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Edwin N. Fuller, the veteran journalist and secretary of the Washington State Historical Society, died at his home in Tacoma on Friday night after a brief illness. He was 80 years of age, but up to a few days ago had been an active worker. Mr. Fuller had been engaged in newspaper work in Boston, Chicago and Salt Lake City previous to coming to Tacoma twenty years ago.

The ship was named by Miss Pauline Morton, daughter of the secretary of the navy.

Judge Newburger, of New York, denied the motion of counsel of "Nan" Patterson asking for the discharge of the actress indicted for the murder of "Caesar" Young on her own recognizance, because a term of the court had passed since she was indicted. As a result of this decision the prisoner will be compelled to stay in the Tombs until her case is called for trial, which will probably not be before the October term.

RUSSIANS RETREAT TOWARDS MUKDEN

FELL BACK WHEN JAPS OCCUPIED ANSHANSHAN

Bombardment of Port Arthur Preparatory to a General Assault by the Besiegers.

(Associated Press.)

Tokio, Aug. 20.—The Japanese troops occupied Anshan yesterday, and the Russians have retreated towards Mukden.

JAPS PREPARING FOR GENERAL ASSAULT

Chefoo, Aug. 20.—12.30 p. m.—The steamer Pechili, which has just arrived here, was overhauled and boarded by a Japanese destroyer and five torpedo boats six miles off Lalo Ti promontory last night. An officer from the destroyer stayed on board for forty minutes conversing with the Japanese consul at Newchwang, who was a passenger for Chefoo.

The sound of firing was so heavy occasionally that conversation was difficult.

The Japanese explained that they were engaged in shelling the Russian position with the utmost vigor preparatory to an assault to-day towards darbreak. When the Pechili was permitted to proceed on her course, the firing was at its heaviest, and it was believed to indicate the imminence of a general assault.

TRYING TO PREVENT JAPS PLACING GUNS.

Chefoo, Aug. 19.—9 p. m.—Firing at Port Arthur by big guns was distinctly heard here to-night.

Late advices from Port Arthur say that Palung Chang, although retaken by the Russians, has not been occupied by either side. The Russian batteries have contented themselves with preventing the Japanese from recouping this position and planting guns which would command the Russian warships in the harbor.

Russian naval officers believe that the Japanese battleship Mikasa was sunk in the engagement of August 10th. They declare that while the Japanese concentrated their fire on the Casarevitch, the Russians centered theirs on Mikasa, Admiral Togo's flagship.

It was the Mikasa which the Retzivan tried to ram during the fight. The Retzivan has been receiving a grueling, and her captain suddenly gave an order to steer into the midst of the Japanese vessels and head for the Mikasa. So fully surrounded was the Retzivan that at one time she was using everyone of her guns. One Japanese shot rendered her turret unworkable, but repairs were made in ten minutes.

The Russian warships which returned to Port Arthur declare that Admiral Withoff's last order was to return to Port Arthur. This disagrees with a previous statement from Tsentau alleging that the admiral's last order was not to return.

Commercial business at Port Arthur is said to be at a complete standstill. The people are living in bomb proof houses. A belief on both sides of the contending forces that the other side is abusing the Red Cross has led to the feeling that that emblem is of little protection.

The Russians assert that the Japanese use the flag to cover reconnoitering parties. Recently a Russian sharpshooter noticed a Japanese officer and a party of 15 carrying a Red Cross flag. He reported that he believed the Japanese were shamming that they were wounded. The Russian officer in command gave the sharpshooter permission to fire on them. The sharpshooter killed or wounded all of them. As fast as one dropped the Red Cross flag another one picked it up.

It is also reported that the Japanese attempted to drive the Russians into touching off their electric ground mines by driving cattle over them in the darkness. This ruse has, it is said, resulted in merely affording the besieged fresh supplies of beef.

The Russians declare that Takushan is doing the Japanese but little good as they are frequently driven from that position by artillery fire. They are also unable to mount guns. Among the buildings in Port Arthur that have been destroyed by shells are the Russian church and Clarksons & Son's American watch house.

CONFER REGARDING THE RUSSIAN DESTROYER.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 19.—The Chinese minister came to St. Petersburg from his seaside villa and conferred with several ambassadors regarding developments in the Ryeshtel incident. The general impression in diplomatic circles here is that Japan may yet change her mind and surrender the Ryeshtel to the care of some neutral power, reserving all rights. Such a course, it is pointed out, would strengthen Japan's position and at the same time avoid the possibility of complications affecting China's neutrality and the limitation of the area of hostilities which was prompted by Secretary Hay's note.

The question of the disarmament of the Russian ships at Shanghai, it is understood, is to be settled on the spot by the Taotai and consul-general of Russia. This matter is not expected here to

lead to the extreme measures threatened at Tokio in view of an authoritative statement made to the Associated Press that Russia was recoiled to the disarmament of the cruiser Askold and the destroyer Grozovoi.

The admiralty has not yet been informed of the whereabouts of Lieut. McCauley or Lieut. Deconville, respectively of the American and French navies, the only two attaches who were at Port Arthur, and who recently left that port.

The authorities believe they were on the flagship, since they were aboard neither the battleship Casarevitch nor the cruiser Askold, and consequently they must have been with Rear-Admiral Prince Ouktomski, who is understood to have transferred his flag from the Retzivan to the Peresviet.

EMPEROR CONGRATULATES DEFENDERS OF FORTRESS.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—The Emperor has telegraphed Lieut-General Stoessel, in command of the military forces at Port Arthur, as follows:

"I direct you to congratulate, in my name and on behalf of the whole of Russia, the troops, sailors and inhabitants of Port Arthur on the successes gained in the fighting of July 26th, 27th and 28th. I am fully convinced of their absolute



REAR-ADMIRAL URU, Commander of a Squadron of Japanese Ships During Flight With the Vladivostok Fleet.

readiness to uphold the glory of our army by their unbounded bravery. I warmly thank all. May the Most High God bless their heroic deed which entailed so heavy sacrifices, and may He protect the fortress of Port Arthur from the attacks of the enemy. (Signed) Nicholas."

RESERVE OFFICERS CALLED TO THE COLORS.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—The Emperor has issued a ukase summoning to the colors all the reserve-officers throughout the Empire. The Official Messenger to-day announces the mobilization of the reserves in four districts of the Poltava government, two in the Kievsk government, two in the Tver government, one in the Samara government, four in the Saratoff government, one in the Astrakhan government, one in the Ufa government, five in the Samberk government, one in the Perm government, two in the St. Petersburg government, one in the Helysnia government, seven in the Archangel government and seven in the Olonetz government.

NEWS OF MISSING RUSSIAN CRUISERS.

London, Aug. 20.—A dispatch to a news agency from St. Petersburg to-day says news has reached the admiralty there to the effect that the missing Russian cruiser Novik, has arrived at Korsakovsk, a port of the Island of Sakhalin, and the Russian cruiser Diana, concerning whose fate there has been considerable anxiety, has been seen off Hongkong.

SELF-ACCUSED.

Man Surrenders, Saying He Stole Papers From a Person Believed to Be F. Kent Loomis.

(Associated Press.)

London, Aug. 20.—United States Consul-General Evans said to-day that as the late F. Kent Loomis had left no important papers and had never been in Southampton, he did not think that the story yesterday told by Franz Schneider, who gave himself up to the police at Birmingham yesterday, accusing himself of stealing papers from a person at Southampton, believed to be F. Kent Loomis, was even worthy of investigation.

FOOTBALL FATALITY.

Youth Injured During a Scrimmage Died After Being Removed to Hospital.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Aug. 20.—Football found its first victim this season in Chicago. James Pine, 16 years old, and several companions engaged in a game, and during a scrimmage the lad was thrown violently on his head. He was removed to the hospital, where he died within an hour.

Disastrous fires are occurring in Hungary in consequence of the prolonged drought. Hundreds of houses have been burned in various villages during the past week, in which from fifteen to twenty persons have been burned to death.

MORE HOMES HAVE BEEN DESTROYED

SERIOUS DAMAGE AT SOUTH WELLINGTON

The Fire Which Threatened the Hamilton Powder Company's Works Is Under Control.

(Special to the Times.)

Nanaimo, Aug. 20.—With wires down in every direction it is difficult to learn the exact state of affairs in the fire area this morning.

The Hamilton Powder Company reports that after an all-night fight the fire which was spreading under control.

Several houses were destroyed at South Wellington last night. At Comox the fires have stopped railway operations and cut Cumberland off from Union wharf.

The whole of Hornby Island is ablaze, the fire destroying valuable sheep pastures, while on Texada big fires are roaring.

SINGULAR STORY COMES FROM PARIS

Revolutionists Declare Czarina's Girl Birth to a Daughter, for Whom a Boy Was Substituted.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Aug. 20.—A Paris dispatch to the World says:

"Russian revolutionists here declare about to become a mother, of Russia really gave birth to a female child, for whom at her birth a male child was substituted, a peasant woman's baby.

"The revolutionists vouch for the truth of this statement, and astounding as it is, it comes from a perfectly reliable source.

"The Nihilists say the internal condition of Russia is such—and it may be so—that had the people been disappointed again in their hope of the birth of a Czarina a revolt would have been imminent. This danger, magnified by the probability of the fall of Port Arthur at the moment, caused the Czar's advisers to take these precautions. A peasant, about to become a mother, was summoned to the Alexander Villa at Peterhoff, where the Empress awaited the imminent birth of a Czarina with a girl, the fifth, the day before a boy came to the peasant. The fact is that the Czarina's announcement was concealed until the baby boy was taken from his mother's arms, presented to the Czar's relatives and the court, and placed in the imperial cradle.

"Improbable as this story appears, it must be remembered that the revolutionists have extraordinary underground communication all over Europe."

SUCCESSFUL OPERATION.

Scalp Torn From a Woman's Head Has Been Replaced.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Aug. 20.—Margaret Dougherty, of Rochester, N. Y., who was almost scalped in an automobile accident on August 10th, is recovering at a hospital here after undergoing a remarkable operation, which resulted in the replacing of her scalp, which was torn from her head. The article has already begun to unite, and the girl's hair shows such signs of vitality that the success of the operation is assured.

Miss Dougherty fell in dismounting from an automobile in Central Park. Her hair caught in the balance wheel, which had not been shut off, and the rapidly revolving shaft wound it up, tearing off part of the scalp. She was taken to the hospital unconscious, and a policeman carried the severed portion of the scalp. The doctors quickly prepared the wound, replaced the severed portion, which fitted perfectly, and sewed it on. Upon removal of the bandages it was found that the ciculae was healing, and the surgeons are satisfied the woman will show no effects of her terrible experience a month hence.

It is rumored in New York that the Cunard line has made a sweeping reduction in first and second class cabin rates, as well as steerage. The trans-Atlantic rate war has heretofore been confined to certain vessels not in the so-called combine, and a general rate war is expected to follow this action.

Russia continues to purchase modern steamers for use as transports. Her latest purchase, it is said, is the 4,400-ton Therion and the 3,500-ton Claudius, both English-built boats of high speed.

The old-established yellow primroses, which are beginning to blossom in the south of England, have now a competitor called buttercup primrose.

REOPEN MONDAY.

The Teachers and Pupils Will Resume Their Work.

The schools will be reopened on Monday, the holidays having been extended a week in consequence of the warm weather. It is expected that there will be a big muster.

Commencement day exercises will be held in the assembly room of South Park school on Monday at 2 p. m. The entrance certificates to the High school will be presented to the 23 successful candidates. The Reform medal will be presented by the donor to Justice Gilbert, the head pupil of the province, and R. L. Drury, M. P. P., will present the annual "Denny prize" for Canadian history to Missy Edmund Scott. The provincial rolls of honor will also be awarded. A short programme will be rendered by the pupils. It is not the custom of this school to issue special invitations to prospective students; the principal and staff take this opportunity of cordially inviting all interested in our young people and the public schools to be present.

BODY RECOVERED.

Remains of J. A. Cones Brought From Shawnigan Yesterday—Funeral To-Morrow.

Yesterday the remains of John A. Cones, who was drowned on Thursday at Shawnigan Lake under most disastrous circumstances, were recovered by the provincial police. The body was brought to Victoria on the afternoon train and the funeral has been arranged to take place to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence, No. 8 North Chatham street, and later at the Emmanuel Baptist church, where impressive services will be conducted by Rev. E. Leroy Dakin.

Members of No. 1 company, Fifth Regiment, of which deceased was a valuable member, will attend. They will parade from the drill hall in "church parade" order at 1 o'clock, and march immediately to the residence mentioned. The Ancient Order of Foresters will also be present in a body. It is expected that local public school teachers, members of the local Y. M. C. A., and other sympathetic friends and acquaintances will attend in large numbers.

BOATING ACCIDENT.

Three Poul Bay Campers Had a Narrow Escape From Drowning.

What might have terminated in a very serious accident happened yesterday off Poul Bay. Three young men, Edgar-Fawcett, James Keefe and H. Johns, who are camping at that beautiful spot, took a craft destined for several days in the afternoon and started out in the midst of a good stiff southeaster. They got a considerable distance into the Straits, when they attempted to return. But plans did not work well. The jib-boom and mast carried away off Trial Island, and for a time all were in a dangerous position. Their craft drifted for several hours, and to add to the disagreeableness of their experience, the boat appeared to open, and filled full of water. The occupants were pelted up by the steamer Trader off Cadboro Bay later in the day and towed to shore. All three had every garment on their wet through, and were more than grateful to reach shore alive. Had they been capsized in the island they would probably have been drowned, for in those waters it would have been next to impossible to make shore.

NEW ORGANIZATION

Raised on the Ashes of the Old St. Andrew's Society.

The old St. Andrew's and Caledonia Society, of Victoria, through lack of interest, went out of existence, and the Scotsmen of Victoria have for some time been considering the question of organizing a St. Andrew's Society. Recently several meetings were held, and a constitution and by-laws drawn up. At the last meeting the matter took a practical shape and officers of the society were elected as follows: Hon. president, Mr. Justice Irving; president, Dr. G. L. Milne; first vice-president, R. H. Jameson; second vice-president, P. J. Riddell; secretary, E. C. Smith; treasurer, M. Crawford; chaplain, Rev. A. Ewing; installing officer, E. B. Paul. Now that the society has been revived it is to be hoped that Scotsmen will manifest the deep interest in the proceedings, which made it such a flourishing organization in days gone by. Then the fact that the St. Andrew's and Caledonia Society were identified with any entertainment or function was a certain guarantee of success.

MATCH ARRANGED.

Victoria Will Play the Seattle Rainiers Next Saturday at Oak Bay.

A baseball match has been arranged to take place on Saturday afternoon next between the Rainiers, of Seattle, and the Victoria nine. The game will be played at the Oak Bay grounds, commencing at 3 o'clock. The contest should prove interesting, as the visitors have established an unbroken record, having won twenty games straight, some of them against the fastest amateur teams of Washington. The Victoria players have been training hard during the past fortnight and will put up a first-class exhibition. The opposing teams will line up as follows:

Table listing players for Rainiers and Victoria teams, including positions like Catcher, Pitcher, 1st Base, etc.

There are more blind people among the Spaniards than among any other European race.

STUDENTS RETURN FROM WEST COAST

OUTING PLEASANT AND PROFITABLE

Spent Six Weeks at the Port Renfrew Botanical Station—Professor McMillan Interviewed.

Prof. Conway McMillan, of the Minnesota University, who returned with a party of 20 students from the Port Renfrew botanical station yesterday, says their visit to the West Coast was both profitable and pleasant. Very little time was spent in holiday making, practically the whole six weeks being taken up in study. "We don't come to the Pacific Coast every year on a pleasure trip," explained Prof. McMillan yesterday. "The institution is operated directly in connection with the university, and those who come to British Columbia come for a purpose. We are up at 5 o'clock most mornings in order to catch the tide out, when our investigations of the character of marine life can best be pursued. Following this laboratory work and several lectures."

"This year the studies embraced several subjects that had not previously been taken up on this station. On this account there were no less than five instructors in attendance, each of whom is a specialist in some particular line. Prof. McMillan acted as director, and assisting him were Dr. Hall, a prominent eastern educationalist, who taught geology; J. P. Munson, of the Ellensburg Normal College, taking up zoology; Dr. Albert Snider, who took up bacteriology; and Dr. C. E. Russell, of the University of Nebraska. The latter conducted a class on forestry.

One of the most important of the new subjects studied, the professor said, was geology. There was an exceedingly enthusiastic class on this, and Prof. McMillan states that there was not a missing property within reasonable distance of Port Renfrew that was not carefully inspected. These students also set out one day and climbed to the top of Mount Edinburgh, no ordinary feat when it is considered that included in the party were a number of women. "It is a performance," laughingly remarked the professor, "that appalled me, although the scenic reward granted those who reached the top was no doubt worth the exertion."

Prof. McMillan is particularly impressed with the marvelous supply of timber to be found on Vancouver Island, and expressed surprise that so little effort apparently was being made to exploit these resources. In his opinion there was sufficient to supply the world for a couple of generations. It was a shame to see so much of this valuable timber rotting away, and he looked forward to the time when the residents of British Columbia would realize the magnificent opportunities right at hand.

"It isn't possible," he added, "for a country with the wonderful resources in mineral and timber of this island to be stationary for long. Within a few years there is bound to be a boom which will be the beginning of a new era."

In conclusion, Prof. McMillan stated that next year there would be a much larger party of students from eastern universities. Owing to the exposition at St. Louis some difficulty had been experienced this spring in securing students willing to spend the best part of the summer in the west. The Portland exhibition will have a tendency to attract attention to the Pacific Coast, and he expected to bring out an exceptionally large party.

As mentioned yesterday, Prof. McMillan and party have left for the Sound on route east. A number of the students in charge of Dr. Hall, the geology instructor, are making the trip east by the C. P. E., and will make short stays at different points in the SERRIKS and Rocky Mountains for the purpose of inspecting various mining properties.

ENTERTAINED THE MINISTER.

Hon. Mr. Prefontaine Guest of Dr. Milne Last Evening—Goes to Sooke.

Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, minister of marine and fisheries, spent a very busy day yesterday. As is generally known he accompanied officials of the Tourist Association on an excursion to the Arm, where the various improvements alluded to in the memorial presented to him were explained. In the afternoon he drove to the many points of interest about the city, and was considerably impressed by what he saw. Later in the afternoon he was entertained at dinner by Dr. G. L. Milne, at his residence, "Pinelhurst," Dallas road. In addition to Hon. Mr. Prefontaine, the following gentlemen were present: O. E. Talbot, M. P. for Bellechasse, Quebec; Geo. Riley, M. P. for Rimouski; M. P. Richard Hall, M. P. for Gaspereau; deputy minister of marine and fisheries, W. K. Houston, J. Kingham and Capt. J. G. Cox.

