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The Railway Era.

The Canadian Pacific Railway is making rapid strides. Work beyond the Rocky Mountains is being pushed forward with a vigor to which the history of railway building affords no parallel. Scarcely less vigorously has work been pushed on this end. It is expected that trains will be running down as far as Murderer's Bar by the beginning of April next, and by the end of the year there will not be much of the track unlaid between that point and the sea. While the trunk line is being thus pushed forward, branch lines are projected, and, more important still, there is an earnest and practical movement on foot for extending the American railway system to connect with our own, with the purpose of ultimate extension beyond the northern borders of British Columbia. The advantages to British Columbia, more particularly to this part of it, of such a connection and ultimate extension must be sufficiently obvious. As our readers are already aware, notice of application for a charter for a line between here and the boundary line has been duly advertised, and we are in a position to state that there is no sham about the movement—that the movement is being promoted by substantial capitalists who "mean business." While our own parliament is being asked for a charter for so much of the railway as falls within its purview, the United States Congress will be applied to for that portion lying south of the forty-ninth parallel. In an article upon the subject, a Washington contemporary, intimately connected with railway matters, says:—

"With such a grand country to the northwest, it is to the interest of the United States and British Columbia to encourage a railway company (it will enrich the latter as well), which will extend the railway system in the near future to Alaska. It will be the forerunner of settlement through British Columbia, and will make it profitable to construct a road to Alaska, which has one of the most extensive archipelagoes on the globe, swept with the Japan current, freighted with the warm water and breezes of the south to soften and gladden the region and inhabitants of our distant possessions. The completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway—the shortest route between oceans—will open a new territory, which, in time, will swell the area of settlement along the sea-board and necessitate the construction of a railway northward, to transport the colonies from Northern Europe which are destined to seek shelter on our shores. The Northern Pacific, under the management of its energetic president, Henry Villard, will soon be completed from ocean to ocean, and will carry and distribute its thousands of emigrants along the line of wheat-growing and pasturable States and Territories, and develop the latent resources of this vast area in its onward path."

We are happy to be able to assure our readers that the movement is in the hands of men who can command the necessary capital and who are not of the hesitating, much less funking, type. Indeed we feel confident that work will follow close upon the heels of legislation, and there is good reason for believing that legislation will not tarry. To New Westminster the subject is one of profound importance, and it is time our people were awaking to the fact and preparing for the consequences. We are entering upon the railway era, and should not be caught napping.

That great room for improvement in the use of gas exists is shown by Dr. C. W. Siemens, who says: "The amount of light given out by a gas-flame depends on the temperature to which the particles of solid carbon in the flame are raised, and Dr. Tyndall has shown that of the radiant energy set up in such a flame only the twenty-fifth part is luminous; the hot products of combustion carry off at least our times as much energy as is radiated, so that not more than one hundredth part of the heat evolved in combustion is converted into light. This proportion could be improved, however, by increasing the temperature of combustion."

Poetry.

At Set of Sun.

If we sit down at set of sun
And count the things that we have done,
And counting find
One self-denying act, one word,
That eased the heart of him who heard;
One glance most kind,
That fell like sunshine where it went,
Then we can count the day well spent.

But if through all the life-long day
We've eased no heart by yea or nay;
If through it all
We've done no thing that we can trace,
That brought the sunshine to a face;
No act most small,
That helped some soul, and nothing cost,
Then count the day as worse than lost.

Scientific Miscellany.

Mons. Paul Bert, the French physiologist, has discovered that the blood of herbivorous animals acclimatized at high elevations contains a much larger proportion of oxygen than the blood of similar animals living in regions but little above sea-level.

Prof. Fleeming Jenkin remarks that it is generally supposed that electricity will supersede steam; but what has thus far happened is that the work of the engines is employed to produce electricity, while electricity affords us the best means yet discovered for distributing power.

While bees are popularly supposed to be affected by sounds, Sir John Lubbock's researches seem to show that these insects have no power of hearing ordinary noises. If they hear at all they probably distinguish the higher overtones at the verge of or beyond our range of hearing instead of low, loud sounds.

In a recent paper Prof. Willis De Hass stated that all the mines of the Lake Superior region give evidence of having been worked by a prehistoric race, and that a greater amount of labor had been performed by those ancient mines in a space of less than two thousand acres than two thousand men could do in twenty years in our time.

The total eclipse of May 6th will constitute the important astronomical event of 1883. At the points of greatest duration this eclipse will be total for nearly six minutes, but unfortunately for observers the central line falls entirely over the South Pacific and touches land only in a small coral island in 150° 23' west longitude and 9° 57' south latitude.

Mr. F. C. Whitehouse contends that the caverns of the island of Staffa, including the famous Fingal's Cave, are artificial, and created by the hand of man at some very early period. He bases his theory on the Gothic shape of the roofs, the sheltered location of the caves, the lack of evidence of erosion of the rocks by water, and the insufficient mechanical power of the sea-waves at that island to excavate such caves.

It has been found by Mons. J. B. Dumas that water saturated with alum is remarkably efficient in extinguishing fires. This property is supposed to be due to the coating it gives to objects wet with it, which prevents contact with the oxygen of the air and thus retards combustion. It is reported that, as an experiment, French firemen are to be quite extensively supplied with instruments for throwing such solutions of alum.

