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Current Events and Opinions.

The German government is having a deep shaft sunk near Schladebach, with the object of obtaining various kinds of scientific information, and especially trustworthy data concerning the rate of increase of the earth's temperature as we descend into the interior. The excavation is being carried on by a diamond-tipped borer driven by water. So far back as the beginning of this year the shaft had reached the depth of 1,392 metres, which is believed to be the lowest dept yet reached by boring. The temperature at successive stages is ascertained by an ingenious instrument which serves as a special thermometer, the principle of construction being the fact that as the heat increases the mercury will expand so as to flow over the lip of a sufficiently short open tube in greater and greater quantities. The measurement of the difference of these overflows will give the rate of increase of the temperature. It has been ascertained that the temperature at the depth of 1,392 metres was 49 deg. centigrade or 120 deg. Fahrenheit. If the temperature increases regularly at this rate, the boiling point of water ought to be reached at a depth of 3,000 metres, and at 75 kilometres we should find the heat at which platinum melts. This would go to show that the earth's crust cannot be more than about one-ninetieth of its radius.—*Exchange.*

For some years past certain army officers who happen to possess political influence have contrived, by one means and another, to remain on duty in Washington. The duty, of course, is nominal, and in most cases is not inconsistent with the leisure so necessary to the society service which is regarded, in some quarters, as the real basis of a standing army. Constant practice has perfected these favored officers in the art of modern dancing, in which the arms and legs are called upon for about equal service. Most of them can lead a german gallantly, though they have never been called upon to lead the regiments or companies to which they are ostensibly attached. A general army order has scattered these favored army officers to the far West. Some who have never before been seen by their companies will now have an opportunity to cultivate their acquaintance. In this as in some other matters, the administration disregards what Washington society would call the eternal fitness of things. An officer who has done service in Washington ten or fifteen years is, other things being equal, a better dancer than one who has spent that period of time on the frontier. The belles of Washington and the belles from all parts of the country who congregate in Washington in the winter season will be incredulous as to the exigency of public service which strips Washington society of its brightest ornaments.—*S. F. Call.*

Mr. Lewis Appleton has just published a carefully considered article in which he deals with the national expenditures of all European countries, including such small ones as Montenegro, Denmark, Greece and Servia. The information, which he gives in tabulated form, reveals the astonishing fact that the total annual expenditure in Europe on its armies and navies amounts to the astonishingly large sum of $917,500,985. The largest annual expenditure is by Russia, the amount being $230,512,500. France comes next, with $168,653,915, and for the same purpose there are expended by Great Britain and Ireland, $155,603,775—a good third. Compared with this the expenditure of the others, even Germany, considering the magnitude of the army which that nation has to support, looks very small. The expenditure of the German empire on its army and navy amounts to $113,123,745. Austria, including Hungary, spends on its armies and navies $67,068,075. Italy spends a little over $60,000,000. The remainder are smaller, being, Spain, $31,250,000; Turkey, $27,500,000, and Holland, $17,500,000. Large though the expenditure on the armies and navies of all these countries be, the amount required for the payment of the interest on the debts of these countries is still larger, reaching the extraordinary amount of $1,037,159,175. France has the largest debt of all, the amount being $4,800,000,000, involving the annual payment for interest of $272,500,000. On the $3,790,000,000 of debt on the British empire, almost $150,000,000 is being paid annually as interest. The debt of Russia is of less amount, being $3,017,500,000, involving the annual payment for interest of $165,000,000. Germany, with its $1,560,000,000 of debt, pays only for interest $67,500,000. The total amount of the national debt for all European countries reaches the astonishing figure of $23,021,500,000.—*London Standard.*

Death of the Mahdi.

The Achbar, in a letter from Suakim, gives the following particulars as to the Mahdi's death. Mahomed Achmet, it says, fell ill on Friday, June 19, at 2 p.m., and by his own desire was at once conveyed to a tent outside the camp. No doctors being at hand, two of the captive missionaries who had medical knowledge were summoned to the sick bed. They immediately said the patient was ill of the smallpox, and later in the day, seeing that the disease was assuming the most virulent form they told the patient to prepare for the worst. The Mahdi thereupon called his nephew, Abdullah, named him his successor, and gave him his sword. On Saturday evening the patient was in a condition past hope. He then bade a solemn farewell to his family, and adjured his successor to continue the war against the Christians. He expired at 5 a.m. on Sunday, the 21st, and was buried at sunset in a grave within his tent. The tent was afterwards burned.

The *Political Correspondence* of this evening contains a letter from Alexandria, stating that the news of the Mahdi's death is confirmed from a great many sources. The Viennese newspapers all write of the event as being certified beyond doubt, and congratulate the British government upon it. The *Frendenblatt* says the event must be regarded as a truly fortunate occurrence. The imposter has vanished, and the common manner of his death must dispel the delusion which the credulous entertained as to his being a man favored by Heaven. The *Presse* observes that the Mahdi did not live through the three years which he had predicted as the term of his mission on earth, and this fact alone must shake the popular superstition about him. — *Vienna Despatch to London Times.*

Judging Horseflesh.

"What do you think of that horse?" asked a Wall-street banker of a friend at an up-town boarding stable after the close of business the other afternoon, as he pointed to a thin-legged specimen of horseflesh which a hostler was hitching up to a road-wagon.

"Looks a trifle aged," replied the friend, as he gazed at the animal with a knowing look.

"Whose crow-bait is that?" inquired another friend, who joined the couple at that moment.

"What do you think of him?" asked one.

"What do I think of him? He was a respectable plow-horse once. Is he yours?"

"Yes."

"What are you going to do with him? Sell him to a street car company?"

"What's the matter with him?"

"Can't you tell," replied the other, pityingly. "I thought you understood hoses. He is foundered. Listen to him breathe."

"What horse are you talking about?" asked another acquaintance. "That bag of bones?"

"Yes," replied the owner.

"Why don't you finish him? You've got a good framework there. All you need is to put the weather-boarding on, then send him round to the upholsterer's to have some hair put on."

"When did you feed him last?" asked another acquaintance. "He looks rather shaky."

