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SUCCESSFUL SMOKER HELD AT G.W.V.A. HALL ON SATURDAY LAST

The meeting of the Coal Section of the Vancouver Island Branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy held at the G.W.V.A. Hall on Saturday evening last which took the form of a smoker, was an outstanding success. Mr. Chas. Graham, District Superintendent of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, and who is the President of the Vancouver Island Branch of the C.I.M.M. was in the chair.

Many men, prominent in the mining affairs of the province addressed the meeting. Dean Brock, after delivering an excellent address at the Lecture Hall on "Earthquakes," joined the members of the Institute and gave a short talk which the members thoroughly enjoyed. Other speakers included Mr. Thomas Graham, General Superintendent of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, who is also the President of the R.C. Division of the C.I.M.M.; Mr. Mortimer Lamb, Secretary of the Western Division C.I.M.M., and Mr. Nichol Thomson, of Vancouver.

A paper, read by Mr. Geo. O'Brien, Safety Engineer of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, entitled "Ancient and Modern Means of Testing for Gas in Coal Mines," was listened to with a great deal of attention by the large crowd present. A very interesting and instructive discussion followed the reading of the paper.

During the evening an excellent program of vocal and instrumental music was rendered, the following well known artists contributing:—Messrs. W. A. Owen, Colville Graham, R. Strachan, J. G. Quinn, W. Morris and H. Jackson.

The meeting closed about midnight after one of the most successful gatherings of the local members of the Institute.

All men holding certificates of competency in Coal Mining were invited to be guests of the members of the Institute for the evening.

CHAMPIONSHIP BOUT TO BE STAGED AT COURTENAY

Arrangements have been completed for a boxing contest, for the Light Heavyweight championship of Vancouver Island, to be staged at Courtenay on St. Valentine's Day, Thursday, February 14, between Roy Cliffe, of Courtenay and Tommy Tappella, of Cumberland.

Several preliminaries to the main event will be held for amateurs, when medals will be put up for competition.

The Cumberland Literary and Athletic Association intends sending a few of their amateurs along on this occasion.

WOMEN'S HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

A meeting of the Women's Hospital Auxiliary will be held in the Anglican Hall, Friday afternoon, January 25, at 3 o'clock.

All women interested in the Institution where the sick and afflicted are cared for, are requested to attend. No meetings have been held since January 1923; but the Executive functioned throughout the year and bought all supplies needed for the comforts of patients. In January 1923, when meetings ceased, the Bank Account was \$306.96 and after a year's supplying, the Treasury now contains \$136.02.

S. M. MacKinnon, Acting Secy.

HARMONY REBEKAH LODGE HELD INSTALLATION MONDAY

Monday evening, January 14th, the Harmony Rebekah Lodge held their regular meeting at which their District Deputy President, Mrs. Ellen Walker, installed the following officers for the next term:

Noble Grand, Mrs. Florence Parkinson; Vice Grand, Mrs. Lila Potter; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Whyte; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Mary Frelone; Treasurer, Mrs. Kate Bobba; Chaplain, Mrs. Maxwell Sr.; Warden, Mrs. Emma Aspey; Conductor, Mrs. Mary Marinelli; R.S.N.G., Miss Josie Balano; L.S.N.G., Mrs. Isabel Rickson; R.S.V.G., Mrs. Josie Balano; L.S.V.G., Mrs. Margaret Mitchell; Inside Guardian, Mrs. Marlon Yarrow; Outside Guardian, Mrs. Lena Francescini.

Locals Maintain Lead At Expense Of Champions

Nanaimo City, Dom. Soccer Champions Easily Defeated by Locals—Graham Stars for Home Team

After a hard-fought forty-five minutes, in which Nanaimo United had the advantage of the breaks, the local boys broke away, and from beginning to end of the second half, the former team were left completely out of the picture and had to admit defeat to Blair and Co., to the tune of 3 goals to nil in the Up-Island League soccer game which took place on the Recreation Grounds on Sunday. By virtue of this win Cumberland stills leads the league with 23 points which, if nothing unexpected happens in their remaining games, virtually assures them of first place.

Exactly at 2.30 p.m., referee A. S. Jones called the teams together and as soon as captain McDougall decided to defend the Camp-end goal, the ball was set rolling. Nanaimo immediately made for their opponent's goal and for several minutes the local halves and full backs had a warm time. Gough and Stewart led nothing get by them but they had a tendency to kick high in the air instead of sending the ball up to their forwards. However, they finally managed to do so and when once the forwards did secure, nothing stopped them until they reached the Nanaimo goal, where either they kicked past or Routledge saved with spectacular plays. Milligan and Heyland both had hard lines in not scoring, the ball just grazing the top of the bar with the goalie in no position to save. Graham and Turner followed up with some hot ones, but Routledge seemed open to all engagements and repeatedly relieved the pressure. Not long after this, Cumberland's right wing, Deluce, made a pretty run from centre, passed the half backs and the full backs and shot over the bar from a difficult position. Nanaimo then took the situation in hand and from then on to the end of the first half they had the advantage of the play but were only dangerous once when Foster shot high over the goal with only Blair to beat. Half time came with neither team having scored.

On the resumption of play it was clearly seen that the home team was out for goals. Their forwards broke through the Nanaimo defence time and time again with the result that Milligan scored the first goal from a scrimmage in the 18 yd line with a low shot. Routledge made a great try for it but was a fraction of a second late, the ball slipping under his outstretched arms. For the next fifteen minutes the visiting backs were given a hard task, that of breaking up the combination of Graham and company, but although they made great efforts to do so, Graham managed to put his team two up with a well aimed shot. However, fate had ordained that the same player get one more and after forcing repeated corners he secured the ball near mid-field, where with one of the finest plays ever seen on the local grounds, he eluded practically the whole Nanaimo team and scored his second goal of the day, with exactly one-half minute to go. Immediately after centering the ball the whistle blew for full time, the game ending with Cumberland 3 and Nanaimo 0.

For the visitors, Stobbar played a hard game and although the fans do not give him due credit while playing, they certainly must admit that he is one of the best half backs in B.C. Faulds and Linn and Bell also showed up well while Routledge showed that he is a real goal-keeper even though he had three goals scored on him. It is hard to pick out any one brilliant player on the home team, for everyone was at the top of his form and could be relied on at all times. Graham, especially, should receive praise; he is a real centre forward and that final run of his was worth going many miles to see. Tommy Heyland substituted for Bannerman, on the left wing, and showed up remarkably well considering that he has been out of practice for so long.

A. S. Jones made a fair referee and gave complete satisfaction to both teams.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Jolly Bachelors' Club of Courtenay, will hold another of their popular dances on February the 12th, 1924, in the Gaiety Theatre.

MRS. ELIZA BANKS AGAIN HEADS SCHOOL TRUSTEES

C. J. Parnham Mayor By Acclamation

A. MAXWELL POLICE COMMISSIONER BY ACCLAMATION

When the nominations closed on Monday returning officer, A. J. Merry, declared Charles Joseph Parnham, elected Mayor by acclamation and Alexander Maxwell, Police Commissioner, by acclamation, there were seven candidates for Aldermen and ten for School Trustees.

The Municipal Elections are over for another year. While they are highly satisfactory to some of the Electors, they are disappointing to others. In all probability there would have been no contest for School Trustee if the retiring members of the Board had declared themselves out for re-election, but on the contrary, stated that they had done their duty, one had served faithfully and diligently for so many years, giving the Citizens and Ratepayer of his best. Other retiring members said it was time for a change and that others should come forward and become Trustees of the Public School and that there were plenty of able men and women within the City limits who could represent the City of Cumberland, so the ordinary man on the street came to the conclusion the four of the 1923 Board would retire for a rest, and then the cry went out that there were four vacancies on the Board of Trustees. When there is an emergency, you can always depend upon some of our live wires being on the alert.

On Monday, Returning Officer, A. J. Merry was present at the City Hall to receive nominations and to the surprise of the Electorate, the retiring candidates were seeking re-election.

Ten candidates were nominated on Monday for School Trustees, with four required. The election on Thursday gave the following results:

Names	Votes Cast
Banks, Eliza F., elected	92
McKinnon, Alexander, elected	74
McFadyen, Neil, elected	62
Maxwell, Alexander, elected	61
Partridge, Margaret B.	57
Walter, John	47
Mordy, Thomas	42
Ledingham, John	41
Potter, John James	41
Horwood, Emmie	22

Eliza F. Banks and Alex. McKinnon are elected for a term of two years. Neil McFadyen and Alex. Maxwell are elected for a term of one year.