In the evening the minister and party met the Victoria Liberals at the A. O. U. W. hall, a full report of which appears elsewhere in this paper. After the meeting the party boarded the Quadra and this morning accompanied by a number of Victorians they journeyed to Sooke to witness a lift of the salmon trap there. They will return some time this afternoon. It is altogether likely that a trip up the line will be taken, after which the minister will probably return East.

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THE JAP ASSAULT ON PORT ARTHUR

MANY KILLED BY EXPLOSION OF MINES

Five Battleships and Cruiser in Harbor Will Be Destroyed If Escape Is Impossible.

Chefoo, Aug. 19.—Details of the Port Arthur fighting show that the earlier stories of attacks before the fortress were not exaggerated, and that the Japanese, true to their earlier methods of absolutely disregarding human life to accomplish their purpose, have been carrying all of the outer positions by assault.

As a result of this incident of last Monday's assault on the outer port is cited. The Japanese had been pressing their advantage until it seemed that a general assault might be successful and result in the capture of an important outer position. A charge was ordered, but as the troops moved across the intervening space a series of mines were exploded directly in their path.

Under cover of the night, however, the Japanese moved forward, and finally occupied the coveted position. Chinese report that the Japanese are now driving cattle across the mined roadways in an attempt to explode the buried mines and clear the way for the final charges.

It is stated that Admiral Witboff's last signal during the battle of August 10th was to remember that the Emperor's orders were not to retreat to Port Arthur. It is presumed that superficial repairs have deceived spectators viewing the ships under the disadvantages occasioned by the order that no one be allowed to inspect them.

On the right wing it is stated that the Japanese have penetrated to an abandoned Chinese arsenal one and one-quarter miles east of the city. Most of the dockyard buildings have been damaged.

FIVE BATTLESHIPS AND CRUISERS IN HARBOR.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 19.—The hope of accomplishing the cherished plan of the admiralty, of uniting the two Russian Far Eastern squadrons to await the coming of the Battle fleet, seems now almost hopeless. Nevertheless, the admiralty expects that the battleships, if they returned to Port Arthur to sail forth again, even to certain destruction.

The authorities here are without information in regard to the reported torpedoing of a Russian cruiser of the Pallada type, which they say must mean the Diana. Both the official Russian reports agree as to the main details of the engagement and the manner in which the big ironclads "in the form of a gridiron attacked and counter-attacked" as they delivered their broadsides.

comment. The spirits of the people may be judged from the fact that although this is a holiday, there are no crowds in the streets, but the churches were thronged by whole families mourning the loss of the loved ones with the fleet.

Later in the day the admiralty received official information that Vice-Admiral Prince Ouktomsky's five battleships and protected cruiser Pallada are at Port Arthur. A telegram received here from the Russian consul at Chefoo does not mention that the vessels are damaged, and makes no reference to the report from Tokio that a gunboat of the type of the Otrajd had been sunk off the Liao promontory owing to having collided with a mine.

TO PREVENT JAPS SECURING THE SHIPS.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—2.10 a.m.—Acute anxiety prevails regarding the situation at Port Arthur, though the war office does not seem to believe that the danger of the fall of the fortress is imminent. According to advices there is still an ample supply of ammunition and provisions there. While it is realized that the Japanese probably outnumber the defenders six or sevenfold, the strength of the fortification, it is believed, will make up for the disparity in numbers.

It is declared certain that if the fortress falls, the fleet will not be taken by the Japanese. On this point the admiralty's instructions are of the most imperative character. Vice-Admiral Prince Ouktomsky has been ordered, should the worst come, to sail forth for a death struggle, and there is no question here that these instructions will be carried out both in letter and in spirit; but if for any reason a final sortie is impossible, the admiral is to destroy his ships and to make certain that their wreckage shall be absolutely certain.

In the meantime Vice-Admiral Rojstvensky's Baltic squadron, including the new battleship Orel, is standing off Kronstadt with steam up.

LOSSES TO SHIPPING BY RUSSIAN RAIDS.

London, Aug. 19.—In an extensive review of the losses to shipping, due to the raids of the Russian Siberian squadron, the insurance expert of the London Times states that an exaggerated idea of their extent has been spread abroad, the estimates in all cases exceeding £1,000,000 (£5,000,000), and such figures are a mistake, he declares. The total loss is less than £20,000 (£250,000), and even that figure can confidently be expected to be reduced largely by salvage from Russia should the British government do its duty in the premises.

JAPANESE TREATMENT OF WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

Chefoo, Aug. 19.—Major Lewis A. Seaman, a specialist military surgeon, who has been much in the Japanese hospitals, and who has been with the Chinese, or Chinese bandits, near Mukden, has arrived at Chefoo. He gave some interesting observations on the Japanese methods of treating wounded men. He says that the Japanese are giving profit of the benefits to be derived from non-interference with wounds in the field, where they content themselves with the application of first-aid bandages and antiseptics, leaving the more serious work to be done in the hospitals at home. This course is followed except where there is danger of the wounded man bleeding to death or where his condition is precarious.

The result of this practice has been that many men suffering from bullet wounds at the front are nearly well when they reach Japan. In one hospital ship returning to Japan from the front there were 2,200 wounded men, and there was not a single death on board during the trip. Three per cent. will cover all the deaths among the wounded who have been returned to Japan after having received first-aid treatment only. If the Japanese soldier is not killed outright the chances are that he will recover. His temperate habits and his plain and healthful diet of fish and rice, varied occasionally with meat, contribute much to his recovery. Russian wounded captured by the Japanese have been treated in a similar manner, and the recoveries among these men are scarcely less in proportion than among the Japanese.

A new complication has been discovered in wounds sustained in this war, due to the extraordinary high speed of small bullets, which produce aneurisms by their speed, Major Seaman says 27

operations performed for the relief of this new condition. After having spent some time in Japan, Major Seaman, accompanied by Captain Chas. T. Boyd, of the Tenth United States infantry, was the guest of Changorin, a Chinese chief, near Siam-lung, where the Manchus number 10,000 men. The major declared these men to be in the employ of the Japanese, who pay the infantry 15 taels a month and the cavalry 25 taels a month. There are many Japanese officers among the forces who are used to harass the Russians.

During the visit of Major Seaman and Capt. Boyd, the bandits brought in the heads of five Cossacks on their pikes. These Cossacks had been part of a detachment of 35 men who were engaged in securing a thousand head of cattle. After the bandits defeated the Russian detachment, they appropriated the cattle.

The Manchus pride themselves on their horsemanship, and the visiting officers were their welcome among them to some West Point riding tricks shown them by Capt. Boyd. The attack of the Manchus on the Cossacks' detachment with the cattle resulted in a force of 3,000 Cossacks marching out to revenge the killing of their comrades. Thereupon the robber chief said his visitors had better go, as he could not undertake to protect them. Consequently Major Seaman and Capt. Boyd left the bandit's headquarters.

INSURGENT'S ULTIMATUM. Will Bombard the Capital of Paraguay if Town Does Not Surrender.

Buenos Ayres, Aug. 19.—The insurgents have seized another steamer, which had on board the minister of war and a small escort. The minister and his companions were made prisoners.

The vessel was towing four lighters loaded with 100 bullocks for the garrison. These were confiscated. At the conference on board one of the insurgent steamers after the bombardment of Assuncion, last Wednesday, before the minister of Argentine, Brazil, Italy and France and the insurgent leaders, the latter said that after the ministers left the vessel they would fire two shots, one at the residence of President Encarna and the others at the church, concealing the battery, in order to demonstrate the excellency of the artillery.

The shots were fired and it is thought the president's residence and the church were hit. It has been reported that the insurgent commander with 2,000 land forces is approaching Assuncion. One of the insurgent steamers has sailed for Villa Pajes, north of the capital. Villa Pajes is the only point which can now be communicated with. Assuncion is completely isolated.

The foreign ministers have offered their intervention, to which offer the insurgent leaders replied that they would permit President Encarna to continue in office, but would demand the resignations of the ministers and other high officials of the government. The insurgents' terms were promptly declined. The insurgents then sent an ultimatum commanding the surrender of the capital within twenty-four hours, saying that should this demand be not granted the bombardment of Assuncion would be resumed.

NERVOUSNESS A CALAMITY.

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FORGOT HE WAS MARRIED.

Man Charged With Bigamy is Confronted With Two Wives. New York, Aug. 19.—Confronted with two wives, neither of whom he remembered having married, Howard N. Corey, of Danville, Ill., who, after being indicted for bigamy, was arrested in Chicago, was arraigned in court charged with bigamy. Wife No. 1 was present with her 4-year-old son. She fainted when her husband ignored her, and was revived by wife No. 2, who is a two-months' bride. Corey is held under \$20,000 bonds until he can secure array records to prove he had frequent lapses of memory. He lived in Seattle about one year.

HE TELLS THEM TO ASK THE I.O.F.

JOHN J. BURNS CURED BY DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. He Had Chronic Inflammation of the Kidneys—Says His Brother Foresters Can Tell All About It.

Darnley, P. E. L., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—John J. Burns, a prominent member of the I. O. F. here, whose cure of Chronic Inflammation of the Loins and Kidneys caused a sensation some time ago, reports that he is still in splendid health. "Yes," says Mr. Burns, "my cure is entirely satisfactory. I have had no trouble since I used Dodd's Kidney Pills. They drove away the disease from which I suffered for eight years. 'No, I'll never forget Dodd's Kidney Pills. The doctor could not help me. I got so bad I could scarcely walk, sit or sleep. I was about to give up entirely when an advertisement led me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. Now I am in good health. Dodd's Kidney Pills saved my life.'"

If any one doubts Mr. Burns's story, he simply refers them to his brother Foresters. They all know how he suffered, and that Dodd's Kidney Pills cured him.

MINISTER MEETS LOCAL LIBERALS

ADDRESSED GATHERING YESTERDAY EVENING

His Remarks Aroused the Greatest Enthusiasm—Touched on Important Questions—Other Speeches.

Victoria Liberals, last night welcomed Hon. Mr. Prefontaine with rousing enthusiasm. The A. O. U. W. hall, in which the gathering was held, was filled and the remarks of the various speakers were listened to with the deepest interest and appreciation. Joshua Kingham, president of the Liberal Association, presided, and there were on the platform besides the minister, O. E. Talbot, M.P., for Bellechasse, and Hon. Mr. Prefontaine's secretary, Mr. Clement, the following: Ralph Smith, M.P.; George Riley, M.P.; Col. F. B. Gregory, Richard Hall, M. P.; Wm. Laidlaw, Jas. Parfitt, A. E. Courtenay, C. J. Y. Spratt, D. Leeming, L. H. Hardie, R. L. Drury, M. P.; James Paterson, W. G. Cameron, M. P.; Dr. T. J. Jones, John Piery, C. H. Lugin, A. B. Fraser, J. D. Dr. G. L. Milne, George Glover, J. R. McNeill, M. P.; John Taylor, Capt. Cox, W. Humphrey, W. K. Houston and A. E. Greenwood.

In opening the meeting the chairman said they were there to extend a royal, hearty welcome to Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, minister of marine and fisheries, who although a stranger here was undoubtedly the most talked of man in the province. He then called on Mr. Lugin, chairman of the reception committee of the Liberal Association, to read the memorial, which follows: To the Honorable Raymond Prefontaine, Minister of Marine and Fisheries:

Sir:—On behalf of the Liberals of Victoria we take this opportunity to extend to you a very hearty welcome to this province and its capital city. We are familiar with your long and active public career, and are glad that at this critical time in the history of Canada a gentleman of your known resolution, energy and practical knowledge is at the head of a department whose policy will have such an important bearing upon the interests of this province, as well as that of the department of marine and fisheries. The rapidly growing commerce of the Pacific Coast and the fact that the six degrees of latitude forming the British Columbia seaboard constitute the only part of the eastern shore of the Pacific under the British flag, render all questions pertaining to maritime development here of Imperial importance.

We desire to express our hearty appreciation of the course in the conduct of Canadian affairs pursued by the government in which you are a member. Canada has enjoyed unprecedented prosperity during the premiership of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and in most other parts of the world there have been periods of severe depression. We do not think we need hesitate to claim that this contrast in conditions is in large measure due to the general policy adopted by the Liberal administration. The railway policy of your government, especially as exhibited in the national transcontinental railway, has our unqualified approval. We believe that the results which will follow the construction of this line will more than justify the statesmanship which conceived it, and be a lasting monument to the breadth of view of the political party which carried it through parliament.

We desire to give our hearty endorsement to the memorial presented to you by the Victoria, B. C. Board of Trade, in the preparation of which members of the executive of the Liberal Association actively participated, and as representative Liberals we respectfully recommend the several measures therein mentioned, to the favorable consideration of yourself and your colleagues. We wish especially to state our great satisfaction at your expressed determination to do all in your power to enhance the value and development of the fishing industry of British Columbia, and we heartily approve of your course in the matter of fish traps, which we regard as the most important step yet taken in that direction. The use of traps is now almost universally conceded to be the most efficient and least wasteful means of taking salmonids, and discontents being either those who are influenced by local or personal prejudices or who have not yet fully understood that the fishing industry, when based upon trap fishing, means a large, growing and permanent demand for white labor; whereas the system heretofore in vogue has been chiefly advantageous to Oriental labor. The new system which has been permitted will tend to preserve Canadian jobs for Canadian fishermen, and we hope will have the effect of reducing the number of traps in United States waters, thereby removing some of the obstacles in the way of the fish when on their way to the spawning grounds. We claim, as residents of Victoria, that this part of the province is geographically positioned in its industry, and that as a general proposition this, like any other business, should be left open to the people of any part of the province under such restrictions only as are necessary to the proper conservation of the industry.

We hope that the suggestion that the use of traps shall be suspended or interfered with at any time hereafter will not be entertained, and we suggest that the only basis upon which satisfactory regulations can be founded is in the losses which experience in their use will teach. We applaud your determination to keep in the hands of Canada the full responsibility for maintaining hatcheries on the Fraser river. We consider it highly important that a separate fishery inspector should be appointed for Vancouver Island, and we desire to direct your attention to the urgent necessity of taking steps to protect the fresh water fisheries of this island.

We direct your attention to the fact that, while the claims of United States sealers against the Russian government have not been settled, those of Canadian sealers have not, and we ask that you bring this matter

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Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

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Rates for insertion in THE TIMES: All Classifications, except Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1 cent per word per day; six insertions for the price of four; no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Time rates on application.

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There is a "Want" ad in this issue of as much personal interest to you as though it came in a telegram. Look for it.

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Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FOR SALE—Cheap, 12-bore hammerless. E. H. Ward's Grocery, Discovery and Douglas.

A SNAP—For sale, small grocery scales, refrigerator and coffee mill. 133 1/2 Douglas street.

FOR SALE—320 acres good timber land, 1 mile from water, at Toxwatt Harbor. Address "Timber," Times Office.

FOR SALE—8-roomed house, corner lot and half, nice lawn, fruit trees, outbuildings, etc., \$1,500. Apply on premises, 68 North Pembroke street.

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WHAT IS HOME WITHOUT MUSIC? We have in stock over 100,000 pieces, full size, large print, sheet music, which retail in music stores at from 25c. to 50c. per copy. It can easily be sold to anybody and everybody for from 5c. to 10c. Agents wanted everywhere. Great chance to earn \$25 per week. Special inducements. Will send sample lot 100 copies to those first applying for \$1.00 or 12 pieces for 25c. Send in your order now. Your money refunded if not satisfied. Address Ohio Music Co., 2146 Fifth Ave., N. Y.

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ART SCHOOL—32 Douglas street, cor. of Fort. All subjects, including wood carving and mechanical drawing. Martindale, master. Private lessons given.

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FOR SALE—Improved ranch. For particulars apply "M. M.," Times Office.

FOR SALE—67 acres in Sooke, 5 roomed house, barn and chicken houses, several fruit trees and some small fruits, about 12 acres fenced and partly cultivated, half-mile river frontage; only \$800. Write to M. Emerson, Maywood P. O., B. C.

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A. Stuart Robertson, J. E. Stuart, Pres., Mang. Dir., 36 Broad Street.

\$650—FOR SALE—A 6 roomed (two story) house, with bath, etc., and nice garden, full sized lot, in Victoria West, house is nearly new and is a bargain at this figure.

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30 Broad Street, Victoria.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, 10 roomed dwelling, all modern conveniences; \$3,150.

FOR SALE—3 choice building lots, Dallas road, the view of Straits and mountains, \$1,500; or will be sold separately.

FOR SALE—Dallas road, 2 lots and modern 10 roomed dwelling, \$7,000; easy terms.

FOR SALE—The Arm, 2 large water front lots and 10 roomed dwelling; only \$3,000.

FOR SALE—Niagara street, on car line, modern bungalow of 7 rooms; \$2,500.

FOR SALE—Oak Bay avenue, new cottage and two lots, on car line; only \$2,625.

FOR SALE—Oak Bay, 2 1/2 acres, 4 roomed house, good soil, city water laid on; price \$2,525.

FOR SALE—Lot, 60x120, and 7 roomed house, McClure street; \$1,600.

FOR SALE—Oak Bay avenue, near Rockland avenue, 2 vacant lots; only \$750.

FOR SALE—Shawigan Lake, 1/2 acre and cottage, with furniture; only \$500.

FOR SALE—Lot, 60x120, new cottage of 5 rooms, bath and pantry, Old Esquimalt road, \$1,500; particularly easy terms.

FOR SALE—Pembroke street, near Douglas street, lot 60x120, 5 roomed cottage, modern conveniences; only \$1,600.

FOR SALE—150 acres, South Cowichan, 20 acres cultivated, dwelling, 2 large barns, one mile from wharf, 2 1/2 miles from railway; only \$2,100.

FOR SALE—175 acres, six miles from town, small house and barn; \$3,000.

FOR SALE—7 1/2 acres and small dwelling, near the exhibition building; \$500 cash and balance in small monthly payments, no interest.

FOR SALE—Water lot and dwelling, near the new C. P. R. wharf, James Bay; price and terms on application.

FOR SALE—Comlakin District, 200 acres, 50 cultivated, stream runs through property; dwelling, barns, sheds, etc.; only \$5,150.

FOR SALE—Oak Bay avenue, 2 lots and 7 roomed cottage; \$2,000.

FOR SALE—Henry street, Victoria West, 3 vacant lots; only \$525.

FOR SALE—Esquimalt road, 1/2 acre and 5 roomed cottage; \$1,500.

FOR SALE—Esquimalt road, with frontage on beach, 1/2 acre and 8 roomed house, \$2,500; terms.

FOR SALE—Pandora street, lot 60x120, 6 roomed cottage; only \$1,600.

FOR SALE—Yates street, near Quadra, vacant lot; \$1,800.

FOR SALE—1/2 acre, four miles from city; \$350.

FOR SALE—First street, modern 8 roomed dwelling, lot 60x135; only \$1,600.

FOR SALE—First street, cottage of 4 rooms and 1/2 lot, all modern conveniences, \$1,350; easy terms.