"He has windgalls on his hind legs," remarked one of the party. "I wouldn't give you $5 for him."

"He's 40 years old if he's a day," said another. "Why don't you send him to a museum?"

"He's got the bots," said another. "I had a horse once that had the bots, and a horse that's got the bot's ain't worth shooting."

"What will you give me for him?" asked the owner when the horsemen had finished expressing their opinions. "Will any gentleman here give me $500 for him?"

"Five hundred dollars for a horse that's got the heaves?" asked one of the party, "why, I wouldn't give you 500 cents."

"Will you give me $250?"

"No, sir," said another. "That's too much for a windbroken, windgalled piece of bric-a-brac. Why don't you have it stuffed and varnished?"

"Will you give me $100?" asked the owner, who began to look as if he was sick of his bargain.

"He isn't worth half that," said the former, speaking with decision.

"What will you give me, then?"

"I'll give you 10 cents if you'll throw in the harness and pay for the funeral if he dies before I can drive him out to the fertilizer's."

"Well, gentlemen," replied the owner, as he stepped into the wagon and started to drive away. "I see I can't a trade here."

"That's a mighty good horse," remarked the proprietor of the stable as the wagon rattled out of the door.

"Good?" replied the others, in derision.

"Yes, rather."

"How old is he?" they asked.

"Six years old."

"Yes, but he is all knocked up."

"Sound as a dollar."

"In bad condition, though?"

"Never in better. Made a record of 2:24 last week."

"How much did he cost?"

"Seven thousand five hundred dollars. He's a full brother of Jay-Eye-See."

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"My dear," said a frightened husband in the middle of the night, shaking his wife, "where did you put that bottle of strychnine?" "On the shelf next to the peppermint." "Oh, darling!" he groaned, "I've swallowed it!" "Well, for goodness sake," whispered his wife, "keep quiet, or you'll wake the baby."

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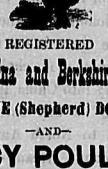
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JACKSON'S
BEST
Navy Tobacco.
We call the attention of consumers to the superior chewing qualities of this most excellent Tobacco. Samples will be sent free by applying to L. & E. WERTHEIMER, 300 and 302 Front Street, San Francisco, Cal., Sole Agents for Pacific Coast.
The goods are for sale by all the principal jobbers in British Columbia.
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NOTICE.
WE INTEND TO APPLY TO THE Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 480 acres of land, as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of lot XV, Sayward District, thence west, 80 chains; north, 60 chains; east, 80 chains; south, 60 chains to northeast corner of lot XV.
H. E. STURT,
E. WALKER.
Victoria, 2nd July, 1885. 8j 2m

NOTICE
To Parents and Guardians.
THE SISTERS OF ST. ANN'S WISH to announce that their boarding and day school for young ladies will re-open on Tuesday, the 1st of September next.
New Westminster, Aug. 28, 1885.
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS DAY.

To Sportsmen.....A. Gutmann
Public Highway.....Wm. Smithe
For Sale by Tender..Wm. B. Townsend
Public Notice.....Joseph Farr
Barrister-at-Law....W. Norman Bole
Special.....C. E. C. Brown

The British Columbian.

Wednesday Morning, Sept. 2, 1885.

The postmaster-general of the United States proposes to introduce a new system of delivery that will ensure the despatch of letters to their destination without delay. Persons who wish to have letters promptly delivered upon arrival at the office to which they are addressed must attach to them a special delivery stamp for that purpose. This stamp is in addition to the postage-stamps, and all letters to which it is attached will be guaranteed immediate delivery by special messengers. All towns with a population of 4,000 or over will be entitled to this system. The cost of a special delivery stamp is not stated.

Some American newspapers attempt to ridicule the action of the Canadian government in protesting against the appointment of James Whalen as U. S. consular agent at Fort Erie, Ont. The ground of our government's objection is that Whalen is a Fenian who took a prominent part in the Fenian invasion of Canada from Buffalo some years ago. It may seem to certain American sympathizers with the dynamite party a very trivial thing to cause the loss of a number of Canadian lives, but we do not so regard it. We hope the Canadian government will resist firmly such an appointment. To accept Whalen as an American government agent in this country would be unpardonable.

American newspapers, and especially those of San Francisco and California, continue to express their disapproval of the postmaster-general's action in refusing to renew the mail subsidy paid to the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. for carrying mails from San Francisco to Australia. The withdrawal of the subsidy, it is now positively stated, will be followed by the withdrawal of the steamships, and American trade will seriously suffer. But if a new line of steamers is put on between Burrard Inlet and Australia, calling at San Francisco, the loss to San Francisco's trade may be prevented. It is not necessary to the success of that trade that it should be carried in American ships. So long as the United States continues to adhere to the prohibitory tariff now prevailing, so long she must be content with third or fourth place as a maritime nation, and to see her wares carried in ships which do not sail under her flag.

The Victoria *Times* calls THE COLUMBIAN's attention to the fact that each tender for Point Ellice bridge was to be accompanied by a plan, and that the lowest tender did not necessarily mean the cheapest work. The point is probably well taken, but when the *Times* further declares that the government selected the "poorest plan" we must ask for substantial proof. In other quarters it is denied that the plan adopted is the poorest, and the *Colonist* asserts that the present bridge is stronger than one would be constructed upon the plan submitted by the next lowest tender, which was $5,000 above the tender accepted! We do not by any means accept all the *Colonist's* statements as gospel, but it is certainly as good an authority as the *Times*. After reading what has been published respecting Point Ellice bridge we cannot see that the *Times* has been at all successful in its attempt to fasten blame upon the government.

From the annual report of the registrar-general just issued we learn that the population of Great Britain goes on steadily increasing, while that of Ireland decreases as steadily. In 1841 Ireland had a population of 8,200,000: in 1885 its population is only 4,918,000. During the same period the population of Scotland has increased from 2,622,000 to 3,908,000, and that of England from 15,929,000 to 27,499,000. Doubtless many of the Irish, and some of the Scotch, have gone to swell the population of England in these years, but Ireland's depopulation is chiefly the result of poverty and famine at home and foreign emigration. In the 10 years from 1841 to 1851 the population of Ireland decreased nearly two millions. The population of the united kingdom has increased from 15,902,000 in 1801 to 36,325,000 in 1885. The present population is divided as follows: England, 27,499,000; Scotland, 3,908,000; Ireland, 4,918,000.