Seven Aldermen were nominated on Monday and the Election on Thursday returned five of the 1923 Board, Thomas Mordy defeating Frank Dallos, a member of last year's Council by 10 votes.

Whist Drive To Be Held Tonight

The welcome announcement is made that the Ladies' Auxillary of Holy Trinity intend holding another of their popular Whist Drives and Dances in the Anglican Hall, Friday, January 18, Whist 8-10, Dancing 10-12. Refreshed. First-class prizes. Admission 75c.

Aldermen elected for 1924 are:

Names	Votes Cast
Mumford, Thomas Henry	116
Maxwell, Alexander	114
Ledingham, John	113
Potter, John James	103
Jeffrey, Alfred Edwin	99
Mordy, Thomas	84
Dallos, Frank	74

Results of Ladysmith Elections
Mayor, W. W. Walkem.
Aldermen: Sam Jones, James Strang, C. Briant, Mrs. Marshall, Geo. Reid.

Police Commissioner: Geo. Reid.
School Trustees: Marshall and Reid.

Results of Courtenay Elections
Mayor: F. McPherson, acclamation
Aldermen: W. T. Fielders 134, W. G. Haggarty 120, C. Simms 107, C. Pearce 104, Herbert Cooke 82, Dalton Cuthbert 72, Henry Bramley 56.
School Trustees: George Pidcock 131, W. James 114, H. V. Collins 56.

Results of Nanaimo Elections
Out of a voters' list of 1685, but 1055 cast their votes yesterday in the Municipal Elections which decided the fate of two by-laws and the personnel of the Council for 1924. Both the athletic clubs by-law which is a by-law to transfer the ownership of the city owned athletic club premises to the G.W.V.A. for a nominal sum, and the Public Library by-law passed with the requisite three-fifths majority.

The results were as follows:
Mayor: Busby 601, Harrison 446.
Alderman, Southward: Smith 191, Cavalsky 159, Dixon 92.
Aldermen, Northward: Randle 194, Planta 137, Inkster 118, Freer 110.
Aldermen, Middleward: Baraby 217, Jenkins 206, McKenzie 166, Rowan 111.
Police Commissioner: J. K. Hickman, elected by acclamation.

Clubs Must Bare Secrets To Liquor Control Board

Searching Questions Asked—Licences Must be Obtained if Clubs Remain Open

Want a club licence under the new regulations of the Liquor Control Board? Here's a few of the particulars you will have to give:
Full name of club.
Date of incorporation, if incorporated.

If unincorporated, so state, and give full Christian names, surnames, addresses and occupations of proprietors.

State purpose for which the club is carried on.

State premises on which club is now carried on.

Are premises owned, in fee simple by the club?
If not, give particulars of tenancy; owner of premises; lease date; name of landlord; name of tenant; rental per month; duration of lease.

What other business is carried on in the building in which the club premises are contained?

Particulars of membership; honorary members; privileged members; ordinary members in good standing.

Particulars of club premises; Number of rooms; number of furnished bedrooms. Has the club a dining-room in which, meals are regularly

served to members? If so, approximate number of meals served daily.

Is liquor or beer allowed on club premises?
If allowed, on what part of club premises is liquor kept?

Is there a bar on club premises? If so, is liquor or beer kept in or near said bar?

Are there any lockers in said premises in which members are allowed to keep liquor or beer?
If so, state number of lockers.

Are such lockers used by more than one member?
Does the club derive any revenue from serving liquor or beer?

If so state revenue derived in 1923 from (1) rental of lockers, (2) serving liquor or beer.

State methods by which this revenue is derived.

In addition the regulations call for a full list of officers of the club and a copy of the last balance sheet, together with the constitution and by-laws under which the club is conducted.

The application is in the form of a statutory declaration and all clubs operating after February 1 will have to make application and close down if the application for a license is not granted, as after that date full control of the clubs is taken over by the Liquor Control Board.

Dean Brock Heard In Interesting Lecture Saturday

Hall Packed to Capacity—Lecturer Delights With Very Interesting Instructive Address

The Lecture Hall of the Cumberland Literary and Athletic Association was packed to capacity on Tuesday evening last on the occasion of the visit of Dean Brock, of the University of British Columbia, to deliver his famous lecture, "Earthquakes."

The lecturer approached his subject in a very easy manner; so much so that all present could easily follow the lecturer during the whole course of his address. Reading from an account of an earthquake which occurred in Canada in 1663, and which was reported to have covered an area of 200 leagues in length by 100 leagues in width, the speaker goes on to describe the result of this great tremor and the panic of the people.

It is only during the last century that the study and theory of earthquakes has been attempted to any real extent.

By means of numerous illustrations the audience was fully able to understand the subject of earthquakes as a whole.

The recent big Japanese disaster was also dealt with, the lecturer giving to his audience many tales of heroism and devotion of the natives to their European masters, in spite of the many rumors to the contrary.

At the conclusion of his very able address, Mr. Thomas Graham, General Superintendent of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, proposed a hearty vote of thanks for the very interesting and instructive address, which was seconded by Mr. T. Mordy.

T. Mordy Elected As President Of Badminton Club

Special Meeting Held Tuesday—Arrangements Made For Whist Drive and Dance

The special meeting of the Cumberland Badminton Club, held in the Anglican Hall on Tuesday evening last was exceptionally well attended. The Vice-President, Mr. T. Mordy, occupied the chair, with the Rev. E. H. Nunns as Secretary.

After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read, adopted and communication dealt with, the election of a president for the club caused vacant by the resignation of Mr. A. H. Webb, who has left the district, was proceeded with. The unanimous choice of the meeting for this position was the Vice-President, Mr. Thomas Mordy. This caused a vacancy for the Vice-Presidency, to which Mrs. W. A. Owen was elected.

It was decided at this meeting to run a whist drive and dance in the near future, the date to be announced in the columns of The Islander. It is the intention of the club to stage another tournament in the near future, details which will probably be worked out by the committee.

New members to the Badminton Club will be made welcome at the court in the Anglican Hall on Tuesday or Saturday evenings, after 6.30.

ST. JOHNS AMBULANCE CLASSES

First Aid Lecture Sunday morning at 11 o'clock for males only. The Junior Boys will also be welcome at this lecture, as they will take their lecture with the Senior.

The First Aid Lecture for the female class will be held on Tuesday, the 29th, at 7.30 p.m. All Junior Girls will also take their lectures with the Senior Ladies.

SPECIAL SHOW TUESDAY MORNING

The management of the Ho-Ho Theatre announce that a special showing of the superb picture "Human Wreckage" will be held on Tuesday morning at 10.30; also a matinee the same day at 3.15 p.m. The usual matinee prices will prevail, children 15c, adults 35c.

The prices for the Monday and Tuesday evening shows of this super special will be: Children 25c, Adults 50c.

SIX HUNDRED ATTEND PIONEERS' RE-UNION HELD AT COURTENAY

Six hundred people crowded into the Gaiety Theatre last Friday night. Of this number one hundred and fifty were Pioneer guests of Courtenay Assembly No. 3, Native Sons of Canada, who had invited them to a reception. The other four hundred and fifty odd came to pay homage to the hardy men and women of the early days. It was the gayest throng that ever attended a social event in Comox Valley, far surpassing the event of a similar nature held last year under the same auspices, and which will now positively become an annual event. The Sons are tickled pink at the results of their efforts to give their elders a good time. The pioneers showed their appreciation of being given the opportunity of gathering in social conclave by tendering from the stage of the theatre a hearty vote of thanks to the Native Sons for their interest in their well being and pleasure.

During the first part of the night Jazz was out of question, the floor being given over to the pioneers who tripped the light fantastic as in days of yore to music as it used to be. Joviality was rampant and the honored guests of the evening certainly enjoyed themselves to the full. Such tunes as "The Girl I Left Behind Me," "Just One Girl," "Listen to the Mocking Bird," "There be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," "Two Little Girls in Blue," were served up by that orchestra that was so popular in the Valley a quarter of a century ago. Jack Baird tickled the ivories as he used to, Dave Roy pulled the bow on his fiddle in the old time way, Paolo Monte worked his arm sore with a trombone and Harry Murdoch sweetened the air with his cornet. All these old time musicians did their bit to bring back to their years old companions memories of by-gone days. When dancing began it was with a grand march led by Mrs. Florence Cliffe, first white woman in the Valley, who was celebrating her seventieth birthday, and Mr. Robert Swan, of Denman Island, another person who has lived here for over half a century. After the grand march old time dances, including the lancers, minuets, quadrilles, waltzes, and Highland Schottisches were indulged in until the banquet hour, after which the floor was given to the younger members of the party, but many of the pioneers stayed on until the wee small hours so reluctant were they to leave for home.