According to Prof. Soomis, about one-fifth of the entire land surface of the globe has an annual rainfall of less than ten inches, and a still larger part has a rainfall so small as to make it valueless for purposes of agriculture except in the limited districts where irrigation is practicable. In North America an almost rainless region is found in Southern California and Arizona, and in a large district about Slave Lake the yearly precipitation of water is only about ten inches.

Prof. Than, of the Buda-Pesth Society of Natural Science, has, from experiments, formed the opinion that no risk of fire from illuminating gas exists so long as the gas forms less than five per cent. of the atmosphere of a given space; but between five and twelve per cent. it begins to be ignitable, and when it reaches twenty-nine per cent. the liability to explosion is great. A delicate apparatus used by Prof. Than causes an electric bell to ring if gas is present even if the quantity be no more than one-half of one per cent. Another ingenious arrangement shows the actual percentage quantity of the gas, while a "control-manometer" reveals the place from which the gas escaped.

Mr. Grant Allen has drawn this imaginary picture of man as evolutionists suppose him to have existed in miocene times: "A tall and hairy creature, more or less erect, but with a slouching gait, black-faced and whiskered, with protruding jaws, and large, pointed canine teeth—those of each jaw fitted into an interspace in the opposite row. These teeth, as Mr. Darwin suggests, were used in the combats of the males. His forehead was no doubt low and retreating, with bony bosses underlying the shaggy eyebrows, which gave him a fierce expression something like that of the gorilla. But already, in all likelihood, he had learned to walk habitually erect, and had begun to develop a human pelvis, as well as to carry his head more straight."

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GORDON E. CORBOULD,
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New Westminster, November 1st, 1882. no11

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a Company to construct and work a Railway from a point in the City of New Westminster to some point near the 49th parallel, north latitude, between Semiahmoo Bay and Township Sixteen in the District of New Westminster, British Columbia.

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The British Columbian.

Wednesday Morning, Dec. 20, 1882.

A Daniel Come to Judgment.

The article which appeared in this journal on Wednesday on the subject of the "Constitutional controversy" has brought forth from the principal organ of the Beaven Administration a very profound criticism. The following extract will enable the reader to understand the organ's position:—

"To show the lamentable want of knowledge of the simplest facts, it is only necessary to make one brief quotation. It is to this effect: 'If, therefore, the Governor be really and absolutely shut in by the constitution to acting only on the advice of these Ministers, what is there to hinder these men from holding on to office for months, nay, for years, without meeting the House, and thus completely subverting and trampling under foot the fundamental principles of responsible government.' The deplorable want of knowledge exhibited by the writer of the above passage can be appreciated by the merest school-boy. It is our duty to acquaint the editor of the COLUMBIAN with the fact that provision is made by law for the assembling of the House once every year, and that the Ministry could no more disregard that law than they could set aside any other law."

Now, be it known unto thee, O! Daniel, that we were perfectly aware of the "provision made by the law for the assembling of the House every year"; nor did we require the aid of your "rush-light" to discover that "the Ministry could no more disregard that law than they could set aside any other law." Nay, we may tell this "Daniel" that in treating the subject the possibility of some shallow-pated fellow raising the objection above taken was present to our mind. Provision is made in the constitution for the Governor, in the Queen's name, to "summon and call together the Assembly." Provision is also made for the yearly assembling of the Legislature, "so that twelve months shall not intervene between the last sitting of the Assembly in one session and its first sitting in the next session." Now, the last sitting of the late Assembly was on the 21st day of April, 1882, so that, according to the written law, the first sitting of the new Assembly must not be later than the 21st day of April, 1883. With all this we were perfectly familiar. But the point we were making was this: We were combatting the contention of the organ that the Governor is absolutely shut in to and can only act on the advice of his Ministers in any and all emergencies, and we were endeavoring to show that if such were the case, the present Ministers, being unwilling to meet the House, could indefinitely postpone that dreaded ordeal by simply refraining from advising the Governor to call it together. Surely that proposition is simple enough to be taken in by "the merest school-boy," and ought, one would think, to come within the range of the organ-grinder's mental capacity. Ah, but the law steps in and makes it *imperative* that the House shall meet within the year,—exultantly exclaimed this "Daniel." True; but you say the Governor can only call the House together when advised thereto by his Ministers; and it follows as a logical and inevitable sequence that unless they so advise the House cannot be convened. Do you say the Ministers would not so disregard the law? Our reply is clear and emphatic: What assurance is there that Ministers who have been for months holding on to office in direct violation of the spirit and fundamental principles of the constitution would hesitate to disregard the letter of the law in order to postpone their own political execution? Men less lost to all sense of shame than they have done it in other British communities; nor would the act be one whit more censurable than their conduct during the past few months. Indeed it would constitute a fitting *finale*. It must be clear to every intelligent person that it is the organ's "arguments,"(?) not ours, which "would, if correct, entirely subvert the constitution and render responsible government a mere mockery"—as, indeed, the Beaven administration have already succeeded to some extent in rendering it in this province. In fact the doctrine of the organ amounts to a practical denial of the existence of what writers on constitutional practice denominate the latent prerogative of the Crown,—a wise provision for meeting just such an emergency as is at this moment presented in British Columbia. We do not presume to say what particular form the exercise of the latent prerogative should take in this instance; much less have we presumed to offer the Governor "gratuitous advice" in the matter. But there need be no hesitation whatever in asserting that the practical outcome should be an early meeting of the newly elected Legislature, in order that all doubt may be set at rest as to whether or not the Ministry possess the confidence of a majority of the people's representatives. In view of the circumstances surrounding the general election and subsequent events it was the duty of the Ministry either to have resigned or sought an early expression of the House. No other course was compatible with self-respect and a due regard for the spirit of the constitution. But, inasmuch as Mr. Beaven and his unseated Attorney-General have rejected the path of honor and manifested a determination to hold on to office in spite of the most pronounced disapproval of the popular will, it becomes necessary to apply the leverage happily provided by the constitution to either oust these men or bring them to speedy trial. There is reason for believing that the latent prerogative has been exercised in the direction of the alternative.