Now that Gen. Grant is dead and buried, and the smoke of the minute guns has cleared away, some American journals are venturing to question whether, after all, he was as great a commander as his admirers have painted him. Doubtless while the nation was under the excitement aroused by the circumstances of the general's death some things were said about him more flattering than the facts might fully justify. But Grant was undoubtedly a man of extraordinary parts, and his memory will live as the savior of his country long after his critics have followed him to the place of silence. He came to the front just when the nation needed a man of his iron will and resources, and he was a complete success. Let his memory rest with the fresh laurels which encircled his brow.

Spread of the Plague.

Cholera is reported in Italy and in Japan. Undoubtedly the plague is spreading. Its presence in Japan is a matter of more immediate concern to us on this coast than its spread to France and Italy. Japanese trade is largely with China and San Francisco, and the trade relations of both San Francisco and Victoria with China are very intimate. If cholera goes to China, it will almost certainly spread with alarming rapidity. The circumstances and habits of the Chinese are extremely favorable for the development of such diseases. The country is very populous, and the habits of the people are dirty. Hundreds of the poorer classes may be found huddled together in premises where there is not room for a dozen people. If cholera should find its way into China, it will most likely find its way out again, and will cross to North America with the continuous stream of Chinese emigrants. This is the direction in which the people of British Columbia may look most anxiously for the plague. It was hoped some months ago that the ravages of cholera would be very greatly modified by the process of vaccination lately discovered. But this hope has not been realized. Vaccination has not materially lessened the fatality of the disease, and it is a matter of grave doubt among medical authorities whether it is really any protection at all. It has also been discovered that the cholera germs are impervious to frost. They have been subjected to extreme cold, but the test has resulted in no loss of energy. Cleanliness and correct living seem to be the most successful safeguards.

Railways and Trade.

Railway construction on this continent will probably never be so active as it has been during the past five years. In the United States this year there have been 1,272 miles of railway built. During the same period of last year the mileage constructed was 1,712, and during the same period of the two previous years respectively, 2,761 and 5,473. The falling off is very marked. It is a fact beyond dispute that in many parts of the country railway building has gone away in advance of public requirements. One result of this is that nearly every railway on the continent is loaded with a debt the interest on which seriously cripples its finances. It is estimated that railways in the United States alone, at the close of last year, carried a funded debt of $3,669,115,772, which is an increase over the previous year of more than 168 millions. During the year 1884 the gross earnings of the railways, so far as reported, was $770,684,908. This is a decrease of about 53 millions from the previous year. It will be seen, therefore, that while the railway debts are rapidly growing larger, the earnings are growing less, and the divergence becomes really alarming. The opening and vigorous operation of the Canadian Pacific Railway next year will tend still further to depreciate American railway stock. The transcontinental trade has certainly not developed as rapidly as the facilities for carrying it. In a few months the continent will be spanned by four complete lines, all bidding for the Pacific trade. A considerable share of the trade that now finds its way over American lines will then come by way of the C. P. R. The debts of these roads seem destined to keep on growing faster than their receipts, and unless there is a more rapid settlement and development of the country, it is difficult to imagine how the books are ever to be balanced. The first railway locomotive began to operate in 1813, only 72 years ago. We have not the latest returns at hand, but in 1880 there were 93,637 miles of railway in operation in the United States alone. The rate of increase is certainly very remarkable.

W. NORMAN BOLE,
BARRISTER-AT-LAW.
Land Agent. Money to Loan.
Columbia Street,
se2tc New Westminster, B.C.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC ARE HEREBY CAUTIONED against purchasing from Messrs. Wood & McDonald any Live Stock, Implements, Farm Products, or anything raised on or belonging to my ranch. I will not be responsible for any debts incurred or any transaction whatsoever without my written consent.
JOSEPH FARR,
Farr's Ranch.
August 24th, 1885. 2se1m

For Sale by Tender.

THE STEAMER McNAUGHT.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up till noon of September 10th for the purchase of said Steamer as she now lies at her wharf.
Having satisfied all claims against the boat I can guarantee a clear and indisputable title to the purchaser. Boat can be seen and particulars obtained from
WM. B. TOWNSEND.
Front street, New Westminster.
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IMPORTANT NOTICE
TO SPORTSMEN!

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
Guns and Rifles!
Of Every Description,
Where any one can choose what he requires at PRICES WHICH THEY HAVE NEVER BEFORE BEEN OFFERED AT.
It will pay to look at them before buying elsewhere.

A FULL STOCK OF
AMMUNITION
Of the best quality, as low as it can possibly be sold.

Tobacco, Cigars, Pipes,
AND
General Merchandise
Highest cash price paid for all kinds of FURS.
A. GUTMANN,
se2tc Opposite Colonial Hotel.

PUBLIC HIGHWAY.
NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the line of road leading from the North Arm of Fraser River to Granville, from a point N. 31° 30' W., 573 links from the intersection of said road with the south boundary of Lot 200A, Group 1, to the False Creek bridge, is hereby cancelled, and the following is declared a Public Highway in lieu thereof:—
Commencing at a point N. 31° 30' W., 573 links from the south boundary of Lot 200A, Group 1; thence N. 31° 30' W., 400 links; thence true north, 5,500 links; thence N. 20° E., 800 links, more or less, to False Creek, having a width of 33 feet on each side of said line of road.
WM. SMITHE,
Chief Com. of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., August 22, 1885.
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AFTER DINNER.
Persons who suffer from Indigestion can arrest the progress of that painful malady by the use of an **after-dinner pill,** so composed that it will give tone to the stomach, prevent heartburn, rouse the liver to healthful action, invigorate the kidneys, and thus, through the activity of these organs, promote the natural movement of the stomach and bowels. AYER'S PILLS are so compounded that their action, though mild, effectually produces the above results. They also, in curing Constipation, remove the cause of Biliousness, Liver Complaint, Kidney Disease, Rheumatism, and many other serious ailments.
AYER'S PILLS
contain no mineral nor poisonous substance, and do not gripe unless the bowels are irritated, and even then their influence is healing. To continue their effect in constipated or chronic cases, they need only be taken in diminishing instead of increasing doses. For seamen, and inhabitants or travelers in sparsely settled countries where physicians are not at hand, they are of inestimable value. There is hardly a sickness they will not alleviate, and in most cases cure, if taken promptly. To young girls just entering upon womanhood, and to women whose period of maternity is drawing to a close, Ayer's Pills, in moderate doses, merely sufficient to ensure regular action of the bowels, will be found of
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BARGAIN
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In perfect order, and prints a sheet 24 x 36 in.; with roller cylinders, roller cores, moulds, &c.
A GUILLOTINE
Paper CUTTER
Thirty-two inch knife, and in good order.
☞ These machines will be sold at a great bargain, as they have been replaced by others.
Apply to
D. ROBSON & CO.
jy25tc New Westminster.