During the time supper was being served speeches were made and reminiscences stories told by Mr. William Duncan, Mr. Alexander Urquhart, Mrs. Florence Cliffe, Mrs. William Lewis, and Joe Nim Nim, chief of the Puntledge Indian reservation. Another interesting feature was the step dancing by Harry Blackhall, the Native Sons entertainer, Clay Welsh, Jack Crockett and Jack McKenzie of Comox. Mr. Alexander Cleland, president of the Native Sons, acted as chairman of this part of the proceedings. After supper which was certainly a bounteous one, served by a ladies' committee, the young folks danced until four o'clock. During the intermission Mr. J. W. deB. Farris, ex-Attorney General, delivered a short address which was full of good thoughts, especially for the Sons.

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W. B. A. INSTALL OFFICERS FOR 1924

Thursday evening last, the Women's Benefit Association of the Macabees held their installation of officers for the year 1924, which are as follows:
Commander, Hannah Watson; Lieut. Comm., Gertrude Somerville; Past Comm., Lena Francescini; Collector, Jessie Gray; Record Keeper, Annie Davis; Chaplain, Jennie Maxwell; Sergeant, Ada Davis; Lady-At-Arms, Annie Whitehouse; Sentinel, Christine Robertson; Picket, Bertha Davis; Color Bearers, 1 and 2, Martha Coe and Jane Walker; Ensigns, 1 and 2, Mary Frelone and Clara Taylor; Musician, Bertha Walker; Captain Susan Covert. Mrs. Mary Hudson acted as Installation Officer and Mrs. Mary Eccleston as Mistress of Ceremonies.

After the meeting a very pleasant social evening was spent. The retiring Commander, Mrs. Lena Francescini, was presented with a beautiful upholstered rocking chair and a fountain pen, as a mark of the esteem and appreciation the members have for her. Although taken completely by surprise, Mrs. Francescini thanked the ladies in a few well-chosen words.

News of Courtenay and Surrounding District

VALUABLE PANTHER DOGS ARE LOST

Mr. Cecil Smith, hunter and guide, has lost two of his most valuable panther dogs. They are in the Buttes Lake district and Mr. Smith is now in that country looking for them. They are probably the most valuable panther dogs on the Island.

FORMER COURTENAIANS ARE DOING WELL IN CALIFORNIA

In a letter to a friend in Courtenay, a former resident of this district, now in California, mentions some erstwhile Courtenaians, among whom are Mr. and Mrs. Hicks Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Mutlow and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Robertson, and Mr. Robert Duncan. The letter states that all are apparently doing well and that a big year is expected in the southern state. It is

no place for unskilled labor though, as a big percentage of the work is done by machinery.

LIQUOR CHARGE AGAINST R. D. DIXON IS DISMISSED

A crowded court room greeted the principals in the case of the Crown versus R. D. Dixon, proprietor of the Riverside Hotel and Samuel Arthur, clerk in the employ of the hotel, charged with selling liquor. The only witnesses against the defendants were two secret service men whose evidence on certain important points was so contradictory that after the summing up by counsel on either side, and weighing the evidence adduced, Magistrate James dismissed the case. Mr. J. W. deB. Farris, ex-Attorney-General appeared for the accused and Mr. P. P. Harrison prosecuted.

GEORGE KIRBY IS BADLY CRUSHED BY TON-HAMMER

On Monday afternoon, Mr. George Kirby, one of the crew of men working on repairs to the breakwater along the Tsolum River, between Courtenay and Sandwick, met with a serious accident. He was doing some work near the pile driver, when in some accidental manner the one-ton hammer struck him. Fortunately the river bank at the place of accident is rather soft, otherwise Mr. Kirby might have been killed. He is at Comox Hospital where, at latest reports, he is recovering after the severe crushing.

Mrs. G. R. Mutrie, who has been ill with pneumonia, at her home on the Lake Trail, is, her many friends will be pleased to learn, progressing towards recovery.

TSOLUM LODGE NO. 52 ELECT NEW OFFICERS

On Tuesday night Tsolum Lodge, No. 52, Knights of Pythias, met and elected officers to serve during the year 1924. The following were elected: Chancellor Commander, William Shilcock; Vice Chacellor, Walter Woodhus; Master of Work, Frank Movitz; Keeper of Records and Seal, James Hornby; Master at Arms, William Sutcliffe; Master of Finance, Percy Sadler; Master of Exchequer, James Mathewson; Inner Guard, Jerry Kintera; Outer Guard, Henry Gamlen. After the business of the meeting a social was held, being thoroughly enjoyed by the largest meeting the lodge has held for a long time.

IF YOU WANT TO GET ATTENTION—DO SOMETHING WORTH ATTRACTING ATTENTION.

Nature is kind to those who have taken pains to understand her.

COURTENAY FIRE DEPT. ELECT OFFICERS MONDAY NIGHT

On Monday night the members of Courtenay Volunteer Fire Department gathered at the city hall for their annual meeting and election of officers, which resulted as follows:

Chief, Leonard D. Pickett; Deputy Chief, Frank Dack; Captains, Percy Booth and Samuel Watson; Secretary-Treasurer, Lorne Cleland; Entertainment Committee, William Hayman, Hugh McLean and William Leighton; Finance Committee, J. H. MacIntyre, Frank Dack and William Cook.

Satisfactory reports were submitted showing that there had been little activity in regard to fires in the city during the year but that the brigade had rendered useful service on several occasions at fires without the boundaries of the city. The new siren fire call was reported as working satisfactorily and a great improvement over the old alarm.

Some further development work is planned for the year 1924 that will add to the already strong efficiency of the brigade.

WILLIAM J. CAIRNES CRUSHED TO DEATH BY FALLING LOGS

An inquest was held on Monday night last to enquire into the cause of death of William J. Cairnes, who met death in an accident at the logging camp of Bloedel, Stewart & Welsh last Saturday afternoon.

The jury impanelled was H. Herd, foreman, Chas. Bool, Fred Smith, A. W. Orr, E. T. Ellison and Fred McLean.

Three witnesses were called, Otto Dillman, Peter Bogart and Fred Cobe, all members of the logging crew. They testified that they were at work and after the train had gone down the road they noticed something wrong. They went to the spot and found one of the cars had become derailed. The wrecking crew was called and preparations made to return the car to the track. Dillman and Cairnes were preparing a line to assist in the work of removing the logs from the car

when the load suddenly shifted. Bogaert, who was at one end of the car, shouted "watch out" but it was too late, the logs falling on Cairnes and just grazing Dillman's hat in doing so.

The jury, without retiring, rendered a verdict of accidental death, attaching no blame to anybody. Dr. Butters, coroner, conducted the inquest.

HIS HEARING RESTORED

The Invisible ear drum invented by A. O. Leonard, which is a miniature megaphone, fitting inside the ear entirely out of sight, is restoring the hearing of hundreds of people in New York City. Mr. Leonard invented this drum to relieve himself of deafness and head noises, and it does this so successfully that no one could tell he was a deaf man. It is effective when deafness is caused by catarrh or by perforated or wholly destroyed natural drums. A request for information to

A. O. LEONARD, Suite 436, 70 Fifth Ave., NEW YORK CITY, will be given prompt reply.

PRESENTATION TO RETIRING OFFICERS

On Thursday night a meeting of the Assembly No. 3, Native Sons of Canada was held at Courtenay, with a large attendance and reports of the pioneer dance was satisfactory.

The presentation of gold cuff links was made to the retiring president, Bro. P. L. Anderson and the retiring Secretary Bro. Hope Herd, who resigned at the last meeting.

At the conclusion of the meeting a large number of ladies came into the hall and asked the Sons for assistance in organizing the Canadian Daughters League in Courtenay, auxiliary to the Assembly of the Sons of Canada.

Another meeting will be held on Monday next 21 inst, to complete organization.