Editorial Notes.

It is, indeed, strange that during *all these years no effort* has been made to open an avenue of direct communication between Lillooet and Lytton. The progress of railway construction and consequent creation of important centres of consumption renders such an avenue more necessary than ever. The produce of the finest wheat and bean lands in the country would find a ready market at the railway works. Nay, it is needed to meet the demand *of the next five years; and after the* railway work shall have been completed and the line in operation, such an avenue will still be necessary for the purpose of bringing these productions to the sea-board, either to supply our own markets or to swell our exports. Now that Lillooet has secured for itself representatives who can hope for the hearty co-operation of those of the adjacent District of Yale, there is a prospect of the long promised but never begun work being undertaken. It will devolve upon the new Government *to promote as far as possible the* construction of roads connecting the great food-producing regions of the interior with the centres of consumption along the line of railway work, in order that the farmers may be enabled to avail themselves of these markets. This is a work which will claim the most earnest attention of Parliament. It is a work which the old Government signally neglected.

New Westminster has one manufacturing industry which has grown in a *few years from a very small beginning* until now its daily expenditure has reached three hundred dollars; and still it grows. Shall there be no other? Shall the woolen factory business really end in mere talk? With railway communication, this will be the most eligible point in British Columbia for such an industry. It is now beyond all doubt that the great country beyond the Cascade Range is eminently fitted for sheep-farming. The wool would come down by rail, and the manufactured goods would go away to every market by rail and by water. No better distributing point could be desired. And yet, with all these advantages and many more which might be mentioned, no one puts forth a hand, and hundreds of thousands of dollars are drained out of the country every year to pay for those woolen fabrics which could be profitably manufactured here. Nay, instead of buying her woolens from strangers, Columbia ought to be exporting these goods. Who will inaugurate some practical and effective scheme for starting *a woolen factory? The Provincial* bonus is, we presume, still to the fore.

It wouldn't be amiable to feel more happy because others are less so; but, inasmuch as all mundane happiness is only comparative, one cannot help experiencing a feeling of complacency in reading about the mercury being twenty degrees below zero and railway travel blocked by snow storms in the countries sloping towards the Atlantic, and it cannot be either mean or wicked to indulge in a spirit of thankfulness *on account of this glorious climate.* The ground has not yet been whitened with snow. The farmer's plough and the mariner's steamboat have not yet been impeded. The inevitable boy has not yet had a "slide" on the pond. Indeed the freshness of summer still lingers on the verdant landscape. Such is British Columbia in the latter days of December. Isn't it strange that this magnificent country does not attract *population? Doubtless one reason* is that the truth has not been made known abroad. We have been content to enjoy the climate and scenery and other attractions and advantages of the Canadian Pacific without making them known to others. We suppose the Marquis of Lorne will tell them *all about it, and that will be better* than a pamphlet.

P. S. HAMILTON,

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RICHD. H. ALEXANDER.

Burrard Inlet, B. C., 12th Dec., 1882. de16

CONVERSAZIONE

A CONVERSAZIONE IN AID OF the Holy Trinity Bell Tower Fund will be held at the DRILL SHED, on

THURSDAY EVENING, 28TH DEC.

Admission, 50 cts; Children, half-price. Refreshments, 25 cents.

Doors open at 7.30; to commence at 8. No reserved seats. de13

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HENRY V. EDMONDS, Auctioneer.

Dec. 12, 1882. de13

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no15 BISHOP OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

The British Columbian.

Wednesday Morning, Dec. 20, 1882.

DIED.

Nov. 15th, Ellen, wife of the Rev. F. J. Falding, M. A., D. D., Principal of the Rotherham Independent College, England, aged 68.

It blew a gale here on Saturday, raising white-caps on the river.

There is a treat in store for those who go to the school examination to-day.

This evening at the Drill Shed the Grand Annual Ball of the I. O. O. F. takes place.

There is a surprise in store for those who go to the examination of the boys' school to-morrow.

It is dangerous just now to ask a man arrived overland from Burrard Inlet, "How is the road?"

R. McLeese, Esq., M. P. P. for Cariboo, arrived down on Monday, and will proceed to Victoria to-day.

The str. William Irving, Capt. Insley, returned from Yale yesterday afternoon with passengers and freight.

We have been compelled to lay over reports of municipal council proceedings and other matter for lack of room.

There is still considerable freight to go up river, and continued open weather and the rise are favorable coditions to that end.

Robert Wallace, Esq., Postoffice Inspector, has been in this city for several days. We are glad to see him looking so well.

The str. Princess Louise, Capt. Lewis, arrived from Victoria with passengers and freight at 3:30 yesterday afternoon. She leaves at 5:30 this morning.

During the past twelve months American newspapers have been received by mail in England at the rate of more than 28,000 a day, or 10,000,000 a year.