FOR SALE—240 acres, Lake District, excellent fruit soil, plenty of water; only \$5,250.

FOR SALE—Cowichan District, 138 acres, large dwelling, barns, etc., well adapted for a dairy farm, only \$2,500; easy terms.

FOR SALE—Quamichan District, 160 acres, 100 acres from railway station, good roads; price \$2,000.

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Would you rather have a vacant house on your hands for a month than spend a dollar advertising for a tenant? Guess you are not that kind of financier.

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TO ADVERTISERS—We make cuts which enhance the effectiveness of your advertisements one hundred per cent. Nothing so effective as illustrations. From \$2 upwards, according to size. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co.

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Gillard's Pickle and Sauce Knox's Gelatine

Retail by all Grocers. Wholesale by

R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Aug. 20—5 a. m.—Little change has occurred in the weather conditions over the North Pacific Coast. Smoke is still general from Vancouver Island to California, while in the interior of this province light rains are reducing its intensity. Rain has also fallen in Alberta.

For 26 hours ending 5 p. m. Sunday. Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, continued fair, not much change in temperature.

Lower Mainland—Light variable winds, continued fair and warm.

Reports. Victoria—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 49; minimum, 40; wind, calm; weather, clear, smoke.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, 48; minimum, 40; wind, calm; weather, cloudy, smoke.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 46; minimum, 44; wind, calm; rain, .08; weather, clear, smoke.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 56; minimum, 52; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Port Simpson—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 50; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles N.W.; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 34; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles S.W.; rain, .14; weather, clear.

ARE YOU GOING ON A JOURNEY?

Be sure to take with you on your travels a supply of Pay Roll plug chewing tobacco. It will be a good friend and good company when you are weary and need sustenance. All stores sell "Pay Roll," and the tags are valuable for premiums.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Princess Victoria from Seattle—Brackman & Ker M. Co., Shaw & Anderson, Jay & Co., F. R. Stewart & Co., D. H. Ross & Co., Saunders Grocery Co., R. S. Bryn, Shawigan L. Lib Co., Pitt & Peterson.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Victoria from Seattle—Mrs. Cooper, Mr. Glass, Mrs. Glass, T. G. Cole, Mrs. Mackay, J. Leitch, J. Fox, J. Gorale, A. Alken, Mr. Chapman, Mr. Chapman, J. S. Brice, G. A. Shad, — Leitch, Mrs. Cuddy, — Dixon, Mrs. Buckleton, Miss Murray, Mr. Buckleton, Mrs. Walters, A. W. Kuhn, J. R. Miller, J. A. Young, B. Vandal, W. E. Clarke, Mr. Miller, — Mathews, Mrs. Anderson, F. Barnes, M. Lynch, S. Nolan, Miss F. Barnes, J. E. Marks, Mr. Bates, Mrs. Mackay, G. L. Webster, Miss Little, G. Williams, J. Hamilton, J. Gardner, Mr. Cohen, H. Bowman, F. McConnell, J. O. Lowe, W. B. Miles, Mrs. Halse, Mrs. Gillbrandt, W. Steinar, Mrs. Steinar, Miss Hart, Mrs. Graham, A. H. Flick, M. Graham, F. Baker, R. T. Hart, — Thompson, Mrs. Thompson, J. Merritt, — Erdman, Mrs. Erdman, G. F. Beater, W. Hayford, Mrs. Cottle, — Bergant, Miss Hopkins, O. Penney, — Nason, — Kenney, Capt. McKenzie, Miss Clark, Miss Adams, E. Whitehead, T. Hutson, — Hodgson, Van Tulin, A. Dory, Mrs. Dory, Miss Dory, Miss H. Engle.

PIANOS AT WINNIPEG EXHIBITION.

The piano exhibit at Winnipeg this year was the most successful of the big Dominion Fair. Perhaps in no other way is the growth of Canada better exemplified than by the progress of its manufacturers, and their exhibits at Winnipeg passed all expectations.

The demand for such luxuries as pianos has been very large in this province in Canada, a sure indication that the people are well-to-do and prosperous. The number of piano exhibits was very large.

For beauty and variety of style, the exhibit of the Williams' Piano Co., of Oshawa, caused the most comment. The different instruments they showed, in point of style, finish and general musical merit, demonstrated this Company to be foremost among the leading makers of the piano world. The cases shown were artistic models of the cabinet maker's art. The beautiful Sheridan, Old Dutch and Chippendale designs will not soon be forgotten by those who saw them. The two Dutch styles, one a rare specimen of French burr walnut and the other a choice bit of Cuban mahogany, were two of the features of the building. The dark rich wood was offset by brass hinges and trimmings and even competing manufacturers could not withhold their admiration. Apart from their architectural beauty, these pianos were all that modern methods could make them and possessed many new features which made them most desirable from the music lover's standpoint to illustrate—the entire exhibit being closed out to individual buyers the first week showing that western people appreciate the highest artistic conceptions as embodied in this special line.

The New Scale Williams' Piano is a piano that has been constructed along entirely new lines and possesses so many advantages over other makes that it is well worth one's calling at the local warerooms to examine them. The Williams' Piano Co., Oshawa, publish three booklets on the history and construction of a piano, which can be had direct by mail on application or from the local representatives of this celebrated piano.

Sole local agents, Fletcher Bros., 93 Government Street, Victoria.

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ter to the notice of your colleagues, so that it may be urged upon the Imperial government.

We have observed with great pleasure the steps taken by the government to promote the cause of Imperial unity, and we also commend most heartily its determination to preserve unimpaired Canadian self-respect and the principles of responsible government.

We entirely approve of your plans for the establishment of naval militia, and hope that in working them out Victoria will receive the consideration which its position as the most westerly outpost of the Empire demands.

Permit us to express our warm appreciation of the able manner in which you have represented the government since you have been in this province. Your visit cannot fail to enhance the popularity of the administration and tend to cement more firmly together the East and West.

Will you kindly convey to our esteemed leader, the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, an expression of our great esteem and entire confidence? We assure you that the Liberals of Victoria never felt more confident of success than they do at the present time, and when it comes that we shall be called upon to uphold the banner of Liberalism, we may be trusted to give a good account of ourselves.

We hope that your visit will be as pleasant and profitable to you as it has been to us. We know that it cannot fail to be of great advantage to the province and the Dominion.

Wishing you a safe journey home, and with the hope that we may have the pleasure at an early day of again welcoming you, we remain,

Yours faithfully,
Signed on behalf of the Liberals of Victoria.

CHARLES H. LUGHRIN,
Chairman of the Committee.

HON. R. PREFONTAINE.

In reply Hon. Mr. Prefontaine expressed his earnest appreciation at the welcome that had been extended to him and the flattering address he had just heard. As he had stated he came here to study, to investigate the different questions in a business like way. The cordial reception tendered to him proved that the hearts of the people of British Columbia were just as warm as their loyalty to the province. They showed that they appreciated what he had done and what he intended to do to affect an important industry of this province and of Canada.

The minister then took up the question of fisheries very much along the line of his remarks at the board of trade meeting the other night. He commented on the fact that out of a capital of \$20,000,000 or \$25,000,000 invested in fisheries in the whole of Canada, British Columbia was represented by a sum ranging from \$15,000,000 to \$17,000,000. Therefore it was not proper that in the consideration of this important industry the first province to be consulted should be British Columbia? He then dealt with the phase of the question on which an understanding was sought with the province, referring to the effect of the decision of the Privy Council in 1898.

He then took up the matter of traps. Frankly, he said his opinion had been formed on this question before he had occasion to study it, and he explained what set him thinking, telling of the incident on the steamer City of Seattle, when he was returning from Skagway, in which he heard some American plumbers themselves on having outwitted Canadians in the taking of salmon. This was several months before he became a minister of the crown, but when he was called to the cabinet he remembered this incident, and determined that Canadians should be placed in a position equally advantageous to their countries across the border. After thoroughly examining the question he reached the conclusion that in the interest of Canada it was necessary to adopt the principle of traps. But there were certain considerations, vested rights and so forth, that must be regarded in order that justice may be done to all.

The minister then enumerated the regulations governing the issuance of licenses. These were surrounded with every precaution. He didn't claim perfection for them, and was open to suggestions which would make them satisfactory to the majority of the people. There were many features to be considered, that of sites for instance. He had received many representations from various interests, and would study the matter thoroughly in order to do justice to all. He had met the secretary of the Fishermen's Association at Steveston last Tuesday, and he was informed that they were ready to admit that there should be a closed season, so as to allow the fish to go to their spawning grounds. This would be from August 25th to September 15th, besides Sundays. But if there must be a closed season let it be enforced; let not the regulation be a farce or a dead letter.

He had heard the views of canners, fishermen, capitalists, and unless something was done, and quick, the industry in these waters would decline to nothing. So that if after earnest consideration he decided to apply the regulations and laws so as to fully protect

this industry, he hoped the people of British Columbia would support the department without regard for political distinction, for there were no politics in the department.

He then spoke of the hatcheries to be erected as an evidence that the government was in earnest. It was stated in the morning paper that he had come to British Columbia to promise everything. Well, a man must be very poor if he couldn't make promises. But whatever he had said he meant. But he reminded them that despite all the zeal, energy and ardor he might manifest in behalf of this industry, if the people didn't assist him, and let little differences of opinion sink out of sight, he would be greatly hampered in his work. He then reminded his audience that he had been received in this province not as a Liberal, but as a minister of the crown, representing the best interests of the country, and particularly British Columbia.

He was glad to have an opportunity of saying a few words on another important question, the national transcontinental line. The government had thought proper to negotiate with the Grand Trunk Pacific for the construction of this line after mature deliberation and consultation with the patriotic citizens of the different provinces. A contract had been secured which ensured the construction of this railroad without costing the country more than one year's surplus, \$15,000,000. He was certain that the great mass of the people wanted this line built as soon as possible, because it would open up a second Canada. Day after day, night after night, this matter had been discussed. No serious objection had been made, but impracticable suggestions such as making a line of pieces of other roads had been submitted. Business men gave their approval of the project, and when it was submitted there was no direct opposition.

The surveys were nearly completed, and in a day or two Mr. Hays and other directors of the company would proceed north to select the Pacific terminus. It would be at either Port Simpson, Kitimat or some other place, he was sure the point selected would be the right one.

On the day the terminus would be selected the work would be started, and it would commence at the Pacific, going east, at the same time as at Winnipeg going west. There was nothing extraordinary in this announcement. The enterprise was in the hands of business men who naturally would convey their supplies and material to the scene of activity by the water route instead of over trails. With all this work going on British Columbians should have no fear for the future. If British Columbia was to decline then it would mean that Canada would decline, but he assured them that Canada was going ahead.

Hon. Mr. Prefontaine then referred to the importance of adequate aids to navigation being established in these waters in view of the rapid development of shipping, and said that in an interview with the executive of the board of trade on the previous evening, he had reached a perfect understanding as to the improvements necessary, and these would be provided for, while those not provided for would be installed as soon as possible. Among the improvements, it found feasible and necessary, the wireless telegraphic system, which is adopted on the St. Lawrence, would be established in these waters. He was determined that the West should have the same advantages as the East.

In closing he expressed his thanks for the kindly allusion they had made in the address to the leader of the government, Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Despite the trying work of the past two sessions he was now in the best of health. Hon. Mr. Prefontaine was sorry Sir Wilfrid was unable to carry out his cherished project of going to the Yukon owing to the prolongation of the session, but the speaker felt sure that if he could have come the people of British Columbia, regardless of political opinions, would have given him a royal and noble reception.

Hon. Mr. Prefontaine further said that he didn't know whether there would be an election before another session, but his party could go before the people on their record, and he felt confident that they would receive the approbation of the electorate from ocean to ocean. In closing he thanked all again for the manner in which he had been received.

Hon. Mr. Prefontaine's remarks were punctuated with applause, and when he concluded his address there was an enthusiastic demonstration.

GEO. RILEY, M. P.

Gorge Riley, M. P., who was next called upon, thanked the meeting for the loyal reception tendered the minister. He referred in the most complimentary manner to the able manner in which Hon. Mr. Prefontaine had dealt with the question of fish traps, after preceding ministers had turned a deaf ear to the matter. And the minister had no basis of roses. Some of the representatives didn't want traps, and Ralph Smith and himself were for them, so there was a tug-of-war. Fortunately, the Island representatives had a good anchor man in Senator Templeman, and they won out.

Mr. Riley then refuted the statements made by Mr. Bell-Irving of Vancouver who said that Victoria cannermen wanted a monopoly of fish traps. As a matter of fact Mr. Bell-Irving had been treated fairly. The speaker had in his pocket a list of applications for sites. There were 63 of them, and out of these Victorians had 22. Vancouver men had the balance. Every application filed was recorded on a map.

Alex. Wilson: "How many trap licenses did Mr. Bell-Irving apply for?" Mr. Riley: "Only 30. He was very modest."

In conclusion, Mr. Riley said that although no one knew when the elections would take place, the Liberals here were prepared for the fight.

O. E. TALBOT, M. P.

Mr. Talbot, the member for Bellechase, delivered an interesting speech, in which he referred to his previous visit to Victoria in the interest of the Trans-Canada railway project. He said he explained that the reason why that scheme had not been carried further was not because it had amalgamated with the Grand Trunk Pacific, but because the company was unable to make the deposit required by the government. The only company in a position to meet this demand was the Grand Trunk Pacific. The Trans-Canada Company was in

good faith, however, and had spent between \$60,000 and \$65,000 in surveys. The people of Canada, from ocean to ocean, were unanimously in favor of another transcontinental railway. Only a fringe of Canada was known to-day. It was one of the richest countries of the world, it had matchless resources in a great variety, and was peopled by a strong race.

In regard to the status of the Liberal party in Canada, he said there was no deterioration in the East. It was as strong as in 1896 and 1900. Mr. Tarte's departure from the cabinet did not affect its strength at all. Mr. Tarte was an eminent journalist, but he should stick to his journal.

Mr. Talbot then showered a few bouquets on Victoria's climate, and expressed regret that more people of the East did not come here. The prejudices which existed in England, he believed, were due to a great extent to the ignorance of Canadians of their own country. He endorsed what Hon. Mr. Prefontaine had said regarding the Premier. When a man like Sir Wilfrid could make such an impression in the countries in Europe and the United States as he had done, he was good enough for Canada. The Liberal party could go before the country with clean hands and a progressive policy. There was not an industry founded on sound principles which was not prosperous. It was claimed by their opponents that Providence was responsible for this. Then why should the people go back on the party which had Providence on its side. If the party was good enough for Providence it was good enough for the people of Canada.

RALPH SMITH, M. P.

Ralph Smith, M.P., was the next speaker. He remarked that although he was not the member for Victoria he represented the district which supplied the necessities of the people of this city. Victoria and the district for which he was member walked hand in hand. This was not always the case, and if the authorities at Ottawa didn't understand the wants of this country in the past it was due to the lack of unanimity among the people. In regard to the question of traps he was sure that none of the members either on the Island or Mainland desired to depreciate the position or claims of the other's constituents, but when geographical position gave the people an opportunity to gather in the riches of their surroundings they had a right to do so. Personally he was as deeply interested in the welfare of the men who fished on the Fraser as of the fishermen on the West Coast. The question was one of the economical catching of fish by machinery, and no intelligent man, labor minister or otherwise, should not be desirous to gather in the fish cheaply before the consuming community. Personally he had taken a deep interest in the fishermen whose rights would be affected by the adoption of traps, and it was therefore stipulated that nothing but bona fide Canadian fishermen should be permitted to work at them. This would be more bona fide Canadian fishermen employed on the West Coast traps than there ever were on the Fraser river.

He was pleased that Hon. Mr. Prefontaine had come to look into the affairs of the province, and his visit showed the interest manifested by the Ottawa authorities in the West. He was glad that two representative French-Canadians of Eastern Canada had come West. There was no need to disguise the fact that a certain class of politicians had disputed the loyalty of other people and there was a special class of politicians in this province who took that small ground. But the people could see in the action and remarks of such men as Hon. Mr. Prefontaine and Mr. Talbot a joy and breadth of thought which was a striking evidence against the insinuations of their opponents. The representatives of French-Canadians in Canada had done more to bring the country together than any other people. The present leader of the government had done more to get men to settle little disputes than any other man in Canada.

It was a good thing that there were men big enough to weld together a cosmopolitan people and make one united, progressive country. The speaker also eulogized the stand taken by Sir Wilfrid in the Dundas affair, a stand against the domination of militarism. He closed with a high tribute to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

W. G. Cameron, M.P.P., moved, seconded by R. L. Drury, M.P.P., a vote

of thanks to the minister and an expression of the association's support of the administration of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. In reply Hon. Mr. Prefontaine gracefully acknowledged the vote and said that he would not bid good-bye but would say au revoir. The meeting then terminated.

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A WARNING

The Toronto World writes Conservatives in all parts of Canada that a deep plot has been laid to take them at a disadvantage, that it is the undoubted intention of the Liberal government to dissolve Parliament and have the general elections over before the presidential contest has been decided in the United States. That means just about a month's campaign, because the fighting forces of the Liberal party will desire at least a few weeks to rest and recuperate after the labors of a long session of Parliament before meeting their opponents in the bitter fight for supremacy. The World, we confess, has not an established reputation for the accuracy of its information. As a political prophet its standing is not of the best. But, admittedly, circumstantial evidence can be produced in support of its theory. We do not desire that the Liberal-Conservative party of Victoria shall be taken at a disadvantage, and we give publication to the warning of the World for its benefit.

The meeting of the Liberals of Victoria held in the A. O. U. W. hall last evening may be taken as one straw indicative of the direction of the political wind. Considering that it was but a preliminary center, we think it will be conceded by the Conservatives who were at the meet that the war horses were in most excellent fettle. There was plenty of enthusiasm, with indications of much more held in reserve for future campaign purposes. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries delivered an address which was not so much a stump speech as a practical appeal from a man of affairs to the solid sense of a business community. It was not an electioneering harangue. But perhaps Mr. Prefontaine is in the plot to lull the opponents of the government into a false sense of security. His friend, Mr. Talbot was almost, if not quite, as guarded in his utterances. But again we would advise our Conservative friends not to be misled. We suspect that when Messrs. Prefontaine and Talbot return to their own people and are at liberty to speak in the language with which their tongues are thoroughly familiar they will be quite as plain-spoken, as eloquent and as convincing as were our local members last evening.