Mr. W. G. Stubbs, Principal of Courtenay Public School, was present

with his concert troupe, presenting a most enjoyable program including Sailor's Hornpipe, by the Misses H. Fechner, K. Moore, G. Perez and B. Shannon, songs by Miss Kitty Williams, recitation, Master Sidney Williams and chorus the hornpipe girls and Misses Violet Trotter and K. Williams.

Songs were pleasantly rendered by Mrs. Joa. Thompson and Mr. Geo. Percy recited and Mr. A. H. Herd gave an exhibition on club swinging. After the program a dance was held for an hour.

COURTENAY GOLF CLUB HELD A BIG MEETING

Courtenay Golf Club held a big meeting in the city hall, President Geo. Pidcock in the chair. The Mutrie Cup was presented to Mr. Jos. Idens and the Souvenir Cup to Mr. Mitchell Moncrieff. The club has made great advancements and with improvements contemplated to the course carried out, golf in this district should receive a great stimulus.

Canadian Briefs

INCREASED BANK CLEARINGS

Winnipeg bank clearings for the week ending December 27, showed an increase of \$6,000,000, as compared with the corresponding week of last year. The 1923 clearings for the same week mentioned were \$50,777,441 and for 1922 \$44,436,710.

REFUTES TALES OF HARVESTERS

In a recent issue of the Toronto Globe, a statement appears from a Scottish immigrant to Canada in the form of a letter to the "Edinburgh Scotsman," taking exception to the action of British harvesters who have returned to the Old Country with tales of hardship and suffering endured this year while in the Dominion. He emphasizes the fact that of 12,000 Britshers who came to Canada for the 1923 harvest, only 500 to 1,000 had gone back and these few had made noise and trouble so out of proportion to their number that many must have been led to believe that they were voicing the feelings of the harvesters in general.

CANADIAN WHEAT GOES TO BRAZIL

For the first time in the history of the Canadian grain trade, wheat was exported from Canada to South America, one of the Dominion's largest export firms having the honor of working this first shipment from Winnipeg to Rio de Janeiro, capital of Brazil. Brazil has always been an importer of both wheat and flour, doing a large trade in the latter commodity especially, but naturally she has always secured her requirements from the nearby Argentine. The present time, however, is between seasons in the south and the Brazilian millers required Canadian wheat for blending purposes. The shipment was made from Vancouver via the Panama Canal.

LOW FARES FOR SPORTS

Excursion rates from St. Paul and Minneapolis will prevail over the Minneapolis and Sault Ste. Marie railway to Winnipeg for sports week, beginning February 11, according to information just received by the Winnipeg Board of Trade. It is understood the same rate, namely a fare and one third, will also apply on Canadian National lines from all points in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, for Winnipeg Sports Week.

NEW LAKE RECORD

Creating a new lake navigation record, the S.S. C. O. Jenkins cleared Fort William on December 24 and arrived at Midland December 28. This voyage marked the close of lake navigation for the season, and broke the record set two years ago by the C. O. Jenkins when she cleared Fort William on December 21 with a cargo of grain.

EXPECT MANY IMMIGRANTS

A great demand for Alberta land from immigrants is anticipated by James Colley, secretary of the Immigration Council of that province, who is on his way to Europe in connection with immigration work.

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SYNOPSIS OF LAND ACT AMENDMENTS

PRE-EMPTIONS
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Full information concerning regulations regarding pre-emption is given in Bulletin No. 1, Land Series, "How to Pre-empt Land," copies of which can be obtained free of charge by addressing the Department of Lands, Victoria, B.C., or to any Government Agent.

Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i.e., carrying over 5,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 8,000 feet per acre east of that range.

Applications for pre-emption are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emption must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of \$10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

For more detailed information see the Bulletin "How to Pre-empt Land."

PURCHASE
Applications are received for purchase of vacant and unreserved Crown lands, not being timberland, for agricultural purposes; minimum price of first-class (arable) land is \$5 per acre, and second-class (grazing) land \$2.50 per acre. Further information regarding purchase or lease of Crown lands is given in Bulletin No. 10, Land Series, "Purchase and Lease of Crown Lands."

Mill, factory, or industrial sites on timber land, not exceeding 40 acres, may be purchased or leased, the conditions including payment of a royalty.

HOMESITE LEASES
Unsurveyed areas, not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites, conditional upon a dwelling being erected in the first year, title being obtainable after residence and improvement conditions are fulfilled and land has been surveyed.

LEASES
For grazing and industrial purposes areas not exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or a company.

GRAZING
Under the Grazing Act the Province is divided into grazing districts and the range administered under a Grazing Commissioner. Annual grazing permits are issued based on numbers ranged, priority being given to established owners. Stock-owners may form associations for range management. Free, or partially free, permits are available for settlers, campers and travellers, up to ten head.

COFFEE IN MANITOBA

The proposal to make coffee from Manitoba grain has been put forward by C. E. Ferh, of Rosenfield, Man., who has asked the Winnipeg board of Trade to help him patent his idea.

HEAVY GRAIN LOADINGS.

An increase of more than 25,000,000 bushels is shown in the amount of grain loaded over the Canadian National Railways throughout the west since the opening of the season on September 1, as compared with the corresponding period of last season.

DOG DERBY PLANS

Teams are in training and extensive preparations are being made for the holding on March 11 of the seventh annual Dog Derby at The Pas, Man. Special carnival features are being arranged and accommodation will be provided for the visitors. A carnival queen contest is adding to the interest in this event.

CAPITAL FOR COAL DEVELOPMENT

Proposals to interest German capital in the development of the Saskatchewan lignite coal industry are being made at present and options on large acreage are stated to have been secured by a representative of Thyssen and Company, of Mannheim, Germany.

BUFFALO MEATS ON TRAINS

Buffalo tongues, tails and steaks are to be served on Canadian National diners on transcontinental trains and after January 15, the company

having contracted for the entire supply of tongues and tails from the animals slaughtered at Wainwright Buffalo Park this fall. Buffalo steaks and roasts are being served in hotels of the Canadian National system.

OFFICIAL PROMOTED

Following the resignation of D. B. Mulligan as superintendent of hotels for the Canadian National Railways, announcement comes from company headquarters of the promotion of Walter Pratt to general manager of all Canadian National hotels in addition to his present duties as superintendent of dining, sleeping and parlor cars for the system.

SWEDISH IMMIGRANTS ARE COMING

According to A. Hallonquist, Winnipeg representatives of the Swedish Steamship Company, the influx of Swedish immigration to this country will be very heavy during the next few months. It will begin when the S.S. Stockholm docks at Halifax about January 13, and more than 150 of her passengers proceed west over Canadian National lines to make their homes in the farming districts of Western Canada.

GOOD BUSINESS AT COAST

Conditions in Vancouver following the holiday season look unusually promising, G. A. McNicholl, of Vancouver, general passenger agent of the Canadian National Railways, stated on his way to Montreal a few days ago. Merchants claim to have done the largest holiday business ever transacted in Vancouver and prospects for the coming of American and

Canadian tourists for the winter are exceedingly bright, Mr. Nicholl added.

OPERATING REVENUE GAINS

Official figures covering Canadian railway operations from January to the end of October, 1923, show that Canadian National lines have increased their operating revenues by \$5,117,741 and the entire system, including the lines in the United States, increased the net operating revenue from \$3,823,007 to \$12,021,285. Canadian lines of the C.N.R. converted a deficit of \$315,952 into a net operating revenue of \$4,801,788 during the time reviewed and the net earnings of the American lines of the Canadian National Railways jumped from \$3,823,007 to \$7,219,496.

HARVESTERS REMAIN IN CANADA

Of the 11,883 harvesters who came from Britain during 1923, more than 7,000 are remaining in the Dominion, according to a report to the Winnipeg Presbytery by Rev. G. F. McCullough, immigration chaplain for the Methodist and Presbyterian churches.

GRAIN FROM VANCOUVER

Vancouver grain men are endeavoring to send more than 14,000,000 bushels of grain out of that port this month. Deliveries at the Pacific coast port by the Canadian National Railways during the present grain movement season are eclipsing all former records.

GOLD STRIKE

Prospectors working north of Sudbury, Ontario, have struck a rich vein of gold ore close to the line of the Canadian National Railways. At a depth of 30 feet, to which distance a shaft has been driven, the vein has widened out to 14 inches and assays of the ore show values averaging \$28 per ton. Specimens of the ore exhibited at Sudbury show small nuggets embedded in the rock.