We have to thank our Chilliwhack correspondent for a very interesting account of the Church opening; but we regret it came to hand too late for a place in this issue.

Look at the hand-painted China sets in Mr. Major's show-window. They are just lovely. The painting is the handiwork of a young lady *artiste* of New Westminster.

The lovely goods for holiday presents just opened at T. R. Pearson & Co.'s are going off like hot-cakes, so you had better hurry up, and not wait till the great rush on Saturday.

The annual meeting of the Yale Fire Brigade was held on the 8th, when the officers for the insuing year were elected. The organization would appear to be in a healthy, efficient condition.

During the Egyptian war a column of leaded telegraphic messages cost the London newspapers from $1,000 to $1,250. Seven shillings and twopence (about $1 80) per word was the rate charged.

The grasshopper has, according to its size, 120 times the kicking power of an average man. It must be exciting times for the young grasshoppers which go courting and find the old man at home.

Mrs. Harper has opened out an assortment of groceries, crockery, toys, fancy goods, etc., in the Hick Building, opposite Hyack Hall. Read her advertisement in another column, and give her a call.

The annual ball given by the Clinton Literary Association will be held on the 28th and and 29th inst. It is generally very largely attended by people from a radius of a hundred miles and more.

The long standing claim of Mr. James Uren, Saron's Ferry, against the Government was decided in the courts at Victoria on Friday, giving the plaintiff the substantial award of $1,250, and costs.

The result of the Victoria assizes has been to send five convicts to the penitentiary, whose sentences range from 7 to 14 years,—every one of them Chinese! This makes four more than there is accommodation for.

The Managers of the Yale Literary Institute propose a series of musical entertainments which we are sure the people of that town will hail with delight, as a pleasant means of relieving the monotony of the winter evenings.

Sumas beef is coming to the front. Last week Mr. Geo. Black drove down 50 head. Leaving 26 head in the stalls at Innes Brothers' for future use, he brought the other 34 head down here, and drove them over to the Inlet yesterday.

The steamer Reliance, Capt. Odin, returned from Yale on Monday night, with freight and passengers. She went on the ways yesterday to repair damages received on Sawmill Riffle on Sunday, and will probably resume work in a few days.

The steamer Wm. Irving, Capt. Insley, returned from up-river on Saturday night with passengers and freight, and a number of sheep and cattle. She left again early next morning with a full freight, and a number of passengers.

Mr. E. E. Greyell, late of Chilliwhack, has taken a shop on Front st., opposite the Pioneer Wharf, where he has opened out a stock of dry-goods, groceries, &c. Mr. Greyell is well known as a gentleman worthy of public confidence. See advertisement.

On Saturday night, owing to heavy rains, the water in the Fraser rose more than four feet at Popcum, and about six feet at Yale. It was this sudden rise that enabled the Reliance to go through, instead of having to discharge at Popcum, as was expected.

We have to thank the publishers for an advance copy of the new British Columbia Directory, which, however, came to hand too late for anything more than the most cursory notice in the present issue. The public will be supplied by next steamer.

The Legislature is summoned to meet for the dispatch of business on the 25th January, so that the Government have been compelled to succumb to the "impertinence" of the Opposition, all the silly blusters and insolent swagger of their organs to the contrary notwithstanding.

Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney has gone to Ottawa, where he will spend the winter.

The Mormons are pleased with the message, and say God has interposed in their behalf.

Professor Virchow of Berlin owns neerly 6,000 human skulls of all ages and nationalities.

The grand jury at St. Louis ignored the bill against Cockerell for killing Colonel Slayback.

Of 200 special jurors summoned for the winter assizes at Dublin 117 attended. The absentees were fined £20 each.

The revival in the Cincinnati Methodist churches has resulted, 2,128 conversions and 1,005 additions on probation.

On the 2nd inst., Lieutenant-Governor Cauchon of Manitoba, stepped down and out, the Hon. Mr. Aikins succeeding him.

Lord Derby thinks some millions can be profitably spent in a judicious process of transplanting Irishmen into the colonial fields.

A vigorous article in the *Free Press* conclusively proves that we did not miscalculate Nanaimo's attitude on the pilotage question.

Lord Wolseley in a letter to Colonel Dennison says: "I wish I had had a couple of Canadian battalions with me and your old troop."

To-morrow at noon the time will be up for tendering for the purchase of the Shelford property at the Chilliwhack steamboat-landing.

Governor Churchill of Arkansas has been issuing wholesale pardons to criminals of almost every order, and 150 have been granted to date.

Six thousand petitions, bearing 679,000 signatures, in favor of a Sunday Closing bill for England, have already been presented to Parliament.

Toronto is growing apace. Her wholesale trade alone this year is computed at $40,000,000, being an increase in two years of $9,000,000.

The *kingdom of the Netherlands* and its dependencies contain 40,000,000 people, and Amsterdam is one of the dozen wealthiest places in the world.

An experienced statistician says that the value of the eggs used in the United States is $75,000,000 annually, of which New York uses $18,000,000 worth.

Sir Alex. Stavely Hill, M. P. for Straffordshire, accompanied by his son, recently paid a visit to his cattle ranch, between Fort McLeod and Calgary.

According to recent news from California, there is a prospect of Downieville becoming one of the most important mining centres on the Pacific Slope.

The Hon. J. A. Chapleau has gone to the Southern States, on account of his health. According to high authority, the Minister has not many months to live.

