilson, Hart and Wilcox.

Nowadays, if you buy a Wright, Bleriot, Voisin, Morse or Santos aeroplane, they teach you gratis—when you have paid a good premium price for the machine. Or they will charge \$300, say \$200 tuition—if you have beaten them down, say \$100 on the purchase.

ATHLETICISM EVILS MUCH EXAGGERATED

British Medical Association Says Games Do More Than Mental Toil

A feature of the last meeting of the British Medical Association was the discussion of athleticism, the medical aspect of the subject being reviewed at length. Many British authorities took part in the discussion. The conclusion was reached that the evils of athleticism in Great Britain have been exaggerated, and that outdoor sports should be encouraged.

In reviewing this discussion the Medical Record says: "The first speaker stated that with respect to mortality in connection with games among schoolboys and in colleges, he had collected information that the toll of deaths from or during athletics during twenty years in a number of large schools, with an attendance of more than 5,000, and in a university with 2,000 undergraduates, was seven."

"As to injury to health as the result of athleticism opinions were somewhat divided. Clement Dukes, physician to one of the largest schools in England, held that physical and mental education should coincide. According to him, mental education is

pressed to its extreme limit of endurance in all cases, and transgresses the limits in those deficient in stamina; this tendency must be counterbalanced by a deliberate method of physical education, whose aim should be the just equipoise of both disciplines.

In discussing the baneful effects of athleticism, Dukes defines it briefly and generally as the intemperance of genuine physical exercise, the various modes in which intemperance in exercise exhibits itself consisting of excessive exercise, improper exercise, or exercise unadapted to the age or strength of the individual, exercise taken at the wrong time of the day, such as immediately after a meal, and exercise unsuited to the season of the year.

"The points urged to avoid intemperance in exercise are: (1) Thorough physical examination; (2) Individual appointment of exercise consequent on the examination; (3) medical control over all severe exercise, so that even those who are physically fit shall submit themselves to appropriate training for the exertion. It is over-exercise, then, that injures, and not exercise per se, which is beneficial and necessary.

"As to the manners in which intemperance in exercise acts prejudicially upon the individual, the heart is the organ which most frequently suffers. But at the same time it is not quite clear that intemperance in physical exercise alone is ever wholly responsible for injuries to the heart, for instance. However, the 'Order System of Medicine' states that up to the present time there exists no absolute pathological and clinical proof of acute passive dilatation and death from excessive muscular exercise; although there are excellent physiological and clinical reasons for believing that such infection, congenital defect, or manner of life.

"Clifford Allbutt is of the opinion that the incidence of infectious disease is an element of the utmost importance. Among those infections he would place influenza in the front rank, but would also include severe colds as a bad cold has a quite definite influence on the heart.

"Another speaker in this discussion, Sir James Barr, was altogether against any abolition of or even decrease of games at school or college, for he held that the more hazardous the game the better it was for the development of the character of the individual. He took the view that it might be well if youths entering for arduous contests had some medical supervision and advice by men who knew something of the nature and amount of work required in the contest. The question turned largely on the capacity for work of the heart and lungs, and as has been said, the opinions of medical men vary enormously as to the amount of strain required to damage the heart.

"The outcome of the discussion was that the evils of athleticism in Great Britain have been exaggerated, and that outdoor sports and contests among youths and young men should be encouraged rather than hindered, always provided that the candidate has normal organs and is in good condition.

There is probably no one who would seriously advance a proposition that games are not necessary to the health of schoolboys and young men. They make for character more than does mental toil. There would seem, however, to be no need that such games should involve excessive physical exertion.

"The tendency in this country was until recently, if it is not even yet, that games should be characterized by intemperate zeal. These remarks apply particularly to football. The season is short and the participants in college football are comparatively few, yet the list of fatalities and deaths has been greater in one season than the whole of the casualties and fatalities which have occurred in thirteen large English schools and in one university during a period of twenty years. This reads like intemperance in games indeed.

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CAPTAIN NAUGHTON WELL KNOWN HERE

Skipper Who Died at San Francisco Formerly Traded to This Port

Capt. G. Naughton, who recently died in San Francisco, was well known in this city, having come to Victoria on the Hudson Bay Company's ship, Prince Royal as chief officer. He came out again in 1859 as chief officer on the ship Gomeria, the ship being chartered by Capt. Stamp to load spars for Europe at Seabeck, Washington. While loading there, the ship encountered a gale of wind with the result that she lifted up through her lower bow ports and sank. She was raised and purchased by Capt. Stamp, who had her towed to Victoria, where she was repaired at the Hudson Bay Company's wharf in 1860, and her name changed to Sonmas, after the river of that name at the head of Alberni canal. After repairs had been made, Capt. Naughton was appointed to command her and he went to the Sound and loaded spars. She made several trips between Alberni and Eastern ports. Captain Naughton then bought the barque Kent and brought out the machinery for the Hastings Mill Co., Burrard Inlet. Later, he was bringing up a load of salt from Carmel Island when the vessel was run down by a steamer and sunk. The captain then started a ship chandler's store in San Francisco, and later was appointed British shipping master by the British consul, which office he held for a number of years.

RAILWAY EARNINGS.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—Grand Trunk railway earnings for the third week of February show an increase of \$99,204 over the same week last year. C. P. R. earnings for the week ending February 21st totalled \$1,414,000, an increase of \$258,000. Among its many trade schools, Belgium supports one in which boys over 12 years of age who have passed through certain grades in the primary schools are taught all branches of gun making.

CYCLOPS IS OFF RED SEA REEF

PART OF HER CARGO HAS BEEN REMOVED

Pilgrims Will Take Passage on Some Other Vessel

Blue Funnel liner Cyclops has been in the neighborhood of Jeddah, where she went ashore a week or two ago. The work was done by the Perim Salvage Company. Three efforts were made to float the steamer without lightening the cargo, but without effect. The Perim Salvage Company then set to work to remove the cargo, and the big steamer was soon lightened sufficiently to allow her to get free from the coral reef. The Cyclops was on her way from the United Kingdom to the Orient, including Manila. The trade between England and that part of the world has been very large recently, necessitating a number of vessels making the short trip. The Cyclops is well known here, having paid several visits to this coast. She is one of the same style of vessels as the Teucer, which left for Vancouver to-day. The steamer will probably be taken back to Liverpool for repairs, the pilgrims who are waiting for her at Jeddah finding some other mode of conveyance.

TWO CHARTERS.

Steamer Waitemata to Load in Old Country for Vancouver. Hind, Ralph & Co. have chartered the big British steamer Waitemata, 3,500 net tons, to load at Glasgow, Liverpool and Antwerp for Vancouver. After discharge here she will proceed to San Francisco, where she will load a cargo of mules for Suva, Fiji. Another charter of interest is that of the German ship Henriette, which is going to Vancouver to load a cargo of number at Hastings mill for Sydney. The Henriette will come from Santa Rosalia.

SHIP JABEZ HOWES SOLD TO PACKERS

Will Be Used as Cannery Tender to Alaska Points

The ship Jabez Howes, owned by C. Doudrow, of San Francisco, which has been laid up at Winslow since October, 23, has been sold to the Columbia River Packers Association for a consideration in the neighborhood of \$12,000. The vessel is one of the fast disappearing old-time American square-riggers and in its prime was rated as an exceedingly smart ship and logged some fast passages in the foreign trade. The new owners of the Howes will use the ship as a tender to a new cannery to be erected at Tin Point, near Unga, in southwestern Alaska, which will have a capacity of about 50,000 cases. The Columbia river packers operate about eight other canneries on the Columbia river and in Alaska. The Howes when last in commission was used as a cannery ship by the Northwestern Fisheries Company and served the cannery of that company at Chignik. The vessel has two decks and a net register of 1,434 tons; has a length of 218 feet, a beam of 40 feet and a depth of 26 feet. The vessel was built at Newburyport, Mass., in 1877, but with its oak construction has suffered little from the ravages of time and is considered one of the best of the old eastern built boats now in commission.

WHARF CONTRACT WILL SOON BE LET

A. L. Brownlie Slated for the Position of Port Engineer

It is expected that the contract for the new Grand Trunk Pacific wharf, which is to be built alongside the Dominion government dock in the inner

harbor, will be let within the next few days. The tenders have been in for some time and have been considered. When J. H. Bacon, harbor engineer, was in the city a few days ago he said he expected that he would have some announcement to make during the present week. The piles have already been taken out and it will not take very long to complete the work, once it is under way. The Grand Trunk will have a number of officials to appoint in connection with the establishment of their line of steamers. It is generally understood that A. L. Brownlie, formerly chief engineer on the C. P. R. steamer Princess Charlotte, is to be given the position of port engineer. Other C. P. R. officers, it is rumored, will take service under the new company, so there is likely to be a scarcity of qualified men on this coast.

MOVEMENT OF VESSELS

Seattle Arrived: Steamer Cottage City, from Skagway; steamer Umattila, from San Francisco. Sailed: Steamer Bertha, for Valdez; steamer Edith, for Valdez; German steamer Ella, for Cocinto via Vancouver and San Francisco; steamer Umattila, for Tacoma. Keelhaul Arrived: Steamer Santa Cruz, from Seattle. Sailed: Steamer Santa Cruz, for Juneau. Monterey Sailed: Steamer W. S. Porter, for Treadwell. Port Erie Arrived: Schooner Polaris, from Tacoma. Tacoma Arrived: Steamer Buckman, from Seattle; steamer Umattila, from Seattle; steamer Asuncion, from San Francisco. Aberdeen Arrived: Steamer Centralia, from San Francisco. Sailed: Steamer Newberg, for San Francisco. Hoquiam Arrived: Steamer Hornet, from San Francisco; steamer Raymond, from San Francisco. Hamburg Arrived: German steamer Itadames, from Puget Sound via San Francisco. San Francisco Arrived: Steamer Shima-Yak, from Tacoma; L. S. gunboat Vicksburg, from Corinto; steamer Mongolia, from Hongkong; schooner Oakland, from Olympia; barque Annie Johnson, from Hilo. Sailed: Brig Geneva, for Tahiti via South Bend; barquentine S. G. Wildes, for Mahukouka.

MAKURA DELAYED UNTIL TO-MORROW

Will Leave for Australia at 9 a.m. With Passengers, Freight and Mails

Word has been received from Vancouver that the steamer Makura, of the Canadian-Australian line, will not leave this port until to-morrow morning. According to the present arrangements she is to get away at 9 o'clock. The delay has been occasioned by the non-arrival of traffic from the East, probably caused by the accident which was reported yesterday, when the train was partly derailed. Among those going from here will be Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Goodman, Arthur Lane, of Duncan; Judge W. L. Stanley, of Honolulu, with his wife, family and maid; G. C. Cuthbert, and between twenty and thirty people from points in the United States. The steamer will also take a food cargo, for Australian and New Zealand ports.

Shipping Report

(By Dominion Wireless.) Tootooh, Feb. 25, 8 a.m.—Cloudy; wind W. 18 miles; bar. 29.92; temp. 40; sea moderate. In schooner at 6:30 a.m., 3-masted barge at 7:20 a.m.; schooner Hattie M. Campbell outside, bound in. Cape Lazo, Feb. 25, 8 a.m.—Cloudy; calm; bar. 29.72; temp. 34. Steamer Bertha north-bound at 8 a.m. Point Grey, Feb. 25, 8 a.m.—Overcast; calm; bar. 29.75; temp. 45; sea moderate. Pachena, Feb. 25, 8 a.m.—Cloudy; wind W.; bar. 29.76; temp. 39; sea moderate. Estevan, Feb. 25, 8 a.m.—Cloudy; wind S.W.; temp. 29.92; temp. 35; sea moderate. Cape Lazo, Feb. 25, noon—Overcast; calm; bar. 29.90; temp. 45; sea smooth. Spoke steamer Bertha north-bound 10 a.m., off Cape Mudge. Point Grey, Feb. 25, noon—Overcast; calm; bar. 29.96; temp. 41. Tootooh, Feb. 25, noon—Cloudy; wind S.W. 21 miles; bar. 29.92; temp. 42. Sea rough. Passed in, schooner Annie M. Campbell 8:20 a.m.; barque which passed in at 7:20 a.m. was W. B. Flint; out, steamer Edith 10:15 a.m.; in, steamer Argyle 12:05 a.m. Pachena, Feb. 25, noon—Hall; wind S.; bar. 29.97; temp. 37; sea rough; unknown 2-masted steamer west-bound at noon. Triangle Island, Feb. 25, noon—cloudy; wind S.E.; bar. 29.69; sea smooth; fishing schooner here.

SHIPPING GUIDE

Table with columns for Vessel, Due, and From the Orient. Includes entries for Inaba Maru, Montecarlo, Oceano, Maitai, Hauri, Georgia, Titan, Anaba Maru, Empress of China, Makura, Ella, Lonsdale, Teucer, and Coastwise Steamers.

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CONCESSIONS GRANTED.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—Four hundred of the striking garment workers have returned to work after being out one day, their employers having granted the concessions demanded.

Aged 97, a woman named Blanc died at Crest in the Drome (France), after requesting that she might be buried wearing the bonnet she had worn on her wedding day in 1829.

TESTIMONY IN SLANDER CASE

WITNESSES EXAMINED
YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

Plaintiff Gives Emphatic Denial to the Charge of Mrs. King

The hearing of the action for slander brought by Miss Hardie, trained nurse, against Mrs. King, the matron of the isolation hospital, was continued in the Supreme court yesterday afternoon before Mr. Justice Morrison. At the afternoon session the plaintiff took the stand and was examined at length by her counsel, Fred Peters, K.C.

Mrs. Nellie King was called by Mr. Peters. Witness testified that on Friday of last week she had had a conversation with defendant, Mrs. King, at Maynard's auction rooms. They spoke about the action which was being tried, and defendant said to her that she bore no malice against Miss Hardie, but that Dr. Robertson had been responsible for all the trouble.

The plaintiff, Miss Hardie, then took the stand. Witness said that she had been practicing as nurse for the past fourteen years. She had had no dispute with the defendant up to November of last year. It was in July last that she had been called to nurse the boy Hurst at the Isolation hospital. She had been engaged by Dr. Robertson, who had asked her to go up and help Mrs. King. She found the patient very sick, suffering from delirium. He had both scarlet fever and diphtheria. The boy was a patient in a ward in which there were four other patients. A screen was employed to shut off the cot in which her patient lay, in order to keep the glare of an electric light, which was used constantly, from the eyes of the other patients. None of the other patients could see over the screen unless they stood up in bed.

On Mr. Peters' question, did she or did she not beat the child on the first night that it came into the hospital, as alleged by defendant, witness gave an emphatic denial. Continuing, witness said that Mrs. King did get up at one o'clock in the morning, after the alleged beating is said to have occurred, and come to the ward and have a conversation with her. She did not remember what was said. She had had the greatest difficulty in administering the medicines to her patient. She had often had to summon assistance to manage the child at such times. The statement of defendant that she had beaten the child was absolutely untrue.

Witness had not heard until sometime in November that Mrs. King had preferred a charge against her. She had had no talk about the alleged beating with Mrs. King, either immediately before or immediately after the child's death.

Mr. Peters' questions, witness testified that in July last only one window at the hospital had a screen on it, and the flies were often very numerous and annoying to the child. She understood that all the windows were now screened.

Before the child had died Mrs. King had told witness on one occasion that she had just telephoned to Mrs. Hurst that the boy was better. Witness had said to the matron, "How could you do that?" and Mrs. King had replied, "Why, I thought it was better, as Mrs. King says it standing at the door this morning as he went by with the milk."

Mr. Peters—And the child was actually getting worse all the time?
Witness—Yes.

Continuing, witness said that the child was delicious all the time and was frequently screaming. It was unconscious a great deal of the time. Dr. George Hall, who was attending the patient, had said that very likely the child had meningitis, as well as diphtheria and scarlet fever, to judge from the way it was screaming.

Cross-examined by Mr. Elliott, witness said she could not remember what she had said to Mrs. Brown, the cook, when the latter had called to have her come to the telephone the day before the child died. She denied that on any occasion she had beaten the child, as alleged.

To the court she said that the boy Hurst was about six years old. She was constantly struggling with him as he wished to get out of bed all the time.

Miss Morrison, a nurse, who graduated from the Vancouver General hospital in 1905, and who was called to act as a night nurse to assist Miss Hardie with the boy Hurst, was next called and corroborated the story told by Miss Hardie in the main details.

Dr. R. L. Fraser testified that he considered Miss Hardie one of the most experienced and competent nurses in the province for infectious diseases. He had been employing her for the past ten years and had always found her kind and considerate.

Mr. Elliott asked for judgment on the ground that malice must be shown, and he quoted authorities to prove his point. The court promised to take this into consideration and Mr. Elliott then called Mrs. Brown, the cook at the Isolation hospital, who swore that she had seen Miss Hardie beat the boy before his death.

Witness was subjected to a severe cross-examination by Mr. Peters.

RULES AT SEA.

William Pollock, master of the coasting steamer M. J. Craig, was at Liverpool fined \$25 and costs for not standing by after being in collision. The bench said they regarded the offence as a very serious one. A second information for not giving his name was withdrawn.