NOW REVENUE PRODUCING

From an expensive burden on the Dominion Government, the Wainwright Buffalo Park is now producing a substantial revenue for Canada, according to A. S. Duclos, of Edmonton, who had the contract for the slaughter of the 2,000 surplus animals in the park this fall. Good prices are being received by the government from the sale of meat, hides and heads and old timers all over the country are enjoying the opportunity to eat real buffalo steaks and pemmican once again.

REBATE TO IMMIGRANTS

It has been announced by Hon. J. A. Robb, minister of immigration and colonization, that an arrangement has been completed with the British government whereby a 20 per cent. preference rate on Atlantic passengers for all British immigrants settling in Canada will be put into operation on March 1 of this year. This preference will be paid by the shipping companies and will amount to \$15 per passage.

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BUILDERS

Isn't it strange that Princes and Kings
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To each is given a bag of tools,
A shapeless mass and a book of rules;
And each must make, ere life is flown,
A stumbling block or a stepping stone.
—Selected.

OH, WHAT A DIFFERENCE!

Sometimes, when the editor's mail receipts have consisted principally of those ominous cards which the department permits postmasters to shy at defenseless newspaper men, postage free, bearing the name of some subscriber a year in arrears, stating that the said subscriber's paper is not taken out, but remains undelivered in that office, and giving as a reason therefor that it has been refused, the editor feels that his labors have been in vain, unappreciated and unremunerated. 'Tis then he longs to tie himself away to some deep, sequestered spot where ink, type and print paper are unknown, and there in the unbroken solitude of pristine nature forget for a time the weekly struggle to make ends meet and silently meditate upon the ingratitude of man.

But when he is just ready to do the "heing" act—when the printers are clamoring for their last week's wages—the groceryman insisting that he comes through for the groceries he has eaten—the coal pile vanishing, and only thirty-five cents in sight with which to buy another load—then comes along the broad-gauged, whole-souled, big-hearted, prompt-paying subscriber, plunks down his crisp new bill, and joy and gladness once more dispel the gloom. The prompt-paying subscriber—long may he live and his kind multiply.

LAST CHANCE

Now that leap year is really here at last, the girls should not hesitate. We know the unmarried men in Cumberland don't amount to a whole lot, but a pretty fair stick may be found here and there throughout the bunch. Besides, it never was intended that a woman should become an old maid; it never was intended that man should develop into a crusty old bachelor, wasting his life sewing on buttons, getting up cold winter mornings to build the fire, etc. So sail in and take your choice of what's left, girls.

THE GIRL AND THE NEWSPAPER

Should girls read the newspaper? That's a question that is short, sweet and to the point, and we are inclined to answer the girls in one word—"Yes." And yet, after that one word we want to add a little warning.

First of all, a good newspaper; read what is going on in the world of literature, science, art, and, possibly, if it interests you, politics. Read so that you may talk well on the subjects most interesting to men and women. Don't read descriptions of awful murders; don't read details of vile intrigues, and don't read silly personalities. The girl who reads a daily newspaper properly is very apt to be the girl quick of wit and fully informed of what the world is doing. You see, we want to know that, because we are in the world and of it. There would be no life and no animation in us if we were not. The woman whose world is a narrow one makes it for herself. She enlarges it when, instead of idle gossip, she can talk about the last new picture, the criticism on the book or the play, the wonderful gift that some chari-

table man has made to humanity, or the advantages to be derived by men and women in the passing of a law. We said choose a good newspaper, and we do not believe in the good newspaper there is anything to be avoided by the girls, and certainly very much can be learned from it.

WHAT DO THEY WANT?

It is a big thing when a woman has learned how to make a man happy, though married; how to bring up children so that they will be as much comfort as possible to their families and as little nuisance as feasible to the neighbors. It is a big thing to keep house so that no one but the house would suspect it did not keep itself, to manage a servant so that she will not look upon the mistress as her natural enemy, to be ready in hospitality without making it a burden, to be on good terms with the neighbors near or far, without condescending to pettiness. It is a big thing to be a member of a Woman's Club without leaving the stockings undarned, to attend church without losing her temper on Sunday morning, to post herself upon current events without taking the newspaper from her husband when he wants it most, to read a new book occasionally, to practice outdoor exercise enough to keep herself in good bodily trim, to dress herself tastefully without forming colossal bills, to bestow sufficient attention upon her figure and face to preserve her good looks and having done all this to save herself from nervous prostration by the system and moderation she brings to them all.

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Could each one but know of the brave hearts embodied in those disabled forms—the courageous young souls—laughing, studying, playing, perserving, conquering, where normal people would oftentimes repine, and become discouraged, deep pity for their frailty would influence every heart.

Whether your offering be one cent or one hundred dollars—every copper, every good wish will serve to swell the amount needed to operate this school, which is endeavoring to lead these Crippled Children to lives of usefulness and true citizenship. Many of our graduates are engaged as office assistants, some are earning wages in printing shops and various places of business.

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ing, and commercial classes. It is gratifying to note in the domestic classes, how carefully even the juniors prepare the vegetables for the soup and how neatly the smallest child can sew a plain seam!

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Tom Moore, Raymond Hatton and Edith Roberts Are Featured

The Allan Dwan Paramount production of "Big Brother," a Rex Beach novel which will be shown at the Ho-Ho Theatre on Friday and Saturday, is supplemented by a cast of worthiness and repute.

Heading the list of popular players, who bring the famous story to the silver sheet, is Tom Moore in the role of Jimmy Donovan, the leader of the Car Barn gang on New York's lower East side. It is doubtful if Moore ever had a more appropriate role. Edith Roberts, whose recent return to the studios after an illness finds her in greater popularity than ever, plays the feminine lead. Then there is Raymond Hatton, also featured in the role of a dope fiend; Mickey Bennett, the talented seven-year-old player, Charles Henderson, Joe King, Paul Panzer, Neill Kelley, William Black, Milton Herman, Florence Ashbrook and Yvonne Hughes play in support.

"Big Brother" is a penetrating story of the lower East side, realistically and adroitly done. In Jimmy Donovan the author, Rex Beach has painted a character humane and lovable. The story concerns the resolutions of the gang leader to correct his ways after his lieutenant had been killed by the bullet from the gun of a leader of a rival gang. In dying the lieutenant had asked his chief to

take care of his little brother and to bring him up 'different.'

The elements working against the gang leader, the depth and sincerity of his love for Kitty, the angel of the district, the machinations of Cokey Joe, the dope fiend, and the final triumph of Jimmy Donovan provide sympathetic and convincing entertainment and true testimony of the genius of Mr. Dwan and Mr. Beach.

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IN "HUMAN WRECKAGE"
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On a level with Stevenson's immortal conception of the struggle for supremacy between a man's good and bad natures, "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," is James Kirkwood's performance in "Human Wreckage," depicting the tremendous combat of a man's will power with a body that insistently craves for relief through submission to the curse of drugs.

With infinite skill and delicacy, Kirkwood, through repression rather than elaborate physical demonstration delineates the emotions of the brilliant criminal lawyer who, while energetically prosecuting weaklings who stoop to indulgence in harmful narcotics, breaks down from overwork, and becomes himself addicted to their use.

Once snared in the toils of the dope ring, he sinks down and down until, in a tense climax, he realizes his depths to which the habit has brought him, and makes a valiant stand. With all the will-power he can muster, he squarely faces his enemy, the

demon Narcotics. It is here that Kirkwood rises to his greatest height.

His innate culture, which resents bitterly a surrender to involuntary servitude, opposed to the overwhelming desire to slip back peacefully into the old groove, brings him to Gethsemane. A gruelling, nerve-racking battle, outwardly evidenced only by the drawn muscles, the twitching nerves, the staring eyes, takes place on an isolated, wind-swept beach, where the wretched victim wanders to make a last stand, or die fighting. Slowly, with super-human effort, he forces the burning desire out of himself, and in doing so collapses in the wet sand a mere shell of his former self. There, a new man is born, a man of finer metal, filled with new convictions.

For him remains but one life work—to aid other unfortunates to throw off the evil curse. The lawyer, played by Kirkwood, sees plainly his former shortcoming in handling the narcotic problem. With returning health and vigor, his drawn face fills out, but the gleam of determination in his eye deepens and his jaw sets firmly. A new element of sympathy tempers his idea of justice. In time he supersedes even his own former prominence as an attorney, through his greater understanding of the addict's viewpoint.