A Rat Portage liquor seller was arrested and committed to gaol under the Public Works Act, although holding a local license. The event occasioned much excitement.

A member of the U. S. Navy Yard Commission has stated that the yards so far visited cost the nation $50,000,000, and would not sell for $1,000,000. That's an alarming shrinkage.

The yield of corn in the United States for 1872 was 1,635,900,000 bushels; wheat, 410,000,000; oats 470,000,000; barley, 45,000,000; rye, 20,000,000, and buckwheat, 12,000,000.

Thurlow Weed has bequeathed to the world a dying declaration about the fate of Morgan the Masonic traitor, which is going the rounds of the press. The story will do for the marines.

A geological examination reveals in the delta of the Mississippi, along a space of 300 miles, ten distinct forests of buried trees. Bald cypresses with a diameter of twenty-five feet have been found.

It appears we were in error in stating that work on the new postoffice buildings had been suspended till spring. Work will, we are informed, continue, and plastering will be commenced *immediately*.

The receipts at Wallack's, New York, during the four weeks engagement of Mrs. Langtry were $61,814. Abbey declares that, from a financial point of view, this has never been equalled by any theatrical star in the United States.

Attention is directed to the auction sale to be held to-morrow of the effects of the late John Dawson. We *understand that, amongst other things*, there is a large library comprising valuable standard works, for the most part of a religious character.

At the meeting of the Hudson Bay Company held at London three weeks ago, the Chairman gave a most cheering account of the company's affairs and prospects, intimating that a further return of capital to the shareholders would be made next June.

It takes about $20,000 a year to run the Winnipeg general hospital. It receives aid from the Dominion Government, the Provincial Government, the C. P. R. Company, and the city corporation, but more than a moiety of the amount necessary for its support has to come from voluntary sources.

We would remind our readers in the rural settlements of the Conversazione to be held in this city on the 28th for the benefit of the bell-tower fund. *They have an interest in common with* the townsfolk in that tower, and they, too, can enjoy a really pleasant evening. Come along.

The Beaven organs have for some time been laboring under a very severe attack of "Honest John." Nearly every other paragraph in the *Standard* has something to say about that seemingly important personage.

"The mair they speak I'm kenned the better,
E'en let them clash;
An auld wife's tongue's a feckless matter
To gie yin fash."

The steamer Wm. Irving, leaves for up-river early this morning.

On Friday morning a fire broke out in Hampton Court, causing damage to the extent of £30,000.

The colony of New Zealand has made a law requiring every man to pay down a lump sum of £66 before the age of 23, or 2 shillings weekly for twelve years, which secures him in case of sickness 15 shillings a week if single or 22s. 6d. per week if married so long as he is laid up, and a superannuation allowance of 10 shillings a week after he has attained the age of 65.

The possibilities of Gladstone's early retirement from public life continue to be discussed by the English press. Never was Premier more popular, and there are those who think he will retire while the halo of glory is on his brow. There are others who think he will remain in power until the whigs and radicals are more nearly united. It is universally admitted that the conservatives have no prospect of regaining power for some time.

HIGH AND COLLEGIATE SCHOOL.—The public examination of this educational institution will take place on Friday commencing at 7 o'clock and concluding about noon. The public are respectfully invited.

PERSONAL.—To-day, under the proper head, is announced the death of the wife of Rev. Dr. Falding, and mother of W. H. Falding, Esq., of this city. Mr. Falding received the sad news on Friday night.

LAND SLIP.—A land-slide occurred at the Burrard Inlet Fishery establishment on Coal Harbor on Monday afternoon. The *cache* house was carried away and fifteen men who were employed on the premises were marched up to Mannion Hotel where they obtained board.

AN INTERESTING CASE.—Some time ago a Chinese woman (the wife of a merchant in Portland) from Hong Kong, was compelled by the Captain to land at Victoria, as he dared not attempt to land her on the American side. Her husband applied to the Collector at Portland, who refered the case to Washington and the answer came:—"The Government cannot separate husband and wife;" and Ah Sin is happy.

Our Streets.

Surely it is not too soon to think about macadamising that portion of Columbia street between Lytton Square and Douglas street. It is scarcely creditable to the Royal City that there is not a foot of hard street within its bounds. It is all very well during dry weather; but during the rainy seasons the principal street is anything but creditable for a twenty year old city. Between the points above mentioned there are ranges of stores and other places of business which would do credit to a much larger community. Let us have a respectable street in front of these establishments,—one which will meet the requirements of the rapidly increasing traffic.

Mammoth "Neaps."

A late number of the *Scottish American* gives an account of two wonderful "neaps" (turnips) raised in Banffshire and exhibited in the town of that ilk, weighing respectively 11½ and 15 lbs. These Banff monsters would be considered very ordinary bulbs here. Messrs. Innes Brothers, of Langley Prairie, (natives of Banffshire) can show two or three tons, not one turnip in which will fall below the Banff giants, and they can show individual turnips weighing 36 lbs., notwithstanding that they range smaller than usual this year. Occasional turnips weighing as high as 52 lbs. have been raised here, and cauliflowers sometimes reach 37 lbs., and cabbages have been known to run as high as 60 lbs.

Dyking Chilliwhack.