As to prospects of the Liberal party in the country generally when the appeal shall be taken to the people Liberals have no misgivings whatever. Making due allowance for the blissfulness of political sentiment, they do not comprehend how they can possibly be defeated. But Liberals are naturally biased in their judgment, and for our purpose we prefer to take the opinion of an authority which would be delighted if it foresaw any possibility of the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier being overwhelmed. The Toronto News, edited by Mr. J. S. Willison and the property of a Conservative, says it does not see where the Conservatives can expect to make gains to justify hopes of success. It thinks the Tories may manage to hold a majority in Ontario, but it points out that Ontario "seems to have lost its old ascendancy in national affairs." That this is due in a great degree to the success of narrow and bigoted reactionaries in the Tory party in Ontario there is little doubt. The West, too, is gradually gathering strength and influence, and will more and more counterbalance Ontario and the eastern provinces. Allowing for the possibility of Ontario giving a majority for the Tory cause, the News says:

But while the opposition will carry Ontario, even if the Grand Trunk should enter the contest in support of the Ministerial candidates, the Liberal forces in Quebec seem to be unbroken. Mr. Tarte has ceased to be a political factor; Sir Wilfrid Laurier's supremacy stands unchallenged. It is conceded also that Mr. Fielding, even though he must face the leader of the opposition, has lost none of his strength in Nova Scotia, and that large Conservative gains there are improbable. In New Brunswick the government may do as well as four years ago. Mr. Emmerson, although he has done better in parliament than was expected, is not such a past master in the

science of electioneering as Mr. Blair, nor has he the force and authority in New Brunswick politics which the former Minister of Railways exercised. The Liberals of Prince Edward Island must feel the loss of Sir Louis Davies, but the Island is naturally Liberal, and the chances are that its representation in parliament will remain practically unchanged. The opposition seem to look for their chief gains in Ontario, in New Brunswick and in the West. It seems to be admitted that in Manitoba the voters' lists were neglected by the Liberals, and that the Conservatives are likely to improve their position. In the Territories the government has nominated excellent candidates, and Liberals seem confident that they will carry the bulk of the seats.

The News believes British Columbia is one of the most uncertain quantities in the situation, an opinion which shows it is anxious to give the Conservative party the benefit of every doubt. Our contemporary is badly informed upon the political situation here. British Columbia is as solidly Liberal as it was in 1900. The contrast between the treatment the province has received from the present government and the neglect of our interests under a former regime has operated principally to produce this result, but the policy of the McBride administration in opposing the land bounty and all other movements proposed for the benefit of the province as a whole, simply because they originated with Liberal representatives and were accepted by a Liberal government, has not been the least of the factors in making British Columbia solid in its support of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

PARTIES AND THE PREFERENCE

The Dominion government is considerable, we are told, for not giving the preferential trade movement of Mr. Chambrlain its moral support. That is to be one of the issues against Sir Wilfrid Laurier, perhaps. If the Conservative party is in favor of such a course, why did not its leader, Mr. Borden, move a resolution in the House of Commons? There is no reason that we know of why he should not have done so, unless it is that he remembers that his party opposed the preferential trade movement very strongly for four years and does not wish to incur the contempt which is usually poured upon a political whirling. Or again he may have been influenced by the knowledge that the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, the majority of whose members are assumed to strongly support his party, are bitterly opposed to the present preference and would strongly antagonize any such increase of it as is supposed to be involved in the application of the Chamberlain programme to Canada.

The government of Canada took the first step in the direction of Imperial preferential trade. It is responsible for the initiation of the movement. It has done its full duty in the premises. The storm that has been raised in Great Britain as a result of the movement is sufficient warning that it will be discreet to permit the people of Great Britain to settle the matter without the assistance of outsiders. Canadians have quite enough to do in the management of their own internal affairs. They are apt to resent the interference of outsiders in their domestic concerns. There can be little doubt that the electors of Great Britain entertain similar sentiments. There is a bitter fight raging across the water at present. Governments will be made and unmade again ere the final disposition shall be reached. Canadians have already been subjected to a certain amount of criticism for granting the preference and projecting such an issue into an arena in which there was already plenty of subjects of dispute. No doubt a time will come for a further and fuller consideration of the question. But in the meantime it would perhaps be wise to refrain from passing resolutions which could have no effect upon British public opinion and which might result in a spirited snub for unthinking busybodies.

CRITICIZING THE JAPS.

Some reputable newspapers in the United States are arguing that the Japanese have suffered in reputation as fighting men in recent naval engagements with the Russians. They did not work nearly so effectively as Sampson did at Santiago or as Dewey did in Manila Bay. They do not actually say this, but they hint at it. They cannot understand why Togo did not capture or at least destroy more of the Russian Port Arthur fleet, nor the reason why Kamimura let any of the Vladivostok squadron escape. We fear our contemporaries have been somewhat prejudiced by recent occurrences, or perhaps they do not understand. We admit the thoughtlessness of the Japanese in paying no heed whatever to the neutrality lines laid down by Secretary Hay in respect to the position of China. But it is not a fact that the Russians have also ignored that mighty and potent divergence from the very beginning of the war? If Chofoo has not been a Russian port of supply and refuge, the world has been grievously misled. And there was an evident disposition to make Shanghai and other Chinese ports harbors of refuge for Russian ships. It did not strike us that the act of the Japanese in cutting out the fugitive torpedo boat destroyer from the harbor of Chofoo was particularly audacious. It was a perfectly natural result, considering the established status of the port.

As to the comparison between the fleet Russia is opposing to Japan, and the ships Spain brought against the United States, there is none. Dowry sank a lot of armed merchant ships at

Manila. His task was such a sinecure that he could afford to pipe all hands to breakfast in the midst of the "battle." The contract between the fleets of Sampson or Schley and of Corvera was possibly not so great, but it was sufficiently marked to leave no doubt as to the result of a battle. Torpedo tubes and mines in these days of powerful explosives render the task of capturing an enemy's ships an exceedingly hazardous one, while a modern man-of-war may be battered to splinters as regards her upper works without lessening the danger of engaging her at close quarters.

No; the glory of Japan's achievements was not being tarnished by the result of the latest engagement with the Port Arthur squadron or by a samimura's somewhat belated encounter with the Vladivostok fleet. The reputation of the Japanese as fighting men has been established. Their status as military strategists appears in a fair way towards establishment.

To the Tauton and the Latin the Anglo-Saxon is still a mystery. His ways are not their ways. The London Chronicle says a French writer, warning his countrymen against sport, points to its deplorable effect upon the English. He does not mean that it occupies too much of our time and energy. He sees its evil influence in our national "apleen." By developing our thews and sinews at golf, cricket and football, we have become morose. When an Englishman abroad is particularly taciturn, everybody knows that he is a champion athlete. Sport, moreover, makes us regard competition as the whole duty of man. The Frenchman, on the other hand, should model his ambition on that of the Florentine pastrycook who used to sell a very popular biscuit. Not long ago, a visitor in Florence hastened to the shop to buy this delicacy, and was told that it had ceased to be. "So many people came bothering me for that biscuit," said the pastrycook, "that I had no time to think of anything else. So I gave up making it." The French writer recommends this philosophy as a cure for the "apleen."

The labor government of Australia appears to have fulfilled its mission and to have passed from the scene. Its defeat was inevitable as soon as the two parties opposed to it and controlling the House agreed to sink their differences and come together as a working unit. Probably the normal conditions which usually obtain under the constitutional system have been restored. With two distinct parties formed, the King's government should be carried on benevolently with advantage to the enterprising people of the great southern Commonwealth. Chaos is the experience of worlds and nations in the formative periods of their existence. Canada has passed through her season of trial. Let us hope that a general election or two in Australia will result in the status of that southern continent becoming as firmly fixed as is that of the half continent of America which lives under the British flag.

ISLAND AND MAINLAND EVENTS.

From Victoria Gazette, November and December, 1888.

Nov. 9th.—The steamer Cortez arrived in Esquimalt yesterday from San Francisco with about fifty passengers, including Capt. Grant, R. E., and 12 men of the Royal Engineers, direct from England; also Capt. Brew, a distinguished police official, sent out to organize an efficient police force in the new colony of British Columbia. It has been suggested to the powers that be that the old dilapidated fort now standing on Government street be removed, as it is no longer necessary piece of furniture and serves only to remind us of early times, when it was a protection from the savages. From Billy Balloun, Fraser River Express, we learn that on the 20th a whale boat was upset in the Barb Canyon and six men drowned, names unknown.

Dec. 7th.—The steamer Beaver arrived from Langley with eight passengers. She reports the river frozen over for a depth of an inch and a half from Langley to the mouth of the river.

Wells, Fargo & Co. shipped yesterday per steamer Pacific for San Francisco \$47,000 in gold dust.

Shot and Robbed.—A man named Nugent, from San Francisco, was shot in the leg at Sumas Lake by Indians, who robbed him of \$500.

The steamer Panama arrived in Esquimalt harbor from San Francisco on Christmas day. She had about sixty passengers. Among them were Col. Moody, the newly appointed commissioner of crown lands for British Columbia, and suite, several clergymen and a number of officers in H. M. service were among the passengers.

The oceans of the world have altogether 337 coastal stations, of which there are 113 at European and Mediterranean ports. The Indian ocean and China seas, with forty-one, have the fewest.

A HOPELESS GUEST.

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MUSICAL FESTIVAL.

To the Editor:—I sincerely trust that steps are being taken by the musical amateurs of Victoria with a view to accepting the invitation made through the medium of your issue of August 6th to participate in the forthcoming cycle of musical-festivals of the Dominion of Canada.

From a financial point of view the offer appears to me to be a very generous one; from a musical point of view there can be no doubt that we should reap a great benefit. Sir Alexander Mackenzie, as principal of the Royal Academy, is the recognized head of the musical profession in England, and it would be our pleasure and privilege to meet him. Last year unavoidable delays in travelling and certain difficulties connected with the orchestra made large demands upon his time, so that the arrangements made for his meeting the chorus socially had to be abandoned, but those who did come into contact with him can testify to his strong personality and the musical enthusiasm he arouses in others. Then the artists will come direct from the London concert halls and will be a source of great pleasure and instruction to us, but what, perhaps, is most important to us as musical students is the fact that with the assistance of an orchestra such as Mr. Harris promises to bring from the East such works as Sullivan's "Golden Legend," Berlioz's "Faust," or any of the oratorios which make exacting demands upon the orchestra, will be within our capabilities, and an entirely new field is thereby opened out to us.

There appears to be doubt in the minds of some as to the financial feasibility of Mr. Harris's offer. I see absolutely no cause for timidity in this respect, and append a statement of the estimated expenditure and income of the Choral Society, in which I have assumed that the kindly assistance of the Mayor and aldermen will be given by allowing the free use of the council chamber for rehearsals, as they did last year.

Estimated Expenditure.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Room for rehearsals, Piano hire, Music, Members possessing their own music, Advertising in newspapers, Bill posting, Postage, Hire of theatre, Erection of stage for chorus, Less by advertisements in programme, Total expenditure, Estimated Receipts, Seating Capacity of Theatre, Orchestra chairs and circle, Dress circle, Dress circle, Boxes, Gallery, First night, Second night, Afternoon, Total receipts to Choral Society.

I am informed by Mr. Hicks that the cost of producing "The Creation" was \$178, but that my estimate appears to be a safe one, but taking the expenditure at \$400 and the receipts at \$600, the Choral Society would have a clear \$200 to its credit, which could be devoted to charitable purposes if so desired.

For current working expenses a membership fee of \$1 would be quite sufficient, and this could be refunded to the members in the form of complimentary tickets for the festival.

Unless the amateurs unite in this effort it would be better to let it drop entirely. Personally, I am willing to sing under whoever may be chosen as conductor, and I would gladly subscribe to a fund to guarantee the Choral Society against possible loss.

I would suggest the holding of a public meeting at an early date of all those who have the welfare of music at heart, and the formation of a Choral Society with conductor, committee, secretary, etc., elected by the members. If I can be of service in making arrangements for such a meeting I will gladly do so if those who are interested in the scheme will kindly communicate with me.

GEO. PHILLIPS, Esquimalt, B. C., August 19th, 1904.

THE DADDY OF THEM ALL.

Toronto News. A touch of sentiment—patos, if you will—was added to the Scholastic reception by the presence on the platform of Edward Hanlan, white haired, philosophic, remainder cent. The father of Canadian rowing, the man who first inspired the youth of this country with confidence in their own prowess, whose phenomenal successes spurred them on to emulation in many a hard-fought contest, viewed with pleasure the triumph enjoyed by the latest wearer of the laurels.

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For in pondering, long before the day, As weary, sleepless, on my couch I lay, Still thinking of the petty cares and strife That go to make up this our little life, The troubles that arise like briars in our path, That trample down we must, if we would pass beyond, To reach the joys that lie in peace profound.

Thus, 'tis of thee, O, Hope! that I would speak. I have been long patient, as is well meet, For thou hast been my stay in weary hours; But still, methinks, thou Hope art but a cheat! You lead us on with many a promise sweet, And open the gates that we may stand, And view the morrow's sunny land, Till, fooled with joy, we fave the deceit, And dream of happy hours and friends to greet.

With thee, to scatter all the way with flowers, We somehow think this time we shall be blest. With some new joy, we sure shall be possessed. Anticipation alone with joy then fills our breast.

Till one by one we wake to find the morrow's gone, And of Hope bereft—yet, perchance, in what remains We yet may see new happiness, new joys, new gains. So the 'off you've made me food for sport, Again I crave you—nay—you I court. All that's worth living would die with you, I know.

Essence of life's sweetness, thou canst not leave me now, Bound together are we, in life's great mystery. NELLO.

AN EPOCH IN HIS LIFE.

London Free Press. A "positively true tale" of Scotch pawkniss is sent the London Globe by a naval correspondent. He travelled up to Liverpool with a Scotsman, on whose tactfulness he failed, after many efforts, to impinge. The Scotsman still stared dully, fixedly from the train. At last intelligence began to show in his face, and grew to ecstasy, and he shouted in his excitement: "Look here, look here, that's what it was." His companion rushed to the window. "In you was too," continued the Scotsman, "I was charged saxepece for yin cup of coffee."

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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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We are moving. See our new store (below Wellers') on September 1st. Hinton Electric Co., Limited.

Honesty and quality are the governing principles of this store. That's why our advertising says, Wellers Bros., Complete House Furnishers, Victoria, B. C.

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Don't miss our new store, 29 Government street, on September 1st. Hinton Electric Co.

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It is announced that the Governor-General, Lord Minto, will visit Victoria next month in pursuance of his intention of bidding farewell to the people of the West before departing from Canada. His Excellency and party will arrive on D. G. S. Quadra at 11 a. m. on Monday, September 5th. They will remain a day here, leaving on the government steamer for Vancouver the following morning.

Arrangements have been made by the Victoria district branch of the International Sunday School Association to hold a gathering of all Sunday school workers connected with the union. It will be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at the end of September, the exact date not having been definitely decided. A programme of addresses and papers is in course of preparation. Refreshments will be dispensed and a pleasant social and profitable time spent by those present.

Tomorrow afternoon the final shoot of the Victoria Gun Club this season will be held at the club's grounds, Langford plains. The competition will be for the trophy now held by W. H. Adams, who has won it on two successive occasions. Should the latter prove successful in capturing it a third time the cup will pass into his hands permanently. It is doubtful, however, if this will occur as the event will be keenly contested. A number of members have improved wonderfully during the summer, and intend making a determined effort to secure the honor now held by Mr. Adams. Among those who are looked upon as likely winners are Messrs. Weller, Minor, Banfield, Mansell and T. Peden. The latter is one of the youngest shots of the association, but has made such remarkable progress that he is now able to hold his own with the best. A large crowd is expected to accompany the club members in order to watch the shooting.

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Sunday, August 21st, the V. & S. steamer Iroquois will give another of those delightful excursion trips through the Gulf Islands and Pender Island canal.

On Wednesday evening next the last moonlight excursion of the season under the auspices of the congregation of the Centennial Methodist church will take place. A train will leave the Victoria Terminal railway depot at 7 o'clock, connecting with the steamer Victoria at Sidney.

Alex. Robinson, superintendent of education, announces that he has received word from Dr. George Parkin, administrator of the Rhodes scholarships, that the responses examinations which must be passed by aspirants wishing to qualify will be held in January or not later than February.

A jolly basket picnic is looked forward to next Saturday, 27th inst., when the members of Pride of the Island Lodge, S. O. E. B. S., will hold their annual outing.

The following new assignments on the teaching staff were announced by the city superintendent this morning: North Ward, 3rd division, Mr. King; 9th division, Miss Hart; 10th division, Miss Redfern. South Park, 7th division, Miss Sweet. Victoria West, 4th division, Miss Colquhoun. Boys' Central, 5th division, Mr. Langdon; 6th division, Mr. Barnack; 11th division, Miss Johnson; Girls' Central, 7th division, Miss McGill; 8th division, Miss Lawson. In other respects the allocation of the teachers is for the present the same as last year.

At the board of trade excursion and luncheon to Hon. R. Prefontaine on board the Princess Victoria on Thursday admiration was universally expressed for the floral decorations on the tables and elsewhere on the ship. In this connection it is desired to state that all the flowers were donated by friends of the members of the board and the executive, and the council wish to express their sincere thanks to the following for their generosity: Mrs. G. H. Barnard, W. H. Bland, Mrs. Henry Croft, Major Dupont, Mrs. A. C. Flumerfelt, Mrs. A. Henderson, Mrs. T. M. Henderson, Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. J. H. Lawson, Mrs. J. A. Macra, J. C. Newbery, Mrs. W. T. Oliver, Mrs. P. B. Pemberton, Mrs. C. W. Rhodes, Mrs. C. F. Todd and Mrs. J. W. Troup.

The oratorio "Samson," by the great composer Handel, will be presented early in the coming season under the direction of J. G. Brown. Great interest has been manifested during the last three or four years by the musical people of this city in oratorio, and it is gratifying to those who have labored so hard to arouse this enthusiasm to find that the oratorio here arrived and rehearsals are expected to begin on the first Wednesday in September in First Presbyterian church schoolroom.

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TO-MORROW'S CONCERT.

Excellent Programme Will Be Rendered at Duncan's.

As will be seen by the appended programme the concert by the Fifth Regiment band at Duncan's to-morrow promises to be one of the most enjoyable of the season, and a number will travel to that popular resort. This will prove the last appearance of the band before leaving on its Eastern tour, and a number of new handmen will no doubt considerably augment its appearance.

Part I. Anthem—Gloria to God. Mozart. Overture—Lustspiel. Keiser Bella. Sacred Aria—Queen of the Earth. Pisselli. (Solo for Cornet, Sgt. W. V. North, Soloist.) Grand Fantasia—Robert Bruce. Bonnesseu. Intermission.

Part II. Excerpts from Victor Herbert's comic opera, The Sergeant. Arr. Langley. Solo for Piccolo—Birds in the Woods. (Bandsman S. C. Carroll, Soloist.) (a) Caprice—By the Watermelon Vine. (b) An African Idyl—Timbuctoo. (c) Selection on Popular Songs. O'Hare. God Save the King.

CONVENTION NEXT WEEK.

The Thirty-Seventh Annual Gathering of Canadian Medical Association.