NOTICE.
Tenders for Public Wharf.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Langley Municipal Council up to 1 p. m., on Saturday, Sept. 6th, for building a **Public Wharf at Langley.**
Plans, specifications and conditions of tender may be seen at Messrs. Woods, Turner & Gamble's office, New Westminster, and at Mr. McIver's hotel, Langley.
All tenders must be in the hands of the clerk by 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 6th.
By order,
GEORGE RAWLISON,
Clerk Langley Municipal Council.
Langley, August 20th, 1885. au22t2

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If you want good, reliable Garden, Farm or Flower Seeds, send to
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THE UNDERSIGNED IS PREPARED to furnish
FURNITURE
Home Made, of Latest Style, Best Material and Superior Workmanship,
Cheaper than the Cheapest, for Cash.
As times are hard I will give the public the benefit of low sales. Articles of every description in the business made to order or furnished. Satisfaction guaranteed.
Undertaking attended to.
JOHN E. LORD,
Columbia street, adjoining R. Dickinson's Meat Market. 2fje3m

Dr. FOWLER'S
EXTRACT of WILD
STRAWBERRY
CURES
CHOLERA
CHOLERA INFANTUM
DIARRHŒA,
AND
ALL SUMMER COMPLAINTS
SOLD BY A. DRUGGISTS.

CALEDONIAN
—AND—
ST. ANDREW'S
SOCIETY
ANNUAL GATHERING!
—ON—
Wednesday, Sept. 2nd, 1885
At the Agricultural Grounds,
NEW WESTMINSTER
Committee of Management:
L. F. BONSON, Chief; J. RANKIN, 1st Chieftain; JNO. SPROTT, Secretary; W. ROSS, H. R. SHADWELL, PETER GRANT, Esquires.

PROGRAMME.
Games and Sports.
Judges—Messrs. R. Campbell, A. Robertson and J. Punch.

Putting the heavy stone, 21 lbs; 1st prize	$5 00
2nd prize	2 50
Putting light stone, 14 lbs; 1st prize	3 00
2nd prize	2 00
Quoits, 21 yards; first prize	4 00
Tossing the caber; first prize	5 00
Pole vaulting; first prize	4 00
2nd prize	2 00
Throwing the heavy hammer, 18 lbs., handle 3½ ft.; first prize	4 00
2nd prize	2 00
Throwing the light hammer, 12 lbs., handle 3½ feet; first prize	3 00
2nd prize	2 00

No turning in throwing allowed.
No professionals will be allowed to compete in any of the games.

Running and Jumping.
Judges—Messrs. Geo. Black, J. Rankin and J. O. McLeod.

Running long jump; first prize	$4 00
2nd prize	2 00
Running hop, step and jump; 1st prize	3 00
2nd prize	1 50
Standing high jump; first prize	3 00
2nd prize	2 00
Standing long jump; first prize	3 00
2nd prize	2 00
Running high jump; first prize	4 00
2nd prize	2 00
Old men's race, no entrance; 1st prize	3 00
2nd prize	2 00
Wheelbarrow race; first prize	3 00
2nd prize	2 00
Sack race; first prize	3 00
2nd prize	2 00
Long race, four laps of grounds; 1st	4 00
2nd prize	2 00
Boy race, under 16, no ent.; 1st prize	2 00
2nd prize	1 00
Girl's race, under 14, no ent.; 1st prize	2 00
2nd prize	1 00
Tug of War, members of Society vs. militia, ten men each	10 00
Bicycle race, ½ mile with a turn; 1st	3 00
2nd prize	2 00

No weights allowed.

DANCING.
Judges—Mrs. Senator McInnes, Mrs. L. F. Bonson, Mrs. Jas. Laidlaw.

Highland Fling; 1st prize	$3 00
Gillie Callum; 1st prize	3 00
Scotch Reel, gentlemen in costume	4 00
Best dressed Highlander	5 00
Best " boy Highland costume	3 00
Best " girl " "	3 00
Best Piper, Reel March and Pibroch	5 00

The sports will begin at 1 o'clock p.m.
Dancing in the Hall during the day.

☞ Through the kindness of Capt. John Irving, Manager of the C.P.N. Co., the following steamboat arrangements have been made:
From Victoria to New Westminster and return $2 00
From all landings below New Westminster on the Fraser river and return 50
From Chilliwhack and all landings below and return, half regular fare.
Capt. Stewart, of the North Arm steamer Alice has also kindly arranged to carry passengers to and from the games for one fare.

A BALL
Will be given in the DRILL SHED in the evening.
Committee—Messrs. H. R. Shadwell, T. Mowat, D. Wilson, S. T. McIntosh, and Wm. McColl.
The Committee will spare no pains in their endeavors to make the gathering a success, and all who come may expect a day of thorough enjoyment.
Tickets for the Ball, $1.50; for sale at the bookstores of Messrs. T. R. Pearson & Co. and Mr. Z. S. Hall.
L. F. BONSON, Chief. JNO. SPROTT, Secretary.
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BALL'S CORSETS
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TRY THEM ONCE!
And you will wear no other. Full Lines in Misses', Ladies' Nursing and
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EXCELLENT REASONS why every Lady should Wear
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SIXTH—They have had the unqualified endorsement of every physician who has examined them.
SEVENTH—They have given satisfaction to all ladies who have worn them, the common remark being, "We will never wear any other make."
EIGHTH—They are the only corset that a manufacturer has ever dared to guarantee satisfactory in every respect to the wearer, or the money refunded after three weeks' wear.
PRICES.
Misses, $1.00; Ladies, style B, $1.50; H. P., $1.75; Nursing, $2.00. Sateen, $3.50; Satin, $6.50. By mail, 25 cts. extra.
ADDRESS:
The White House,
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au22tc VICTORIA, B. C.