We understand the people of Chilliwhack are moving in good earnest in this important matter, and that both Governments will be appealed to. There can be no doubt that the large system of dyking on the Lower Fraser may properly be regarded in the light of a national work; and the circumstance of the Dominion Government now holding the great bulk of the land constitutes an additional ground for appealing to Ottawa to have a competent Engineer appointed for the purpose of making a thorough examination *and report*. Whatever is done in this matter must be done on such a basis as will afford the fullest possible guarantee for permanency.

Chilliwhack Church Opening.

A new, substantial and comely Methodist Church has just been erected at Chilliwhack at a total cost of two thousand dollars. Last week the Rev. Mr. Watson, Chairman of the District, accompanied by Father McKay, came up from Victoria to attend the opening services. On Thursday a dinner was given in the school-house close by, at which some two hundred and fifty settlers sat down, thus adding $250 to the building fund. Dinner over, the assembled settlers adjourned to the new Church where a meeting was held, the more immediate object of which was to free the building from debt. Before dinner the debt amounted to $900. A subscription having been opened, the twenty dollar customers soon made up the first hundred, and the subscriptions continued to roll up until the whole debt was wiped off, the enthusiasm being such that it was with some difficulty the tide of spontaneous benevolence—no, not benevolence; for giving to the Lord cannot properly be called that—was checked. Considering the difficulties with which the settlers have had to contend, many having had *nearly everything destroyed* by the floods of last spring, this is indeed a remarkable result. Chilliwhack has set an example which some other settlements would do well to follow. They have now a handsome, commodious and substantial Church, and, with a trifling exception, the two thousand dollars it cost has been raised by themselves. There is great hope for a settlement composed of such material.

An Exciting Scene.

The *Inland Sentinel* gives the following account of an exciting scene on the C. P. R. works at the point indicated:—

"Last Thursday at Seabird Bluff, 10 miles below Hope, a blast was let off at the rock cut, and a piece of rock was thrown a considerable distance and struck a Chinaman, cutting his head completely off. Those in the same gang and the next one started on a run for Miller, the Foreman of the rock work, and he had to run for his life; finding himself hotly pursued he ran into the river up to his breast, and was followed some distance into water by some of the Chinamen while others remained upon the bank throwing stones at him. At this crisis in Miller's history Mr. Jno. Garvin, who has a contract at Tunnel work below Hope, appeared in a boat and forgetting all danger to himself amid a shower of stones reached Miller and hauled him into the boat and started for Maria Island. Just then two shots were fired from the Chinamen on the bank, the balls striking the water close to the boat. Finally the boat reached the Island and landed Miller who remained there two days when he came up to Yale. Mr. Garvin having headed his boat up the river was followed for two miles by the excited mob, but got away safe. So far no arrests have been made.

Xmas Holiday Examinations.

To the children attending the public schools this is an anxious week:—a time of hope and a time of fear. It ought to be a time of earnest interest on the part of parents and guardians,—all, in fact, who take an interest in the education of the young; and all should do that.

To-day the examination of the Senior Girls' school takes place, and the Lady Principal (Miss Williams) has arranged a programme which will be more than ordinarily interesting. The exercises will begin at 9:30, continuing till 12, and, resuming at 1:15, will terminate at 3:15 p.m.

The examination of the Senior Boys' school will take place to morrow, commencing at 9:30 a.m, and concluding at 3 p.m, with an hour's intermission at noon. And here, too, the visitor will find an interesting bill of fare. If we mistake not the progress which the boys have made under the able training of Mr. Rand will be matter of surprise to such as are close observers.

On Friday the examination of the junior departments under Miss Bering and Miss Howay will take place, and we would just say here that it is to be hoped the too common error will not be committed of saying "It's only a lot of children," and staying away. These children are just at that impressionable age when they most need the countenance and encouragement of your presence.

The public may be reminded that, as the examination to-day and to-morrow will be in the new building, the accommodation for visitors will be very much better than it was in the old; and in like manner, the junior classes, having the old school house all to themselves, there will be plenty room there for visitors too. The Teachers and Trustees and the pupils are all anxious that there should be a large attendance on these three several occasions, and for the sake of the educational interests of the community it is to be hoped they will not be disappointed.

Communications.

Langley Prairie.

EDITOR COLUMBIAN.—In a recent issue your correspondent pointed out the fact that the Prairie district, lying south of Langley and north of the 49th parallel, comprises a very large area of the most fertile and easily cultivated land in the country—in *any* country. But as you are aware, several townships having never been alienated from the Crown, are locked up under that baneful railway reservation.

Now this is a most serious consideration, not only as regards keeping new settlers out, but hindering the prosperity of those who have been for years struggling to make for themselves homes in that section of the country. Of what avail is it if these fertile lands will produce enormous crops, as they certainly do, if there are no roads by which the teeming produce can be moved to the market?

The settlers find themselves utterly helpless in this respect. The so-called trunk road leading out to Langley is impassable during the very seasons of the year it is most needed. It is impassable now, and so the barn-fulls of produce must lie on the hands of the farmers all winter and foreign produce must be brought in to supply its place,—and that, too, when the farmers stand so much in need of money.

It was only the other day that a Victoria trader in the oat-meal business visited this settlement with a view to purchasing oats; but although he found full granaries, and was prepared to pay a good price, he could get none, simply because of the impossibility of moving the grain to the steamboat landing.

Now I wish to point out our great difficulty in road-making here. In the first place, a great deal of the land, being still in the Crown, is locked up and, instead of helping, hinders road-making. In the second place, the soil being a rich black loam, there is no good material at hand for road-making.