The Canadian Medical Association will hold its thirty-seventh annual convention in Vancouver next week from Tuesday until Thursday, and about 500 doctors will be in attendance from all parts of Canada. A special train will arrive at the Terminal City on Sunday, and more will follow on Monday. Upon Dr. Tunstall, president of the Canadian Medical Association, and Dr. Brydson, Jack, secretary of the British Columbia committee of arrangements, has devolved a large amount of the work of preparation for the arrival of the visitors.

While on their way West, the doctors will be entertained by the Calgary association to a typical western exhibit of Indians, cowboys, etc.

The programme is as follows: Tuesday, August 23rd. 10 a. m.—Opening session of the Canadian Medical Association, O'Brien hall. 8 p. m.—Concert at the Hotel Vancouver.

Wednesday, August 24th. 10 a. m.—Session of association in O'Brien hall. Afternoon—The ladies whose husbands are attending the convention will be driven round Stanley park, and will be tendered a tea at Simpson's, English Bay, at 5 o'clock.

Thursday, August 25th. 10 a. m.—Session of association in O'Brien hall. Afternoon—Delegates will take train to New Westminster, thence by boat to Stevenson, where the salmon canneries will be visited. The return will be by train from Stevenson to Vancouver, the arrival here occurring about 7.30 in the evening. Evening—Dinner of the association at the Hotel Vancouver.

Friday, August 26th. 9 a. m.—Meeting of British Columbia Medical Association. 10 a. m.—Leave for Victoria by steamer. Princess Victoria. 8 p. m.—Excursion to Gorge and concert there.

Saturday, August 27th. 10 a. m.—Drive to points of interest about Victoria. 3.30 p. m.—Excursion to Esquimalt and William Head per steamer City of Nanaimo, kindly tendered the association by James Dunsmuir. 8 p. m.—Reception by the government at the parliament buildings.

Sunday, August 28th. Return of delegates to Vancouver.

The contract for the new three-story building to be erected for J. H. McGregor on Langley street, reference to which was made in the Times some months ago, was yesterday awarded to W. J. Smith, the figure being \$13,500. F. M. Rattenbury is the architect.

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STEAMER THISTLE IS AGAIN IN SERVICE

GOES NORTH WITH OWNER AND PARTY

Kanagawa Maru Had Unsuccessful Trip Graphic Story of a Schooner's Misfortune.

To-day the steamer Thistle enters upon her new career as a passenger boat. For several months she has been in the hands of machinists and carpenters and has been so transformed that as the former Thistle she would not be recognized.

The character of this transformation has been previously described in these columns. The Thistle goes from here to Comox to coal, after which she will proceed along the northern coast. Her owner and a party are on board on a fishing and hunting excursion.

In view of the recent improvements to the machinery of the vessel it is expected she will be capable of making considerably better speed than she has at any previous time in her long and useful service. When the boat returns from her present tour, it is understood she will be held in readiness to relieve either the Joan or City of Nanaimo when occasion requires.

A TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

On August 3rd the vagrant winds and the inconstant seas tumbled the three-masted schooner Maria E. Smith into the harbor of Mazatlan. With her came a story of a heavy fight with death, in which a girl, fresh from the studies of the University of California, bore her part as heroically as the bronzed men who are accustomed to ocean's vagaries.

Captain A. G. Smith, of the schooner Maria E. Smith, in October last took to wife one of the University of California Pearl Spence, aged 20. She went with him in his craft. The schooner took on 40,000 lbs. of lumber at Port Townsend, and on June 15th of this year sailed away for Quayaquil, the port of Ecuador.

Things went along as they do on three-masted lumber driers, blow high, blow low, until July 3rd, when a northeast gale smote the old craft and her seams opened. The crew fought the leaks as crews will when the fight is a fight for life. But the water came in too fast for the pumps, and inch by inch the schooner settled, until her decks were awash and her cargo was keeping her afloat. The crew were driven from the forecastle; the captain and his girl wife were driven from their cabin. The "long gray, searching seas" looked over the bulwarks and laughed at their fair young prey. The men strung a hammock for her under the main boom.

Then on July 12th the mighty wind came up again. The schooner rolled in the trough, threatening to take out her masts. They took the captain's wife down from her hammock under the main boom. In five minutes the mainmast went roaring by the board. The mizzen followed, and the water-logged Maria E. Smith wallowed with nothing but a forestal and her jibs to give her a wash and away. The other boats were smashed to pieces. Over went the deck-load of lumber. There was nothing for the captain and his wife and his crew but to trust in the favor of the sea and the pleasure of the wind that had theretofore proved so unkind.

They swung the hammock of the captain's wife under the foreboom to let her sleep out of the wet. The rest lay in the wash of the decks and the sea, what sleep they might, while the captain turned his schooner's slow nose for Mazatlan, 600 miles away. The crew chopped the decks and got into the cook's galley. They fished up the fore-tronching of the casks and boxes that held the store of food, and fished "austrially" for the coffee-foam. The rain came down and they could not drink water in the sea. They swam a turtle here and a fish there, and the slow schooner wallowed on.

Whenever things looked darkest and death seemed very near, the captain's wife, nursed to the buffet of the seas, cheered on the despairing men. Her heart might have been anxious, but she made it seem light. She sang the college songs; she sang the college yells; she told pleasant stories, and on her face always was the ready smile. The rain came down all the time. There was no dry place; no dry rag of clothing. But the captain clung to his course and his wife clung to her work. The straining schooner made only twenty miles a day. No sail, no trail of smoke, breathy hoarse out of the horizon. There was no success of the strain that tugged between drowning and starvation.

Slowly, but surely, the Maria E. Smith, decks awash, one mast standing, worked up to the port of Mazatlan. For fifteen days there was naught but a diet of fish and gonyets. But the schooner made progress. On August 3rd she made her own way into the harbor of Mazatlan, and went on to the beach, where she is supposed to be a total loss.

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TARGET PRACTICE.

Writing from Comox last month a correspondent of the Naval and Military Record aboard the flagship thus refers to the annual target practice of the Grafton and Bonaventure: "The Grafton, Commodore J. E. C. Goodrich, M.V.O., arrived in Baynes Sound on the 11th inst., and anchored in Henry lay, adjacent to the sandbar. A number of midshipmen were landed on Denman island, armed with axes, and soon felled and stripped a dozen tall saplings on which to stretch the 30ft. by 20ft. canvas targets, which were spread on the sunny beach and painted red, with a black bull's-eye. Next day the targets were erected and a line of buoys laid down with great exactitude to serve as a base line, along which the ship steamed, so that each gun may have its regulation time and distance.

"On the 7th the Bonaventure, Capt. R. G. Fraser, arrived, and two commissioned officers were detailed to assist in the marking. The venture on both the prize-firing days proved very fine, with a somewhat powerful sun. The firing was very good, and will be found to come well above the average of the navy for last year. Although the range is greater this year by a thousand yards, the shooting from the six-inch guns was very pretty, and averaged 3.2 hits per gun per minute, no less than five men putting every shot they fired through the target. There were no misfires, and the only delays were caused by shooting away the uprights, and thus bringing the targets down, though these shots are not counted as hits. A shot to be a hit must actually pass through the 20ft. to 30ft. canvas. Some hard luck was also experienced in one or two instances by the carrying away of the elevating chain of the six-inch gun. Every second of the run is of the highest value to the man behind the gun, and it was marvellous to see the rapidity with which a broken chain was replaced. It is satisfactory also to know that in spite of the increased length of range, the hits have been more numerous than in previous years, which indicates the wisdom and necessity of practicing at even longer range.

The Bonaventure is now engaged at prize-firing with big guns, and on its completion she will probably return to steamship. The flagship is busy with the annual musketry practice at the Comox rifle range."

KANAGAWA'S ARRIVAL.

The steamship Kanagawa Maru, Captain McKenzie, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, running between the Orient, Victoria and Puget Sound, arrived last night from across the Pacific after a much more uneventful trip than one would imagine of a Japanese liner passing through a zone frequented by Russian cruisers. When the steamer left Yokohama on the 4th inst. it was known that the Kanagawa Maru, however, sighted neither fleet nor Russian fleet was in hot pursuit. The Kanagawa Maru, however, sighted neither fleet nor Russian fleet was in hot pursuit. The Kanagawa Maru, however, sighted neither fleet nor Russian fleet was in hot pursuit.

MARINE NOTES.

The American barkentine Alta, Capt. Theogral, which put into Honolulu a short time ago with sickness aboard and resumed her voyage to the Royal Roads from East London on August 3rd, is to go on the ways here for repairs. The Alta is a vessel of 1,300 tons register. Steamer Umatilla is due from San Francisco to-night, and the City of Puebla will be due to sail on the same route to-morrow night.

The British ship Halewood, 2,100 tons, under charter to the Royal Roads from Hastings Mill for Callao, is reported to have arrived at Port Townsend from San Francisco. Steamer City of Topeka arrived from Alaskan ports this morning.

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NEWS OF DECK AND DOCKYARD.

The visit of the United States cruisers New York and Marblehead was the feature of the week in naval circles. The ships proved a strong attraction to visitors, hundreds of whom found their way down to the naval station. Steam launches rushing back and forth over the harbor while the vessels remained at anchor, and all of them generally loaded, added animation to the waterfront and reminded residents of the village of days gone by. Social gatherings abounded at the Grafton as well as the visiting cruisers were the order of the week. The final gathering aboard the Grafton on Wednesday night was a memorable affair. All parts of the ship resounded with revelry. The whole stern end was canopied in, and here the officers of all ships assembled for an evening together. Forward an equally enjoyable time was spent among the men. A piano on deck furnished the music, and one round of amusement followed another.

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H. M. S. Grafton sailed on Thursday evening on a cruise along the northern coast. She will go as far north as Port Simpson according to report, but of her subsequent movements little is known. Some details from Portsmouth will be shortly sent to join the ships of the Pacific squadron to fill vacancies. The mission of Henry F. Wyatt, who has been touring the colonies on behalf of the Navy League, has just reached its conclusion, and a brief review of the work which he has accomplished and of the results that are likely to accrue therefrom appear in some service papers. In July, 1902, the Navy League announced that in order to confer with its representatives in the Dominion, and to form, if possible, additional branches, Mr. Wyatt had undertaken to make a tour through Canada; but with the financial assistance that was forthcoming from the league's members towards covering the costly expenses, and the offers of free rail and sea passages, which have reduced the cost of travelling to almost nil, it was decided to extend the scope of the mission to include New Zealand, Australia and South Africa. On September 23rd Mr. Wyatt left for Canada. He landed at Quebec on October 2nd, 1902, and spent more than four months in lecturing and organizing branches of the league in Canada. At Montreal he addressed the French chamber of commerce—being the first British outsider to whom that body had given a hearing—the students of the McGill University, and the council of the board of trade, besides others. At Toronto several meetings were addressed, including the board-of-trade, the Military Institute, and Trinity University, while Mr. Ross, Premier of Ontario, resided at a great public meeting on the anniversary of Trafalgar. Proceeding to Kingston, a branch was started as the result of an address to the board of trade, the president of the board taking a seat on the committee. The cooperation of the various boards of trade forms a conspicuous and significant feature of the Canadian tour. Great enthusiasm was displayed at St. John's, N. B., and at a meeting there Sir Frederick Borden, minister of militia—first attached to the league on the spot—first announced the decision of the Dominion government to form a force of naval militia, a proposal which had been formulated by the Toronto branch of the Navy League, and submitted to the authorities some years previously. Previous to this meeting other high government officials, including the minister of marine, the ministers of works, of agriculture, and of trade and commerce, had, in conversation with Mr. Wyatt, expressed the opinion that much good was likely to accrue to the Dominion and to the empire by the exposition of the principles and the formation of branches in Canada. A very powerful branch was also inaugurated at Quebec. Travelling across the continent, Mr. Wyatt then visited Winnipeg, where he addressed the board of trade and founded a branch, and then, on through the Rock Mountains to Vancouver and Victoria, being received everywhere with the utmost

sympathy and encouragement. Although not included in the original itinerary, Mr. Wyatt decided to visit various British settlements in the Far East. He accordingly sailed from Vancouver, and reached Yokohama on February 28th, 1903, where he succeeded in enlisting the support of Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister. Proceeding to Australia, Mr. Wyatt addressed several meetings of business men and the general public at Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, and elsewhere, establishing many branches. The following resolution, which was carried unanimously by the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, is indicative of the spirit which is being generated by the envoy: "That this meeting applauds the aims and objects of the Navy League and approves its efforts to point out through its mission to Australia that the naval defence of the empire can be accomplished only if it be treated as a single whole, and not as a separate function of the empire's various parts." In no part of the King's dominions did Mr. Wyatt meet with a more enthusiastic reception than in New Zealand. He addressed meetings throughout the length and breadth of the colony, founded branches at Otago, Southland, Wanganui, Invercargill, Auckland, and elsewhere, and was supported by a sympathetic press. The last stage of the mission was entered upon at Durban, where, on April 27th, Mr. Wyatt addressed the Chamber of Commerce. A week later the great majority of the members of the Natal parliaments, including all the Dutch representatives, assembled under the presidency of the Premier, Mr. Sutton, and after a speech by the Navy League envoy unanimously passed the following resolution: "That this meeting regards the supremacy of the Imperial navy as the governing condition of the peace, prosperity, and security of South Africa, and entirely approves of the work and the objects of the Navy League, and desires the increased co-operation of all the British states in naval defence." It is too early yet perhaps to speculate upon the precise direction in which the forces generated by the Navy League envoy will exert themselves, says the Naval and Military Record. The St. James's Gazette on June 27th voiced the general impression that the first result of the awakening of the colonies to the vital necessity of the fleet to their existence, as well as to their ability to increase in their respective contributions to the cost of the navy; but, at the same time, there is present on their part a very natural determination that any further step in this direction must be accompanied by a proportionate voice in the policy which rules expenditure. "If you want our aid call us to your councils," has been repeated in spirit by responsible colonial statesmen again and again, and they have merely given voice to the feelings that must animate all fair-minded men, however Imperialist.

At the recent prize firing H. M. S. Grafton, flying the broad pennant of Commodore J. E. C. Goodrich, M. V. O., made some very straight shooting with her 6-inch guns, says a London correspondent. The score was reckoned at 3.2 hits per gun per minute, although the range was increased to 1,000 yards. H. M. S. Bonaventure is also reported to have done well at the prize firing. An old skipper of the survey ship Egeria, Capt. Arthur M. Field, has been appointed hydrographer to the navy, in succession to Rear-Admiral Sir W. J. L. Wharton, K. C. B. For the past twenty years Capt. Field has been employed in survey work in every part of the globe.

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VANCOUVER NEWS. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict on Friday that West Hawley, whose body was found floating in the inlet on Thursday, came to his death by accidental drowning. Hawley attended the electric railway picnic a week ago Thursday, and was missing from that time. Messrs. F. B. Rigby and T. E. Rowe have arrived in Vancouver from Egypt, where they were employed as engineers on the great Assouan dam, which has recently been completed. They expect to remain here for some time. The Assouan and Assuit dams are two of the greatest constructions of modern times, and were projected by Sir Benjamin Baker for the irrigation of Lower Egypt. It has taken five years to construct these dams at an expense of \$8,000,000. The Assouan dam is a mile and a quarter long and 73 feet high, and the raise in the river is perceptible 150 miles from it. As many as 30,000 workmen have been employed on the construction at one time. The work was carried out by the well known English firm of Messrs. John Aird & Co., of which Sir John Aird, Bart., is the head.

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By Book Post

What to read in the summer time? Surely no one need be without reading matter this summer. There is so much that is good and readable in price. Life is a long list of recent publications. Among the paper covered novels are many from George Bell & Sons, the well known London publishers. The cheerful red are familiar in many a camp. Most of the tales are light and airy trifles quite in keeping with hammocks, the summer girl and flannelled youths.

The King of Diamonds is Jack Whitington, meteoric diamond, wealth-unearthed, dashing adventures, a pretty girl, a shady nook, terrifying plots and schemes of vengeance, scandalously mixed for our August holiday. The French Wife, by Katherine Tynan, disappears in the first chapter leaving her descendants to present themselves incoherent toward the middle of the volume. The descendants of the other wife run the tale in the meantime. Pleasant pictures of Irish country life are given and an attempt made to discuss the sociological problems confronting Ireland then as now.

In the Gage of Red and White, Graham Hope takes us into quite another atmosphere. The story is of the time of Francis I. I fancy, of that of the child wife of the infamous Duke of Cleves, herself a Princess of the Kingdom of Navarre. The plot runs amuck among the courtiers and intrigues of the rampant court. There are many amusing passages.

A Bachelor in Arceady is charming. Like the others of Halliwell Stott's idylls it is fresh and sweet and delicately humorous. There is the touch of Henry Arceady, but without his sure hand. There is sometimes bathos. But anyone may delight in the reading. The Modern Christian is a depressing tale for any weather. Possibly one could stand it now better than any other time. There are no small compensations in sea and woods. The author, Thomas Le Breton, has drawn a skillful picture of certain types of vulgar people who use religion as a cloak. I object to the title. The use of a lamb's skin does not entitle the work to be called a lamb.

The Ordeal of Sara sounds well and is not really bad. The girl undergrate St. Newman, pretty, bad form, weak and rather a fool, seems an anomaly. Alan St. Aubyn is a stout, thick, rather a warm imagination. Cherry's Child, by John Strange Winter, will never keep anyone awake at night. It is spun out through nearly three hundred pages, and no doubt will be enjoyed by a number of people. An alluring title has Chinkie's Flat, by Louis Becke. This is a collection of short stories and will be the more welcome on that account. If you do not like the first you need not read the others, but with a novel you are bound to see, like Mr. Barrie's mother, whether "she gets him." These are the titles of Australia, of the South Seas and of whaling. I found them interesting and novel.

John of Gerisau bears re-reading. The pen pictures of Austria, Prussia and the buffer state of Gerisau in Bismarck's time are of value. The love affairs of the four young people and the startling denouement hold the interest to the end. John Oxenham is to be congratulated upon his scholarly narrative. The Man from Downing Street is one of William Le Queux's detective mysteries, this time concerning international intrigue and the British secret service. Others of this colonial edition are: The Lady of the Island, by Guy B. Boothby; Liz, by Preston-Muddock; The Sirdar's Oath, by Bertram Mitford; The Laird of Silence, by G. B. Burgin; The White Room, by Fergus Hume; The Orangerie, by Mabel Dearnley; As We Forgive Them, by W. Le Queux; A Consummate Secret, by Guy Boothby; A Dead Reckoning, by John Blount; The Misrule of Three, by Florence Warden; Little Joan, by John Strange Winter; The Vineyard, by John Oliver Hobbes. I hope to have the pleasure of reviewing these later. I mention them now as a sort of travellers' guide.