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Books,
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It will be the aim of the manager of the Pioneer Book and Stationery Store to conduct business upon such principles as will secure and retain the confidence and patronage of the people of
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Articles not in stock will be procured with the utmost despatch.
Prices will be found as low as anywhere else in the Province.
Newspapers and Periodicals supplied promptly.
FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE
In First-Class Companies.
If you want anything in the above lines, call at or address the Pioneer Book and Stationery Store.
JAS. HALL,
MANAGER.
Granville, Burrard Inlet. au22tc

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA
Agricultural Association
Will hold their Annual
EXHIBITION
—IN THE—
Agricultural Hall,
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.
—ON—
THURSDAY and FRIDAY, OCT. 1 & 2
All C. P. N. steamers will carry visitors and exhibits to and from the exhibition at one fare.
All entries must be made with the Secretary two clear days before Oct. 1st.
For full particulars see posters and pamphlets.
W. D. FERRIS,
au22td Sec., New Westminster.

F. CRAKE,
WATCH MAKER
—AND—
JEWELER,
Opposite the Colonial Hotel.
Formerly manager of the Watch Department of Savage & Lyman, Montreal.
HAVING SEVERED MY CONNECnection with Mr. McNaughten, I am prepared to
DO ALL KINDS OF
FINE AND COMPLICATED WATCHES
And JEWELRY.
CHARGES REASONABLE. au5tc

I have found out
WHO WEBB IS!
HE CHARGES MORE for his Goods than any body else in the Province,
SO PEOPLE SAY!
But what beats me is, how he does the LARGEST BUSINESS in
GUNS, RIFLES,
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Pocket Knives, Spectacles, Cutlery of all kinds, Fancy Articles, Fishing Tackle, Sporting Goods, Pipes, Cigars, Tobacco, and Sundries.
A CALL WILL CONVINCE YOU OF THE SAME.
Everybody sells cheaper than his neighbor except
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Come and be convinced at
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Or as it is called The British Columbian
"OLD CURIOSITY SHOP."
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Dealers in
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MEDICAL HALL.
CHEMICALS
Wholesale and Retail.
PRESCRIPTIONS
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At Low Rates.
Next to Colonial Hotel,
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HOMER & SON,
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SHIPPING & COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
FRONT ST., - NEW WESTMINSTER
OFFER FOR SALE
Extra, Superfine and Graham
FLOUR
BARLEY,
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BRAN,
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HAMS, BACON, LARD, BUTTER, DRIED FRUIT, COFFEE AND SPICES.
Agents for Pacific Coast Steamship Co. and Beacon Light Oil Co., Cleveland, Ohio.
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THOMAS McNEELY,
General Groceries,
Provisions,
Dry Goods,
Hats and Caps,
Boots and Shoes,
Hardware,
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Tinware,
—AND—
GENERAL DEALER,
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Clothing! Clothing!
WHITE
THE CLOTHIER,
Has Just Received
OVER 300 MEN'S SUITS
A Large Quantity of
Boys' and Youth's Clothing!
7 Cases of American
FELT HATS
Also, a full line of
GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS
—HE NOW HAS—
The Best Assortment in the above Line ever exhibited in New Westminster.
LATEST STYLES
At Lowest Possible Prices for Cash.
Call Early and Make Your Selection.
COLUMBIA STREET OPP. BANK OF B. C.

D. McPHADEN,
Importer and Dealer in
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—AND—
PROVISIONS.
Imported in quantity,
First-Class in quality,
Sold at Bottom Prices
The best Place in the City to buy your Groceries.
D. McPHADEN,
Deane's Brick Block,
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.
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CHILLIWHACK
Agricultural Society
THE TENTH ANNUAL
EXHIBITION
Of the above Society will be held at Chilliwhack, on
Tuesday, Sept. 29th, 1885.
THOS. E. KITCHEN,
au19td Secretary.

Boarding & Day School
FOR THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG LADIES.
Columbia St., New West., B. C.
LADY PRINCIPAL:
MISS DAWSON.
VICE-PRINCIPAL:
MISS KATHERINE DAWSON.
THIS SCHOOL WILL OPEN for Children of all denominations on the 1st of September, 1885.
Tuition Fees, per mensem (payable in advance), for Day Pupils:

Elementary Class (Eng. Subjects)	$2 50
Advanced Classes, " "	3
French and Latin	2
German	2
Music Lessons (Pianoforte)	3
" (Elementary)	2 50
Drawing & Painting in water colors	2 50
Plain Sewing and Fancy Work	50

☞ For prospectus, terms and full particulars regarding boarders, apply to the Lady Principal. au12tc

The Colonial
BOOT AND SHOE
STORE,
Colonial Hotel Building,
NEW WESTMINSTER.
WM. ROSS
IMPORTER AND DEALER IN
BOOTS and SHOES
The French Lenoir, Goodyear, Pinkerton, Cochrane, Cassils & Co., Armes Holden and Slater Boots and Shoes.
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN ARE RESpectfully invited to call and examine the stock.
I have also on hand the
SCOTCH-CANADIAN LEATHER WATERTIGHT KNEE BOOT,
Which now takes the place of gum boots.
jy29tc

GREAT
Clearing Out SALE!
THE UNDERSIGNED being about to make some important changes in their General Merchandise business, beg leave to notify the public that on
Wednesday, 13th inst.,
They will commence a Clearing Out Sale of
Dry Goods!
CLOTHING,
BOOTS and SHOES
Carpets,
—AND—
House Furnishings!
The stock is good, well bought, and will be sold
At and Under Cost Prices,
The best Place in the City to buy your Groceries.
EITHER BY RETAIL OR IN LOTS TO SUIT PURCHASERS.
Buyers have now an opportunity that may not occur again of getting splendid bargains.
JAMES CUNNINGHAM & CO.
May 12th, 1885. my18tc

ADVERTISING RATES.