The steamer, which carries coal between Garston and ports in Ireland, came into collision with the lightsip Mars in the early morning on January 13th, striking her on the port side and doing damage to the amount of \$25. After the collision the steamer passed

away into the darkness, and it was only through the lightsip's light flashing on her funnel at the time of the impact that her identity was discovered.

Mr. Finch, who prosecuted for the Mersey docks and harbor board, said that the proceedings were not taken out of vengeance, but to let it be known abroad that this was a serious matter.

Mr. Miller, defending, said there had been no lack of humanity or of the proper care which a seaman ought to give to his duties. The M. J. Craig executed a manoeuvre, and after this the two vessels touched, the lightsip receiving a slight sliding blow which, in the opinion of the master, involved no danger to either vessel. The master immediately stopped his engines and halted the lightsip and took the necessary steps to see that the Mars was in no danger.

BIGAMIST COOLLY ADMITS MARRIAGES

Young Man Who Had Three Wives Given Two-Year Term

A very cool bigamist was sentenced in the police court, Toronto, a few days ago, Arthur Cecil Coulson, a young Englishman, calmly admitted that he had three wives, and could communicate with any of them, having made no attempt to lose sight of them before marrying again. Coulson married his first wife, Miss Ayrz Steele, at St. Mary's, Newington, London, in 1904. They had one child, and the man left his wife and baby in England when he came to this country. He married Miss Lizze Hutchinson, of Hamilton, about two years ago and resided with her at Nanticoke until after a child was born, and then deserted her. His last wife was Mabel Rawlings, a native, whom he met in Toronto. The wedding took place in Lloydtown on June 22nd of last year, and the couple have since resided at 150 St. Patrick street, Toronto. Some friends of the young woman told her that her husband had another wife, but she thought they were joking. The morality department took up the matter and after some correspondence secured information about the previous marriages, so the man was taken in custody at his home.

When Coulson appeared in the dock he admitted that he had committed bigamy. The magistrate asked the man if he had any explanation to make, but before the prisoner could answer he awayed and fell with a heavy thud to the floor. The police hurried to his assistance, but a friend of the prisoner informed them that there was no danger, as Coulson was subject to these fits and would soon recover.

"Your offence is a very serious one," said Mr. Kingsford, "and you are causing suffering to three women." He sent Coulson to the Central prison for two years less a day.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE Twentieth Annual Meeting OF THE Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Co.

The twentieth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company was held in the head office of the company, 39 Pender street, Vancouver, B. C., on the afternoon of February 18th, being a large percentage of the stock being represented. In the absence of the president, Mr. Thos. T. Langlois, who enjoyed a well earned holiday in Southern California, the chair was occupied by Dr. D. H. Wilson, vice-president of the company. Mr. F. H. Godfrey, secretary of the company, acted as secretary of the meeting. The financial reports were presented by Mr. R. H. Duke, general manager of the company.

The vice-president, in moving the adoption of the report, said in part:

"The financial report, that has just been submitted shows that the progress of this company during the past year has more than kept pace with the unprecedented development that has taken place throughout the Dominion of Canada.

"Under our Dominion charter we are laying firmly and broadly from one end of Canada to the other the foundation of a stable and satisfactory business. Your board is also carefully extending the business of the company throughout Great Britain and the United States. In proportion to our growth and development we shall retain to the people of British Columbia a share of the capital that for the country in payment of fire insurance premiums.

"It is 20 years since this company received a provincial charter from the government, and during all these years we have invariably met all claims made upon us promptly and justly, so that the Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company stands today with an absolutely untroubled record.

"It must be gratifying to you, as it is to me, to know that during the year our paid up capital has increased from \$145,000 to \$170,000, and that our net premium income from \$7,696.18 to \$11,725.

"I feel free to say that the energy and discretion of the management, coupled with the loyal service of the general staff, have been the most important factors in making for the success of this company.

"With the unquestioned rapid growth of Canada as a whole and Vancouver in particular, I believe in the bright future of this company. The energetic and conservative policy of the past continues to be followed with strict regard to the most sanguine expectations.

"In the investment of the company's money we have been careful to place them at the most remunerative rates that were available in the Dominion of Canada.

"I have much pleasure in moving the adoption of the report.

"The motion to adopt the report was seconded by Mr. W. H. Malkin, president of the W. H. Malkin wholesale grocery company, a director, who, in part, in support of the report, said:

"The analysis of the report you hold in your hands can not fail, I am sure, to convey a feeling of satisfaction to every shareholder. I am particularly pleased to be an insurance man, but as a business man I happen to be a considerable user of insurance, like most of you in this room. When considering the buying of insurance I think you will agree with me, there are two points which the purchaser always should bear in mind, and of which he should be perfectly confident before buying. These are—First: The ability of the insurance company to pay; second: the general policy of the company in adjusting claims. Are they fair? Are they equitable? Do they protect themselves behind technicalities? These are important points about which business men, usually like me, feel quite confident.

"I am in a position to convince the investing public that it not only has the ability to pay, but that it is willing to settle fairly and promptly. Our past history has proved this conclusively. The improvement in the condition of the company for the past twelve months has been particularly satisfactory. Assets have increased from \$24,000 to \$30,000. Security for policyholders (and in these days of claim and close scrutiny, this is a most important point), has increased from \$35,000 to \$40,000. The increase of 31 per cent while our premium receipts have increased 10 per cent. This latter item clearly shows that in the management there has been a reaching out after new business, and a strong effort made to keep abreast of the times.

"The slogan for 1910 is to be a bigger business. A few steps forward to bring us abreast of the larger old line companies. I am informed that the amount of stock which it is proposed to dispose of this year is being rapidly subscribed, and those who are fortunate enough to secure stock at the present price, will, no doubt, in the not distant future see the value of it advance very considerably.

"The management of the company has managed its fire insurance business as well advanced in the past. It is almost a pleasure to say that we are now living in a progressive age, and the company or business that is content to remain stationary will soon be of no use. It is therefore, all the more important that we should so arrange matters for the year 1910 that it will mark the greatest in our history. British Columbia is growing. We are, it seems to me, on the eve of a great general advance in the development

of our province. During the next three years there will be spent within this province from seventy-five to one hundred million dollars in railway construction alone. This in itself means the absorption in our midst of a large amount of money, the development of a large tract of new country, and the springing up of many new towns and centres of industry all over the country. These towns will want fire insurance. Let us see to it that we are so equipped that we can provide it.

"I think the shareholders will all agree that the action of the directors in making a call of 24 per cent on the unpaid capital of the company is quite right and proper, and that the time has arrived when we should make a strong effort to increase our paid-up capital so that we may be in a position to take care of all the new business that may offer itself during the years to come. I am quite sure that, with this spirit of progress, the management combine the same degree of care and selection with regard to risks and general discretion of the affairs of the company, as they have in the past, we can look forward to an era of prosperity that will increase our business, and make us a more progressive and aspiring company into the front rank of the older insurance companies of the Dominion of Canada.

"I have much pleasure, Mr. Chairman, in seconding the adoption of the report."

Mr. R. H. Duke, the general manager of the company, in support of the motion, said in part:

"The completed returns of fire insurance companies operating in Canada for 1909 are not yet available, but sufficient is known to show that the year has proven more favorable than the average. It is pleasing to note that no serious congratulations have occurred in the Dominion during the year.

"You are aware that an act respecting insurance was passed at the last session of the Dominion of Canada, and that said bill with certain proposed amendments, is now being considered by the Senate. This proposed insurance measure has caused a great deal of discussion by the manufacturers and the insurance interests respectively. The manufacturers, who, by the way, have grown rich under the policy of protection of the Dominion government, claim that in the interest of Canada they want free trade and desire that foreign fire insurance companies be allowed free access to the Canadian insurance market. The insurance interests, on the other hand, claim that inasmuch as the companies now doing business in Canada are compelled to maintain strict reserves, to make large government deposits of low interest bearing security and are also subjected to inspection all companies desiring to secure a share of Canadian business should be compelled to comply with the same requirements, and that the July registered companies should not be subjected to the unfair competition of these foreign untroubled companies who have a one dollar on deposit in this country, and which do not contribute a dollar in settlement of legitimate losses. I think it seems to me that this latter position is incontrovertible, and it is to be hoped the Senate will see to it that no injustice is done to the regularly licensed companies.

"The progress made by the Pacific Coast Insurance Company during the past year, as pointed out by the mover and seconded, must, I am sure, be very gratifying to the shareholders. The premiums written after deducting rebates and cancellations amounted to \$16,321.84, and you will appreciate the conservative method being followed by the management, when we inform you that instead of retaining the whole liability which this amount of premium represents, almost one quarter has been re-insured with our different treaty companies. In this way our net liability in any one town, is kept within very conservative bounds.

"I desire also to emphasize the increase of \$21,341 in the paid-up capital, the increase of \$8,170.39 in the reserves, and the increase of \$81,170.39 in the security to policyholders.

"The loss ratio during the year was 48.96 per cent of the net premiums written, while the average loss ratio for the past eight years during which time the company has been under the present control, has been 52 per cent of the net premiums written, and this you will compare most favorably with the experience of other fire companies operating in the Dominion of Canada.

"Organization work was carried on energetically throughout the year and the company now has a force of general and local agents numbering upwards of five hundred, and the splendid increase of our business during the past 12 months is ample evidence of the loyalty and energy of these representatives.

"Your directors, as has been stated, are convinced that with the splendid organization and the enviable reputation which the company now has, a decided forward move should be made so as to be in a position to take full advantage of the great increase of business which is accruing from the rapidly filling up of our great Dominion.

"To show the need which exists for the investment of a larger amount of capital in fire insurance companies in Canada, I have only to mention the fact that last year over fifteen million dollars, and in the past 12 years over two hundred and fifty million dollars, have been paid in premiums by the Canadian public to companies incorporated elsewhere than in Canada. With sufficient capital invested here a large part of this money would have remained in the Dominion and would

have materially assisted in the development thereof.

This, then, explains the action of your directors in taking steps to increase the paid-up capital of the company by calling up, during the present year, a considerable portion of the unpaid capital on stock previously sold and by placing on sale a further block of treasury stock in order that the subscribed capital might be brought up to \$500,000. With these calls and at the rate which the new stock is being taken up by shrewd local investors, we should close the present year with a subscribed capital of at least \$300,000, and a paid-up capital of \$200,000, and while this standing will put the Pacific Coast in the front rank of the fire insurance companies of Canada, it believes the progressive western spirit of the directors and other shareholders of this well proven pioneer Canadian company will not be satisfied until the company has a subscribed and fully paid-up capital of \$1,000,000.

"As citizens of Vancouver and other centres of the West, we can all feel a just pride in the progress being made by this home company. The drawing of a larger volume of business from the Dominion of Canada and also from the United States and Great Britain for investment in Canada, is a most laudable undertaking, and one that will prove a very great benefit to the upbuilding of these Western cities.

"To our excellent field representatives and also to our faithful head office staff, I desire to express the best thanks of the directors for the loyal and energetic support given the company during the year.

"The outlook for the present year is the brightest in the history of the company."

Alderman James Ramsay, president of the Dominion Blacut Company, in support of the motion spoke in part as follows:

"I have very much pleasure in saying a few words of appreciation of the very fine showing and splendid progress which we have just listened to this afternoon.

"Insurance, it may be said, is a necessary evil, but it must be admitted that it is a very necessary evil. In buying insurance we all feel that the insuring company should not give us a rate which is excessive, and the same time it must be borne in mind that a company in order to be financially sound and able to meet all the claims which occur must charge a rate sufficient to cover the risk as well as to leave a margin for expenses and for profit to those who risk their money in the enterprise.

"I feel satisfied that if this company continues the same policy in future as in the past the Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company will soon become one of the best and most substantial fire insurance companies in Canada. The splendid reputation of this company for prompt and just settlement of losses is one that appeals strongly to business men. It has never been on the part of this company any disposition to hide behind technicalities in settlement of legitimate losses. I think most creditable to the management of this institution and to the directors.

"I just want to say that we all ought to feel very much gratified with the progress being made, not only in British Columbia, but throughout the whole of Canada, and I am particularly pleased to note that the Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company is, by materially increasing its financial strength, putting itself in a position to take care of the business of the increased business which the wonderful development of Canada will bring to the financial institutions of our country."

Mr. George J. Telfer, general manager of the B. C. Permanent Loan Company, in speaking to the motion, said:

"I want to express my appreciation of the results of last year's work, as shown by the reports and to say that the outlook for the current year promises even more satisfactory returns. The increase in the capital of the company to \$500,000 has my hearty approval. Insurance is one of the greatest factors forming the basis of credit. To make Pacific Coast policies a success, the work which they must be made as good as possible, with strong financial backing.

"Corporations and merchants in Canada are increasing their assets, their turnovers and will require larger corporations to handle their increased business. The company, by increasing its capital, will be able to obtain and take care of such increased business, will be able to better its classification on the part of the public by increase the amount available for investment at profitable Montreux rates, will be able to decrease the proportionate liability and will be in a general position to do a larger and more profitable business."

The motion to adopt the report and presented was then unanimously carried.

The election of the directors resulted in the re-election of the following members: Thos. T. Langlois, D. H. Wilson, George J. Telfer, W. H. Malkin, David Spencer (Victoria), George Martin, George Ward, E. H. Cander (Calgary), D. R. Dingwall (Winnipeg), William Henderson, J. B. Mathers, Hon. Richard McBride (Vancouver), and Mr. George J. Telfer (Seattle). James Ramsay, M. P. Thomson, J. W. Horne and R. H. Duke.

At a subsequent meeting of the board Thos. T. Langlois was elected president; Dr. D. H. Wilson, vice-president; R. H. Duke, managing director; George J. Telfer, treasurer; and F. O. Godfrey was appointed secretary of the company.

Mr. W. T. Stein, C. A., was re-elected as auditor, and Messrs. Harris & Bull were re-appointed as the company's solicitors.

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LADIES' KID LACED BOOTS, Blucher cut, medium soles. Worth \$3.00. Now, per pair... \$1.45	MEN'S FINE BOX CALF LACED BOOTS, GoodYear welt soles. Worth \$4.50 to \$5.00. Now... \$3.35
LADIES' FINE KID STRAP SLIPPERS, Worth \$2.50 to \$3.50. Now, per pair... \$1.35	BOYS' STRONG SCHOOL BOOTS, sizes 1 to 5. Worth up to \$2.50 per pair. Now... \$1.40
MEN'S WALK-OVER LACED BOOTS, Worth from \$5.50 to \$6.50 per pair. Now, per pair... \$4.60	BOYS' RUBBERS, Sizes 11 to 5. Price... 50c
INFANTS' SOFT LACE BOOTS AND SLIPPERS. Per pair... 25c	GIRLS' SCHOOL BOOTS, sizes 11 to 2. Worth up to \$2.50. Now... \$1.40

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The Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Company Statement as at December 31st, 1909

ASSETS	LIABILITIES
Stocks, Bonds and Debentures, with accrued interest... \$14,472.55	Reserve of unearned premiums for outstanding risks (Dominion Government Standard)... \$ 74,227.79
Mortgage, Loans, with accrued interest... 40,597.81	Reserve of unearned premiums for outstanding risks (Standard)... 5,843.41
Real Estate... 60,000.00	Premiums due reinsuring Companies (net)... 12,187.57
Real Estate... 2,000.52	Dividends unpaid... 413.00
Real Estate... 1,400.52	Total Liabilities, excepting Capital... 93,671.77
Furniture and Pictures... 1,040.37	Surplus to Policy Holders... 295,604.55
Premiums in agent's hands and in course of collection... 15,633.94	
Balance on Deposit and Cash on Hand... 26,011.79	
\$305,475.06	\$305,475.06

SECURITY TO POLICY HOLDERS.

Surplus as above... \$305,475.06

Subscribed Capital (\$500,000), subject to call... 142,500.00

Reserve of unearned premiums... 75,525.35

THOMAS T. LANGLOIS, President.

R. H. DUKE, Managing Director.

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DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

WILL MEET AT ALBERNI

Vote Taken From Branches
Favor the West Coast
Town

The annual meeting of delegates from the various branches of the Vancouver Island Development League will be held this year at Alberni. The West Coast town has been decided upon by vote cast by letter and received by the secretary of the Victoria branch of the league. There were nineteen votes cast. Alberni headed the poll with eight votes, as follows: Alberni, Port Alberni, Clayoquot, Colwood and Metehost, Hoberg, Quatsino, Uchelet and Victoria. Nanaimo got four votes, from Comox, East-Wellington, Nootka and Nanaimo. For Victoria the following voted: Oak Bay, Port Renfrew, Sooke and Otter and Sidney. Duncan received two votes from Ladysmith and Shawigan Lake. Cumberland voted for Cumberland and no return was received from Duncan. The date of the meeting has not been settled yet, but a letter from Alberni suggests June 1st. A suggestion was made at the annual meeting of the Victoria branch that the meeting be postponed until July as the weather conditions would be more suitable during that month. The branch leaders are being communicated with, and the date suitable to the majority will be settled upon. The Victoria branch is distributing a pamphlet containing the attractions of the island for the establishment of manufacturing plants. Five thousand will be distributed by the end of the year and special attention is being paid to firms seeking new locations and to those whose premises have been destroyed by fire. The pamphlet gives particulars of the mineral tim-

ber, agricultural and climatic conditions of the Island.