Among the books for children are several suitable for holiday reading. Indeed I think that at no other time does the mother so need pleasing reading to induce the little ones to rest during the heat of the day. From the American Book Company, New York, probably the largest publishers of school text books in the world, I always receive such a great many books of interest to children. Recent publications are: Lives and Stories Worth Remembering is a collection of tales drawn from many sources of history, biography, poetry, fiction and fable. The compiler, Grace H. Kupper, has covered a wide field. Side by side are the heroic deeds of Beowulf and of Florence Nightingale. The miracles of St. Francis are flanked by the story of the Collier Poet. The origin of roast pig follows the story of Charles and Mary Lamb. This is a notable collection.

There is also a new edition of Dickens's Christmas Stories. The volume makes a pretty gift book. I hope there is no child of reading age in British Columbia who has not free access to these stories. This cheap but substantial edition brings it within the reach of everyone. Dr. F. A. Hall has put in simple language tales from the grand old bard for boys, as it is now supposed, under the title of Cook's Cotton Root Compound.

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Steps are being taken by members of Work Point garrison to arrange for the annual fall field day some time during the first week in October. This occasion is looked forward to by the soldiers, especially those athletically inclined, with great eagerness. It is unnecessary to state that every event will be keenly contested. To those acquainted with the Work Point Tommies, this goes without saying, and the forthcoming competitions will be entered into with the same vim and enthusiasm that always characterizes the soldier in whatever sport he participates.

It is announced that there will be no less than 26 events included in the programme now in course of preparation. These will embrace foot races, jumping, weight throwing, etc., in the afternoon, and boxing contests—a favorite sport at the barracks—in the evening. Already some of the keenest prospective competitors have placed themselves in training in order to be in the pink of condition before the eventful day. The boxing, it is intended, will be in two classes only, but whether it will be lightweight and middleweight, or the latter and heavyweight is not announced. It is probable, however, that the middle and heavyweights will try conclusions, there being but few first class glove artists among the lightweights of the barracks. Whatever boxing contests are arranged will be conducted under Queensbury rules, and the regulations in every instance will be strictly enforced.

As soon as the complete list is drafted it will be published in these columns. The arrangements are in the hands of a capable committee, and no effort will be spared to bring the affair up to the expectations of the most sanguine.

A division of the regulars now in camp at Rodd Hill came in to-day. They have been out for several weeks, and during their stay under canvas spent a most profitable and pleasant time. As mentioned in these columns last week, it is the custom to put soldiers through all their drill in the morning, allowing them the afternoon to themselves while at camp. This was thoroughly appreciated, and from noon until late in the evening the soldiers enjoy all manner of recreation. A detachment of the garrison in camp at Beacon Hill are enjoying a similar holiday. They will remain under canvas a short time longer.

Some time next month the heavy and lightweight championships of Work Point garrison, which are always decided each year, will be competed for. There are a number of entries in each case and some clever exhibitions are promised. Ford and Nellings are supposed to be the fastest boxers who have announced their intention to compete, and the prospect of a 10-round match between them is rousing general interest. These contests will take place at Five's Court, Work Point barracks, on a date to be announced later.

Three or four men at Work Point are anxious and would like to know definitely if they can compete at the amateur boxing tournament for championships of British Columbia, to be held in connection with the forthcoming exhibition.

Providing the boxers desirous of entering can prove that they are bona fide amateurs and have been residents of British Columbia for a year or more, there is nothing in the constitution of the Victoria Boxing Association to prevent them from competing. It has been suggested, however, that it would be a good idea to present a cup for competition among the soldiers, thus making a distinct class of the garrison competitors. Providing this meets with the approval of all concerned, it is altogether likely that some action along that line will be taken at an early date.

A 108-lb. team has been entered for the garrison for the tug-of-war competitions to be held during the exhibition. Those selected are training regularly together, using the cleats, as it is announced these are to be allowed in the competitions. The men work well and stand a first class chance of carrying off the highest honors.

Lieut.-Col. English, in command of the Work Point garrison, is an enthusiastic sportsman. Since the salmon have commenced to run in the straits he has been out trolling regularly, and on Thursday

evening had the good fortune to "strike" and successfully land a 7-lb. coho. This is the first caught at the barracks.

Members of No. 5 company, Fifth Regiment, have organized a basketball team. Although it is rather early in the season for this pastime, it is being taken up with general enthusiasm. Practices are held every Thursday evening, and are always well attended. The team entered from this company for the tug-of-war competition, to take place at the exhibition, is preparing for the struggle. Cleats are being used, so that the boys will be thoroughly familiar with the game when they are called upon to meet rival teams.

It is reported in military circles that the visit of General Parsons, commander of the Imperial forces in Canada, which was expected early next month, will be delayed until the 1st of October. No reason for the postponement of the inspection of Work Point garrison and local fortresses is given, but it is expected that something has occurred in the East which has necessitated this alteration in the plans of the G. O. C. As already mentioned in these columns, General Parsons and staff are expected to remain in Victoria for a fortnight.

All the returns of the efficiency shooting in connection with the Fifth Regiment have been received, and they are not at all favorable. If anything, they show that members of the local militia made a poorer showing than was at first anticipated. It is stated that not more than 25 per cent. of the whole regiment have qualified. This was not on account of lack of ability, but because very little interest was evinced in the shooting.

The gunnery instruction school opened by Capt. Cockburn, of Work Point garrison, a month or so ago at Macaulay Point, principally for the benefit of

members of the Fifth Regiment wishing to qualify, is still in progress. There is a good attendance each Saturday. The school will close in about a fortnight.

Lieut.-Col. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment, has issued the following orders:

The following extracts from General Orders are posted for information: "G. O. No. 37, June 15th, 1904.—Fifth British Columbia Regiment—To be provisional Lieutenant, Co. Sergt.-Major A. A. Colquhoun, to complete establishment; 7th June, 1904.

"G. O. 118, July 16th, 1904.—Fifth British Columbia Regiment—Provisional Lieutenant M. B. Smith is permitted to retire; 28th June, 1904.

Lieutenant Harris and Colquhoun, having reported for duty, are posted to No. 2 company.

Capt. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake, having been granted leave of absence until November 1st, Lieut. Roberts will assume command of No. 6 company until further orders.

The following men, having been irregular in their attendance at camp without satisfactory reasons, officers commanding their respective companies will notify them to turn in their clothing and equipment to the caretaker of the drill hall at once: No. 20, Gr. J. D. Oliver; Gr. L. Camassa; No. 212, Acting Bomb. A. W. Sulder; No. 231, Acting Corp. H. Matthews; No. 248, Gr. P. J. A. Andrew; No. 256, Bomb. S. Porter; No. 269, Gr. E. Turner; No. 208, Gr. H. Homber.

The following men, having been granted their discharges, are struck off the strength: No. 207, Gr. W. D. Seville; July 14th; No. 214, Gr. R. J. Herbert; July 14th; No. 215, Gr. A. C. Fitcher; April 20th; No. 228, Gr. H. P. Matthews; July 14th; No. 243, Acting Sergt. P. Austin; July 14th; No. 225, Gr. E. W. Rowland; July 14th; No. 210, Gr. A. C. Grayson; July 14th.

The following men, having been attested, will be taken on the strength from the date hereafter mentioned, and will assume the regimental number opposite their respective names: Bandsman Fred. C. Henderson, June 25th; Bandsman S. C. Carroll, July 1st; Bandsman Arthur Solomon, July 4th; Bandsman Harry Pike, July 4th.

By order,
(Signed) D. R. MCCONNAN, Capt., Adjutant.

SPORTING ITEMS.

LACROSSE. THE DECIDING GAME.

This afternoon the final match of the Intermediate League will take place between the James Bay and Victoria West teams. Play commences at 3 o'clock at the Caledonia grounds. As has been previously mentioned the opposing two teams are very evenly balanced both having captured two games so far this season. The personnel of the respective teams was published yesterday in these columns. W. West will act as referee.

THE KENNEL. ANNUAL FIELD TRIALS.

The second annual field trials under the auspices of the British Columbia Field Trials Club will take place over the Lulu Island course on September 20th and October 1st. This was decided at a meeting of the club held Thursday night in the rooms of the Vancouver Tourist Association. There will be three stakes, viz:

"Membership stake: For dogs owned by members of the club. Each dog must be handled by an amateur, who is defined as any person who has never trained or handled dogs in field trials for money. Does that have won first place in any all-age stake are barred from entry, also any dog winning first, second or third place in 1904 open all-age stake.

"Open Derby: For dogs born on or after January 1st, 1903. First forfeit, \$2, payable September 15th. Additional forfeit for starters, \$3. First prize, 40 per cent.; second prize, 30 per cent.; third prize, 20 per cent.; fourth prize, 10 per cent.

"Open all-age stake: First forfeit, \$2, payable September 15th. Additional

forfeit for starters, \$3. First prize, 40 per cent.; second prize, 30 per cent.; third prize, 20 per cent.; fourth prize 10 per cent.

"The trials will open on September 30th with the Open Derby, which will be followed by the Open All-Age stake. The entries for the last two stakes will close on September 15th with Norman F. Lyne, secretary-treasurer of the club. A judge has not yet been decided upon, but one will be selected at a future meeting of the club.

"The trials last year were an unqualified success and flattering comments appeared in all the sporting journals, not only in America, but in the Old Country. —Vancouver News-Advertiser.

CRICKET. MATCH TO-DAY.

A club match is announced to take place at the Jubilee grounds this afternoon, commencing about 2:30 o'clock. All members in attendance at the time and those who arrive shortly after are promised a game. Two elevens will be selected. It is requested that as many as possible be present, because every effort will be made to put the first eleven in first-class trim for the remaining scheduled games with Vancouver and the Sound teams.

LAWN TENNIS. THE TACOMA TOURNEY.

"Perfect tennis weather and a large and enthusiastic attendance marked the first day's play on the Tacoma courts for the tennis championships of the Pacific Northwest," says the Tacoma Ledger.

"Miss Goward and A. T. Goward, of Victoria, put in an appearance at noon, and many other well-known Victorians are also playing. Victoria 'se usual being the best represented city at the tournament. Among the new players from Victoria are J. D. Hunter, one of the cleverest of the younger set of Victorians, who partnered R. B. Powell in the recent Victoria tournament, winning the doubles there against the veterans, Bethel and Goss, of Portland. At the recent Seattle tournament he defeated Albert Armstrong, of Tacoma, and he proved his title to the first class on Thursday by winning from J. H. Ballinger, one of the best players at Seattle, and who was runner-up at Seattle on last Wednesday.

"The match between Hunter and Ballinger was the feature of the day. The men are very evenly matched, always play in good form, strong and heady tennis, and their game was a first-class exhibition. Hunter led the first set, 5-7, and won the next two 7-5, 8-6, it being one of the hardest-fought matches ever seen on the Tacoma courts. By winning this match Hunter goes into the third round and will play against his side partner, A. T. Goward. This should be one of the best matches of the tournament.

"The men's singles is down to the third round, with the exception of one match, Remington vs. Vaeth, and the winner to play Breeze. The other matches in the third round will be between Hewitt and Armstrong, both of Tacoma, and Shannon, of Seattle, and Hilton, of Victoria.

making four Tacoma men, three from Victoria and one from Seattle in the third round, showing that Tacoma is still well represented.

"There are a great many fine women players at the tournament, and their play was watched with the greatest interest. Among the best are Miss Goward, who has won many of the Tacoma tournaments; Mrs. Langton, of Victoria; Miss Hulbert, of Nelson, B. C., and Mrs. Davidson."

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rest. Among the best are Miss Goward, who has won many of the Tacoma tournaments; Mrs. Langton, of Victoria; Miss Hulbert, of Nelson, B. C., and Mrs. Davidson."

Some of the results follow:

Mens' Singles.
First Round.—Wilson, Victoria, beat Davenport, Tacoma, by default; A. T. Goward, Victoria, beat Burnside, Seattle, 6-2, 6-0; Hunter, Victoria, beat Miller, Tacoma, by default; Sherwood, Tacoma, beat H. A. Goward, Victoria, by default; Cambie, Victoria, beat Leut. Cole, of the navy, 6-0, 6-2; Hilton, Victoria, beat Maxwell, Tacoma, 6-0, 6-1.
Second Round.—A. T. Goward, Victoria, beat Wilson, Victoria, 6-8, 6-2, 6-2; Hunter, Victoria, beat Ballinger, Seattle, 5-7, 7-5, 8-6; Hilton, Victoria, beat Cardin, Seattle, by default.

Mens' Doubles.
First Round.—Hilton and Cole beat Smith and partner, by default; Scholefield and partner beat Myers and partner, by default.

Ladies' Singles.
Preliminary Round.—Mrs. Langton, Victoria, beat Miss Weistling, Seattle, by default; Mrs. Hulsted, Tacoma, beat Mrs. Burton, Victoria, by default; Miss Goward, Victoria, beat Miss Bradley, Tacoma, by default.
First Round.—Mrs. Davidson, Victoria, beat Miss Schram, Seattle, by default.

Ladies' Doubles.
Preliminary Round.—Mrs. Langton and Miss Hulbert beat Miss Hobson and partner, by default; Mrs. Davidson and Miss Goward beat Mrs. Halsted and Mrs. Van Martin by default.
First Round.—Mrs. Langton and Miss Hulbert beat Miss Keown and Miss Holbrook, 6-1, 6-2; Mrs. Davidson and Miss Goward beat Miss Weistling and Miss Smith by default.

Mixed Doubles.
Preliminary Round.—Mrs. Langton and Mr. Hunter beat Mrs. McLennan and partner, by default.
First Round.—Mrs. Langton and Mr. Hunter beat Miss Hulbert and Mr. Bleeker, 6-3, 6-4; Miss Goward and Mr. Goward beat Mrs. Davidson and Mr. Cambie, 6-4, 6-0.

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The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notice in the Yukon Official Gazette.
Petroleum.—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected an area of 1,500 acres for such period as he may decide, the length of which shall not exceed three times the breadth. Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well, will be sold to the prospector at the rate of \$1 an acre, and the remainder of the tract reserved, namely, 1,280 acres, will be sold at the rate of \$3 an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by Order in Council.
JAMES A. SMART,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior,
Dept. Interior.

SYNOPSIS OF REGULATIONS FOR DISPOSAL OF MINERALS ON DOMINION LANDS IN MANITOBA, THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES AND THE YUKON TERRITORY.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at \$10 per acre for soft coal and \$20 for anthracite. Nor more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five, upon payment in advance of \$7.50 per annum for an individual, and from \$50 to \$100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral veins, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the face of the lode or vein. The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office; one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is \$5.

At least \$100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon Territory, of an area not exceeding 100 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a Royalty of 2% per cent. of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining.—Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—Placer mining generally is for a term of years, entry fee, \$5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench, the former being 300 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N. W. T., excepting the Yukon Territory.—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but he or she or his company has obtained more than one lease or dredge for each five miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of two and a half per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds \$10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory.—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental \$100 per mile for first year and \$10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory.—Creek, gulch, river and bench claims shall exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch, the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notice, which must be obtained within ten days, if the claim is within ten miles of mining recorder's office. One extra day is allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, \$10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying fee of \$2. A claim may be abandoned, and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river, by giving notice and paying a fee.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS.

GREENWOOD.

As E. D. Orchard was proceeding to Phoenix on Saturday evening last, at a dark place in the road, near the Last Chance mine, he was accosted by a party of five men, disguised, and one of whom carried a rifle. The party held him up for all the wealth he carried on him, and Mr. Orchard proceeded on his way a somewhat frightened man. Officer Daragh was soon on the ground, but no trace of the desperadoes could be found.

Hope No. 2 claim, owned by Robert Donegan, was bonded a few days ago to J. A. Russell and Patrick Dermody. This claim is in Skylark camp, adjoining the Silver Cloud and Silver King, both of which were recently bonded and on both of which a very fine lead has already been uncovered. The Hope vein is identical with that on the other two. The bondholders are utilizing the water from a large spring on the property for ground sluicing the ledge.

CHILLIWACK.

The ratepayers have voted on the light and power by-law, the result being that it was carried by a majority of 12 votes. The poll was a very light one, and out of 700 persons on the list, only about 200 recorded their ballots. The result of the passage of the by-law will be to grant certain privileges to a syndicate, represented by J. Fort Morgan, which proposes to install an electric light plant at Chilliwack and construct a tramway between here and New Westminster. Power will be obtained from Vedder creek.

VERNON.

The Bank of Montreal is to open a sub-agency at Kelowna in about a month. This agency will be under the direction of G. A. Henderson, manager of the Vernon branch of the bank.

The extension of the Presbyterian church has been completed and the opening and dedication of the Sunday school hall will take place on September 11th, on which occasion the service will be conducted by Rev. John Miller, M. A., of Nanaimo.

At a special meeting of the hospital directors the question of a nurses' home was fully discussed. It was stated that the present accommodations were very inadequate, that nurses were frequently obliged to give up their rooms to patients and make shift to sleep upon sofas, etc., and that apart from these considerations there was positive discomfort involved in the necessity for living continually in the same building as the sick. After some discussion of details, a resolution was passed that a nurses' home was absolutely necessary, and that one be erected on the hospital grounds at a cost not to exceed \$1,000. The secretary was instructed to see R. B. Bell to draw up plans and specifications to be submitted at the adjourned meeting of the directors on the 23rd inst.

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PREPARING FOR LABOR CARNIVAL

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A Splendid List of Attractions Has Been Drafted—Committee Meeting Tuesday.

As a result of the energy and enthusiasm displayed by the committees in charge of the preparations for the forthcoming Labor Day celebration, every thing points to one of the greatest successes ever achieved by the local trades unions. There are still a couple of weeks before Labor Day, but so little time was lost that already a splendid programme has been drafted for the occasion. It represents the greatest care, the endeavor being to provide ample entertainment for the whole day, while avoiding the mistake of crowding in too much and thus tiring instead of pleasing visitors.

Appended is a complete programme of events:

Parade of united unions, starting at 11:15 o'clock from Labor hall, and passing through the principal streets of the city. Luncheon at 12:30 o'clock, when about 300 guests will be entertained by local Trades and Labor Council.

Sports at the Caledonia grounds, commencing at 1:30 o'clock and continuing all afternoon.

Band concerts on corners of the main thoroughfares from 7 until 9 o'clock in the evening.

Grand union muster at Institute hall, the chair to be taken at 8 o'clock, and addresses delivered by prominent labor leaders.

Before the start of the parade, which, as will be noticed, will commence shortly after 11 o'clock, the reception committee will meet the different excursions from Vancouver, Nanaimo and other points. Members of the visiting unions will be tendered a hearty welcome, and will be immediately escorted to Labor hall. Here they will be allowed the free use of the conveniences of the rooms before being required to take their positions in the procession.

Luncheon will be served after the parade, and at a meeting of the general reception committee held last evening, it was decided that the following be invited as guests: The local members of the legislature, the Mayor and members of the city council, the officers and members of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council and Building Trades Council, the members of the Nanaimo Trades and Labor Council, the officers and members of the Victoria Trades and Labor Council, the president and secretary of all visiting unions and the president and secretary of each union taking part in the parade.