Transient Advertisements—First insertion, 8 cts. per line; subsequent insertions, 2 cts. per line.

Regular Commercial and Business Advertisements—1 column, $12 per month; ¼ col., $7 per month; ¼ col., $4 per month; 2 inches, $2 per month; 1 inch, $1.50 per month. These rates to be charged on standing advertisements which remain over 3 months. If for a less period the rates will be: 1 col., $15 per month; ¼ col., $9; ¼ col., $5; 2 inches, $3; 1 inch, $2.

Specials, among reading matter—Each insertion, 20 cts. per line.

Births, Marriages and Deaths, $1 each. Funeral notices accompanying death notice, 50 cts. extra.

☞All transient advertisements will be measured by a scale of solid Nonpareil, *which makes 12 lines to the inch* and 7 words to the line. Display lines must be allowed for in making estimates. No advertisement inserted for less than $1.00.

The British Columbian.

Wednesday Morning, Sept. 2, 1885.

The str. Princess Louise has been put on the ways for repairs.

They are fitting up the Maude again as a steamer for active service.

Clara Louisa Kellogg had a full house at Victoria on Saturday.

Attention is called to the caution published in another column by Mr. Joseph Farr.

Last Friday a train was run 15 miles on the inland railway, from Oyster Bay to Chemainus.

The shooting season opened yesterday. Game is not plentiful in the *vicinity of this city.*

Yesterday morning the smoke and mist were very thick, and the river was obscured all day.

Rev. Father McGucken, of this city, preached in St. Andrew's cathedral, Victoria, last Sunday.

The presence of H.M.S. Triumph at Esquimalt seems to have quite overcome the people of Victoria.

A new Baptist church is to be erected in Victoria. Work has already been commenced on the building.

C. E. C. Brown, Dentist, will visit Chilliwhack on Saturday, Sept. 5th, remaining until Wednesday 9th inst.

Times may be bad, but the annual income of London and its environs is at least £330,000,000.—*London Times.*

"Filth and fear," are declared to be the main causes of cholera in Spain. Cleanliness and courage are preventives.

The str. Reliance did not arrive from Yale until about 9 o'clock Monday night. She brought 104 head of cattle.

For the prompt and certain cure of erysipelas, use Ayer's Sarsaparilla, which is the specific endorsed by the most eminent medical authorities.

It was after 6 o'clock when the mail arrived from Victoria Monday afternoon. It came by the Slope, and the delay was chiefly caused by fog.

In consequence of Scotch gatherihg to-day the monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. has been postponed until next Wednesday evening.

India, it is said, will produce about 286,000,000 bushels of wheat this year. England imports 20,000,000 bushels of Indian wheat annually.

From an advertisement in another column it will be seen that tenders are invited for the purchase of the str. McNaught, now lying at this city.

The inimitable and inspiring strains of the bagpipe were floating through the streets yesterday, indicating the near approach of the Scottish gathering.

Capt. Peele reports the rainfall for last month 0.02 of an inch. This is 1.94 below the mean for past 10 years, and it is the lowest rainfall ever recorded.

Mr. A. Gutmann, Columbia st., advertises guns and ammunition, which are now just in season. Mr. Gutmann also carries a full stock of groceries, confectionery, etc.

Some people are finding fault with the banks because they issue such delapidated bills. There are more people who complain that they can't get any bills at all.

It is expected the str. Yosemite will arrive early to-day, and that she will bring from 300 to 500 visitors to witness the Scotch games and sports, which begin at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Malarial poison can be entirely removed from the system by the use of Ayer's Ague Cure, which contains a sure specific, in the form of a vegetable product, used in no other remedy. Warranted.

Bush fires about Sooke, V.I., have driven wild animals to the sea shore where they are waiting and longing to be shot. A bear and 3 cubs took shelter one day in the kitchen of Mr. Muir.

Mr. Justice McCreight was in the city last night, and it is scarcely possible that there can be a postponement of the county court to-day. There are only about a dozen cases for trial, only one of which will be defended.

The Duke of Cambridge draws a pension of $60,000; receives $33,100 annually as commander-in-chief, $5,000 as Colonel of the Grenadier's Guards, $5,000 as ranger of the royal parks, or a total of $113,100 annually.

Dialogue between the police magistrate and prisoner in the dock yesterday morning: Magistrate — "What countryman are you?" Prisoner—"I'm an Irishman, sir." "What part of Ireland are you from?" "I was born in America!"

It was reported on the street yesterday that a disagreement had taken place in the Maple Leaf saloon Monday night when the proprietor of the Delmonico shot at one of the proprietors of the Maple Leaf. No particulars of the affair could be obtained, and no complaint has been lodged.

On Saturday night Mr. Briggs had a fine roast of beef laid away carefully for his Sunday dinner. But the burglars took it. Mr. Briggs was awakened, but too late to recover the beef. This is the only burglary we have to report to-day. But who are the burglars? There are two of them, and they're not Chinamen either.

The Seattle *Post* announces that Mr. John Tait, of Collingwood, Ont., is expected to assume the position of assistant principal in the Tacoma collegiate school. Mr. Tait has for many years held a responsible position in the Collingwood collegiate institute, and has been very successful as a teacher there and elsewhere. Besides, he is a most exemplary Christian gentleman, and having known him for a number of years we can recommend him heartily to the people of Tacoma.

There is No Excuse.—There is no excuse for the many pale, sallow, weary looking females throughout our land, when Burdock Blood Bitters will regulate their troubles and renew their health, strength and vigor at so small a cost.

Mortgages, Deeds, Leases, Agreements of Sale, and blank forms of all kinds, at T. R. Pearson & Co's.