ACTION FOR SLANDER BEING CONTINUED

More Testimony Taken This
Morning in Case of Har-
die vs. King

The action for slander, Hardie vs. King, was continued this morning in the Supreme Court. A report of yesterday afternoon's proceedings will be found on another page. The case for the defence is now practically all in. Dr. Robertson is on the stand this afternoon in rebuttal. Mrs. King, the defendant, was in the box this morning. Witness repeated the story that has been so frequently related dealing with the alleged slander and was closely cross-examined. J. Mellor, the young son of Mrs. J. W. Mellor, testified that he was an inmate of the Isolation Hospital at the time the alleged hearing of the Hurst boy occurred. He said he had seen the nurse raise her hand and had heard the sound of the blows. The court room was crowded this morning and great interest was manifested in the proceedings. Don't miss seeing Nat Jamieson, famous harjo player, at the Empress theatre to-night. The Victoria West team to play Ladysmith at Oak Bay to-morrow afternoon will consist of the following players: Goal, Beaney; backs, Prevost and Whyte; halves, Bailey, Pettlerew and Kinloch; Forwards, Kirchin, Okell, Sedgwick, Wright and McKittrick. H. A. Goward will referee the match. The substitution of Beaney for McKittrick in goal and the placing of McKittrick forward, considerably strengthens the Victoria West line up.

TO BUILD DIRECT

ROAD TO OUTER WHARF

Scheme Will Be Laid Before the
City Council in Near
Future

The scheme to build a direct road from Belleville street to the outer dock is to be once more brought to the front. At present there are a number of kinks in the road, and this it is thought is not becoming the dignity of a city of the size of Victoria on one of the main thoroughfares. There is a large amount of traffic between the city and the outer dock. There are a good many steamers which do not come inside the harbor, and there is a large amount of freight to be carried back and forth, and this calls for the building of a good thoroughfare.

At the meeting of the Inner Harbor Association held yesterday afternoon the question of using the bay on the city side of the yacht club for dock and warehouse purposes was up for consideration in connection with the big scheme for the reclamation of all the foreshore. Then it was that Mayor Morley took part in the discussion, saying he thought it would be necessary to build a road across that bay in order to get a straight line from the junction of St. John and Belleville streets to the outer dock. He indicated on the map the route it would take, and stated that in the near future the subject was likely to be taken up by the city council.

IN POLICE COURT

Offenders Dealt With By Magistrate
at This Morning's Session.

Matilda Allison, an old offender who two weeks ago was put under the Siwash Act, was sent to jail for a month this morning for being drunk. She appeared in court in a state of inebriation, and the police reported her as having been drunk ten days. The names of the persons who supplied her with liquor are known and action will be taken against them. Frank Ward pleaded guilty to a charge of vagrancy and was given three months in jail. He was arrested by Police Officer Hutchison yesterday, from whom he attempted to beg on Government street. A warrant was issued for the arrest of Harvey Bride, who failed to appear when his name was called. He had been remanded yesterday, and has left the city. If he returns he will be arrested under the warrant.

QUIETLY WEDDED

Mr. F. T. Godman and Miss Ellison
United in Marriage.

The marriage took place at St. Paul's church, Esquimalt, on Thursday at 3 o'clock of Mr. F. T. Godman to Miss Josephine K. Ellison. The ceremony was a private one, and was attended by only a few friends of the happy couple. The service was performed by the Ven. Archdeacon Scriven. Mr. T. T. Godman acted as best man, and the bride was attended by her parents, Rev. W. E. H. Ellison and Mrs. Ellison. The bride and bridegroom are leaving by S.S. Makura to-night for an extended tour to Australia and back to England. The bride was a Victorian girl, brought up and educated in this city, and is well known to a large circle of acquaintances. She looked charming in a dress of white silk.

SUDDEN DEATH OF

WELL KNOWN RESIDENT

John Lambertson Passed Away
at the Residence of T.
Lynn Yesterday

John Lambertson, for the past twenty years a resident of this city, passed away suddenly last evening at the residence of T. Lynn, 1000 Commercial street. He was 51 years of age, was born in Glasgow, Scotland. He was apparently in good health yesterday morning, but in the evening when Mr. Lynn went to the bedroom to find out why Mr. Lambertson had not come down to supper, he was horrified to find him dead in his bed. During his residence here he has owned a large amount of land in and about the city. When he first arrived here he purchased a fruit farm at Mount Tolmie, and for twelve years lived there. He then moved to this city and followed the occupation of a book-keeper for four years. At the time of his death he still owned the farm at Mount Tolmie, besides several other properties. He has been retired for the past four years.

He has no relatives in this city. A brother residing in Glasgow and a sister in New Jersey, U. S. A., survive him. A cablegram has been forwarded to his brother announcing his death. The remains have been removed to Hanna's parlors, where they will await the funeral arrangements which will be announced later.

An inquest will be held to-morrow morning to inquire into the circumstances surrounding his death.

MRS. LESLIE CARTER

PLAYS HERE TO-NIGHT

Celebrated Emotional Actress
Will Appear at Victoria
Theatre

To-night Victorians will have the opportunity of hearing the greatest emotional actress on the stage, Mrs. Leslie Carter.

The new play in which Mrs. Leslie Carter will be seen in this city in the Victoria theatre is entitled "Vasta Herne," and it is the first modern play in which this star, the foremost emotional actress in America, has ever appeared. Mrs. Leslie is the well-known author of "The Prince Chap," "The Love Route" and other plays. He made his reputation as a literary man with animal stories which the best American critics have compared favorably to those of Rudyard Kipling. Mr. Peple is a Virginian by birth, an ardent sportsman, a member of the Savage Club, London, where he was the guest of King Edward, and a prominent member of the Authors' Club of New York. His new play, written especially for Mrs. Leslie Carter's use, has proved the biggest success of her artistic career, and it gives her the biggest opportunity for emotional acting she has ever had.

John Hobson, M. E., has returned from California where he has been looking after the lease of some of his placer properties near Colfax. These placers are exhausted as hydraulic propositions, but which is still found to be very profitable on that to drift, and it is in this way that they will be worked this year. Mr. Hobson leaves in a month's time for Cariboo, where he will spend the summer.

Some of the Bargains in Men's Wearables

As previously announced, we will give the public most astonishing bargains in Men's Wearables, stock which has just arrived, and includes everything that is desirable and up-to-date. An opportunity like this does not come every day—see that you take advantage of it.

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| NEW STIFF HATS, Henry Carter make, Reg. \$4. For..... | \$2.50 | ENGLISH FLANNELETTE PY-JAMAS, reg. \$2. For..... | \$1.65 |
| NEW SPRING SUITS, regular, ly sold at \$25. For..... | \$17.50 | ENGLISH OXFORD AND ZEPHYR SHIRTS, Regular \$2.00 and \$2.50. For..... | \$1.15 |
| NEW SPRING SUITS, regular, ly sold at \$22. For..... | \$16.50 | ENGLISH OXFORD AND ZEPHYR SHIRTS, Regular \$1.75. Sale | 95c |
| FANCY FRENCH LISLE SOX, reg. 60c per pair; 3 pairs for... | \$1.00 | WHITE STIFF BOSOM SHIRTS, open front, open back, and open back and front. Reg. \$1.25 and \$1.50. For | 95c |
| ENGLISH FLANNELETTE PY-JAMAS, reg. \$2.50. For..... | \$1.95 | | |

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COMOX RAILWAY IS CONFINED TO LOGGING

Railway Committee Completed
the Work Before It This
Morning

The railway committee completed the business before it this morning, when the bill to incorporate the Comox Railway and Logging Company was reported. There has been a long contest over the clauses of this giving the company railway rights, resulting in considerable amendment in that line. The railway must not be extended in a northwesterly direction beyond a point on the lower Campbell lake, and it shall be operated only as a private logging railway of the company's, without power to carry on a general express, freight or passenger business. The section applying the Companies Act to this company was struck out. E. V. Bodwell, K. C., and J. S. W. Pugh, Vancouver, appeared for the promoters. The only bill left on the docket is that incorporating the Vancouver & Westminster Terminal Railway & Dock Co. So great and general is the opposition which this proposition has aroused that it is not likely the bill will be proceeded with. Paint on window panes may be removed by washing it with vinegar.

ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO KILL WOMAN AND CHILD

Inmate of California Sanator-
ium Testifies Before the
Grand Jury

Santa Rosa, Cal., Feb. 2.—Luella Smith, pale and emaciated from prolonged illness following injuries she sustained in a dynamite explosion at the sanatorium of Dr. Willard P. Burke, appeared to-day before the grand jury of Sonoma county. The witness who has charged that Dr. Burke, proprietor of the sanatorium, is the father of her child, was brought from the hospital to the grand jury rooms by Sheriff Smith. The testimony given by witness occupied a greater part of the morning. She remained under grand jury investigation for more than an hour. District Attorney Lea said that she related the events of her life from the time of her acquaintance with Dr. Burke to the time she left the sanatorium after the dynamiting. The witness, according to Lea, told of several ineffectual attempts to leave the sanatorium. She gave a lengthy account of conditions at the sanatorium from the time she arrived there until she was taken away suffering

serious injuries from the explosion of dynamite which narrowly missed killing her and her babe.

PERSONAL

Miss Tuck, of the Boys' Central school, leaves to-morrow for the Old Country, where she will spend a vacation. She was remembered this afternoon by the pupils of her class in the presentation of a keepsake. Sheriff Richards and family are making their home at the Dominion hotel for the next three months during the time alterations and improvements are being made to their Port street residence. W. N. Mitchell, the real estate dealer of this city, left Wednesday night for Moon Jaw on a business trip. He expects to be away about four weeks. At the last meeting of the Lake Hill Women's Institute held on February 16th, Mrs. Sherwood gave two excellent papers, one on "Motherhood," proving how much the influence and home training of the mother is responsible for the well-being and character of the future man or woman. The second paper, "An Ideal Father," was also good. Mrs. Service recited very acceptably. Although the weather was unfavorable several members were present, showing increasing interest in the work. The L. H. W. I. will be pleased to welcome visitors to their meetings. The next is to be held on March 18th at 3:30 p. m. in the new school house, Columbia boulevard.

SATURDAY LAST DAY OF

MUNDAY'S

GIGANTIC SHOE SALE

To-morrow will be the last day of this Great Shoe Sale. To make a general clearance to-morrow we shall almost give shoes away. The cost will not be considered, but there will be a general clearance for the LAST DAY. Come early, as we shall be crowded in the afternoon and evening, and you will get a better selection in the morning. Don't stay away from the great Shoe Sale, but come and get two, three or four pair of shoes for the price of one pair.

See Our List of Offerings Below

- LADIES' FINE BUTTON OXFORDS AND VICI KID AND PATENT OXFORDS. Values up to \$5. Saturday \$1.25
- LADIES' WINE COLORED AND BLACK VICI KID BOOTS. We have not all sizes. The values are \$4.00, \$5 and \$6. Made by Bell, Kingsbury, etc. Saturday \$1.95
- LADIES' STRAP SLIPPERS, \$1.50 value. For Saturday 95c

- LADIES' PATENT COLT BLUCHER BOOTS, with full Louis heel. Regular value \$7.50 per pair. Saturday \$3.50
- MEN'S FINE BOX CALF AND GUN METAL CALF BOOTS. Regular value \$5.00 per pair. Saturday price \$2.50
- MEN'S STRONG WORKING BOOTS. Regular \$3.00. Saturday \$1.25

- MEN'S PROSPECTORS' BOOTS, with 10-inch leg. Made of reliable oilgrain. Regular value \$5.00. Saturday \$3.00
- BOYS' STRONG SCHOOL BOOTS. Regular \$2. Saturday \$1.00
- MISSES' SCHOOL BOOTS, various kinds. Regular \$2 and \$3. Saturday \$1.00
- CHILDREN'S \$1.25 BOOTS. Saturday price, per pair 50c

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LOCAL MARKETS

Table listing various market items such as Wheat, Flour, and other commodities with their respective prices.

WHOLESALE MARKETS

Table listing wholesale market items such as Flour, Sugar, and other goods with their prices.

Vancouver Stock Exchange

Table listing Vancouver stock exchange items including Alberta Canadian Oil, International Coal & Coke, etc.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Table listing Montreal stock exchange items including Bell Telephone, C. P. R., Detroit United Ry., etc.

New York Stocks

Table listing New York stock exchange items including Amal. Copper, Amer. Car. & Foundry, Amer. Cel. Oil, etc.

COBALT STOCKS

Table listing Cobalt stock exchange items including Amalgamated, Beaver Creek, Green Moshan, etc.

Victoria Stock Exchange

Table listing Victoria stock exchange items including American Canadian Oil, B. C. Amalgamated Coal, B. C. Permanent Loan, etc.

San Francisco Markets

Table listing San Francisco market items including Wheat, Flour, and other commodities.

Grain Market

Table listing grain market items including Wheat, Corn, and other grains.

TO PRESS VANCOUVER'S CLAIMS TO UNIVERSITY

Alumni of Toronto University Will Appoint Special Committee

The Vancouver Province of Thursday night... The Vancouver Province of Thursday night... The Vancouver Province of Thursday night...

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Representative Ridicules the Charge That Tariff Has Forced Up Prices

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NINE MILLIONS IN ESTIMATES

(Continued from page 2)

schools, \$85,000; schools in western districts, teachers' salaries, \$712,750; salaries of teachers in E. & S. N. grades, schools, \$84,500.

Of the public works vote the sum of \$2,820,605 is for roads, streets, bridges and wharves. There is \$250,000 for the Vancouver Island trunk road and \$100,000 for the same purpose.

Burni gets \$37,250; Cariboo, \$100,000; Comox, \$65,000; Cowichan, \$24,000; Delta, \$40,000; Esquimalt, \$100,000; \$2,500; Nanaimo city, \$10,000; Strathcona, \$20,000; Okanagan, \$120,000; Richmond, \$107,000; Simuliamne, \$100,000; Skeena, \$150,000; roads and improvements to Prince Rupert waterfront, \$20,000. Other items are \$10,000 for the parliament building repairs, \$20,000 for street lights in the hands department, \$25,000 for the improvement of the government grounds here, \$200,000 for Vancouver court house, \$250,000 for construction repairs and furniture of school buildings throughout the province, \$40,000 for the normal school at Vancouver and \$100,000 for the protection of river banks.

Victoria is to get a sum of \$20,000 to assist in the protection of Dallas road from the encroachments of the sea. This is noted as being conditional, as the city and government has not finally agreed on what they will do.

For surveys of land there is a sum of \$300,000 required, and the \$25,000 needed for sewers in Prince Rupert also appears. The provincial board of health vote is \$20,000 this year instead of \$18,000. The vote of \$20,000 to the Trans-Quillan sanatorium is repeated this year. Log scaling will cost \$34,500, and two launches are to be purchased for the sealers at a cost of \$8,000. Farmers' institutes get \$12,000; agricultural associations \$50,000 and fruitgrowers \$2,500. For experimental orchards there is a vote of \$10,000. The sum provided for bounties on wolves, coyotes and panthers is increased from \$15,000 to \$25,000. Forest protection calls for \$75,000, largely as a result of the facts brought out before the forestry commission.

Kossland gets a further grant of \$6,000. There is a vote of \$10,000 for the expenses of the timber and forestry commission, besides a supplementary vote of \$2,500 on account of the current year. The board of investigation, under the Water Act, calls for the expenditure of \$20,000; the insurance commission \$3,000; the university a like sum, and the collection of the archives \$2,500. The boiler inspectors are to have a launch costing \$5,000.

The inspection of tramways will cost \$2,500, and the inspection of electric energy \$8,500. The civil service commissioner's vote is \$2,000 for the current year, but in the supplementary votes for this year there is a sum of \$11,540 for the grading commissioner. The immigration vote is increased from \$8,000 last year to \$25,000.

In the supplementaries for the present year is \$66,000 for the redemption of

dyking debentures, \$46,000 for the expenses of the general elections, \$14,000 extra for the printing bureau, \$15,000 for constitutional election and general law costs, \$2,000 for the repairs to the parliament buildings, \$115,000 for the improvement of government grounds, including the purchasing of adjoining lots, \$15,000 for the purchase of a site of a new court house at Vernon, \$417,100 additional for roads, bridges and wharves (and the votes last session were very large), besides \$70,000 for the same purpose.

Legal expenses of the drawing, revision and settling of the Water Act of this session cost \$2,500. The printing of voters' lists cost \$5,012.

The principal items in the supplementary estimates for the fiscal year which ended last March are \$22,700 for public works and \$12,200 for fighting forest fires.