It was practically decided last evening that lunch would be served at Victoria hall, Blanchard street, and the arrangement of details was left in the hands of the following committee: J. Robson, J. Wilby, E. Gilligan, E. Kermod and J. Carmichael. Badges will be supplied to all those invited.

Up to the present the final report of the sports committee has not been received, but is expected to be submitted to a meeting of the general committee to be held on Tuesday evening next along with the reports of various other sub-committees. It is not likely, however, that the programme published in these columns several days ago will be altered to any extent. In order that the foot-measurers' contest may be brought off successfully, it is the intention to arrange a track on the grounds of sufficient length to allow the longest running competitors to take place with a little doubling as possible. There will be numerous side attractions, and stands for the sale of light refreshments will be stationed at different points on the grounds.

Early in the evening band concerts on the streets will be the feature. These will continue from 7 until 9 o'clock, and without a doubt will greatly enliven the proceedings. The grand labor muster at Institute hall, commencing at 8 o'clock in the evening, will be well attended. Speeches will be delivered by prominent labor men.

As a wind-up of the celebration members of the reception committee and local unions will be gathered at the wharves and E. & N. depot to give the visitors from Vancouver, New Westminster and Nanaimo a fitting send off.

Church Services To-Morrow

CHURCH OF OUR LORD,
Divine service at 11 and 7, with sermons by Right Rev. Bishop Ordigo and Rev. H. J. Wood respectively. The music for the day follows:

Morning.
Organ—Airs—A. Redhead
Venite and Psalms—As Set
Te Deum No. 2
Benedictus—VII
Hymns 64, 564 and 500
Organ—Allgrog Moe Pattison

Evening.
Organ—Andante A. Redhead
Psalms—As Set
Magnificat—11 Mercer
Nunc Dimittis—1 Mercer
Hymns 426, 400 and 20
Doxology—X Moe Pattison
Organ—Postlude Alfred West

ST. JOHN'S,
Preacher, morning and evening, Rev. A. J. Ard, sr.; The music follows:

Morning.
Psalms Cathedral Psalter
Te Deum All. 1st Set
Benedictus Langdon
Hymn 478
Kyrie Mendelssohn, 26
Gloria Tibi 3
Hymns 261 and 298

Evening.
Psalms Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat Battisbill
Nunc Dimittis Monk
Hymns 281, 229 and 477
Vesper—Lord Keep Us Safe

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.
Services: Holy communion, 8 a. m.; morning service and ante-communion, 11 a. m.; evening service, 7 p. m. Preacher, morning and evening, Ven. Archbishop Scriven. The music set for the day follows:

Morning.
Voluntary
Psalm for 21st Morning, Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat Helmore
Nunc Dimittis 478
Hymns 38, 33 and 506
Vesper Hymn M. S.
Recessional Hymn 274
Voluntary
Professional Hymn 298
Psalm for 21st Evening, Cathedral Psalter
Magnificat Helmore
Nunc Dimittis 478
Hymns 383, 550 and 403
Vesper Hymn M. S.
Recessional Hymn 274
Voluntary
Organ—Metodie Religiose Berresford
Psalm 88
Anthem—O Come, Let Us Worship, Himmel
Soprano Solo, Miss
Hymns 383, 550 and 403
Organ—The Shepherd's Watch Dr. Lewis

Evening.
Organ—O Worship the King Dicks
With Introduction and Variations
Psalm 78
Anthem—O Saviour of the World Goss
Hymns 104 and 220
Solo—Ston Rodney
Mr. Gabriel.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN.
The pastor, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, B. A., will be the preacher at both services, morning at 11 and evening at 7. The musical arrangements are as follows:

Morning.
Organ—Metodie Religiose Berresford
Psalm 88
Anthem—O Come, Let Us Worship, Himmel
Soprano Solo, Miss
Hymns 383, 550 and 403
Organ—The Shepherd's Watch Dr. Lewis

Evening.
Organ—O Worship the King Dicks
With Introduction and Variations
Psalm 78
Anthem—O Saviour of the World Goss
Hymns 104 and 220
Solo—Ston Rodney
Mr. Gabriel.

CENTENNIAL METHODIST.
Rev. Dr. Rowe will preach at 11 a. m., and Mr. Balph at 7 p. m. Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m. Good music at each of the services.

METROPOLITAN METHODIST.
The pastor, Rev. G. K. B. Adams, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Classes, 10 a. m. Sunday school and Bible class, 2:30 p. m. Everybody welcome.

VICTORIA WEST METHODIST.
The pastor, R. J. McIntyre, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, "Spiritual Incorporation"; evening, "Loss by Neglect." Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday at 5 p. m. There will be a social evening in Epworth League, Thursday evening, prayer meeting at 8 o'clock. All will be made welcome at any of these services.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL.
Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The pastor, Hermon A. Carson, B. A., will preach at both services. Theme of evening sermon, "Life's Exchanges." Sunday school and Bible class meet at 2:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p. m. Seats free. All are welcome.

CALVARY BAPTIST.
The pastor, Rev. J. F. Vibert, M. A., will preach at 11 a. m. At 7 p. m. Rev. B. H. West will preach; subject, "Wandering Stars of Humanity." Sunday school and Bible class, 2:30. Week night services cancelled on account of mission meetings in the tent.

SPIRITUAL LECTURE.
On Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in K. of P. hall, corner of Pandora and Douglas streets, a spiritual lecture, and tests at its close, will be given by Mrs. Howe. All earnest seekers are invited to attend.

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Members of Court Vancouver, No. 5105, A. O. F., are required to meet at the Hall, Sunday, Aug. 21st, at 1:30, to attend the funeral of our late Bro. J. A. Coates. Members of sister Courts are invited to attend.

RIDNEY WILSON, Secy.
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Naval Contracts

Tenders will be received on behalf of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty until noon of Thursday, the first day of September next, for washing for the Royal Naval Hospital, Esquimalt; also for the supply of Coffins and Digging Graves at the Naval Cemetery, Esquimalt, for one year certain from the 1st of October, 1904. Forms of tender may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

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C. HARRIS,
Naval Store Officer, Etc.
Esquimalt Yard, 12th August, 1904.

VICTORIA, B. C., SATURDAY AUGUST 20, 1904.

CHAMBERLAIN'S POLICY

Report of the Tariff Commission on the Iron and Steel Trade of Great Britain

After six months of day-to-day investigation Mr. Chamberlain's Tariff Commission has issued its first report...

countries having adopted their tariffs for the express purpose of safeguarding labor and fostering their national industries...

planning of the report that Mr. Chamberlain has no intention of giving the colonies a good deal for nothing...

Of steel from about one-quarter to two-fifths and Germany from one-sixth to more than one-fifth...

preferential rates of our competitors. But in the opinion of witnesses it is not transport charges alone which constitute the new element of danger...

commission, "It is, in our opinion, impossible to maintain that dumping is merely a temporary expedient, unprofitable to the countries which practice it...

they will be seriously handicapped in both the home and neutral markets. "We find that dumping is of the most widespread character, and may, contrary to the view held by many, be profitable to the countries which practice it...



HON. JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN.

ports which has ruled in England for sixty years. The notion that the best way to fight foreign tariffs is by free imports is not the notion of Mr. Chamberlain or his Tariff Commission...

Iron ores—Free. Pig iron—3 per cent. Iron and steel: Puddled bars, ingots, blooms, billets, slabs, sheet bars, tin plate bars, or similar partly manufactured materials...

Each of these conclusions is supported by figures from the evidence of manufacturers and merchants in regard to all of the relative decline of the British iron and steel industry...

Both witnesses and firms replying to our inquiry forms are of opinion that not only are the hours of labor shorter in the United Kingdom than with our competitors, and wages higher (except in the case of the United States)...

tax returns are principally due to the fact that special circumstances have operated in the case of iron and steel manufacturers owning and working collieries, and not to the prosperity of the iron and steel trade...

On the contrary, if we may judge from the replies to our inquiry forms and other communications which have reached us, manufacturers are alive to the danger of depending, in any way, upon dumped products...

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JAPANESE BATTLESHIP MIKASA. Admiral Togo's flagship. Four Officers and Fifty-eight Men were Wounded on the Mikasa during the Naval Battle on August 10th.

furnished. The two German cases are as follows: "A firm employing nearly 1,500 hands, writing in February, states that the current price of basic pig iron in Germany was then 58 marks per ton. The lowest cost at which this could be converted into steel joists and beams could not be less than 31m. per ton. Yet these German joists, costing not less than 80m. 82 1/2m. per ton, less 2 1/2 per cent. discount, the home price in Germany for joists f.o.r. at works, was 106m. Similarly, the current price for pig iron at Pittsburgh was \$13 5/8c. 14c; the cost of manufacturing these into billets could not have been less than \$6.50 (27 1/2c. 1d. per sheet, making together \$18. 2d. Yet these were being delivered c.i.f., any British price at 75s. per ton, making a difference of 6s. 2d. per ton, exclusive of sea freight and land freight from Pittsburgh to the American port. The home prices for these billets at Pittsburgh was \$24 (100s.).

Other instances of the great disparity between the home and export prices have been given to us. We have, for example, received an original quotation for steel sheets of a German firm. The price quoted was £3 14s. to £4 18s. according to range, delivered f.o.b. Antwerp, though they could at this time not be obtained from British makers at less than £7 12s. 6d. per ton. But for the special clause of the terms of sale prohibiting reimportation into Germany, it would have been possible, in these circumstances, to re-export sheets from this country to Germany at a profit.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN. Scene—A Law Court. Mr. Justice Sprightly on the bench. Time—Second day of the hearing of Browning v. Tupkins, an action for infringement of copyright. The plaintiff, Mr. Robert Browning, in the box. Mr. Stumper, the eminent counsel, is cross-examining.



THE OLYMPIC—A VIEW FROM GOVERNMENT HOUSE

Necessary for Health

Certain Portions of Each Day for Physical Exercise.

I am not a Christian Scientist nor can I imagine how any intelligent person, after reading Mrs. Eddy's book of revelation, or even a few pages of it, can take her as a teacher; but I think it would be a mercy if some of us could pick up a little more spirit than we do at present and learn to use what is generally called in Christian Science circles our "will power." It is really quite extraordinary how many educated and apparently normal people seem unable to persist in doing anything which "goes against the grain," which is a little irksome and inconvenient, even when they know quite well that persistence will bring them permanent benefit. Doctors are aware of this. Many sufferers will pay two or three guineas to have the advice of a specialist; but if he tells them to go home, keep in some particular diet for three months, and then come to him again, the chances are that they live according to his rule for a week or two and then relapse into all their former errors in feeding. If one asks them why they do not stick to the prescribed regimen, they will reply unblushingly, "It's too difficult." Great physicians know too well poor humanity's lack of will power. I remember many years ago visiting the late Sir Andrew Clarke, after a severe illness. He examined me, looked at me very seriously, and said: "Do you think you could eat nothing but minced chicken for a month?" "Of course," I replied. "Why not?" He smiled slightly and said, "Well, if you can go away and do so."

Eating minced chicken for a month is certainly a bore, but I can find little difficulty in doing it. There is greater

difficulty in making every day, for, say, three-quarters of an hour, a considerable physical effort that is not connected with any game or sport. People will bicycle now and then till they are no longer human, or play tennis now and then till their very features seem to be melting off their faces, but ask them to spend three-quarters—only three-quarters—of an hour every day of the week, Sundays included, in the physical culture of their bodies, and nine out of ten of them will look doubtful and begin to murmur something about the "difficulty of finding time to do it." And yet these three-quarters of an hour each day would transform them from feeble, alluring, grumbling wretches into strong, healthy, happy men and women.

Curse of Laziness.
I have written about physical culture in the pages of the Queen already, but I make no apology for doing so again. Repetition wears some readers, no doubt, but it impresses others, and the longer I live, the more I see of suffering and complaining humanity, the more I wish that I could persuade every one to follow the three-quarters of an hour a day system of physical exercises, under the personal or written instructions of Sandow or one of the many competent instructors who may be consulted to-day. Where the best doctors fail these exercises will succeed, if they are persisted in. But the curse of laziness, which makes so many thousands of people invalids, must be combated. Will power must be used. Regularity must be observed. The task must be a daily one, and to do it will require resolution.—Robert Hichers in the Queen.



A VIEW OF SEOUL, KOREA.

Seoul, the capital of Korea, is a well-kept city of nearly a quarter of a million inhabitants, about a third of whom live in extensive extra-mural suburbs. The wall is pierced by eight gateways of massive stone, each with a pagoda-shaped tower of one or two stories above it. The nearest of these to the railway station is the west gate, "The Gate of Bright Amiability," and it is by this portal that almost every visitor enters the capital of the Hermit Kingdom.

Seoul means "capital," nothing more; but if there is small beauty or originality about the name of the city, there certainly is about its location, for anything more strikingly picturesque than the site of the Korean metropolis would indeed be difficult to find. The city stands in

a little valley almost surrounded by rugged, craggy rocks. High above the top of this mountain ridge runs the city wall. Deep into the gullies it dips, rising now and again to scale the steepest slopes and crown the summits of the loftiest pinnacles. Enclosed within this smoke-like barrier is such a strange contrast between wretched hovels and splendid palaces, palatial lodges and labyrinthine streets, and busy, bustling, unpeopled alleys, spacious, cleanliness and unpeopled alleys.

Seoul of the past is fast becoming extinct. A modern red brick building, headquarters of the American Electric Company, rises in the centre of the town, and from its tower stately churches and bastion buildings can be seen towering above the rooftops of the natives.

JAPAN'S "GRAND OLD MAN"

Count Okuma Speaks of the Future

Count Okuma, a member of the House of Peers and a leading financier, has been called by his admirers "the grand old man of Japan," and there are many points of resemblance between him and Gladstone. I had the pleasure of meeting him before during my previous visits to Japan, and brought away the remembrance of most frank and interesting talks. It was four years ago that I discussed with him the possibility of this war which is now afoot, and I remember his speaking at the time of the enormous gravity of the task if they were forced to undertake it, and that every effort would be made to avoid a recourse to arms.

"We know full well," he said to me then, "that we can never march to St. Petersburg." And now, a few days before hostilities were commenced, although he was in opposition, the Emperor sent him to get his opinion as to whether war should be declared, and as he wished the whole nation to be united before committing it to such a momentous act. In the message sent by the Emperor he reminded Count Okuma that his dynasty, extending back over 2,000 years, was involved. There was no hesitation or uncertainty about Count Okuma's reply; he believed that the only course open to them was to declare war, so that in this campaign, unlike our South African one, the whole nation unanimously declared war, and when the Emperor in his proclamation said, "We, by the Grace of Heaven, Emperor of Japan, seated on the throne, occupied by the same dynasty from time immemorial, do hereby make proclamation to all our loyal and brave subjects as follows: We hereby declare war against Russia," he spoke for the opposition no less than for the political party in power; he spoke for every man, woman and child within the dominions of his Empire.

Count Okuma appears to possess that royal and very useful gift of remembering anyone that he has ever met, and when I saw him the other day he reminded me of our conversation four years ago, and then plunged into a discussion of the affairs of to-day. He speaks rapidly and volubly, and had I not had the services of one as intimate with him as my friend Count Soyeshima, the interview would have been an extremely difficult one to any less capable interpreter. The financial position of Japan was the first thing that we discussed. He pointed out that the war was costing between one and three-quarter millions and two million yen per day, seventy million sterling a year, and this he pointed out as a severe strain for a comparatively poor country. But he was not at all pessimistic on that account. He laid stress on the rapid development of the trade of Japan, which after the war with China had increased from two hundred yen per year to six hundred million last year. This is unquestionably a great ratio of progress for the trade of a country in ten years. He gave it as his deliberate opinion that even taking things at the worst, even if Japan were beaten by Russia, the rate of advance when the war finishes would become greater still, and the people, even if defeated, would become more energetic and would be spurred to more arduous efforts to make up for their defeat, and from the little I know of the Japanese people I thoroughly agree with him in this. He very justly cited amongst a number of historical examples the case of France after the Franco-German war, when she was burdened with an indemnity the staggering weight of which was considered sufficient to cripple her for years to come. He instanced the case of America after the civil war, and gave reasons why Japan should be the safest country in the world to invest money in, as there was less reason than in any other why she should fail; that recuperating power which is as a rule displayed by virile races after passing through the ordeal of war. "War is the most dramatic thing in the world," he said, "the most dramatic incident in a nation's life, and the resurrection of a nation from the fount of defeat is its most interesting and admirable episode."

While discussing the financial situation I touched on the attitude of the Jews, the biggest money-holders in the world, towards Japan. Although, as he pointed out, there are very few Jews in Japan

there are already indications that the persecution which they have suffered in Russia has not been without its effect, and already signs are not wanting that the chance for retribution and revenge may take the shape of financial assistance to Japan, more especially, as the count pointed out, as soon as this business war will have an opportunity of judging the quality of the security on which they will have an opportunity of lending money for the punishment of their persecutors. I had already had multitudinous evidence of the spirit of the people of Japan, who, as he emphasized with very natural admiration, were prepared to sacrifice everything in this struggle, and that same feeling which personally made them willing to put their hands deep in their own pockets would insure their paying to the last tittle and fraction the money that would be loaned them by outsiders. "If we only had that two hundred millions that you spent on the South African war," he said, "I would not have the least shadow of fear about the result."

I then went on to the more agreeable topic of discussing the results, supposing the Japanese to be victorious. I told him quite frankly that some people considered that the result would be to make a great part of the population of Japan, especially the lower classes, most overbearing to foreigners, and that, in fact, it would be no country for Europeans. His opinion was that it would have exactly the opposite effect. He said that the dislike to foreigners arose from a feeling of antagonism due to the opinion amongst a great portion of the population that from the beginning of Japanese loyalty and brave subjects as follows: We hereby declare war against Russia," he spoke for the opposition no less than for the political party in power; he spoke for every man, woman and child within the dominions of his Empire.

THE RUSSIAN DEBACLE

How Japan Makes Certain of Victory.

"What do I think about the Russian reverse?" said Dr. Muller Maguire, the well-known military author to a member of the London News staff. "Why, nothing could be more certain than the result of an attempt to relieve Port Arthur without an overwhelming force. It was simply courting disaster. If your readers would, let me say a few words on strategy and tactics, and spend a few hours in reading, the whole progress of the war would be plain. The Russians began with self-conceit and bluff, as the Federals began in 1861 and Napoleon III. in 1870, and our cabinet in 1890. They had learned nothing from the Crimea, from the American Civil War, or from their operations in Turkey. They were as unready in supply, lines of communication, knowledge of equipment and artillery as was Napoleon III. in 1890 and are now."