Its Delicacy of Flavor

And the efficacy of its action have rendered the famous liquid fruit remedy, Syrup of Figs, immensely popular. It cleanses and tones up the clogged and feverish system, and dispels headaches, colds and fevers. Sample bottles free and large bottles for sale by Messrs. D. S. Curtis & Co., New Westminster.

The Rifle Tournament.—The annual meeting at Clover Point was finished on Saturday. In the all comers match Lieut. McColl made 81 and Sergt. Scoullar 79. The grand aggregate was won by Capt. Wolfenden, of Victoria; and Lieut. Woodcott, of Victoria, and Sergt. Scoullar, of this city, were tics for second place. Under the circumstances the representatives from this city have done remarkably well in the matches.

Where's the Fog Bell?—When the str. Slope reached the sandheads on Monday afternoon she whistled and whistled and whistled for the lighthouse man, but failed utterly to get a response. For about an hour she kept in the vicinity of the light-house in hope of hearing the fog bell, and in consequence of this delay she did not reach this city until after 6 o'clock. This is a matter which ought to be enquired into by Capt. Lewis. What's the use of a fog bell if it doesn't ring?

Bought Off.—The Pacific Coast Steamship Company seems determined to control the freight and passenger traffic between San Francisco and all points north. The opposition steamers Taber and Wilmington have been bought off, the former some years ago and the latter recently. The Empire, which has for several years carried freight and passengers to the Sound, has also been bought off. She leaves Seattle this morning for Nanaimo direct, and will hereafter run between San Francisco and Nanaimo, discontinuing her Victoria and Puget Sound trade.—*Seattle Post.*

The Mission Closed.—Rev. Dr. Graves closed his revival mission last Monday night, and left yesterday for Whatcom. Up to the close there seemed to be no flagging of interest in these meetings, and there is no room to doubt that much good has been accomplished. The discourses of Dr. Graves were characterized by earnestness and directness, and all his methods were marked by the same characteristics. We believe special services will be kept up during this week for the purpose of helping those whose interest has been awakened. To-night the services will be in the Court House, *and on Friday night in the Methodist* church. It is intended that these meetings shall not be sectarian, and everyone will be perfectly welcome.

What They Won.—New Westminster riflemen have been without a range for a year, and consequently only three of them competed at the annual meeting of the provincial association held last week in Victoria. The three who did go, however, kept up bravely the reputation of the Royal City. Mr. James Wilson, who does not belong to the militia, and could only enter for a few of the matches, carried off the Victoria corporation cup, and money prizes to the value of $21. Lieut. McColl, N. W. Rifles, although he did not gain any of the highest prizes, made a fine record of steady shooting, winning a prize in every match. All the prizes were in money, and aggregated $34.50. Sergt. Scoullar, also of the Rifles, won a number of prizes, being placed in nearly all the matches. He was fortunate enough to secure for the second time the N. W. corporation cup, which now becomes his property, and he also won a number of money prizes, amounting in all to $35. The average number of competitors was about 40.

Postal Absurdities.—From Eagle Pass Landing to Farwell the distance is 47 miles by the road. But from Eagle Pass Landing to Farwell by the mail route is about 5,000 miles. Letters mailed at Eagle Pass Landing for Farwell are sent down to this city, then to Victoria, then to Tacoma, St. Paul, Winnipeg, and over the C. P. R. to their destination. There is a stage running twice a week both ways between Eagle Pass Landing and Farwell, and we presume a small subsidy would induce the stage to carry a mail. But the post office authorities will probably not begin to comprehend the absurdity of the present arrangement until the C. P. R. has been opened and the absurdity has disappeared. One of the practical results is that business men at Farwell are forced to buy their supplies in St. Paul or other places in the east, *whereas they could be supplied much* more quickly and conveniently from the Pacific coast. We hope the authorities may be prevailed upon to adjust speedily the existing grievance.

Police Court.—On Monday two prisoners were fined $2.50 each for disorderly conduct. Yesterday morning *a man named Peck was charged* with stealing a watch from Rice at the Union Hotel. Peck and Stokes left for Victoria one morning last week, and the same morning Rice missed his watch. A telegram was sent to the Victoria police, and the two men were arrested and brought back to this city. Stokes said Peck gave him the watch on the steamer for safe keeping while he took a sleep. Peck said he bought the watch from a man at the hotel for $10. Mr. Shirley identified the watch as the one he had repaired for Rice. The case was dismissed for lack of evidence, but the watch was delivered to Rice. The case against a Chinaman for assault with a bar of iron was remanded. This case first came up on Monday. It is believed that an attempt is being made by the Chinese high-binders to put this Chinaman out of the way because he is obnoxious to them, and the authorities are trying to discover the facts. A Chinaman was up yesterday for stealing apples from Capt. Pittendrigh. He seemed to be an object of charity, and the prosecutor asked to have him discharged with a caution.

The Fretful Porcupine. — Not many days ago a party of sportsmen were returning from a cruise on Burrard Inlet. Coming over the inlet road the conversation turned upon the late attempt at highway robbery. The three sportsmen had rifles and ammunition with them, and declared unanimously that they wouldn't be frightened if a dozen highwaymen, more or less, were to appear. Suddenly the horses stopped with a frightened look, and a clump of bushes near the road was seen to move. Every man instinctively made up his mind that there was a highwayman in that bush, and that he might open them any instant with a rifle. Just then one of them remembered that his gun wasn't loaded, and that all his ammunition was safely packed away in the bottom of his valise. Another had taken his gun to pieces and packed it in the case. The third had a Winchester with no load, but there was ammunition enough in the magazine, and he quickly threw a cartridge into position and covered the bush. Cautiously *they examined the premises from a* safe distance, and every individual hair rose erect as they beheld a living creature emerge slowly and begin to ascend a friendly tree. It was soon dispatched by the rifle, and proved to be an immense porcupine weighing about 50 lbs. This fine beast is now in possession of Mr. W. Norman Bole, the police magistrate.