The Revenue. The estimated revenue for the year 1910-11 is as follows: Dominion of Canada: Annual payment of mines, est. 3 1/2 per cent, \$2,151; Annual payment of subsidy to government and legislature, \$100,000; Annual payment of grant per capita on 175,000, \$12,250; Annual payment for lands conveyed, \$100,000; Annual payment, B. N. Act, 1907, \$100,000. \$22,076

Land sales, \$50,000; Land revenue, \$5,000; Survey fees, \$15,000; Rents (exclusive of land), \$100; Timber leases, \$3,000; Timber licenses, \$100,000; Free miners' certificates, \$75,000; Mining receipts, general, \$60,000; Licenses, trade and liquor, \$30,000; Licenses, game, \$10,000; Fines and fees of court, \$2,000; Probate fees, \$2,000; Law stamps, \$20,000; Sale of government property, \$1,000; Registry fees, \$20,000; Marriage licenses, \$14,000; Revenue tax, \$25,000; Real property tax, \$100,000; Personal property tax, \$100,000; Land taxes—Wild land, coal and timber lands, \$25,000; Income tax, \$100,000; Dyking Assessment Act, 1907, \$7,250; Interest on fixed capital, \$100,000; Mineral tax, \$100,000; Tax on unworked crown granted mineral claims, \$6,000.

Registered taxes (all denominations), \$200; Tax sale debts, \$1,000; Revenue service refunds, \$1,000; Printing office, \$60,000; Bureau of mines, \$1,000; Hospital for the insane, \$25,000; Provincial Home, \$100,000; Fisheries and game, \$100,000; Traffic bills, New Westminster bridge, \$2,000; Reimbursements for keep of prisoners, \$1,000; Interest on investment of sinking funds, \$60,000; Interest, miscellaneous, \$100,000; Chinese Restriction Act (Act 1884), \$20,000; Dominion Statutes, \$20,000; Fishery and game licenses, \$25,000; Log scaling fees, \$25,000; Boiler inspection and examination fees, \$15,000; Miscellaneous receipts, \$3,000.

Total, \$7,000,026

MINERS HOLD THEIR CLAIMS WITH GUNS

Alaskan Delegate Declares the Mining Laws Should Be Altered

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—An interesting light was thrown upon the Alaskan mining land situation yesterday when Delegate Wickersham told the House committee on territories that the miners hold their claims by the force of firearms.

"Every acre of mining land in Alaska is held by a rope of sand," declared Wickersham. "Every claim is open to litigation." He then said that every miner holds his land with a gun, and that every man is prepared to defend his claim against encroachment. He declared that there is great necessity of a change in the law, so as to make it possible for a man to obtain a satisfactory title to a claim in the territory.

MINER BURIED BY SLIDE

Brother Who Saw Him Perish Waits For Summer to Recover Body.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25.—With his brother buried under tons of frozen earth in Alaska, Gus Wagner, a pantryman on the steamship Queen, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, is patiently waiting the slow lifting of the winter season when he can go north and reclaim the body from its icy sepulcher and give it Christian burial.

Wagner is a German, and the dead man was his only known relative in this world. Together they toiled in the Old World and together they came to the New, seeking fortune. Alaska attracted them, and north and inland from Skagway they located a little claim. Days away from the nearest habitation they toiled, tunneling into the mountain to strike bedrock, and as the summer season was about over they neared the object of their search.

But the early frost set in, thawing with the day's sunshine, and the walls of their poorly-timbered tunnel became treacherous. Finally they decided to give it up and go out for the winter to earn enough to buy supplies to keep them going the next summer. The brother wanted to make just one more attempt to locate the bedrock with its promise of gold, and notwithstanding the remonstrances of Gus, he made a last descent. He had hardly disappeared in the tunnel mouth before there was a slide and the opening closed.

Gus Wagner tried for days to dig a hole in to the imprisoned man, but the hard frosts set in and the earth was as solid rock, and finally, with his supplies exhausted and no help within a couple of hundred miles, he had to abandon the place to save himself.

Magistrate at Dewdney: "Did you chase your grandson?" "Yes, I have. I've stripped him and laid on until I was tired, and then rested and laid on again."

ELOPES WITH MOTHER-IN-LAW

Young Woman Now Seeks Separation From Her Husband

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 25.—The most remarkable story ever related in the prosecutor's office here was that of Mrs. Bertha Wardel, an unusually pretty brunette, who told of the elopement of her husband and her own mother.

"It is surprising that your husband should run away and leave you," gallantly remarked Attorney Crane. "I know," replied the young woman, "but you should see my mother."

The affair occurred last August, according to Mrs. Wardel, who is now determined to secure a separation from the errant spouse. She asks that her six-year-old son be given into her custody. The couple were married in 1902. The year following the mother came to the home to nurse the daughter when the latter's child was born. Not long after this, according to the young woman, her husband became inattentive and bestowed his smiles upon the mother. Finally the two disappeared at the same time.

ANOTHER COMET FOUND

Sighted by Swiss Astronomer While Making Observations of Halley's Celestial Visitor.

Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 25.—A new comet in the vicinity of Halley's famous celestial visitor has been discovered by Prof. Tidoux, of the observatory at Geneva, Switzerland, according to a bulletin received by the University of California. The Swiss astronomer placed the new comet at 1 degree 14 minutes east and 5 minutes south of Halley's comet. He gave no information as to its size but it is believed he will soon have other data forthcoming. He declares that its motion differs from that of Halley's comet. He discovered the new comet while making observations of its more famous neighbor.

JEFFRIES CAUSES RUN ON BANK

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 25.—When Jim Jeffries went into the Merchants National Bank to put away a little of his theatrical "pile," his presence drew a crowd of the curious and started a run on the institution, causing its officials symptoms of heart failure.

The first depositor who saw the crowd about the bank had visions of his money being hypothecated and he entered the bank with a rush. Soon scores of other depositors were "cashing in," and it was not until the fighter retired with a greater number of the throng that the frightened depositors became reassured and replaced their savings.

ENGLISH SOCCER GAMES

London, Feb. 25.—The replayed cup ties yesterday between Westham and Queen's Park Rangers resulted in a win for the latter by 1 to 0.

In the second league, Barnsley won, defeating Fulham. Stoke Barnsley 2, Fulham 1.

Magnificent New Home to Be Erected For the Vancouver Daily World. THE GROWTH OF THE WORLD'S BUSINESS HAS MADE THE SECURING OF NEW PREMISES FOR THAT PAPER AN ABSOLUTE NECESSITY. The site secured for the building is considered by real estate experts to be the best business property in the city of Vancouver, and it is now proposed to erect what will be one of the most complete newspaper offices in Canada. The plant to be installed will be in keeping with the building. A \$40,000 press has been ordered which will be the best west of Toronto. It is proposed to issue enough shares at present to pay one-half of the total cost of the land and building. A tenant has been found for the whole building, as soon as completed. Money invested in shares in the World Building Limited, will earn on an average of 14 per cent for ten years. None of the usual investment worries. No guess work about the safety of your money and your security is always in sight. An Opportunity to Become a Part Owner in the Best Business Property in Vancouver. Shares are \$50 Each, one-half Cash; Bal. in Two Equal Instalments. For prospectus and full information write Fiscal Agent H. HUME Vancouver, B.C.

SECRET RUSSIAN TRIAL. Startling Charge of Assassination by Pressing Electric Button. The trial by court-martial of Petroff Voskressenski in connection with the murder of Col. Karpoff, the late chief of the secret police, took place in St. Petersburg. The proceedings were held secretly in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul. The charge against Petroff was that he belonged to a criminal society whose aim is the subversion of the existing order of things and the foundation of a democratic republic, and that he was the murderer of Col. Karpoff. Petroff did not deny that he murdered the chief of police deliberately, by enticing the doomed man to his flat, and pressing an electric button that exploded a bomb fixed under the table at which the colonel was sitting. From letters found on him it appears that he once planned an attempt on the life of General Gerassimoff, Col. Karpoff's predecessor in the post. The court-martial passed sentence of death. MOTORING DISTANCES. The following shows the distances from Victoria of different points on Vancouver Island: Miles. Alberni 113; Colwood 8; Cowichan 56; Chemainus 52; Duncan 49; Goldstream 11; Ladysmith 38; Nanaimo 73; Shawnigan 28.

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STEWART CITY TO BE HUMMER

HARRY SMITH READY FOR BIG SEASON

He Tells of the Preparations for Coming Season in the Northern Camp

Harry Smith, the veteran mining man and trader of Dunsmuir, who has spent the last two or three years in the north, is now in the city completing the purchase of a big shipment of goods for his store in Stewart, where he is now in business. Mr. Smith leaves on Monday with ten carloads of groceries and dry goods with which to help feed and clothe the big influx of argonauts who are expected on the Portland Canal this spring.

Mr. Smith has recently erected at Stewart a two-story building 40 x 120, and will cater in supplying mining supplies to the miners and prospectors. He is agent for the Hamilton Powder Company at that point and is also postmaster, so that he is in a position to appraise the prospects for the year. "This year is going to be a hummer," he declares, "and even before I left, the advance guard of the newcomers was beginning to arrive. Six mining companies have been working all winter getting out ore, and all report excellent values. As is well known, that portion of the canal carries very high mineralized veins. The companies in question are the Portland Mining & Development Co., Stewart Mining & Development Co., Red Cliff Mining Co., Bitter Creek Mining Co., Portland Wonder Mining Co., and the Main Reef Mining Co., the latter a Prince Rupert organization. I expect that with the opening of spring some of these will enter the shipping class.

Then the acquirement of the charter of the Portland Shortline—a road running up Bear creek for twenty miles—by Mackenzie and Mann, has given a great impetus to everything, and construction on this railway will further

increase the production of timber which are certain this summer.

Mr. Smith looks for enormous development all through the central portion of the province in the next five years, but in spite of his optimism over the north, still thinks the southern end of Vancouver Island will be the Los Angeles of British Columbia, because of its incomparable climate.

SUSPECTED LEADER OF OPIUM SMUGGLERS

Man Believed to Be Head of Band is Captured in Arizona

(Times Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 2.—After a desperate struggle with the Arizona officials, a man who they believe is Chief Wallace, alleged leader of a gang organized to smuggle opium into the United States, is in jail to-day at Prescott, Ariz., according to advices received at the sheriff's office in this city. The man who declares his name is John Oliver, was arrested late last evening in Williams, Ariz.

Wallace is the reputed leader of the gang that has been successfully smuggling opium into San Francisco for the last eight months. He is also alleged to have been the brains of an organization for the illegal importation of Chinese.

Since the recent capture in Los Angeles of fourteen half-starved Chinese smugglers across the boundary from Mexico, the federal officials had redoubled their efforts to capture Wallace. The Chinese were in a box car that was billed to San Francisco. The arrest of the man in Arizona is the culmination of one of the most exciting government cases in the southwest in recent years. For more than a year the federal officials have trailed the members of the gang. T. J. Murphy and M. L. Harris were arrested in this city a month ago. They were alleged to be members of the ring.

The officials say that the power of the organization will be effectively broken with the capture of the leaders.

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PRESS GALLERY THE EYES OF PARLIAMENT

Graceful Tribute to Hard-Working Body of Men at Ottawa

Writing editorially of the press gallery dinner, held on February 5th, the Ottawa Free Press says of "The Eyes of Parliament":

"The gallery in which the reporters sit has become a fourth estate of the realm. The publication of the debates, a practice which seemed to the most liberal statesmen of the old school full of danger to the great safeguards of public liberty, is now regarded by many persons as a safeguard tantamount, and more than tantamount to all the rest together."

So wrote Macaulay in a famous passage which added a new phrase to the language and brought into true perspective the relationship between what is usually known as the parliamentary press gallery and constitutional government. As Disraeli put it "Publicity is the soul of political life," and in these days one is unable to conceive of a parliament condemned to sit with closed doors, as it is impossible to imagine a people who would tolerate such a thing.

The scribes, therefore, who sit up aloft in the legislative halls of every country which recognizes the freedom of the press have a very real importance in the scheme of things which regulates the working of the parliamentary machine, and it is well that occasionally they should be emphasized. It was at the annual dinner of the Ottawa press gallery on Saturday night.

That function is distinctive in many respects, one of which is that, though cabinet ministers and eminent men in every sphere of life attend it, their speeches are never reported, however brilliantly they may be. The reporters are thus able to enjoy the privilege of listening without having to take notes, a privilege denied to them at most public gatherings, while the speakers, knowing that for once they are not addressing the great fastidious public outside, are free to express their innermost thoughts.

The occasion is one which illustrates the happy relations that exist between the men who guide the destinies of the nation and the men who tell the people how it is done. When Sir John A. Macdonald was premier he scarcely ever missed a press gallery dinner, and no public man ever had a greater appreciation than he of what parliament owed to the reporters who chronicled its proceedings.

As an old newspaper man himself, Sir Wilfrid Laurier has always taken a kindly interest in "the boys," as he affectionately calls them, who make newspaper history of the debates and legislation, and since he assumed the responsibilities of leader of the opposition, Mr. R. L. Borden has gained no warmer admirers than the newspapermen who have watched his career on the floor of the House from day to day.

Unquestionably, the members of the press gallery have great privileges of which they are naturally proud, but they have also great responsibilities. They see more of the game of politics, as it is sometimes called, than many of the members of parliament themselves; they obtain an inside knowledge of the workings of the parliamentary machine, possessed by few who spend their days and nights in the service of the public; and to them primarily belongs the function of moulding public opinion.

They are, in fact, "the eyes of parliament," and upon their accurate handling of the political situation on the spot depends to a large extent, first the editorial writer who sits at the other end of the wire, and secondly, the public.

Dr. Samuel Johnson used to boast that when he reported the debates of the mother of parliaments he always took care "to give the Whig dogs the worst of it." Though there is supposed to be no politics in the press gallery at Ottawa, there is a natural bias on one side towards the government, and on the other towards the opposition, which always secures that the "political dogs" of the opposite party will always get the worst of it, but it is violating no secret to state that both Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Borden have repeatedly expressed their appreciation of the fairness and judgment with which the mirror is held up to the proceedings of parliament. The "Ottawa Star," if he ever existed, has no place in the capital now.

A national institution in the sense that it represents every leading newspaper in Canada from Sydney to Victoria, the press gallery has now become international. During the present session its membership has been strengthened by the addition of two able newspapermen representing two of the most influential newspapers of the United States, so that the most complete battery which stretches above the head of the Speaker may be described as the sounding board not only of the Dominion, but of the American continent, as well as of a large part of the empire.

CONGRESS IN DOUBT

Board of Arbitration May Decide Whether Peary is Entitled to Recognition.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 25.—The question of whether Commander Robert E. Peary deserves recognition by congress by his announced discovery of the North Pole may be submitted to a board of arbitration.

The committee on naval affairs of the House has decided to ask the following three men to decide the question: Admiral Melville who supported Peary's claim; Major-General Greeley, who did not take sides. The plan is to have these three men pass upon the justice of the proposal that congress should honor Peary.

FIFTY REPORTED KILLED

Calino, Peru, Feb. 25.—Fifty persons are reported killed in a panic following a fire in the municipal theatre at Trujillo, a town of northern Peru. The fire started among the apparatus used in connection with a moving picture show.



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MAGNIFICENT CITIES OF AUSTRALIA

Indian Visitor on Capitals—A Rich and Prosperous Country

In a series of articles in the illustrated weekly edition of The Times of India, Mr. de P. Webb, C. I. E., one of the delegates to the Chambers of Commerce Congress, gives his impressions of "A Continent of Australia." He marvels at its size, at the immensity of its production—"man for man more than any other country in the world," notwithstanding that "a very large proportion of the population lives in one or other of the six capitals"—and after remarking upon the absence of any devices for handling grain in bulk, says: "Ours is it in that the continent as a whole has been but little more than scratched, and that, too, only in the more obviously attractive spots. Even though a third of Australia receives less than ten inches of rain, and is, in consequence, excessively arid, the remaining two-thirds (an area larger than the whole of India) offer agricultural and manufacturing opportunities for ten times the population that at present draws sustenance from the country." He adds, after a brief reflection upon the magnitude of

the mineral resources of the Commonwealth, "all that is now required to raise Australia to a position of equality with the great powers of the thoroughfares, in train and tram services, in lighting, cleanliness and sanitation, and in the beauty, accessibility and general healthiness of their public gardens and surrounding suburban districts, with the finest and greatest cities in the world."

"And if I describe the country as looking everywhere like that of the motherland—rich and prosperous," he writes, "what words can I use for the people themselves and for their truly magnificent cities? Melbourne and Sydney compare most favorably in general solidity and architectural beauty, in the nobility of their main thoroughfares, in train and tram services, in lighting, cleanliness and sanitation, and in the beauty, accessibility and general healthiness of their public gardens and surrounding suburban districts, with the finest and greatest cities in the world." The Sydney town hall, to mention only one detail, with its superb organ, tall, handsome and 125 steps, is certainly the finest hall of its kind I have ever seen, and florally decorated as it was on the evening of September 11th, 1909 on the occasion of the banquet given to the assembled delegates by the members of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, it completely eclipsed in beauty and splendor anything which the five hundred then present had before experienced. That was frankly admitted on all hands. "Everywhere, the same fine broad avenues, solid looking buildings, open spaces, magnificent parks and general cleanliness and

healthiness. The same remark would, no doubt, apply to the smaller towns, it certainly does to the three or four that I managed to visit—Municipal administration in Australia can surely teach many lessons to the rest of the Empire."