Under these circumstances the settlers must look to the Government to construct a trunk road from the river back through the heart of this fertile region; and in doing so, I cannot see why the Provincial Government should not obtain from the Dominion Government assistance commensurate with the benefit such a work would confer upon these reserved lands. A road we must have, or the settlement cannot possibly prosper. Given a road, it would soon become the most productive settlement in the Province.

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Our Story.

THE MINISTER'S SON.

CHAPTER XIII.

A FRESH START.

(Continued.)

Marian Bennett had never known her husband as thoroughly as now, when the pang of hearing his son's words had stirred him. He was wounded to the quick in his tenderest point; for he had failed—failed utterly in duty and in attaining the ends for which he had schooled himself as well as his son, since the lad had found only lack of human love where he had intended him to find love of the right.

And now, if he had been mistaken it was too late to amend. The boy was boy no longer, and in a few short months would be banished to a distant land where he would be surrounded with temptations of the kind his father most dreaded.

"Not to late." His wife's imploring face is lifted to his, and she says gently, tenderly, "If Ronald could come—would you wish it, would it be anything of a comfort to you?"

"It would indeed; but it cannot be."

"It can, and it shall. He can get leave—furlough for a fortnight, perhaps more. He wanted to come—" She stopped abruptly.

"And *feared I did not wish it*—was that it?"

She stroked her hand for all reply; adding presently, "Write to him yourself, James, *will you? Tell him to* come—the poor boy."

"I will, wife, before I rest this night. Poor wife! you have suffered—*we must comfort each other.*"

Nancy had come to the door with the tray, but had wisely retired. And now, when the minister rung for candles, she was, as she expressed it, *fair* dumfounded at the change on the face of the mistress. But the new light in the dim eyes, and the alert movements *of the tall figure, were explained when* Mrs. Bennett whispered to her that night, "Nancy, Master Ronald is coming home to see us."

Mr. Bennett's letter to his own son was brief, and from another parent would have seemed cold. But Ronald would have detected a difference in its tone, even without his mother's hasty note of explanation and entreaty that he would believe himself mistaken, and try and feel more kindly to his father.

"You and he are alike," she wrote; "why is it that you cannot understand each other better?"

There was truth in this, as Ronald felt; and as he lay awake on his hard pallet-bed and thought over his father's devotion to his work, and the patient training he had bestowed upon him, in the confident hope that he too would follow on the same path, he realized more fully than before the bitterness of the disappointment he had caused.

It had needed but a kindly word on Bennett's part to touch the better nature in the lad, already roused by his mother's visit, and the sight of her regret at the prospect before him; and he answered his father's note almost affectionately. He would come now, or later, whichever should seem best; but if now, he might not be able to get away again before sailing for India; would it be best to wait till nearer that time!

The mother hungering for his presence—could not defer the happiness so newly promised to her; and Bennett was anxious to see his son quickly and clear away, if it might be, the painful impressions he had expressed regarding him, and therefore a second letter begged him to come as soon as could be granted to him.

It was with a curious mixture of feelings that Ronald took his place in the train that was to bear him home. Hitherto it had seemed as though he had lived two lives, separated from each other by a treacherous line—a line drawn at the hour he surrendered himself to the recruiting-sergeant. Up to that hour he had not cast away irretrievably his old self. Though he had left his home, there was the possibility of return still open to him, however little he had intended to avail himself of it; but since then he had been bound without escape to new habits, new companions, and new ideas, and had been tried by quite new standards of excellence. Now he was going to make, as it were, a tie and link between the new life and the old; and it was not without a certain subdued excitement that he contemplated returning with such a purpose to the place and the faces that had so long been familiar to him.

He thought, perhaps, less of the probable reconciliation with his father *than his mother at least would have* wished or expected. It was part of the condition of things that Mr. Bennett had prepared for himself that his *son had become independent of him.* Ten years ago, as a boy full of ambition and hot impulse, Ronald would have yielded himself eagerly to the influence of a parent who had shown him sympathy as well as given him advice. But the sympathy was never forthcoming, the advice was couched in hard and forbidding phrases, and, thrown back upon himself, he learned to stand alone; so that now, when his father yearned for something like friendship with him, he had nothing better than courtesy to offer.

His arrival created a little excitement in the village, where a uniform was rarely or never seen. As he came along the road that for the last half-mile ran straight, past low shops and thatched cottages, toward the manse, some of the bairns eating their "pieces" at the doors saw them. They watched him for a while with curiosity, not recognizing at first what the white-coated figure might be as it passed quickly from sunshine to shadow under each succeeding tree.

"What'll it be, Jeannie?" asked a wee thing, letting the jelly drop unheeded on her pinafore as she gazed.

"I danna ken," replied the elder girl, gravely; then, as a brilliant idea flashed upon her, she exclaimed, "It's like yon man in white—the clown, they ca'd him—that cam aince wi' a travellin' van. Ye canna mind o' that, Meg," she added, with pride in her longer experience.

"Eh! ye dinna ken mickle, Jeannie M'Kenzie. Yon's jist a sodger," said a boy, coming up; and instantly the two lassies ran into their respective homes with the cry, "Mither! there's a sodger comin' doon the road."

"A sodger!" cried Jamie Paterson, jumping up and coming over to the door; "whaur is he?"