Kirkwood, after the severe strain involved in the portrayal of his part in "Human Wreckage," was forced to retire to the mountains for a long rest, while "Human Wreckage" launched on its triumphant way, will

be shown at the Ho-Ho Theatre on Monday and Tuesday.



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
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SEALED TENDERS, endorsed "Tender for Dove Creek School," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon of Tuesday the 29th day of January 1924, for the erection of a One room Schoolhouse at Dove Creek, Sandwick, in the Comox Electoral District.

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Secret History Of The Day

MASSEY GREEN'S LUCKY NOMINATION—LATEST CONFIDENCE TALE—A USEFUL PRESSMAN—NAY OFFICER'S WINE BILL—ZIFF WEARNE, CENSOR—M.L.A.'S DEAL IN "TROPHIES"

A Sydney Judge will be careful in future before he accepts anybody's word that an accused who has not appeared for trial has really absconded from justice, and issues a bench warrant for the absconder's arrest. The judge on one occasion ordered a warrant to issue for the arrest of a man whose name had been called six times outside the court, and had not answered. The man who did not appear at the time was safely in custody out at Long Bay. He is still there. The same judge sent him there.

A N.S.W. country C.P.S. posted his resignation to the Department one day with a covering letter stating his salary was too small to live on, so he was going rabbiting. Three months later he was back in the Service as a temporary, with a substantial rise. Quite recently he resigned to go into the estate agency business.

The publicans of a N.S.W. country town is in progress, are bitter about sly-grog selling at the navvies' camp.

The energies of the police have been devoted to stopping the illicit traffic for months past, and they have made dozens of unsuccessful raids. In despair, they recently picketed a traffic bridge that provided the only access to the camp, and searched every vehicle that passed. The surveillance lasted a month, but grog on the job was as plentiful as ever. The police still regard it impossible to solve the mystery, but they have never bothered to probe the sand carried by a train of motor lorries for the concrete work.

The department will not allow N.S.W. Government Crown Lands Agents to keep any change on hand. Even in Goulburn when a farmer calls to pay his instalments or buy a map he has to go out and have a drink to get the correct change.

An Australian Navy Officer gave a dinner to some friends at a fashionable Sydney Hotel recently. Of an economical turn of mind, he had a case of champagne sent along to the hotel, as he thought the latter's

charges too high. The proprietor saw the case, and gave the head waiter certain instructions. The host duly received his bill, and was horrified to read the following item: "To corkage—12 bottles at 10/- . . . £6." The business-like proprietor had charged 10/- for opening each bottle and pouring the contents!

One Australian University professor is a glutton for work. When he tended the University in the morning and conducted a class; at midday he went down to the wharf, met his blushing bride to be and married her. He then returned to the University and delivered a profound lecture.

The Ministerial head of a Federal Department has not been in office very long, but he has made his presence felt. He has at times endeavoured to expedite the completion of various works, and has made himself obnoxious to officers. "Don't bother so much about specifications, etc." is the burden of his song; "get the work done." The harassed officers are still trying to solve the puzzle of getting the work put through without seeing that the necessary specifications and conditions are completed by the contractor.

The cloak room staff at the Central Railway Station (Sydney) have dealt with 8,000,000 people and made only one mistake.

When the "Australia" was ordered to leave Sydney in October, 1914, she was waiting for a load of fire-bricks, without which she could not sail and which the naval authorities could not find. To solve the mystery, Albert J. Merry, of the naval dockyard police, was called in, given a launch and told to go to it. He assured the worried officials that he would have the bricks aboard in time for the "Australia" to sail. With a subordinate he went to Darling Harbour, left his sergeant to interrogate the railway people, while he toured the yard examining tracks until he came across the missing bricks. A few words—official and personal—to the railway representatives and the bricks were shunted into the daylight, hurriedly delivered to a waiting pontoon, and the "Australia" left on time. Merry's success was due to the fact that he had been employed by the railway department as a detective before he joined the naval dockyard police, and he knew exactly where to look for the missing bricks.

A Tramway strike is tipped for Brisbane. The last one took place in 1922, when over 40 unions participated in a sympathetic hold-up of the community, with rather disastrous results politically to the Labour cause. Badger succeeded in excluding from his employment all the active strikers and in breaking the union. Since then union has been reformed and the trams have passed to the control of a Trust, though the terms of the transfer are still a matter of legal interpretation. The Trust has admitted many of the old hands, and they are gingering up things. Waiting time is the chief cause of dissatisfaction, and unless some change is made the tramways will be laid idle.

During the annual audit of the

books of a Sydney firm, the auditors could not account for a shortage of a penny. Looking for the error, they discovered another discrepancy of 4d., then one of several shillings. Later the shortage grew to £5, and eventually to several hundreds. The outcome was when a series of clever embezzlements, extending over a period of years, was uncovered, and the person who had been practising them— one of the firm's most trusted employees—accused of the thefts. He admitted them, but as his family, a wealthy and widely-known one, made restitution, there was no prosecution.

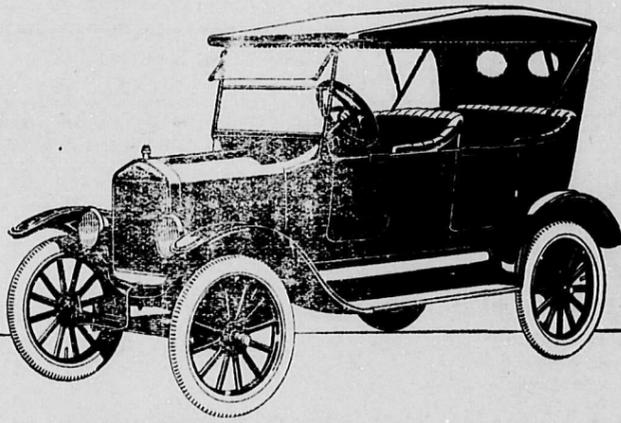
A certain N.S.W. politician deserves a V.C. for the courage and resource he displayed recently in most distressing circumstances. He was chatting with a lady friend over a cup of coffee in one of the private rooms at the House, when a messenger entered bearing the disconcerting news that his wife had just arrived, and wished to see him. Before the discomfited member could escape, his wife burst upon the scene. With great presence of mind he introduced his guest as the wife of a distinguished political personage then staying in Sydney. Then, leaving the ladies together he dashed out of the refreshment rooms ostensibly to order an extra coffee and sandwich. On his return five minutes later his wife informed him that during his temporary absence the Premier had phoned him. She had answered, she said, and was informed that her husband was required to go at once to the room of his leader, to discuss an important piece of projected legislation. Hubby appeared surprised at the message, and prepared to do his duty. Hurriedly explaining that the discussion with the Premier would occupy several hours, and that it was with regret he would

have to ask them to leave he succeeded in adroitly conducting each lady to Macquarie Street by separate exits, the wife returning to her home entirely unsuspecting. Then, with a sigh of relief, he returned to the refreshment room to reward, with liquid gifts, the pressman whom he had induced to put the fictitious 'phone message through for him.

If Theodore ever resigns the leadership of the Labour party in Queensland it looks odds on Big Bill McCormack taking his place. As Minister for Lands he handled all the big proposals of the recent session, particularly the irrigation and land settlement schemes, and greatly impressed those who watch these things closely. Bill's stock is certainly on the ascending scale, and he is also personally popular with members of the party—and incidentally with pressmen, which is not a thing to be despised when a man aspires to a big position.

Sydney police are listening to a confidence man who is telling a new tale. The magsman loiters in a well patronized telegraph office until the mug walks to the slanting desk to write his telegram. Then the crook bustles up excitedly, seizes a form and a pen and attempts to write also. His hand trembles and the pen spatters blots over the paper. His efforts attract the attention of the men next to him and the appeal is made. "Will you write a telegram out for me? It's a bit too much for me." A ready consent is usually forthcoming, and the message is dictated. Invariably it is to some woman in Denquin or Hay, informing her that the sender, her son, has drawn first prize in Tatt's. This explains to the mug the natural excitement of the other, and

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congratulations are offered. The crook, seedy and shabby, informs his new-found friend that he had been out of work for eight months, and the lucky ticket was purchased with a 10/- note picked up in the gutter. Then, to prove his bona-fides, the con man produces an urgent wire, supposedly sent from Hobart, announcing his good fortune. After this, and a drink or two, for which the mug pays, it is the easiest thing for him to borrow anything from £10 on the security of a "dud" Tatt's ticket.