IMITATORS OF DR. COOK

Frauds Exposed in Switzerland and Austria.

Dr. Cook has his more or less successful imitators. At a recent meeting of the Geographical Society of Bern, Switzerland, a well dressed young man with an Arabic name presented himself, stating that he held a high post in Abyssinia and was a friend of the Emperor Menelik.

He was warmly received and was present at the receptions, banquets and meetings of the society, and spoke eloquently and at great length on Abyssinia and its people, the customs, costumes and morals of Ethiopia to the venerable professors and the public, on whom he made an excellent impression. It has just been discovered that he is a Swiss with a large imagination, who had carefully studied Abyssinia in books.

Another imposter, a "Dr." Neumayer, was quickly unmasked at Czernowitz, in Austria. On his own recommendations as an expert he had been engaged by the local Society for Social Science to lecture on South Africa, but his ignorance of the subject soon became so patent that the audience made a rush for the platform and the police had to be called in. The lecturer escaped by a back door and has not been seen since.

WIRELESS ON STEAMERS.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 25.—It is officially announced by the Union Oil Company that every vessel in the corporation's fleet shall be equipped with wireless telegraph in the near future. This action was decided upon recently when one of the company's ships turned aside to aid a sailing ship in distress. As a result the Union Oil Company's boat was delayed nearly a day and much serious apprehension was caused concerning its safety. There are about twenty vessels in the fleet.

The largest ancient mosaic ever found, covering over 450 square yards, was unearthed recently at the site of Aquileia, the Roman city that was destroyed by Attila in 452.

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EXPECT BUMPER CROP OF FRUIT

DEPUTY MINISTER IS VERY OPTIMISTIC

W. E. Scott and Colleagues to Lecture Next Week at Okanagan

That the coming season will be the greatest fruit year that British Columbia has ever had, is the opinion of W. E. Scott, deputy minister of agriculture. "Last year there was a poor crop not only in British Columbia, but in all the Pacific states. Now, however, all the trees are loaded with fruit spurs, and if nothing happens to upset their calculations it is stated by all who have been through the orchards that the crop will be a bumper one.

When seen yesterday Mr. Scott said that the crop would be one of the heaviest they had ever had. There were so many young orchards which have never yet borne any fruit to speak of, which would be in bearing this year, and add very largely to the output of the province. Some of these should, in the ordinary course of events, have been in bearing last year, but they were not. Now, however, they are loaded with fruit buds and the prospects were very bright.

"It is no trouble to raise fruit in British Columbia," said Mr. Scott. "This has been demonstrated beyond all doubt, but the question of marketing is still an open one and requires handling with the greatest care. The market of the whole Northwest is open to this province, but hitherto it has been held very largely by the states of Washington and Oregon. It will be the business of the province now to enter into its own. In former years they have not had the fruit to supply the market, but this year the yield should be very large.

"I expect a very large influx of people into the province this year," continued the deputy minister. "A great many will take up fruit growing, but there are also many coming who will engage in poultry raising, dairying, mixed farming and other industries. I expect to see a very large number as soon as spring opens. An immense lot of advertising has been done, and this is bound to give a return. Already there is a movement this way and it will attain great proportions soon."

"The Okanagan and Kootenay districts have taken the lead in the matter of fruit growing. They have built up the district largely through persistent advertising, while here on the islands and lower mainland where just as good fruit can be grown there has not been so much publicity given to the advantages offered and the result has been that less advance has been made. It has been proven beyond any doubt that both on the islands and lower

mainland the finest early fruit can be grown and its turn will undoubtedly come. "The difficulty on Vancouver Island is that there are so many who go into fruit growing as a business. It is usually subsidiary to dairying or mixed farming, and the result is not satisfactory. A few good fruit growers would be a great boon to the district, as they would demonstrate the possibilities of the place, and keep it well advertised.

"There is a noticeable improvement from year to year in the packing of the fruit and in the methods of marketing. J. C. Metcalf and myself are going to the Okanagan next week to hold a series of meetings at Vernon, Penticton, Kelowna, Summerland and Peshland. This will be the first group of a series of meetings. In a month or now we give a similar course in the Kootenay district, and later it is our intention to tour the lower mainland, gulf islands, and Vancouver Island. We want to get in close touch with the people of the different districts so that we can be mutually helpful to each other. Mr. Metcalf will lecture on marketing and I shall also give an address at each place."

Mr. Scott leaves Victoria on Monday next for the Okanagan in company with J. C. Metcalf and R. M. Winslow, the provincial horticulturist.

SMITH, JONES AND MURPHY. Statistics Show Numbers of These Families in Great Britain.

Analyzing the surnames in Ireland and comparing them with those in England and Scotland, Sir Robert E. Meldrum, LL.D., registrar-general, Ireland, makes some very interesting discoveries in a special report issued by His Majesty's stationery office, Dublin. "SIR ROBERT found that in England, with an estimated population of 38,042,211, the most common surnames were:

Smith	52,000
Jones	42,750
Williams	35,950
Taylor	32,400
Davies	31,000
Brown	26,000
Thomas	25,000
Evans	25,000
Roberts	24,000
Johnson	24,000
White	24,000
Wilson	23,000
Anderson	22,000
Scott	22,000

In Ireland the Murphys represent 32.5 per cent of the population, as the Smiths do in Scotland, when the population numbered 4,747,000 show:

Murphy	62,000
Kelly	57,500
Sullivan	47,500
McCarthy	46,000
Conroy	45,000
O'Brien	43,000
Byrne	42,000
Ryan	42,000
Conner	41,000
O'Neill	40,000

The army of Smiths in the United Kingdom, these tables show, numbers 220,000.

GOOD SHOOTING IN THE NAVY

RECORDS FOR 1909 BEAT PREVIOUS YEARS

China Fleet Made Excellent Record—Average Returns Run High

Once more the British navy has done well in the heavy gunnery tests, and once more the China fleet has pride of place, a position which cannot fail to prove a source of gratification to Vice-Admiral the Hon. Sir Hedworth Lambton, the commander-in-chief, who is just returning home after two years in the Far East. The official returns for 1909 have been issued by the gunnery branch of the Admiralty. Rear-Admiral Richard H. Peirse, M. V. O., the inspector of target practice, and his staff, are well maintaining the reputation for promptness which the department obtained under Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Scott.

The returns are most satisfactory. They refer to the test of gunlayers, a test which precedes, and is, indeed, in a measure a preparation for, battle practice, when the whole fighting organization of a vessel is put to a trial as nearly as possible resembling that to which it would have to submit in warfare. The gunlayers' test is at a shorter range, rather less than one mile, and at a target measuring about eighty square feet. This is a very small object to hit a mile or so away by men who are on a gun platform subject to every motion of the water as the warship steams on her course. The whole would rather better even than in the preceding year, and the blue-book is prefaced by a memorandum by the board of Admiralty, in which the lords commissioners state that they "note with satisfaction that the standard of shooting which was attained in 1909, and which was in advance of that of previous years, has been maintained." As a matter of fact, the standard of 1909 has been improved upon.

The progress which has been made in recent years is effectively shown by the following comparative figures for the last three years—that is since the size of the target was reduced:

Ships firing	197, 198, 199
No. of hits	1,265, 1,277, 1,312
No. of misses	4,673, 4,823, 5,109
Percentage of hits	21.2, 21.2, 20.7
Percentage of misses	78.8, 78.8, 79.3

Another indication of the efficiency of the whole navy is provided by the figures showing the increase in the rate and accuracy of fire from the several

types of guns. The hits per gun per minute were as follows:

12-in. and 10-in.	30, 50, 50
12-in. H. Oseston (Superb)	2,01, 2,29, 1,94
12-in. H. Diaper (Dreadnought)	1,28, 1,54, 1,44
12-in. H. L. and Q.F.	3,32, 3,98, 4,65
12-in. Q.F. and 10-in. H.L. and Q.F.	2,38, 3,32, 4,00

Every type of gun—particularly the battle weapons of 12 in. and 10 in.—makes a better showing than ever before, except for some unexplained reason, the 12 in. gun. The progress is all the more remarkable when it is borne in mind that the figures represent the average for the whole fleet—good shooting ships and bad—and there are still some ships which are very good and some are very bad, and seriously reduce the general average.

Turning to the performances of the various fleets and squadrons, the results are somewhat remarkable. At the head of the whole navy stands the China command, with the flagship King Alfred leading, and then comes the third (or nucleus crew) division of the Home fleet, with the third (nucleus crew) cruiser squadron. The place taken by the nucleus crew ships—that is, ships on a peace footing as distinct from those with full crews and on a war footing—is all the more remarkable because they also did well last year. The order of merit of the several commands with the scores is as follows:

China	72.21
Home fleet (third division)	64.27
Home fleet (second division)	59.44
Atlantic fleet	65.36
Mediterranean fleet	61.34
Cape of Good Hope	48.65
Australia	62.66
Special service, tenders, etc.	62.37
Home fleet (first division)	71.21
Fourth cruiser squadron	44.48

The first division of the Home fleet, with its associated cruiser squadron, has a particularly poor record. These ships have the newest and best guns, but, on the other hand, in most cases the crews were being for the first time. Even when allowance is made for this circumstance, the position occupied by the main fighting force in the home waters is not a matter of congratulation. This was due mainly to the shooting of some of the older ships, six of the vessels—including three Dreadnoughts—were above the navy's average, but the other ten fell away sadly. The performances of the Dreadnoughts, with their all-big-gun armament, are of peculiar interest. The following shows the rounds per minute, the hits per minute and the points per gun or turret in the order named for each ship:

Temeraire	2.13, 2.62, 71.21
Superb	2.71, 2.62, 71.21
Dreadnought	2.42, 2.47, 67.23
Bellerophon	2.34, 1.90, 55.52
Indomitable	2.94, 1.45, 39.54

Particulars are given of some very fine individual shooting, with the names of the gunlayer, and if every good gunner is worth his weight in gold on the day of the "real thing" it is well that merit should be recorded. Below are given the records made on the different types of guns by some of the

best shots, with the vessel they belonged to and the hits made:

12 in. W. Hignam (Temeraire)	6
12 in. H. Oseston (Superb)	5
12 in. E. Diaper (Dreadnought)	5
12 in. H. Finchen (Natal)	10
12 in. A. H. James (King Alfred)	8
12 in. J. Palmer (Black Prince)	8
12 in. T. Staines (Africa)	7
12 in. G. Eaton (Natal)	12
12 in. R. Read (Antrim)	9
12 in. P. Archdeacon (Achilles)	9
12 in. F. Spackman (Warrior)	9
12 in. R. Seutchings (King Alfred)	11
12 in. J. Williams (Monmouth)	10
12 in. J. Blanchard (Sutley)	10
12 in. G. Tucker (Astraea)	7
12 in. E. Jones (Medea)	9
12 in. C. Ware (Spanker)	7
12 in. A. Clarke (Blonde)	7

These are the gunlayers who specially distinguished themselves, but the returns show that the navy has today many men who would have been regarded as marvels only a few years ago, so remarkable has been the progress of gunnery. On the other hand, there are still some ships whose shooting is deplorable. There are battleships whose "crack" gunner with the 12 in. weapon can make only one hit, and one small ship without it is true, many opportunities for practice did not reach the target once.

KRUPP MONOPOLY IS SUBJECT OF INQUIRY

German Complaints of Work Done for the Dutch Government

Some weeks ago in a secret meeting of the German Second Chamber complaints were raised of a serious character against the firm of Krupp and its relations with the Dutch government. As the result of these revelations a parliamentary commission was appointed to investigate the matter, which commission held its first meeting on January 19th. Among the complaints raised in the public meetings of the chamber and in the press, the most important was that Krupp practically holds a monopoly of supplying the Dutch government with all the guns and other material needed for the army, navy, and the colonies. Moreover, it had to be admitted by the minister for the navy that Krupp besides being the actual purveyor, was also the government's technical adviser in this respect.

The "Krupp monopoly," as it is freely called, having a much more than purely national significance, the correspondent of a London paper at The Hague sought an interview with Captain Thomson, member of the Second Chamber, to whose exertions and repeated warnings it is due that the matter will be investigated at last. By the way, Captain Thomson is the only officer of the home army who possesses experience of actual warfare, as he went through the first year of

the Boer war in the capacity of Dutch military attaché.

It was hoped that this conversation would throw some light upon the origin of the monopoly, and whether it was due solely to the usual red-tape methods, and to the walking in the beaten track so dear to officials, or whether it was truly, as is held by some, the result of a conspiracy of interest. But the captain, commencing by pointing out that, being a member of the commission of investigation, he had to be absolutely silent on this subject until the proceedings of the commission were published. Whatever he knew he would lay before that commission, but it was impossible to make any statement to anybody else previously. In the meantime he was willing to repeat, in a condensed form, what he had previously said and written on the matter.

"There can be no doubt that the monopoly exists," he said. "This is itself is obvious, because high the prices paid may be too high, and because one never can be sure that the material delivered is the best and most up to date as soon as competition is barred. Both contentions can be and have been proven repeatedly, for had not the minister for the navy to acknowledge publicly that the figure necessary for some guns was higher than for two similar batteries were sold by Krupp to the Dutch government for a price later on.

"But not only is Krupp the purveyor by appointment to Holland, obviously in itself a hardly desirable thing, he is also admittedly a technical adviser. Thus the pernicious suggestion has been created that a foreign

er, a German, the actual purveyor himself, is at the same time the man on whose advice the Dutch government acts when choosing the items necessary for the country's defence."

In this way Captain Thomson recapitulated to me what he had said in the chamber on various occasions, "Secrets and particulars of the defence, jealously guarded in every other country, are known entirely to Krupp, and, of course, whatever Krupp knows the German government knows. It is not necessary in this connection to dwell upon the rumor, probably unfounded, that the German Emperor, when in Amsterdam, made a gift to Queen Wilhelmina consisting of an elaborate plan for Dutch coastal defence. The Dutch public, however, thinks that such a plan need not come from the Emperor, as the German general staff can obtain all particulars by merely ringing up Essen! Thus a great many people reason here, and it is certain that a radical change is believed to be necessary.

It is hoped in those military circles where progressive views are entertained that the investigation of this situation, and that the methods existing in the war office may be modified ere long. But from various conversations I am derived the impression that people are not over- sanguine in their hopes, or even if the commission comes to shape Captain Thomson's views regarding the detriment worked by the "Krupp Monopoly," the red tape and the secret influences emanating both from the war office and other quarters may still prevail. How strong the opposition will be is evident from the fact that at this moment, before the commission has begun its actual inquiries, some officers are already writing articles and pamphlets to "prove" that the relations between Krupp and the government should be persisted in. The conclusions are already published, but the articles themselves have still to be issued. This gives all the more food for thought to the good folk of Holland.

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LITTLE PROBLEMS OF LOVE AND MARRIAGE

IS INTERNATIONAL MARRIAGE LIKELY TO PROVE HAPPY?
BY BARBARA BOYD.



Few expect the international marriage where a title is exchanged for money, American wife most unhappy, the least sense of the word. The parties are probably happy in that each gets what he wants; the woman, a title; the man, his price. There is not likely to be much love, in spite of the protestations of every one concerned that it is a love match; one doubts if there is even respect. But international matches there are where there is neither money nor a title involved. They are not heralded in newspapers and there is no wild crush of a mob at the wedding. Is the prospect bright for happiness in such a marriage?

These are, to be sure, usually love matches and with love at the helm, a marriage should be reasonably happy. But a man and woman of different nationalities have different viewpoints on many matters. Each may wound the other without knowing it in countless ways as differently do they regard many things of life. An American girl transplanted to Europe often finds its customs and conventions most irksome. A foreign girl brought here is bewildered by our ways and manners. Many moral questions are viewed different abroad from what they are here and a foreigner often makes an American wife most unhappy, though he considers he is doing nothing wrong. Impossible to get her viewpoint, he continues his course deeming her unreasonable; and as a consequence, she is wretched.

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Social and Personal

S. E. Cole left for Vancouver last night.
Miss Blackstock arrived from Seattle yesterday.
Miss Kenny left for Vancouver last night on a visit.
W. H. Harbeck of Seattle, is in the city on business.
Miss Young leaves to-night for the mainland on a visit.
Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney of Tacoma, are on a visit to this city.
Dr. Kergin and Mrs. Kergin went over to Seattle last night.
E. A. Carew-Gibson left on his return trip to Vancouver last night.
J. H. Williams and D. F. Griffiths were among yesterday's arrivals from the Sound.
Mrs. Gleason will be "at home" on Friday afternoon, from 3 to 6, at 1452 Vining street.
Mrs. L. Eaton, of Niagara street, entertained a number of friends yesterday afternoon.
W. F. Robertson was a passenger for the Terminal City last night on the Princess Charlotte.
Mr. and Mrs. King were passengers for the mainland last night on the Princess Charlotte.
L. W. Shafford was among last night's passengers for Vancouver on the Princess Charlotte.
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Rooke of Calgary, arrived in this city yesterday and will remain here for some time.
A. B. Cameron of Calgary, after spending a few days here on business, left last night for Vancouver.
Miss Martin, who has been visiting friends in Seattle for the past few days, returned to this city yesterday.
Thos. Hooper went over to Vancouver last night on a business trip. He will remain there for several days.
H. W. R. Moore reached this city from Seattle yesterday after spending several days in the Sound city on business.
Miss Phipps will leave on the Charlotte to-night for Vancouver, where she will spend a number of days visiting friends.
C. A. Fields returned to this city yesterday afternoon from Seattle, where he has been for a few days on business.
W. G. Seymour of Vancouver, who has been in this city on business for the past few days, left on his return trip to the mainland last night.
Commander Edward late of H. M. S. Algerine, accompanied by Mrs. Edwards and J. H. D. Nichols, left last night via the C. P. R. for England.