Pushing his spectacles upon his brow, and shading his eyes with his hands, he peered at the advancing figure. "Ay, ay; it's him, sure enough, and a gude-lookin lad he is."

"Wha, Jamie? wha is't?"

"Hoot! did ye no hear it's Ronald Bennett? Nancy tell't me he was comin'."

"Eh my!" "Losh!" and other exclamations testified to the general astonishment, and several gazers were assembled by the time Ronald was *near the first house.*

Looking up to Paterson's doorway, he observed the bent figure in the leather apron, and took off his cap—a *greeting to which Jamie eagerly* responded. But Ronald did not intend to pause among his old acquaintances before he had entered the manse, and turned off by a short cut which took behind the houses to the back gate.

"Ay, he's awa' hame—richt enough; we'll see him in a whilie," said Jamie, and returned to his bench, while the loiterers gradually dispersed.

Mrs. Bennett was at the window watching the path to the garden-gate, and was taken by surprise when Ronald came round the corner of the house suddenly upon her. He was in the little passage before she could reach the door, and even as she threw her arms round him she observed afresh that he was taller and broader than when he left home—altogether a different figure from the long-limbed lad whose awkward gait had often vexed her motherly pride.

Nancy was at hand for her share of greeting; and that over, Ronald went into the sitting-room, and almost started at the sound of repressed emotion in his father's voice as he said, laying a hand on his shoulder,

"My son, I am glad to see you again at home!"

"Thank you, father," replied Ronald, with a strong clasp of the hand; and then Mrs. Bennett pushed him gently into her own chair, and fondled and rejoiced over him, talking confusedly the while, in her excitement, of the dinner that she and Nancy had prepared.

"In fact, mother," said he, addressing her, but looking at his father, "you are slaying the fatted calf, are you not, for the prodigal son?"

She did not answer, but turned also to her husband, as though the appeal should be replied to by him.

"Ronald," he said, with a slight effort, "there are words that had better be said at once. It appears to me, my *boy, that there has been, I may say, a* life-long misunderstanding between us. I judge by your own words to your mother."

"*I said no more to her than I have* always felt, sir," replied Ronald, using unconsciously the mode of address to which he was now accustomed. His *father noticed the little word, and felt* it to be a sort of tacit acknowledgment such as he had never received before from his impatient boy.

"*Being your father, the fault must* have been in some degree mine, but not entirely. I cannot admit that your behavior has been justified."

"*I could not expect you to admit it,* sir. I am only too well aware of my own folly, not in declining to enter the Kirk, but in running away and rejecting help. I was mad, I think."

A kindly touch on his shoulder expressed Mrs. Bennett's sympathy; she guessed in what disappointed love that folly and madness had originated, and, womanlike, pitied rather than blamed him.

Bennett once more held out his hand. "That being so, let by-gones be by-gones, and let us strive to make the future as fair as may be. You know I dislike the profession you have chosen, but I would have you do your duty in it. Perhaps you may enable me to think better of it," said he, with a somewhat melancholy smile.

"I hope I may, father. I hated it myself at first, being, as you know, somewhat averse to discipline; but I have begun to take a pride in it, and—who knows?—I may win honors some day. I feel as if things must go better with me, now that they are right here." Voice and eye said more than the mere words in this speech; and whatever might be the difference of tastes and opinions, there were at least peace and good-will under the roof of the manse that day.

It was not long before Ronald found his way to the shoemaker's little shop, where Jamie, looking at him with kindly eyes, spoke curtly, as is the way with the canny Scot when his heart is touched.

"There's mair o' you come hame then gaed awa', there's nae denying that," said he.

"Yes; so it seems. Every one says I've grown, Jamie, as though I were a bit laddie home from school."

"Humph! That's jist what ye are, I'm thinking, neither mair nor less; ye've had yere palmies, nae doobt, in the shape o' het words and maybe a ween extra drills—eh?"

"You're no far wrong, Jamie," said Ronald, greatly amused, but also a trifle nettled, at his reception.

"It's a braw coat, though; and they say pride disna feel pain," continued Jamie. "I had a fancy for it mysel' when I was a laddie; but eh, I couldna *thole the life*—attention here and attention there, and touch your cap to this yane and that yane; my certie! I'd rather turn cadger than sodger, for *a' the braws* and the music and the crowds rinnin' after ye! There's mair sound nor sense about it, to my idea."

"Well, Jamie, since my coat pleases *you so little, maybe ye'd prefer my* room to my company," said Ronald, rising.

"Hoot, man! sit doon and dinna *fash yoursel'. D'ye no ken my bark's* waur nor my bite? I'd jist like to be sure, if it's no speirin' owre mickle—I'd like to be satisfeed that it wasna *ony o' my eavers that helpt ye to turn* sodger?

"Not a bit—not a word that you said helped me Jamie; it was just my own confounded wrong-headedness that drove me to it. But why? Were you vexed about it?"

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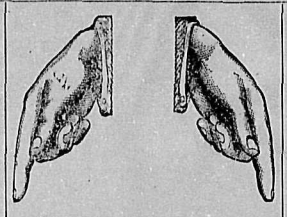

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Premium Reserve	319,551	7	0
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	£1,218,495	14	0
III. Life Fund—			
Accumulated Fund of the Life Branch	£3,112,590	7	8
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	£3,508,105	11	0
IV. Revenue for the Year 1881—			
Fire Branch—Premiums and Interest	£1,024,460	16	11
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