In order to get a verdict out of one country jury, which had stood out for 20 hours, the judge sent them word that a circus had arrived in the town.

The sleuthing of the N.S.W. C.I.D. convinced Sir George Fuller that the confidential documents concerning the immigration and land settlement policy alleged to have been unlawfully obtained from the Premier's Department, were not tampered with by any of the officials employed there. The staff was unfeignedly relieved when suspicion was lifted from its collective shoulders. A few know the reason for the abrupt cessation of the investigation. It was when a member of the Cabinet, whom wily pressmen frequently encourage to loquacity for their own ends, took a hand. As he is hotly opposed to Carruthers' land scheme, it is not unlikely that he re-collected certain occasions when, in voicing his antagonism to the proposals to inquisitorial pressmen, he innocently used arguments that one of his colleagues had committed to paper and quoted the authority as extra emphasis.

—Smith's Weekly, Sydney, Australia.

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Dated at Vancouver, B.C., this 8th day of December, A.D. 1923.

LAURA L. MCGHEE, Assistant-Secretary.

NEW C. N. R. STATION

A splendid new addition to the buildings in the town of Emerson, Man., is the new Canadian National Railways station recently opened to the public there. The building is 50 feet by 25 feet, heated with hot air, electrically lighted, and has a large waiting room, ticket office, express room and full-sized basement.

WESTERN TURKEYS

The Western turkey is in solid with Montreal. Five turkeys out of every six which came into that city from outside points this year came from Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta, and 60,000 birds were consumed on Christmas Day according to Montreal dealers, or three times as many as ever before. Had it not been for the western supply, Christmas turkey in Montreal would have cost 60 cents per pound, instead of around 35 cents.

C. N. EARNINGS

The gross earnings of the Canadian National Railways for the week ending December 21, 1923, were \$5,455,793, being an increase of \$778,084, or 14 per cent, as compared with the corresponding week of 1922. The gross earnings from January 1 to December 21, 1923, were \$248,547,527.87, being an increase of \$20,967,521.18 as compared with the corresponding period of 1922.

SEEING CANADA

The trip from Portland, Oregon, to Toledo, Ohio, for the Scott High School Football team of the latter city, will be taken as far as possible over the Canadian National Railways in order to give the boys an opportunity to view Western Canada and see as much as possible of the Canadian Rockies on their way home.

PROMINENT VISITORS

Premier Massey, of New Zealand, spent New Year's Eve in Winnipeg en route from the recent conference of premiers in England. Mr. Massey had just a short time in the city, during the stay of the Canadian National "Continental Limited", and his stay was spent at the Fort Garry hotel seeing friends resident in Winnipeg.

B. C. MINERAL OUTPUT

The mineral production of British Columbia for 1923 shows an increase of 12.8 per cent. in monetary value over that of the previous year. The output for 1923 was valued at \$39,699,758, as against \$35,158,843 for 1922, an increase of \$4,540,915. The 1921 production was valued at \$22,666,641.

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THE smooth-working organism of a great railway which prides itself on being able to meet any situation in an equitable manner, received a rude jolt one day when two picturesquely garbed strangers strolled into the Windsor Depot of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Montreal, and, despite the most elaborate and vociferous linguistic contortions, failed in a most deplorable manner to make anyone understand what they wanted.

Someone who had travelled in the east ventured the opinion that they were Arabs, and the polyglot bombardment which had been in progress ceased in hopeless despair, for the stock of available languages did not go into Kipling's country "east of Suez." Then a "red cap," one of the colored porters who make themselves useful about the station handing baggage between the train and taxiab, stepped up. He relieved himself of what sounded like a combination of a badly-running Ford and a Sarcee war chant, and had the situation straightened out in no time at all.

Investigation revealed that the railway had on its staff of baggage hustlers a veritable Mezzofanti, a student who for sheer love of the acquisition picks up languages in the easy manner he does suitcases. He is known about the station as Number Eighteen, though this has no reference to his lingual accomplishments. His name is John Cox and his country of origin is British Guiana, though to satisfy his voracious thirst for tongues that other people employ he has strayed far from his native sugar plantations. Spanish, Italian, English, French, Greek, Hindustani and Arabic he can call into requisition at a moment's notice, while he writes most of them with equal facility. He admits not being as yet equally at home with German, though he has substantial grasp of the language.

Hindustani is his native tongue. Facile English he acquired in England in the employ of a British railway magnate. In the same employ he went to Brazil and Panama, acquiring Spanish in an effortless manner en route. Returning to England with merely his appetite whetted, he took lessons in Italian and French and speedily added them to his linguistic list. The outbreak of the war opened up possibilities of yet more interesting and extensive travel, and he joined the navy as being less likely to remain confined to an area where they spoke the same language all of the time.

Fate played into his hands when he became stationed at Mudros, in the Grecian Archipelago, near the entrance to the Dardanelles. It was not long before he had qualified to keep a fruit store and was looking round for more languages to conquer. He bethought himself of the hordes of Turkish prisoners coming in to the depot, and after hobnobbing with them for a few months, was reading the "Arabian Nights" in the original.

He was demobilized in May, 1921, his one regret being that the part he had played in the war had never given him the opportunity of seeing the interior of Germany, but this lost opportunity he has since made up for by diligent study. He came from England to Canada and has since been in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Windsor Station, Montreal. Now, when picturesquely garbed strangers from unknown lands appear at the depot, and general efforts to interpret their mouthings of weird sounds are ineffectual, officials send an S.O.S. for Number Eighteen.

LIVE MARKET FOR CANADA

A live market for Canadian lumber, cured meats, livestock and other produce is being developed in the orient, according to Mr. A. Brostedt, oriental representative of the Canadian National Railways and Canadian Government Merchant Marine, who was in Winnipeg recently on his way back from conferences in Montreal, China and Japan are both buying considerably more Canadian produce than heretofore. Mr. Brostedt stated, and there is room for great development if Canadian manufacturers and exporters will study the needs of the oriental market and arrange for representation in the orient by business men who know those countries.

RECORD OAT YIELD

A yield of 140 bushels per acre of oats is reported from Lloydminster, Alberta. The crop was grown by R. S. Symonds, a farmer of that district who threshed 1,050 bushels from 7½ acres. His other oats ran 120 bushels per acre.

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Local Briefs

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parnham left Tuesday morning for Vancouver.

Ask for "Flax-o-lene" at Lang's Drug Store. See Advt. elsewhere.

A. H. Webb, supervisor of the Nanaimo Schools, was in town on Saturday accompanied by Mr. Murray of the N.P.S. staff.

Some Cumberland people are so generous they throw pennies around as if they were five dollar bills.

Miss Loosly has returned from Victoria and has joined the staff of the Cumberland Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. William Davidson, of Victoria, and Mrs. James Halloran, of Nanaimo, spent the week end as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graham.

Mrs. Walter Normand of Victoria, is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hughes.

Mrs. J. S. Graham and Miss Jean Graham, of Victoria, are spending a week's vacation here, as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graham.

Thomas Graham, General Supt. of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) Limited, left for Victoria and Vancouver on Monday. He is expected to return on Saturday.

George Wilkinson, Chief Inspector of Mines, arrived on Tuesday, on a tour of inspection of the local mines. He was accompanied by T. R. Jackson, local inspector.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Parnham left for Vancouver on Tuesday and are expected to return on Saturday.

MR. AND MRS. THOS. GRAHAM CELEBRATE SILVER WEDDING

The General Superintendent and Mrs. Graham entertained a number of relatives and friends on Friday evening, January 11, at a dinner at Beauvoir House in celebration of their Silver wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham were the recipients of many beautiful gifts, among them being a handsome chest of silver given by the officials of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, of Victoria, Ladysmith, Union Bay and Cumberland.

They were seated on a cozy settee in her parlor. The fire in the grate was getting low. The room was nearly dark. All at once the girl timidly said, "Jack, dear, I can't understand why you lavish your affections on me above all the other girls in the world. Why is it? 'Hanged if I know,' he replied, "and all the other fellows down at the house say that they can't make it out either."

THE MAN ON THE LEVEL NEVER GOES DOWN HILL.

The hunting season for game is closed, but will remain open for colds, coughs and sore throats until April. You don't require a license to carry

FLAX-O-LENE

which is most effective at close range.