VELVETS IN FASHION

There promises to be a good demand from the millinery trade for both black and colored velvet ribbons, says the Commercial. These goods will probably be in larger demand for millinery purposes than anything else in the ribbon line. Colored velvets and ribbons are used as trimmings on many of the early importations of French model hats. This will naturally create a demand for colored velvets all over the country. While at first they will be taken in the large cities, the demand will rapidly spread to the smaller cities and towns later in the season. In addition to the solid colors shown in the millinery trade in the higher end there are also some handsome goods in the changeable effects. These goods are very expensive and will therefore be taken by only the highest class trade. These scarce effects, as they are termed in Paris, are now in high vogue and promise to be in vogue for expensive millinery. Among other novelties that are expected to be good next season are brocades, as well as a large and attractive assortment of warp prints, in all qualities and new color combinations. The brocades were used in a limited way last season by the best trade. This will no doubt again be the case, as it is not probable that brocaded ribbons will be in any unusual demand.

SERIOUS KITCHEN ACCIDENT

What Zam-Buk Saved a Lady.
Mrs. Fredk. Bryant, of 1st Railway avenue, Stratford, spent the day trying to get well, but failed until she tried Zam-Buk. It was this way: "I was in my kitchen preparing supper, she says, when I upset some boiling water. It fell upon my foot, scalding it badly. Next day the skin came off the foot, and it was so painful I could not walk. I treated it, but instead of getting better it got worse, and finally I had to take to my bed. I was laid up for nine weeks, and in that time I tried all manner of so-called remedies. I had embrocations, dozens of salves, I think, and lotions, but the scald developed into a running sore. I was about beaten by it, when a friend advised me to try Zam-Buk, and I did so. A few applications had the effect of soothing the pain and giving me sleep. I persevered with Zam-Buk, and day by day the running sore seemed to get less inflamed and less painful, as the Zam-Buk drew away the poison and reduced the inflammation. In a very short time healing commenced, and rapidly continued until the sore was completely healed. I would hardly have believed that any preparation could have done for me what Zam-Buk did, and I shall never be without a supply in the house. When you have a scald, a burn, a skin sore, an ulcer, or any skin trouble or injury, try Zam-Buk. Made from the purest of herbal essences, it may be regarded as 'nature's own healer. Eczema, cold sores, cracked and chapped hands, children's rashes, chilblains, all yield to its soothing, healing influence. It also eases the agony of piles. All druggists and stores, 50 cents box or post free from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price.

BAND CONCERT

Programme to Be Given on Sunday Evening in Victoria Theatre.
On Sunday evening the Fifth Regiment band, under Bandmaster Sidney Rogers, will, by the kind permission of Col. Currie and officers of the regiment, give another of its popular concerts. The band will be assisted by Miss Mariet Hall, mezzo-soprano; Ernest Mutch, baritone; Hubert Foote, cellist; Miss Cochran, accompanist; while the band soloist will be Band Sergeant Gagger.
The programme will be as follows:
Grand Selection—Lucia di Lammermoor
Baritone Solo—Glorioso..... Montague Band Sergt. Gagger.
Vocal Solo—Crossing the Bar..... Eugene Cowles
Mr. Ernest Petch.
(a) Entr' Acte from Mignon..... Thomas (b) Porto Rican Dance Rostia..... Miss Vocal Solo—The Day is Ended..... Dartist Miss Mariet Hall.
Overture—Midsummer Night's Dream.
Cello Solo—Widmung..... Mendelssohn
Mr. Herbert Foote.
Aria—Culpa Animam (from Rossini's Stabat Mater).....
Descriptive Piece—The Auto Race, Miss God Save the King.

NEW GRAND THEATRE

Probably the most original acrobatic act ever performed by women is being shown this week at the New Grand theatre by the six Baltons. The performance is continuous from the moment the principal girl takes up her position in the files and hangs by her knees from a bar holding the apparatus upon which four of the company perform. She gets no rest at all, but is hanging head down throughout the performance, which lasts a considerable time. Her exhibition is phenomenal and the work done by the other four is picturesque, graceful and displays remarkable ability. This turn is the star of the bill and is tremendously popular.
There is a tremendous laugh at the Grand when the lunatic appears on the stage. This is Billy Miller appearing in the "Lunatic and the Girl." Both are comedians. The sketch is all laughter, and the dancing and singing thrown into the act is bright and energetic.
Resse Presser and Miss Helen Read have the delectable musical act anyone can ask for. Mr. Frosser and Miss Reed make a big success of their act, all their work being select and clean. The North Pole is another laugh. Smith and Harris are two explorers.

SEPARATE WAISTS GROWING IN FAVOR

Lingerie Waists Will Be Feature of Wear in the Spring

It is interesting to note the increasing favor which is being shown the separate waist, particularly of the lingerie type, says the Dry Goods Reporter. Practically all of the retail-dealers speak in enthusiastic terms regarding the vogue of the lingerie waist for both spring and summer. While it is expected that the demand for the higher priced waist will be more or less affected by the vogue of the costume idea, it is confidently believed that pronounced favor will be shown the medium priced waist for lingerie and tailored designing.

Manufacturers of silk, crepe and chiffon waists also report an excellent early demand for these waists, and buyers are preparing an attractive display of garments of this character. Not only are waists of a practical character being shown, but models of quite a dressy type are also being placed upon the market, which clearly illustrates the fact that the separate waist is still holding its own.

The early displays of waists by retailers and manufacturers are of an attractive type. Naturally the lingerie models are the first to make their appearance for spring, and with each succeeding week the displays increase both in size and attractiveness. Many stores are showing a variety of materials and designs at the present time which embody both attractive and novel features. Everything in waist materials is sheer, and the trimmings are of a heavy character. Heavy lace are much in evidence, as well as heavy hand embroideries. The most conspicuous materials are batistes and sheer lawns, while any number of lovely models are shown in marquisette in both plain and fancy weaves.

"Open-work" all-over embroidery is shown to quite an extent for spring and summer wear, and promises to become quite a favorite. This material is chiefly seen in semi-tailored designs, although models of a more dressy type are also made of this material. There seems quite a tendency to favor round necks in waists of the lingerie type, this style also being shown to quite an extent in costumes of a dressy or lingerie type.

One of the most conspicuous features in the designing of waists is the inclination to use frills of various kinds on waists of practically all types. Tailored, semi-tailored, and dressy models are very frequently trimmed with frills either in one sided designs or with double frills many times used in novelty effect. For instance, some of the eyelet embroidery waists have the pointed or square yoke outlined with narrow pleated frill, which is shown in both white and color.

Some of the frills are quite wide and are used on the left side, while others which are narrower are used on either side of the front plait. The frilled idea is possibly seen to a greater extent on the new lines of waists than any other feature, and promises to meet with considerable favor. Sleeves are showing more of the novelty in the designing of the new waists than any other portion of the garments. Modifications of the bishop ideas are shown to a great extent, the puffed effect at the back of the cuff being one of the most favored designs. Some of the newest ideas show the sleeve built in one with the waist, suggesting the kimono idea, with the exception that the sleeve is up close to the arm on the under side. This style of sleeve is seen in both long and three-quarter designs, and with the more extreme trade promises to meet with considerable success. The tendency to trim sleeves is particularly pronounced in new ideas often being carried out in the trimming rather than in the cut of the sleeve.

At the present time long sleeves appear to have the right of way, but that the three-quarter and seven-eighths sleeve will be popular for summer wear is a fact generally conceded by practically all dealers in this line. Many of the models already shown are of short lengths, but the preference at the present time seems to be given the full-length sleeve. Chiffon waists which will match suits in color are regarded with favor for spring wear and are seen in a variety of effective designs. The chiffon is invariably made over the collar, and often times over trimmings of embroidery and gold. These waists have been favored to quite an extent for winter wear, and have proved one of the popular selling numbers.

Tulle and meshlike waists are shown in a pretty assortment, although the tendency in demand favors the lingerie and semi-tailored waists of cotton or linen. In the semi-tailored styles, frills of self material are very frequently used in their designing, many novelty effects being shown in their arrangement.

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REGULATING RAILWAYS.

The annual report of the New York public service commission for the second district presents some very interesting tables of the operations of railroads and other public service corporations which have a particular bearing on the question of stock watering. The fact that a large number of corporations pay no dividends suggests to the commission the question whether the stock represents value or whether the properties were built, as is commonly believed, on bond issues and the stock represents nothing but hopes entertained. This leads the commission to suggest that if the stock represents no investment, but was issued merely as a bonus or gratuity to encourage investments, the results show the fatuity of such methods. If the stock was issued as a bonus and later transferred to other persons for valuable considerations, here is a needed warning to investors. If the stock represents actual investments, the reasons why there is so little return demand some investigation. In any event the situation calls for careful state supervision, both in the interest of investors and of the corporations themselves.

The commission recommends that it be given authority to establish a calorific standard for gas in addition to the illuminating standard now required. It had previously been announced that this would be embodied in the report. The conditions of the time call for such a change in the law. The value of gas, as commonly used nowadays, depends more on its heating than on its lighting power. The commission is able to report considerable reductions of freight rates on many different classes of freight and it urges shippers to complain to it unhesitatingly when they have grievances and not to be deterred by fear of reprisals from offended railroad officials.

A very interesting portion of the report relates to the delays of passenger trains on the Erie railroad. The commission condemns the road severely for making incorrect reports to it while at the same time advertising superior train service on the strength of the commission's bulletins. Here is the fact that it does not pay to trifle with the commission.

CHARACTER SKETCH OF PREMIER ASQUITH

Editor of Daily News Writes of the Personality of Liberal Leader

To-day Mr. Asquith is once more the chief citizen of the British Empire. He returns to the helm of state with the sanction of all that is most significant and virile in the nation. No personal triumph was ever achieved by more honest and unpretentious methods than his have been. In the midst of an unexampled riot of passions, vituperation and mendacity, faced by a leader who gave his sanction to every panic and... invented by the basest of his followers, he has stood firm as a rock for the plain truth, for honorable controversy, and for the denunciation of public life. While Mr. Balfour, with his Henry speech and his "pledges" that taxes would make food cheaper, has sunk beneath the notice of honorable men, Mr. Asquith emerges from the struggle a leader of whose probity and moral strength the nation may well be proud. He has kept alive the best tradition of our political past in the face of the worst aspects of American campaigning, writes A. G. Gardiner in the London Daily News.

When the history of this momentous period is written, the figure of Mr. Asquith will dominate it in a measure we do not now realize. The picturesque factor in politics browns on his glory while it is green. He does not gather it when it is ripe. He passes across the stage to the plaudits of the throng, and when he has vanished he is forgotten. The Oriental splendors of Disraeli have faded into a legend, into a tale of little meaning, while the statue of Gladstone rises steadily higher in the field of the groundings. He will offer them no fireworks—give them no circuses. If they want the truth—good. Here it is plain and unvarnished. If they want tricks let them go elsewhere. He will lie for no office and play the buffoon for no audience. He will make no idle promises to win a cheer or a vote. He is the man who will say, "These are my terms—take them or leave them. This right, unequivocal habit is the root of the envenomed attack on him by the militant suffragists. He has stated his policy and he will say no more though they pull the knocker off his door and rain threatening letters. Tact, you will say, is not one of his qualities. Let us be grateful. There is plenty of tact about in these days, and little truth. Let us make the most of that little.

His emperaments is negative. That is perhaps only another way of saying that he is governed by his intellect, not emotion. A brilliant woman once said to me, "Asquith has three great qualities. He has no egotism, no jealousy and no vanity." It was a saying of very searching truth. There are some men who seek to live in front of the mirror. I doubt whether Mr. Asquith ever looks in it. His mind is singular and entire detachment from self. This is at once the source of its weakness and its strength. It is faultless and it is cold. It convinces you, but it does not warm you. It wins your confidence, but not your affection. It clears the mind, but it does not stir the blood. It has the priceless value of detaching his public policy from his private interest. Unlike "C. B.," he mixes much in society, but its influences never move him a hair's breadth from his conception of public duty.

His freedom from jealousy is one of the rarest and most precious gifts of public life. When Gladstone offered the solicitor-generalship he declined the office. He would not take the post that belonged in his opinion to another. And all the foolish efforts of the enemy to drive a wedge between him and Mr. Lloyd George have failed ludicrously. No two men are more dissimilar. Each has the quality the other lacks. Each is the necessary complement of the other. Together they form the strongest political combination since Cobden and Bright. And I know of nothing in the history of this time more subtly moving than the loyalty of Mr. Asquith to his brilliant colleague, in the battle of whose budget he has brought all the authority of his unrivalled logic and a selfless enthusiasm beyond praise. One only fully realizes what a hateful, withering thing jealousy is when one sees such a conspicuous example of magnanimity. It is the supreme claim of Mr. Asquith to the nation's gratitude that he has never placed his own personality in the light of the national interests. He has never brought an axe of his own to the parliamentary grindstone, nor irritated, Disraeli and other leaders in surrounding himself with third rate men in order that the limelight should fall only on himself. He has never worried and never hurried, and takes things as they come. "You cannot get Asquith to cross a bridge before you come to it," said one who knows him well. From the day when as a fatherless boy he came up with his brother from Yorkshire to the care of his uncle in London, he has displayed the same secure, unimpassioned purpose, the repose and confidence of a mind given neither to elation nor depression. "He is so good tempered," is the verdict of one who knows him best, and I have been told by one who knew him as a boy that the comradeship between him and his brother—newly springing from a membership at Clifton school—was never broken even by the lifting of an eyebrow. He never seeks a quarrel. With a natural love of ease and a calm temper, he, indeed, avoids a quarrel. He has none of Mr. Lloyd George's passion for the fray. But once engaged, no one deals milder blows, unmasking heavier guns, is more immovable in battle. He fulfills the command of Polonius:

Beware Of entrance to a quarrel; but, being in, Bear that the opponent may beware of thee. No one ever attained the highest office in the state with so little sensational or dramatic accompaniment. He owned nothing to anyone save himself, and yet no one ever doubted his future. It seemed that he had simply to march forward to a fixed goal. What he chose to have was his without challenge. His master at the city of London school arrested by the boy's command of lucid speech, Jowett at Oxford, struck by the undergraduate's masterful understanding, Sir Henry James attracted by a statement of a case which some unknown junior had drawn up in three days, and which James declared might have taken six weeks—all foreshadowed the future eminence of one endowed with so striking an intellectual equipment. The promise is fulfilled, and to-day the verdict of the nation ratifies the judgment of those who saw the dawn of so brilliant a day.

DEVIL PRESCRIBES FOR THE OLD WORLD

The World and the Devil met. Not unusual, by the way. "How are you this morning?" said the Devil. "Not particularly well," replied the World. "I never am, you know. If I could define all of my troubles, I might be able to mitigate them. But there is such a variety of them that, somehow, I am confused. I am conscious of much uneasiness and considerable pain, without being able to trace the source of it. Recently my Russia was out of order. Then my Turkey was upset. I have had some distressing tariff pains in the United States region. That's the way it goes. Always something the matter."

"Possibly," said the Devil, with a slight satirical intonation, "you have taken too many religions. It isn't always wise to get into the habit of dosing one's self with religions. One gets to depend upon them. A sort of false stimulant. I know how it is. I can sympathize, of course. I was addicted to religion, and it has taken me all this time to outgrow it."

"You are quite well, then?" "Nothing to complain of. I suffered from the heat a good deal until I applied the mind cure. Great thing, that mind cure."

"So I hear. But to get back to my own state, what would you advise?" "The Devil tapped the end of his tail methodically on the palm of his foot. "What are some of your symptoms?" "I am hot and cold by turns. I don't sleep as well as I ought. Bad dreams. Last night I thought I was a comet. I toss and turn a good deal."

"You know what the matter is with you?" the Devil smiled sympathetically as he said it. "My dear fellow, if I did, I wouldn't be asking questions. In Heaven's name, tell me."

"Well, you have the same thing that is the matter with your inhabitants. They have communicated it to you. Too bad, too bad!" "Do tell me, I beg. Maybe I—"

"No use. If you knew it wouldn't make any difference. Some day you'll get a hard job, and find yourself. At present—well, you have inhabitant fever."

"What's that?" "The Devil lighted a sulphur cigarette. "I trust," he said, "that I am not boring you. The truth is, my dear friend, your complications are, in a sense so ridiculous that they cannot but make me smile. It all comes from unfriendly inhabitants. They dig you up, bore you, live in you, torture you, dissect you, and then talk among themselves incessantly about what they have done to you. No wonder you are uneasy. If I had as many theologians, scientists, philosophers, statesmen, politicians, doctors and literary fakers in my system as you have, I'd jump off the Milky Way."