"And what about Japan?"
"The Japanese are scientific fanatics, and man for man and ship for ship can beat any opponent in the world because of their superior knowledge. But this is not all. You think it appalling. Why, it is nothing. The Russians ought to have abandoned Port Arthur and begun a bona fide retreat, as I said to you the other day. Unless by a miracle, Port Arthur could not be relieved any more than Strasbourg or Metz. Kouropatkin should have retired rapidly and drawn on the Japanese. Port Arthur has cost Russia enough in all conscience. The whole strategic position of Russia is defective, owing to excessive length of communications, and the dependence of the army on an inferior railway that cannot carry 1,000 tons of food a day. Everything counselled a policy of retirement and delay. Let Port Arthur hold out as long as it can. There is nothing new in the surrender of a fortress. Marshal Soult gave up his effort to relieve St. Sebastian in 1813. Marmont could not relieve Ciudad Rodrigo. Vicksburg was not relieved, yet no fuss was made in any of these cases."

Brain Power in War.
"Why is it that Russians have left the offensive to the Japanese all through?"
"The state that will take the offensive is the one that prepares for war in peace, and realizes that brain power and superior equipment and careful plans providing for all alternatives, and a splendid staff, are more important than any numbers of physical power or courage. Napoleon, Paekson, Grant and Moltke experienced this again and again. The Russian and English ruling classes despise knowledge, as our 'Reconstruction Trio' have found to their bewilderment. The so-called 'South African tactics' are already discredited. The Japanese prefer the tactics of Langlois and Sir A. Turner to wide and long-drawn thin lines, and, as I prophesied in a recent treatise, we have not seen the last of the bayonet."

"The Japanese seem to aim at surrounding the Russian force?"
"Yes. Converging and enveloping movements from different bases towards a common centre are splendid operations provided the converging armies have not a single element at least superior to one of them, and that the enemy allows them to close on his front and flank on the day of battle. This policy resembles that of Blucher in his stroke on Napoleon's left at Waterloo while Wellington held him in front, and the campaign of 1866 in Bohemia, when three German armies converged on the Austrians, and the losses were Prussian, 8,000; Austrian, 18,000. The Japanese only repeat history and follow experience, at the same time carefully studying new appliances of war. Every incident of war is at their fingers' ends. They are as ready with well-tried devices as a skilful K. C. with precedents. I have personal reasons for knowing that their ruling classes had read every new work on the military art—a striking contrast with our own rulers."

Russia's Home Troubles.
"Can Russia hold out in spite of these recent failures and of the internal discord of which we are beginning to hear?"
"Of course they can if they have the spirit of their sires. The French lost 500 guns and mitrailleurs on one day at Sedan, yet held out for five months. We had internal discontent and corruption at the date of Salamanca, when we lost 25 per cent. of our men and guns, yet we fought on for three years. Russia cannot be worse than France in 1794-5, when a large part of the country was in open revolt, yet it conquered Belgium and Holland in these years. If corruption could kill states few would have survived. But each case of forgetfulness of strategy will, of course, cost more time and money. If Kouropatkin does not withdraw skillfully, if by his forward position he gets into a trap like Bazaine at Metz and MacMahon at Sedan, and if he is enveloped in part, or worse still, compelled to surrender a great part of his force, the selfish, narrow-minded, unready and incompetent counsellors of the Czar may naturally enough fall victims to popular indignation, like the counsellors of Napoleon III. I wish we could teach our people to study contemporary events patiently by the light of history. There is not an intelligent clerk in the city who could not learn the leading principles of strategy in 30 hours. The Japanese have probably made secure their sea power, their own sea, and Korea, otherwise the Russians can, if they please, make peace with honor about 1908. They will have to learn the lessons of the war. I know a case in Manchuria where a contractor agreed to supply 100,000 tons of coal to the Russians, and supplied 50,000, dividing the price of the remainder between himself and the officials. But the Japanese get 100 per cent. of their purchases, and all up to standard."

As the count lipped to the door (one of his legs was blown away by a bomb) he said he hoped that I would come to chrysanthemum show this year, and that war would be over before the chrysanthemums were in flower.—George Lynch.

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The Courage of a Fighting Race.

Some days ago the aloof of my study opened ever so little, and a rosbush covered with tight light green buds appeared. The shell was pushed back further, and Shin, our soldier, followed his gift. From his four sen a day he had bought it, and it is quite useless to protest. It is the Japanese way, and especially this Shin's way. They are too proud a people to allow benefits to be quite child, and use must be resigned to having a portion at least of one's gifts returned in some pretty way. The rosbush being in green bud was also Japanese, for not for the world would they deprive you of the pleasure of seeing the buds show streaks of red, and gradually bloom into perfect flowers.

We had just seen Shin for many days, but in answer to various things sent into the barracks, little letters had come out invariably containing "I am very strong and well, and always busy please be angustly free from anxiety about me." And all the time, for fifty days, the boy had been in the hospital, ill.

"Why didn't you let me know?"
"I thought you might be troubled," he answered, simply.

He said they might be off now. He was anxious to make "Russian soldiers taste Japanese guns."

I hoped he was a good shot, and without any bragadole he said he was a very good shot. He told of the gratitude of the soldiers and the delight of the coming of an American corps of nurses, and that if they were wounded they all wanted to be nursed by them.

"The soldiers all felt much stronger for the sympathy of America and England, and all Americans are fine people," he announced in a burst of genuine enthusiasm.

The Old Spirit.
Just outside the door his sword-belt and his little sword were lying. He never comes armed into my presence, which must be a bit of the old samurai in him. They always left their swords in the vestibule of a friendly house, but the officers of to-day do not remove theirs when entering a room. They are too foreign to be interesting to me. For the old customs one looks to the common people, bless them!

That little sword made me think of unpleasant things, and as the Japanese just here was a little beyond me, I asked the help of a young Japanese girl friend. She listened, shook her head doubtfully. "But it is the Japanese spirit," she said. "Nevertheless, she told Shin that I wanted him to promise me that whatever came he would not kill himself, even if taken prisoner; that the soldiers had been drawn from the best of the Empire; that their Emperor had none too many in reserve like them, and that their lives were too precious to the country to be recklessly taken.

Motionless and silent as a Buddha sat Shin for a long time, looking straight before him. What was he thinking of? Finally he looked up, and said, seriously: "I myself will not kill."

Uchiyama, coming in after he had gone, scented the idea: "Not kill himself? Why, of course he will kill himself. He must. He can't be taken prisoner. Why, even all the officers' cooks took with their kettles and pots and pans and ovens a special knife for themselves. I, too, if I had not had you to take care of, and had gone with that general as cook, would have taken such a knife. Then, if we had been twenty perhaps, and a hundred and fifty Russians had come, and we could not kill them all, or escape, I would do so"—and he drew an imaginary knife across his abdomen.

Argument and expostulations were in vain.

"You don't know these Russians. We do. We watch them in Pekin. They are cruel, cruel to their prisoners."

The Irony of Things.

The next day I met a Japanese lady very prominent in the present relief work, and asked her if she didn't think many lives would be saved if the idea

that the Russians humiliated and maltreated their prisoners could be eradicated from the minds of the soldiers. She, too, shook her head. "It is the Japanese spirit to kill themselves. They will not surrender, and they are right. The Russians are cruel to their prisoners. Our men could not return if captured."

Still unconvinced, I took up an English paper the next day, only to read about the horrible torturing and mutilation of the Japanese taken prisoners during the first days by the Yalu. Again, we have heard of Japanese well treated by their captors; but the weight of evidence is on the wrong side. Not much of it is published in the papers, neither is it much spoken of; but it seems to exist, a sad and incontrovertible fact.

"I have lost one friend already," announces Nishiki San, cheerfully shaking out a pale blue crepe kimono for inspection.

"Where?" I ask, sympathetically.
"At the battle of the Yalu. His father and mother are not sorry. They are very strange."

"Not sorry? Was he a bad son?"
"No, he was a very good son to his parents, and they liked him very much. But they do not show any sorry; there is no tear on their faces. Friends go to see them—my father went at once—but they say no word. They will not speak. They smile, and the father drinks sake. Day and night, always he drinks sake, and every one thinks it very strange, and that battle he wrote of another smaller fight," pronounced Nishiki San. "The soldiers were lying down and fring. Their lieutenant stood upright, and the bullets fell thick about them. My friend said to him, 'It is too dangerous; please take care of yourself.' The officer paid no attention. Three times my friend implored him to be down. At the third time the officer, still saying no word, turned and gave him an impatient kick to keep quiet. That 'courage-hearted' officer still lives, and my friend is dead."

All For the Emperor.
"Not gone yet?" I asked the son of the house of Shogin when I went to see about some photographs.
"Not yet. I wait for the red paper. When it comes I go. It may not come."

"I don't understand," I said. "Were you a reserve?"
"No," he answered. "They wanted 200 men from Giza Kobashi. They drew for 300. The holders of the first 200 went. The third 100 wait. My number is 272. When in that company seventy-two die, then I go out in my turn to die—perhaps." And the brown eyes looked unflinchingly, even smilingly, into mine.

We who are privileged to be in Japan at this time may never again be so close to the great realities of life. What goes on day after day near us, around us, on every side, is so remarkable, so unparalleled, that we wonder if we live in a real world or if it is all an unimaginable dream. There is a strange excitement and exaltation in it. One can almost feel the Yamato Damashii enter into one's soul—can almost imagine one's self saying, as the Japanese women have said and are saying every day to their men off for the front: "Go, give your lives for your Emperor as I give you—gladly. I do not expect to see you again!"—San Francisco Argonaut.

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JAPANESE CAVALRY.

How Carey Came Back to the Mines.

He was a long-limbed, dark, silent man, whose naturally dark complexion the fierce sun of the East had tanned to a deep terra-cotta. He had once been handsome, in swarthy Spanish-zyzzy style, but the ravaging hand of disease had effaced his good looks. His black eyes had the opium-eaters glaze, and his teeth were stained by perpetual tobacco. And he lay in his old and battered deck-chair, inert, supine, his brown felt hat with its cheap spotted blue plume thrust well back, springing at the clean white deck with a faint queer smile just visible under the heavily soaped ends of a coarse black moustache which was evidently out of training. We were off Massouah, and it was the 5th of November. Signal was growing dim on the horizon, the last time I had peeped, blinking, outside the double tent that shut us in, hiding both sea and sky. Nobody went below for meals in this heat, oppressive, prostrating, enervating. The steamer thrashed her way through fiery air and boiling water, that had the dull opaqueness of molten glass. And the fitful conversation had dwelt for the last fifteen interminable minutes upon the Reality of Things Unseen. This topic brought a dull gleam of interest into the glazed eyes under the heavy brows of the speakers, face by face, as he twisted the ill-trained, moustache with a long, supple, slender, handsome hand, smooth, not scarred, like his face. Then he spoke. We were listening to him before we knew that he was talking. His voice was a sweet, hissing monotone. And he spoke with a cultivated English accent, broken by strange Oriental inflections and studded with exotic words. He believed in ghosts, and in spirits, and in devils, particularly the Chinese and Burmese variety. He had seen a few things, gentlemen, out there—the supple hand indicating the equator—calculated to convince a man who didn't believe. "But table-rapping, for instance," put in a pink-checked, newly-fledged subaltern on his way to join the Second Battalion of "Ours" at Rangoon—a thing of beauty arrayed in faultless lincos and crowned with a Bond street panama—"you don't mean to say you think there's anything but Egyptian hall humbug in that sort of thing, do you?" The subaltern's pink cheeks became scarlet, as he realized that the long, laconic man might, probably did, know Egypt, but knew nothing of the Egyptian hall.

"The table quieted down and we played a game of nap on it. I had all the luck—and just as I'd scooped the kitty for the third time on a string, there was a Winchester shot, and we crowded out to see the mile post come up the trail. They dimmed into sight, all of 'em pretty well used up, with pass-climbing and heat and cold, and coolie-whackings and short commons. And White and Jarris—the other fellows who'd been named—were there, as large as life. But no Carey, until the coolie drivers unraveled a long package wrapped in a Manchester cotton cloth, from the back of the biggest mule, and that was Carey. You've hit it. Died of pneumonia in the hospital at Rangoon, and the authorities had mailed him back to the mines in a native coffin. Don't ask me why—it's a conundrum. But the point is, that the source from which we got the information had proved reliable." From the ladies' cabin came the gasping tinkle of an exhausted piano. The tune was dimly recognizable as "Le Cure de Pomponne." Somebody looked out, gasping, from under the double awning, and hailed with rapture a faint blue shadow on the glare of the water, a sense of freshening in the hitherto scorching atmosphere, that heralded the coming of that welcome novelty—a breeze. Everybody got up and went out to meet it. The mercury stood obstinately 100 deg., and the long quiet man lay back, inert and immovable, in his old and battered deck chair.

A GLIMPSE AT THE BAYAN

Nagasaki, April, 1904. The rear-admiral and his flag-captain had been on the bridge the whole night. It was miserable weather: the wind had veered round towards the north, and in spite of the promise of spring which the last fortnight had given, the sheet of the squalls was as icy as that of a mid-winter blizzard. Every quarter of an hour the navigating lieutenant made his way up to the bridge to apprise the admiral of the position of the squadron. Half an hour ago the first signs of approaching dawn had cut into the gloom in the east, but the squalls had rolled up again and practically nullified the first efforts of awakening day—so much so that it was practically impossible to make out even the outline of the vessel following the flagship, although it was only two cable-lengths astern. For one moment the navigating lieutenant turned on the little reading-lamp on the bridge, which gave sufficient shrouded light to enable the admiral to read the markings on the chart. The admiral glanced at the pencil-marks, then looked at the clock. He nodded his head, with the single remark, "We are in the right place"; in a moment the little light was turned out, and again all was darkness. The three men peered anxiously into the murky darkness on the port beam—the haze of the driving rain-storm was still very thick. Something seemed to catch the navigating lieutenant's ear, for he left the senior officers and made his way across the bridge to the starboard rail; for two minutes he remained motionless, the pose of his body indicating rapt attention. He seemed satisfied, for on moving back to the others he whispered something in the admiral's ear, then all three officers went over to the starboard rail. There was no doubt about it now. The wind which had brought the squall dropped as suddenly as it had risen, and the low muffled murmur which heralds bringing at sea could be distinctly heard

above the wash that the vessel made, as she drove her way through the water. The squall had passed, and almost immediately the increased vigor of returning day forced itself superior to the shadows of the fast vanishing night. What had been black now became the dull grey of a hazy mid-ocean morning. The great mysterious shadows of the ships astern picked themselves out from the surrounding mists, while even the low hulls of the wicked-looking little torpedo craft, on either flank, began to show as indistinct masses against the false horizon. As day dawned the sound of firing seemed to increase. Now it was quite distinct—a rattle of quick-firers burning ammunition in deadly earnest. The torpedo craft had got it now, for suddenly the three inclining blotches which betokened the vessels on the starboard beam put up their helms and disappeared into the mist. It was too thick yet to make a flag-ship, so the admiral stood on his course. As one looked down from the bridge it seemed that the flagship was some ghostly deathship. Everything was lean and gaunt and silent; there was no movement, save where the rain-wash, sliding over into the scuppers, few men could be seen from these each stood motionless to his quarters. It was a depressing sight. There is probably nothing in this world so oppressive as the appearance of the modern warship fired down to the actual requisites of slaughter as she appears from the bridge on a cold grey morning, with officers and crew strained by waiting for that moment in which the vessel shall commence to put in practice the desperate object of her existence. If this strain were to be continuous it would be more than the most magnificent nerves in human nature could support. Such is the state at dawn, but daybreak generally brings relief. So it is in this case. The torpedo boats had hardly been absent five minutes when they were back again, and the leading boat steamed in close alongside the flagship. Six, eight, five little flags fluttered up on its spinnaker for a mast. The navigating lieutenant had gone below, but the signalman read them in spite of the mist; the admiral looked at his flag-captain and they both smiled. The expression of the smile was that of a man who had played for a high stake and won. The admiral said three words, and the flag-captain passed them on to the signalman—up fluttered the answering pennant, and a second later the message was hoisted beneath it. Other little pennants appeared on each of the dumpy masts of the torpedo craft, and they disappeared full steam ahead. It was now quite light, and the mist very rapidly cleared, disclosing the squadron of cruisers, line ahead, forging forward at just sufficient speed to keep them upon their course. The senior officers of the flagship still stood grouped on the starboard rail. It was now broad daylight, and the wind changed suddenly to the west; as it changed it rolled up patches of fog, so that almost in the time that it would have taken to cross the bridge a grey stretch of open sea was visible towards the north. The four officers on the bridge saw a heavy pall of smoke at the same moment—that tell-tale smoke which is proof of cheap coal in the stove-hole. The wind cleared it, as it had cleared the mist. The flag-ship went with the first to speak "One, two, three, four," he said as he counted the smokestacks; "that is the Bayan."

The Russian made the squadron out at the same moment, for the black smudge of her hull against the horizon was pierced by the lurid yellow of burning cordite. There were a few seconds, during which the officers on the bridge became erect from the stooping position which had been theirs when gazing into the haze—then came a rattling, swishing sound, the terrific crash of projectiles in passage through the air. Two hurtled overhead, while a third, falling short, exploded upon impact with the water, and sent a great salt spray driving across the bridge. The Bayan is a handy vessel; but all the skillful manœuvring in the world could not have saved her if she had persevered in action against six cruisers. But to get away there was but a few seconds when she had to show her heels. She did it bravely, the yellow flashes sparkling up and down the whole length of her long hull. The flag-captain was at the speaking tube, and as the Russian turned quiver after quiver shook the bridge, the gasping reports which followed showed how the flagship took advantage of the broader target. Not only the flagship, for the signalman never busy at the helm, and the admiral, glancing asternwards, he saw behind him a flashing line of yellow flashes, proof positive that each of his captains had read his signal. As for the Bayan, it looked for all the world as if she were the centre of a shoal of spouting whales. Great geysers of water seemed to splash almost as high as her smokestacks, and from the burst of those projectiles which made their way into the hull, it seemed that the vessel was bound to be destroyed. But, as already remarked, she is a handy craft. Only a few seconds of this fearful ordeal, and then her four funnels seemed to disappear into one, and she was making the best of her 22-knots speed to Port Arthur. No ignoble flight, for her stern still gave evidence of her sting, and in rapid succession three great projectiles ricocheted high over the flagship. For a moment the admiral had it in his mind to make the signal to pursue; then he remembered his orders, and the squadron stood steadily on at half speed. The wind rolled up another squall, and the Bayan was lost to sight almost as rapidly as she had appeared.

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Two farmers were having a "crack" about the recent 8— agricultural show, when one of them asked if the lady was an exhibitor. "Well," replied the other, "she was, in a sense, for he made an ass of himself as usual, for he was roaring 'fo'."

A young physician commencing practice had among his first patients an uncomely, unclean infant brought to his office in the arms of a mother whose face showed the same abhorrence of soap.

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