With The Churches

HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN

Sunday, January 20, 1924.
Sunday School 2.30 p.m.
Evensong 7.30 p.m.
—Rev. W. Leversedge.

GRACE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, January 20, 1924.
Morning Service 11 a.m. Subject—"The Brand of Ownership."
Sabbath School 11.45 a.m.
Evening Service 7 p.m. Subject—"The Divine Proposal."
Everybody welcome.
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- Sliced Pineapple, 2-lb. tins 35c. 3 for \$1.00
- Dried Green Peas, 2½ lbs. for 25c.
- Small White Beans, 3½ lbs. for 25c.
- Kipperred Herrings, 1-lb. tins, 3 tins for 50c.
- Tiger Salmon, Red, ½-lb. tins, 20c. 2 for 35c.
- Tiger Salmon, Red, 1-lb. tins, 35c. 3 for \$1.00
- Potted Meats, 3 tins 25c. 2 tins for 25c.

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Auction Sale

CUMBERLAND

G. J. Hardy has received instructions from Mr. A. H. Webb, who is leaving, to sell by Auction, at his Residence, 303 Windermere Avenue, Cumberland

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

Commencing at 2 o'clock Prompt

Dwelling-House, Household Furniture and Effects, including Oak Extension Dining Table; Six Oak Dining Chairs, Leather Seats; Occasional Table; Oak Rocker, upholstered in Tapestry; Well Sprung Couch, upholstered in Tapestry; China Cupboard; Cabinet Victrola No. 8; Oak Record Box; Quantity of Records; Oak and other Plant Stands; Quantity of Framed Water Colors and Prints; Brussels Carpet 9'x12'; Four large and three small Rugs; Quantity of Linoleum; 2 Door Mats; Empress Heater No. 20; Standard Design Dinner Service, about 60 pieces; Quantity of China, Crockery, Glass, Etc.; E.P. Cruet; 2 Silver Trays; Lamps; 3 China Plaques; Hammock; 12-Gauge Shot Gun; Electric Light Bulbs; Three-quarter and Single Beds, Springs and Mattresses; Tall Dresser, with Mirror; Bureau, with Mirror; Rocker, all in ivory finish; Quantity of Bedding; 6 pairs of Curtains; K. Table and Chairs; 6-hole Cook Range, with water front; Kitchen and Cooking Utensils, including Wear-Ever Aluminum Ware; Quantity of Garden and Carpenter's Tools, Etc. Etc.

Four Strong Hives of Italian Bees, in double Kootenay Hives (1 at the house, 2 at Capt. Carey's, Royston and 1 at Mr. Denholm's, Royston Road), Honey extractor quite new. All the above items are in good condition and practically new.

Also the well-built and pleasantly-situated house and premises known as 303 Windermere Avenue, Cumberland. This property which is all fenced, comprises convenient 5-room house, fitted with the latest standard electric light equipment; large garage; wood shed and garden; all in excellent order and condition and can be strongly recommended as a sound investment.

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January 29th, 1924

A Courtenay man adds bromo seltzer to his home brew to take care of the "hangover." Why not put in also the embalming fluid, the crematory's telephone number and the key to a mausoleum locker? Friend—I hear your boy devotes a great deal of his time at the university of Ma Jong. Mother—I'm so glad he has taken to an old lady. I was afraid he'd fall for some flapper.

OFFICE CAT



BY JUNIUS

Only a few more shopping months before bathing suits.

FROM TWO TOMBSTONES

John Smith lies here without his shoes, He drove his car while filled with booze.

Here's Mary Jane—but not alive, She made her Ford do thirty-five.

A married man doesn't have to go into court to have his objections overruled.

Dellah was not such a bad lady barber. She gave Samson an awful haircut, but at least she didn't try to talk him into a shampoo, singe, facial massage and a manicure.

He who runs may read, and she who walks may powder her nose, and does.

SO SAY WE

One sign I'd like to see on every mail box

Throughout these vales and hills; A sign reading something like this: "Kindly post no bills."

Nothing left to reduce but the taxes. The taxpayers are already reduced.

DEFINITION

Mis-the-toe, noun. An ever-green plant hung over-head so men can have an excuse to kiss a Miss.

A friend of ours was making a visit to a girl who lived in the country, and they were walking through the field when they noticed a cow and a calf rubbing noses in bovine love. He spoke up, "The sight of that makes me want to do the same thing." "Go ahead," she replied, "it is father's cow."

"Aha," cried our hero, fearlessly. He then opened the window and threw out his chest.

Almost every time a witness on the stand attempts to tell the truth, some lawyer objects. Ain't lawyers awful immoral.

COMPTON COMPANY AGAIN SCORE IN "THE HOTTENTOT."

The Compton Comedy Company scored another decided hit in the Illo-Ilo Theatre Thursday night when they presented William Collier's successful play "The Hottentot," to a crowded house. If the enthusiasm of the audience was genuine then there is no doubt that the company is gaining in popularity and will continue to play to capacity houses in Cumberland.

The first scene opened at the home of the Gilford's where Miss Peggy Coucher assumed the role of the hostess in fine style and Sam Harrington (Mr. Compton), who is mistaken for a famous steeple-chase rider kept the audience in roars of laughter. Sam is desperately in love with Peggy Fairfax (Miss Peggy Dundas), and although he hated horses, he rode the "Hottentot" in the last scene and romped home a winner in more ways than one for the race also won Peggy for him. Altogether it was one of the best and most amusing plays ever staged in this city and everyone is looking forward to Thursday, January 31st, when the company will again play here. On this occasion "Grumpy," the famous stage and screen success will be presented.

LET'S MAKE MERRY (MARY)

Mary was a little flapper She didn't do so well! But since Mary has bobbed her hair, Now she looks like— The Dickens! ! !

One of the things that make the old-timers snort, is to see the ferman delivering ice in a snowstorm.

Knocking is rapidly coming to be recognized as a disreputable occupation instead of a bad habit.

If one is to believe all one hears, one will gather that three-fourths of the men in this country over the age of 21 have at one time or another been newspaper men.

HE

In the gloaming, oh my darling, When the lights are dim and low, That your face is powder painted, How am I, sweetheart to know? Twice this month I've had to bundle Every coat that I possess To the cleaners—won't you darling, Love me more and powder less? SHE

In the gloaming, oh my darling, When the lights are dim and low, That your cheeks are sharp with whiskers, You can bet your boots, I know, If I powder, I must do it, Or else suffer great distress; Buy a razor, won't you darling, Lather more—I'll powder less.

CARD OF THANKS

To the ELECTORS OF CUMBERLAND Ladies and Gentlemen;— I beg to express to you my sincere thanks and appreciation for the hearty support given me in the recent Aldermanic and School Elections, and to assure you that I will do my utmost in the coming year to justify your confidence.

Wishing you all a Bright and Prosperous New Year,
I am,
Your obedient servant,
T. MORDY.

CARD OF THANKS

To the ELECTORS OF CUMBERLAND I take this means of tendering my sincere thanks to those who showed their confidence in me by returning me at the head of the polls in the recent Aldermanic Elections and I will endeavor to serve you to the best of my ability in the coming year.

T. H. MUMFORD.

CARD OF THANKS

To the ELECTORS OF CUMBERLAND Although not elected as School Trustee, I wish to thank those who nominated me as a candidate and also those who showed faith in me by giving me the good position in the polls that I received.

JOHN WALTON.

CARD OF THANKS

To the Ratepayers and Electors of the City of Cumberland, please accept my sincere thanks for your able support in the recent Municipal Election I will serve your interests honestly and faithfully and to the best of my ability.

A. E. JEFFREY.

CARD OF THANKS

I take this opportunity of thanking the Ratepayers and Electors of this City in electing me as Alderman for the second term. Rest assured I shall study carefully the interests of the Municipality that I represent.

Yours sincerely
JOHN LEDINGHAM

CHAIRMAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPRECIATES RESULTS OF ELECTION

I take this opportunity of expressing my gratitude and pleasure at the confidence of the Ratepayers in re-electing the old School Trustees to office. I assure you, your confidence will not be misplaced, and the present standard of efficiency will be maintained.

Ablly assisted by Trustee Maxwell, we stand for progress, bearing in mind the best interest of the Ratepayers, efficiency with economy.
Sincerely yours
ELIZA. F. BANKS.