"But aren't these good for me? They seem to think that I have a mission. They talk mighty learned talk."

"The Devil leaned over. "The strange part of this amusing affair," he whispered, "is that you should believe them. Now take this soul matter. I have been dealing in souls for centuries. Anybody who has an alleged soul to dispose of has only to come to me and he can exchange it for commodities. Now, then, what do I do? I get enough souls together to make a corporation, fill it full of water, saddle it with a bond issue, and get out with a nice profit. But if you should ask me what a soul is, why I throw up my hands! Only shows you how you can fool 'em. Oh, it's a great graft."

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It is quite certain, Mr. Chairman, that you were not aware of that sacred, but, I think, unfounded tradition which prevents any peer from appearing in public any more than if he were an inmate of a seraglio during this sacred period of political purgation.

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Seventy Thousand Van Dwellers Preparing for the Road.

The people of show-land celebrated recently in London and Manchester and in places all over the country, where they are making ready for their summer season "on the road," the twenty-first anniversary of their guild.

Of these wandering folk 70,000 exist today in England. Open-hearted, cheerful Bohemians they are, free-dealing, free-thinking, all with the love of the life on the road in their heart and blood. This was how the travelling show people were described by one who has studied them for more than twenty years—F. H. Pedgrist, manager of The Era newspaper.

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Adjoining these I have 20 ACRES, which would make an ideal chicken ranch. Price \$1,400. Particulars to intending purchasers only.

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He was one of the founders of the guild, known in its early days as the Van Dwellers Society.

With the first promise of spring, many "bings" - "pinks" - and "blue-bells" newly planted, these people of the road will start cheerfully forth upon their wanderings, disdaining the sleeping places of ordinary folk, and living happily ached until the dull days of October send them into winter quarters.

Find a Buyer For That Little Excess Real Estate You Own---by Advertising on This Page

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There appeared in the Times on Thursday evening a statement that the owners of property in Esquimalt...

F. A. Thompson, W. J. Gilliland, R. E. Blakeway. THE COAST LOCATORS ROOM 20, 418 YATES ST. Phone 1415.

We have a few genuine bargains in Residences on Johnston, Pembroke and Fernwood road. These are worth looking into...

We can also offer you some choice buys in vacant lots on Princess, Duplin road, Linden and Blanchard.

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LOTS IN ROCKLAND PARK-\$350 and up Terms. LOT 25 Humboldt Street. LOT 49, corner Denman and Clark, \$400.

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\$1,000-SALT SPRING ISLAND, 50 ACRES, 20 slashed, 6 cultivated, new 4-room cottage, furniture, stock, etc. Terms.

TRANSIT ROAD, OAK BAY-FOR SALE-Number of lots 53x110, \$350 each. Terms 1/4 cash, balance 4, 12, 18 months, 6 per cent.

L. U. CONYERS & CO. 650 VIEW STREET. GOOD BUYS IN CHOICE BUILDING SITES.

\$700-OAK BAY AVE.-Fine building lot, 53 x 140, Alley way in rear, facing south. A decided snap at above price.

\$1,500-VERY CHOICE LOT, cement sidewalks and boulevards on street, close to park. Reasonable terms.

\$750-HILLSIDE AVE., nice lot, 60 x 120, cement sidewalks and boulevards on street. Reasonable terms.

MANCHESTER ST.-Three splendid lots, modern improvements, now being carried out on street, close to car line. A reasonable offer will be considered for the above property to close an estate.

\$1,500-FIFTH STREET-4 lots, splendid soil, will separate if desired. Very reasonable terms can be given on this property.

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TWO LOTS-On Victoria harbor, with large wharf and sheds and 2 large warehouses in good condition, on easy terms.

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FINE CORNER LOT, 60 x 120. A Good Buy. Get Particulars.

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F. L. NEALE Real Estate, Insurance and Financial Agent. 568 YATES STREET. PHONE 1588.

RICHMOND AVENUE. New 7 room house, bath, pantry, electric light, gas, sewer connection, 6-foot basement, full size of house, stone foundation, lot 60x115 feet; this street is nicely laid with boulevards and cement sidewalks; price \$2,500, terms.

CLOVERDALE AVENUE. New modern 5 room house, with space for 2 more rooms upstairs, large basement the size of the whole house, stone foundation, half an acre of land; only two minutes' walk to the car; price \$2,500, terms.

PORT STREET. A large 10 room house, containing every modern convenience, including gas range, electric light, hot and cold water in bathroom and kitchen; the rooms have all been newly painted, papered and decorated, and consist of dining room, drawing room, with folding doors, between, den or breakfast room, kitchen and pantry, 5 bedrooms, bathroom; price \$2,500, easy terms.

ALPHA STREET. Between Douglas and the Burnside road, new 5 room house, all modern conveniences, large basement, over half an acre of ground planted with assorted fruit trees and shrubs, good stable and barn; price \$3,000, easy terms.

EMPIRE REALTY CO. Real Estate and Financial Agents. 612 YATES STREET. Phone 2251.

3 VERY GOOD BUYS. ROWLAND AVENUE-New 5 room house, standing on a lot 60x120, basement for wood, water laid into house. Price for a quick sale \$1,575, terms arranged.

MCCLEURE STREET-Lot 60x120, with 4 room house thereon, w.c. sewer connection, etc. Price \$1,800; balance \$300, cash, balance 2 years 7 per cent.

NORTH ROAD-Well built 5 room house, containing bath, electric light, w.c. and other conveniences; cement walks around house, small stable, buggy shed; large lot. Price \$1,800; terms arranged.

THE GLOBE REALTY CO. ROOM 7, MAHON BLDG. Phone 1613.

\$3,200 buys a new five roomed house, fully modern, with basement, in James Bay; terms arranged.

\$3,200 buys an 8 roomed house on Johnson; all conveniences, good for room; terms.

\$2,100 in the price of a 6 roomed house, all conveniences, fully modern, on Douglas street, fruit trees, etc. terms very easy.

\$1,300 buys two lots at cor. of Belmont and Grant streets, 5x115, terms arranged.

\$325 buys a fine lot on Douglas street, at the end of the car line.

LEE & FRASER Real Estate and Insurance Agents. 613 TROUNCE AVENUE.

\$750-Corner lot on Frances Avenue, \$5,000-Only for 4 splendid lots and 7 roomed house on Quadra Street.

\$2,800-Modern Bungalow on Pandora Street.

\$1,200-Well situated lot on Pandora Street.

\$4,000-Belleville Street, off Oak Bay Avenue. Terms to arrange.

\$3,200-Double frontage lot on David Street and cottage in good repair.

\$2,300-House and two lots Kingston Street.

\$7,500-Two houses and lot on View Street, above Blanchard.

\$1,500 each, for 2 lots on Dunedin Street.

\$850-Two lots on CRAIGFLOWER ROAD. Business lots on Douglas, Fort and View Streets.

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FOR SALE. \$550 LOT, Hollywood Park. \$150 Cash and \$10 monthly.

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\$1,000. CORNER LOT on Cook Street, near Park.

FOR SALE EXCLUSIVELY BY TOLLER & GRUBB Room 22, over B. Williams & Co.'s Store 618 YATES STREET.

FOR SALE. 2 acres, Mount Tolmie, all cleared and fenced, splendid soil, \$1,800.

3 roomed house, full sized lot, barn and stables, between 2 car lines, \$1,500.

About 1/2 acre, well cultivated, brand new house and out-buildings, Foul Bay road, \$2,700.

41 acres, Cobble Hill, small house, close to church and railway, \$1,150.

Small good house of 1 1/2 stories; modern, close to car, \$1,250.

30 acres at Duncan, 20 acres cleared, house and all implements, fully stocked, \$2,500.

House and full sized lot, Burnside road, just outside city limits, \$3,000.

\$1,775 buys new house, close to Hillside avenue, \$1,075.

10 acres, 25 cleared, 4 acres partly cleared, \$3,500.

Michigan, 50 acres, 15 cleared and good house, \$1,000.

2 acres, absolutely cleared and fenced, large house, "ideal" farm, \$1,250.

11 acres, all in pasture, 1/2 a new house, barn and stables, \$5,000.

About 1/2 acre, Michigan street, large 11 roomed house, \$2,000.

\$150 cash and \$15 per month buys new house and lot, all in splendid shape, \$2,100.

\$2,500 buys house and furniture, 2 blocks from City Hall, \$2,500, comparatively new.

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TO RENT. COTTAGE, 2 rooms and store, Victoria West. Immediate possession.

ROOM HOUSE, Heywood avenue. FOR SALE. SEVERAL GOOD LOTS, acreage and houses (modern) at exceptionally low prices. These are real bargains and cannot be duplicated unless paying a much higher price.

THE NORTH AMERICA AGENCY CO. 1404 BROAD STREET. Phone 1150.

LOTS 11 and 15, 50 ft. x 120 ft., King's road, between Cook and Blackwood streets, \$625 each; 1-3 cash, balance 4 and 12 months at 7 per cent.

LOTS, 5, 10, 50 ft. x 120 ft., Blackwood street, between Hillside avenue and King's road, \$255 each; 1-3 cash, balance 1, 2 and 3 years at 7 per cent.

LOT 26 ft. x 128 ft., fronting on Empress Ave. and Bay street, near Cook, \$600, 1-3 cash.

4 LOTS, 50 ft. x 150 ft. each, on Third Ave., immediately off Mt. Tolmie road, \$400 each; 1-3 cash.

LOTS 92, 50 ft. x 120 ft., and 20 ft. east part of 93, having 80 ft. on Yates, near corner Vancouver, \$12,000, \$5,500 cash, balance terms, 7 per cent.

Agreements of Sales purchased.

E. WHITE Real Estate. Phone 1977. 604 BROUGHTON ST.

NEW HOUSE, near Linden avenue, just completed, on easy terms; would require only \$500 as first payment; in corner locality and at cost price.

CORNER LOT, near reservoir, 1-3 acre, at \$650. Terms: \$150, cash, balance monthly.

NEW HOUSE, Gorge road, 7 rooms, choice locality, at \$4,000. Terms: \$1,000 will handle this.

COASTING ACCIDENT AT VANCOUVER

Boy Sustains Broken Leg When Run Over By a Bob Sleigh

Vancouver, Feb. 24.-A boy named Bailey had his leg broken on Nelson street when, as he was coming up a hand grade on the street, dragging a hand sleigh, he was struck by a bob-sleigh full of young people, who were sliding down-hill on the snow-covered slope. Ever since the last snowfall the young people in hundreds have been employing the hours in the juvenile sport of snow-sleighing, so much so that frequent complaints have been made to the police.

B. C. COPPER COMPANY HAS RECORD YEAR

Big Increase in Net Profits-Smelter Capacity to Be Enlarged

Phoenix, Feb. 24.-During the year ending November 30th, 1909, the British Columbia Copper Company's smelter treated 373,228 tons of ore, from which was produced 6,325,000 pounds of fine copper, 18,244 ounces of gold and 64,234 ounces of silver, says the Pioneer.

The financial statement reflects a particularly successful year, notwithstanding the fact that operations at the properties were closed down for three months on account of the coal strike in the Crow's Nest Pass last summer. The net profits for the year were \$226,238, as compared with \$93,960 in 1908, and \$88,155 in 1907.

To provide and acquire 132,554 pounds of fine copper, it cost the British Columbia Copper Company 9.29 cents a pound, which included all charges, as compared with 9.99 cents in the previous year. Development work on the company's properties was charged to operating account.

There were also acquired 132,554 shares of New Dominion Copper Company stock (over 53 per cent.), for which was paid \$8,709 shares of British Columbia stock and \$11,593 cash.

At the end of the year the company had on hand 1,312 pounds of refined copper, and the average price received for copper sold was 13.05 cents a pound, against 13.5 in the previous year.

It is stated that work will shortly commence on the proposed enlarging of the furnaces at the smelter to increase the capacity of the reduction.

As soon as the capacity of the plant has been increased and the additional ore supplies made available, the directors may be expected to make a distribution of profits.

There is also \$200,000 in the treasury of the New Dominion company at present. Its Rawhide mine is being developed and got in readiness for shipments, which will probably commence about the end of next month, and the Brooklyn and other properties of the company will in turn be developed.

The ores from the New Dominion mine will be shipped to the British Columbia smelter at Greenwood.

HUSBAND GOES TO JAIL

Creston, Feb. 24.-James McGinnis arrived here a few days ago in search of his wife. After making inquiries he ascertained that she and the baby were at Duck creek, and applied to Magistrate Johnson for a warrant for the arrest of Thomas McCreath, McGinnis and Provincial Constable Jensen left the same evening for Duck creek, where McCreath was apprehended and brought back to Creston, charged with abduction of the woman.

When the case was heard the evidence showed that when McCreath was arrested at Duck creek, Mrs. McGinnis was living in a cabin with her child, and there was no evidence to show that she had been living with her. On the other hand, Mrs. McGinnis swore that one month after she was married her husband failed to provide for her, and she was forced to return to her mother at Erickson for shelter. The charge was consequently dismissed, and the complainant was ordered to pay the costs of the arrest in going to Duck creek.

HEWLINGS & CO. 1109 BROAD. Phone 1734.

CHEAP FARM PROPERTY AT SAANICH, COLWOOD, ETC. Call for Particulars. List Your Property With Us.

FOR SALE-Half acre, Work Estate, \$600. A bargain.

6 ROOM COTTAGE, modern, Oak Bay avenue, on two lots, 50 ft. frontage. Price \$3,700.

LOT-On Fifth street, new subdivision. \$600.

THE LUMSDEN INQUIRY.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.-The Commons committee on the Lumsden charges yesterday decided to leave the question of the appointment of counsel to continue the inquiry to a sub-committee of public interest to a sub-committee of Messrs. MacDonald and Barker.

The Liberal members of the committee said that if the opposition members could suggest counsel who would command general confidence they would be quite willing to accept him.

IMPORTANT FIND IN THE WAR EAGLE

Ledge Twelve Feet Wide and Carrying \$35 Ore, Located by Diamond Drill

Rossland, Feb. 24.-A strike of considerable importance has been made in the War Eagle, where, on the ninth level, a deposit twelve feet in width of \$35 ore has been located by the diamond drill. The ledge was found on the ninth level and a crosscut is being driven for the purpose of developing it. It is thought to be a new vein which probably parallels the main War Eagle ledge. If it turns out as well as it is anticipated it will add a large tonnage of ore of a very good grade to the already big ore resources of the Centre Star group. A series of holes have been run from the eleventh level of the War Eagle and have resulted in the locating of what is thought to be a downward continuation of the newly-found ledge on the ninth level, as the dip would naturally bring it in about the place where it has been located. This would indicate that the ledge is an extensive and strong one. The values at depth are also good. This leads to the impression that a much more than ordinary valuable ledge has been located. The new find is a source of considerable satisfaction to the management. The development of this important lead will be awaited with considerable interest by the residents, as it is of much importance to the future welfare of Rossland.

HOTEL WRECKED BY EXPLOSION

One Woman Seriously Injured at Moyie-Several Buildings Damaged

Nelson, Feb. 24.-An explosion Tuesday night in the rear of the Kootenay hotel at Moyie wrecked a large part of the building, damaged many neighboring structures and shook every house in the town, doing a variety of damage. Mrs. Parkhill, who lives in an adjoining cottage, was badly cut by flying glass and a waitress in the hotel was thrown into a fit by the shock. Nearly every window in the hotel was smashed.

The explosion was probably due to an accident in the carbide gas plant used for generating light. Dr. Crocker was quickly on the scene and attended to Mrs. Parkhill's injuries and the fire wardens and fire brigade also rendered assistance.

The damage to the hotel, which is owned by Messrs. McFavish and Cameron is considerable, particularly as extensive alterations and repairs had just been made. The cottage occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Parkhill is much damaged and in the Moyie drug store bottles containing medicine were thrown over and broken and the large plate glass window was smashed.

Carpenters and other artisans commenced making repairs within an hour of the accident and electric lights were strung throughout the hotel in a couple of hours. The gas plant is considered to have been discarded in a few weeks, as the improvements contemplated included a new lighting system.

COLD SNAP OVER

Nelson, Feb. 24.-The cold snap is over but a heavy snowfall is in progress. The coldest point, 4 below zero, was on the East Arm. Kootenay lake is frozen over in places and lake steamers are now running from Proctor with rail service to and from Nelson.

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While put up in pill form, this medicine is more like a food because it supplies the system in concentrated form the very elements which go to create rich, red, invigorating blood.

A few weeks' use of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food will do wonders for any person who is pale, weak and anaemic.

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With the use of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Food vigor and energy are restored, the complexion improves, the form is rounded out, 25 cents a box, all dealers, or Edmanon, Bates & Co., Toronto.

R. W. COLEMAN Real Estate and Insurance. 1230 GOVERNMENT ST., Telephone 302

BIG SNAP-Two quarter acre lots within the mile and a half circle, between Gorge and Burnside roads; the lots are well worth \$500 each. Our price for quick sale is \$650. Terms: \$150 cash, balance in 6, 12, 18 and 24 months at 7 per cent.

EIGHT-ROOMED HOUSE-On lot 10 x 120; Fort street, near St. Charles street. This is a modern house with Turnace, three open fireplaces, separate toilet and bath and has a brick foundation. All in first class condition. Price, \$5,000. Terms.

FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE-Hillside avenue; lot 25 x 120. Price, \$1,600 cash; terms.

VANCOUVER STREET - Close in, eight-roomed house, modern and in good repair; corner lot 21 x 80. The price of this house has been reduced to \$4,200, \$1,700 cash, balance on 1/2 mortgage at 7 per cent.

COMFORTABLE HOME-With parlor, large living room, with bay window and fireplace, kitchen, back kitchen, bath and toilet, and three large bedrooms, within 10 minutes' walk of any part of business district, on Pandora avenue. Price, \$4,500. Good terms.

OAK BAY-Water front; extra large lot, 60 x 180, fine beach. Price, \$1,050, \$250 cash, balance one and two years.

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WILLOWS BEACH, OAK BAY. TWO LARGE LOTS, on the corner of Olympia avenue. These are waterfront lots and include a part of the beautiful sandy beach, making an ideal summer resort. They will fetch \$1,500 a piece as soon as the warm weather comes, and lots having a sandy beach are so scarce in Victoria that they will fetch thousands when we are a little larger city. Olympia avenue is graded.

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THE B. C. LAND INVESTMENT AGENCY, LTD. 222 GOVERNMENT STREET.

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QUEBEC STREET-7-roomed dwelling, close in, first-class order. \$1,100.

DALLAS ROAD-Large corner and 7-roomed cottage, modern conveniences. \$4,000.

SOUTH TURNER STREET-New modern bungalow, close to beach and nicely situated. A bargain at \$2,250.

BLANCHARD AVENUE-6-roomed dwelling with lot 50x133 feet, and rear entrance. On terms. \$2,300.

BURDETTE AVENUE-7-roomed modern dwelling on exceptionally easy terms. \$2,900.

CALEDONIA AVENUE-Two-story dwelling with brick and stone foundation, nicely situated and on car line. \$3,750.

OAK BAY DISTRICT-8-roomed dwelling in good shape, paneled dining room, hot and cold water, lot 52 x 120 feet. Cheap at \$2,500.

BATTERY STREET, near Beacon Hill-Good two-story dwelling and lot 54x120 feet. A bargain at \$3,300.

ESQUIMALT DISTRICT-6-roomed bungalow with large attic, bathroom, pantries, sewers, open grates, etc., very large lot. Exceptionally well situated and close to car line. \$4,000.

VIEW STREET-6-roomed modern house with lot 60x120 feet. \$2,700.

SPECIAL FOR QUICK SALE-\$800 will purchase 3-roomed house and lot, 50 feet by 120 feet, just outside of city limits.

FARMS AND SUBURBAN LANDS. CALL FOR PRINTED LIST.

BLOCK PAVING CONTRACTS. Vancouver, Feb. 24.-Block paving contracts, totalling over \$80,000, have been awarded on five streets, Harris, Dunsuir, Howe, Seymour and Westminster avenue. These have no reference whatever to the other work on Georgia, Howe and Beatty streets, which was also settled by the board of works. The former work is being done by local improvement and block paving has already been called for, so that there was no necessity for a selection of the material.

Contracts were also awarded for clearing and rough-grading streets in Swads 5 and 6.

NELSON PIONEER DEAD. Nelson, Feb. 24.-Joseph Sturgeon, former hotel proprietor and one of Nelson's oldest and most respected citizens, died here last night after a long illness. He leaves a widow, a son and daughter. All reside here.

During excavations in the Piazza Ferrari, Genoa, a Greek tomb of the fourth century B. C. has been discovered. Among the objects in the tomb was a magnificent vase of the time of Phidias.

S. A. BAIRD Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agent. 1210 DOUGLAS STREET.

PANDORA AVENUE-Seven-roomed dwelling, electric light; sewer; conservatory; stone foundation; lot 50 x 120. For a few days at \$1,250.

JAMES BAY-One bungalow from Beacon Hill Park, modern bungalow containing three rooms and bath upstairs, double parlor with sliding doors, breakfast room, large reception hall and kitchen on first floor. Full-sized basement with hot air furnace; gas, electric light; hot and cold water. Lot 50 x 150. Price for a few days \$3,000; \$2,000 cash.

Hilton Keith, G. H. Cross, R. Nelson Real Estate, Commission Agents, Etc. 2 VIEW ST., MCGREGOR BLOCK. Phone 1963.

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New 6-roomed house on David street, OAK BAY, only \$2,400.

CORNERS. Fort and Vancouver streets. Fort and Quadra streets. Esquimalt and Head streets. Blanchard and Humboldt streets.

CIVIC NOTICE. APPLICATIONS, stating age and experience, accompanied by photograph (in case the applicant is not personally known to the members of the City Council), will be received at the office of the undersigned until Monday, the 28th Feb., 1910, at 2 p.m., for the position of City Solicitor, who will be expected to devote his services exclusively to the work of the Corporation. The salary attached to the position will be at the rate of \$3,000 per annum.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C. City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., January 25th, 1910.

NOTICE. IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SAMUEL HENRY STEPHENS, LATE OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, DECEASED.

All persons having claims against the estate of Samuel Henry Stephens, late of Victoria, British Columbia, deceased, are requested to send particulars, duly verified, to H. G. Hall, 59 Bastion Square, Victoria, B. C., on or before the 4th day of March, 1910, after which date the executors will be at liberty to distribute the estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the executors then have notice. Dated the 3rd day of February, 1910.

H. G. HALL, Executor for the Executors, James

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Her Sister's Wedding

She stood upon the sidewalk, staring at the house, knowing that she had entered, yet dreading to do so, was the kind of home that people with some means and a great desire to be fashionable live in, and just now it was very gay, with awnings and plants in all the windows and a general air of bustle and expectancy within. Jill summoned up all her courage and pulled forth her hand to touch the bell the door opened and a man appeared. He started back at sight of her with a murmured word of pardon. Jill looked up at him with those child-like eyes of hers. He was a very nice, kind-looking man who seemed to be a hearing middle age. There was a cleft in his chin and twinkly creases at the corners of his blue eyes.

"I'm Jill Chance," she said, breathlessly. "Diane's sister, and I've come to see her married."

"Oh, yes," said the man. "Come in, Miss Jill. How do you do? I'm a very old friend of your sister's, and I also am here to see her married."

He drew her into the hall. There were several young people there, laughing and talking. From the rooms of one side of the hall came the sound of more laughter and talking. The whole house was alive with merry people.

"Just sit down here for a minute," he said, "and I will bring Mrs. Carpenter."

"You see," he bent toward the frightened, bewildered girl, smiling gently. "You were expected on the mail, and as carriage was ordered to meet you, but you came—"

"I came on the milk."

"I see. That arrives half an hour earlier. It doesn't make any difference, you know, only you had a long walk from the station. Now I will get Mrs. Carpenter."

Jill, uneasy and travel-worn, settled back in her chair with a sigh and watched him go down the hall. From a side door a pretty girl darted forth and spoke to him, but he shook his head at her and passed on. He came back with a handsome, flushed, worried-looking woman, whom Jill dimly remembered to have seen before. This was Mrs. Carpenter, the woman who had adopted her sister Diane.

"So this is Jill?" she said quickly. "How do you do, my dear? I'm very sorry that you had to walk from the station. You had better come upstairs. I think Diane will see you presently. She is very busy just now—these little details, you know, John. Come, Jill."

Jill went. She was taken upstairs to a dainty room all white and blue and silver. It was one of the more common bedrooms, but Jill did not know that. It looked very luxurious to her.

"You'll want to make a toilet," Mrs. Carpenter said. "There's everything here you'll need. I think. She glanced at the girl's hands, which were empty. "I didn't have any to bring," Jill stammered.

"I see. Well—," she pondered. "Wait a moment." She left the room swiftly and came back with something pink and soft across her arm—a shirring gown which was freshly laundered. "Here is a dress of Diane's," she said. "Which I think no one has seen often enough to remember. You seem about the same size. Dress as quickly as you can and then you may see Diane. It's 11 now and the ceremony is at 12."

She went out and closed the door behind her with a hurried hand. Jill still a-stare, trying to realize that the beautiful gown was really intended for her to wear. Pink! She loved pink; yet when had she ever had anything of the color save a ribbon or two? With trembling hands she latched her flushed little face and smoothed her simply arranged blonde hair. Then she put on the dress. The glass gave back a sweet picture of a little, fair girl, delicately beautiful, a human rose. The dress had transformed her. She was ready and waiting when Mrs. Carpenter came for her, bringing a pair of slippers which she had happened to think were needed.

"Why—" she gazed at the wonder-effect in her absence, with wonder-lia eyes. Jill, out of the chrysalis of her ugly clothes, was another Jill. "Here is a pair of shoes for you—Diane's. Put them on and come with me."

Jill obeyed. Diane's door opened upon a quartette of fluttering girls—Diane and her bridesmaids, who were putting the last touches to her toilet. Diane was younger than Jill, but she looked older. For Jill had all the immaturity of inexperience.

"Why, Jill!" Diane said, and took a moment to look at her and kiss her. They had not met since their separation years before, but at this most important event of her life Diane had had a fancy to have Jill present, and so sent for her. "How sweet you are! Let me kiss you again. Isn't she sweet, pink? Such hair and such a skin! Only she needs a touch of powder. Just touch her face with the puff, will you, Alice? And draw her hair a little looser over her ears. There! Oh, Maud, that hook's unfastened again! Mamma—what was going to say? It's very dreadful business getting married. Jill, as you'll find out yourself, some day." She laughed nervously.

Presently Mrs. Carpenter took Jill downstairs and gave her into the care of a rather magnificent elderly woman, who took her into the parlor where the bride's nearest and dearest were to witness the ceremony. The room was already father full, and more people were coming constantly. Jill looked about her wonderingly. It is all so fine and fair. The rich rugs, the mahogany furniture, the masses and masses of green and white things from the florists and the lovely gowns of the women. The woman who had Jill in charge, talked rapidly to some one quite to herself. She was glad for her wanted to think. Since she had come to the house she had been receiving impressions so quickly that her head was in a whirl. She thought of Diane in all her bridal beauty and the green-robed bridesmaids. And Mrs. Car-

CATASTROPHE OF MANY CENTURIES AGO

Tombs of Mammoths in Siberia Tell of Vast Upheaval

All over the northern coast-line of the vast continent of Asia the remains of the mammoth, the great northern elephant, exist in almost incredible profusion. For many years people have come to the conclusion that at one time a race of huge elephants existed there, later becoming extinct for some reason or other, and no further thought has been bestowed upon the matter. The commercial interest, indeed, has not been overlooked. For instance, 110,000 pounds weight of mammoth ivory was sold in one year in the middle of the last century, and a few years later no less than 1,800 tusks were imported into London. The ivory, however, is too brittle to find favor in western markets, though much is in use in Russia and China.

But the story hidden in the tomb of the mammoth is one of intense interest. Of a dead and gone world the mammoth is most interesting, and not only because at that time the trunk-bearing, tusked animals were undoubtedly lords and masters of the earth. They seem to have swarmed. All over the vast European continent they roamed at will, safe and unassailable. Man of the stone age could not with his primitive weapons have inflicted the most trifling injury on these monsters; the only creature that could have a chance with them was the great sabre-toothed tiger. All over North America, too, the remains of the great brutes, only there the mastodon represented the victorious race. We meet the mammoth in North Africa, and in this connection we come across a very interesting point. The Arabic word "ivory" is to-day mehemoth. Anyone can understand how easily the initial "M" might be corrupted into "B"—as said in the head would do it), and there we have the Behemoth of Job, an elephant, not a hippopotamus, as is generally conjectured, for if the original word be contracted, mehemoth readily becomes mammoth.

But where the mammoth is so supremely instructive is that, on the day of his death, or almost immediately afterward, he was frozen in and has been preserved just as he perished up to this day. There we can see him, his great pre-Adamite eyes gleaming dully in their sockets, his thick woolly coat, with its covering of long black hair and his shaggy mane, just as he was thousands and thousands of years ago. His flesh is still fresh—woolies and foxes feast on it, his bones are still fresh, and there is quite a small trade in mammoth skeletons. His fat is used for fuel in Kamchatka to this day; and, odddest of all, the food in his stomach is sometimes found quite fresh, showing that he must have been cut off suddenly, as it were, in his prime.

Now the only way of accounting for this swift, complete, world-wide destruction is some stupendous catastrophe. Of what nature? It could not have been fire, for that would have reduced everything to ashes; it could not have been ice, which always tends to be invoked to explain primeval phenomena, for that would have crushed bones and tusks to powder. We have the clue in the soil in which these remains are found. It is invariably a water deposit. Incontestably and incontrovertibly the mammoth and his contemporaries, wolves, hyenas, hippopotami, etc., were overwhelmed by a vast flood of water by a series of floods.

Man perished, too. Side by side with the brute creation we find his bones and flint instruments, always in water-borne soil, and a curious evidence of his existence at the time is a rude engraving of a mammoth on a mammoth tusk.

The more one looks into the evidence the more conclusive it appears. In southern Europe, and even in England, we come across recesses in the hills full of the bones of animals of this age. Clearly almost to demonstration they had sought refuge on the hill tops from the rising flood of waters that was to engulf them, much as sailors swarm up the rigging of a sinking ship.

These changes must have been accompanied by tremendous earthquakes, and it is almost certain that many of the victims of the great "drowning-out" perished through the earth subsiding rather than through the waters rising. Again the waves must have been of inconceivable volume. We have seen what a volcano can do when it comes into conflict with the sea, when in 1883 Krakatau hurled back the lashing Indian ocean in one vast billow that swept almost in a moment that rugged human being, and travelled right across the world from Sumatra to the coasts of England. It is vain to imagine what the scale of such waves must have been while these gigantic globe-changers were in progress.

To return to the mammoth, what was he doing in Siberia? How could he live there? Northern Siberia is the most rigorous climate in the habitable world. The soil never thaws there to a depth of more than three feet, and is frozen downward for at least 400 feet. There is not enough food there to keep a single mammoth; and they were there in their millions. The explanation is probably something as follows:

In those times the continent of Asia extended much further up into the polar basin, and the temperature of Siberia was far milder than it is to-day. It was a region of vast forests inhabited by roaming herds of these gigantic beasts. We have strong evidence that this was so. In the first place it is indicated by the fact that bits of wood and branches and trunks are found beside the carcasses, and also in a masticated condition between their teeth, and even in their stomachs. Secondly, many of the islands to the

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north of Asia are simply vast mammoth charnel houses, the same testimony of the existence of contemporary forests being present.

So great beasts lived and moved until the appointed day arrived. In rushed the sea from the north, deluging the mainland. In vain the mammoths sought shelter in flight. The heading waters were too quick for them, and the fleeing herds were overtaken and drowned in hundreds of thousands. Along the coast line the sea to this day washes up mammoth bones, showing that below its surface there must be simply a gigantic graveyard of these creatures.

Then came the grip of the frost. How? If the sea advanced at one time it is clear that it must subsequently have retreated, and in this case it was probably driven back with violence. It seems reasonably certain that just at about this time the roof of the world, the vast range of the Himalayas and the Hindoo Khoosh rose majestically. The effect would be to cut off all the country to the north from the warm atmosphere of the tropics. Not a breath of warm air would reach the continent, and being frozen in the transit. The inevitable result must have been a sudden, great, and, as it has proved, enduring fall of temperature. To this day the frost king has never laid aside his sceptre. The grip of intense cold descended on the drowned mammoth before putrefaction had even commenced its work, and it has held him through these ages.

PLEA OF MALIGN INFLUENCE.
Beatrice Stewart, aged eighteen, a shop assistant, was charged at Marylebone, London, police court with forging and uttering four orders for goods and obtaining by false pretences silk worth £4 5s. 8d. and furs worth £7 15s.

It was stated that the accused, a smart-looking young woman of respectable parentage, had been in the service of Messrs. Debenham & Freebody, but left in November. She obtained possession of some of their printed order forms, and recently used them to obtain the goods from the prosecuting firms. When arrested she declared that she was forced to do it by a man whom she had known for five months, but only by his Christian name of Arthur.

Mr. Cartwright, for the defence, regretted that he had been unable to secure the attendance of the man, and said the character of the accused was such that her conduct could only be accounted for by some malign outside influence. She met this strange man just before she left Messrs. Debenham & Freebody, and he induced her, by threats, to obtain the orders. The whole of the proceeds from the pawning of the articles went into his pocket. Mr. Cartwright suggested that she should be treated as a first offender.

Mr. Stowden refused to take that course. Her whole conduct, he said, was the result of a deliberate design, and he sentenced her in all to three months' imprisonment in the second division on the charges of fraud.

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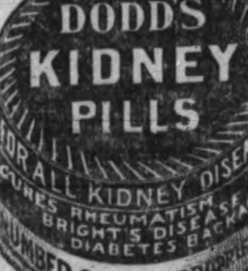
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