Military Protection.—Capt. Palliser, in Toronto *Week*, gives his views on the defence and importance of British Columbia from a military standpoint. He says: "You consider it childish to send torpedo boats to British Columbia, and you are right in that limit. The late government, however, were considering something more definite, and the papers concerning it have been handed to their successors in office. It is no less than the formidable place d'armes at Esquimalt for the British fleet and an army corps opposite to Vladivostock, "The Queen of the Pacific." Canada's great strategic railway has by its completion given birth to this great naval and military position, only eighteen days from Plymouth, while its rival and "queen" is 3,000 miles distant from the nearest railway station. Russian officers will be the first to appreciate the true value of this new feature in the theatre of war. If there be a landing on holy Russian soil they must march to turn out the intruders. Hence a grave dis advantage. They are now giving "check to the queen" in India. We shall soon be able to say "check to the king" on their Pacific coast near China, with which nation they are not on good terms. Our admirable place d'armes occupies a central position for England, Canada and Australia. It is easy of access, has abundant and excellent coal close to it, with numerous harbors to shelter the Imperial fleet. With regard to provisions there is all Canada and British Columbia to be drawn on. Should a landing be effected and earthworks and guns mounted on Russian soil, the lumbermen with timber from British Columbia could house the troops. Russian officers would have to consider how they could turn out 20,000 British troops supported by their fleet. Would their army march over the wastes of Siberia, or come by sea? Those would be the questions. The answer would probably be that they were not ready yet, and that meantime pressure on India should be relaxed; in other words, there would be no war."

Poisoned.—Scarcely a family exists but that some member is suffering with bad blood and poisoned secretions from constipation giving rise to Rheumatism, Scrofula, Eruptions, Catarrh and other complaints indicating lurking blood poison which a few bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters would eradicate from the system.

Sympathy for Riel.

A Montreal despatch says: How the sympathy for Riel runs in this province can be seen from the following episode. The other night at Lachine a banquet was given by some residents of that place to the members of the 65th. In the course of the festivities *a young soldier of the 65th got up to* reply to the toast of his health, and likened the scaffold of Riel to those of the rebels of 1837. Lieut. Des Georges rebuked the soldier for introducing *political questions. Young Doust, of* the 65th, retorted that he was uttering his personal opinions. Hon. Chas. Champagne criticised the regiment of Lieut. Des Georges in 1870, during the Franco-German war. Mr. H. C. St. Pierre justified the rebels in their action, and claimed that if Riel were irrevocably doomed to be hanged, ten thousand 65ths would spring up as a single man and deliver Riel from the jaws of death. Here Mr. Girouard, M.P., desired that Mr. St. Pierre should go no further with such remarks, and upon the majority of those present siding with Mr. St. Pierre, quiet was only restored by Mr. Girouard threatening to leave the room unless the speaker desisted from such remarks. This he did, and the guests soon afterwards dispersed.

Chinese Emigration.

New York, Aug. 27.—John Russell Young, ex-minister to China, in an interview yesterday said the emigration question is not understood in America. Immigration from China comes from one point alone. Canton is a city of millions of people, in the centre of a vast province and the most southern port in China. It is within seven hours by river of Hongkong, which is a British settlement, and as much under the British flag as is Cork or Liverpool. All traffic in the way of emigra*tion to America comes from Hong*kong, mainly through English houses. There is no stipulation or treaty and there can be none to justify us in asking the Chinese to prevent Chinamen from going from Canton to Hongkong, and once there they are free from Chinese influence. If the American government wishes to reach the emigration question it will have to go to Lord Salisbury and ask him to so instruct his government in Hongkong that there may be no immigration. The British governor-general at Hongkong, whom I know very well, and whose guest I have been, said he was perfectly willing, if the American government wished it, to stop immigration, but I have no instructions. There is nothing on record to show that China has ever endeavored to evade the treaty. On the contrary she has enforced it, even more stringently than any request of ours calls for. The Chinese do not care for emigration. They could stop the whole thing to-morrow. They do not, of course, like the idea of other nationalities being accepted in America and they being excluded. But that is a question of pride on their part.

At a grand Fenian picnic in New York the other day Professor Mezzer*off shattered a wooden effigy of Glad*stone, another of the late Judge Keogh, and yet another of Earl Spencer, with dynamite bombs, while a British ironclad, the Tower of London, and the *Houses of Parliament were blown up* amid deafening applause.

A Cincinnati lawyer recently won a $2,000,000 contested will case and turned over to the defendant over $500,000 of the amount. The other lawyers did not understand his generosity until they learned that he was engaged to marry his client's daughter, and expected to get the money back.

American News.

New York, Aug. 12.—A special from Rockport, Maine, says: The four-masted ship, Frederick Billings, was launched to-day at Rockport, Maine. She is the second largest ship ever built in the United States. Her tonnage is 2,928. Her masts will extend 70 feet above the Brooklyn bridge. Her total cost is $150,000. The Frederick Billings is designed for the clipper trade between New York and San Francisco. It was learned this morning that within a week or ten days Sutton & Co. will undoubtedly charter her. She is only a trifle smaller than the Great Republic, is square-rigged, length 291 feet, from deck to maintruck 181 feet. The mainsticks of the masts are 90 feet long and of Oregon pine; length of fore and main yards, 90 feet each. She will spread 1,200 yards of canvas. The oak frame of the ship came from Virginia, and her hard pine planks from South Carolina. Ten thousand people witnessed the launch yesterday, which was highly successful, the great hull sitting on the water like a duck.

New York, Aug. 14.—The *Sun* says: There are many more silver dollars in the treasury vaults at New Orleans than can be stored there either conveniently or safely, and Secretary Whitney has ordered the United States steamship Swatara, now at the navy yard, to proceed to New Orleans, take on board as much of the silver as is deemed advisable by the treasury agents and transport it to Washington. All day yesterday, and until it was too dark to see, the sailors of the Swatara were at work taking out the ship's ammunition, except such as was necessary, and taking in coal. By 7 o'clock all ammunition had been taken out and stored in the navy yard magazines. To-day the Swatara will take on board the heavy wooden iron-strapped boxes, in which the silver is to be packed. These boxes hold each about two cubic feet. There are 2,500 of them; each will hold about $3,000 worth of silver. There is about $16,000,000 in silver at New Orleans. The Swatara will be helped to bring it up by the steamship Yantic, which is under orders to go without delay from Aspinwall to New Orleans.

New York, Aug. 16.—The *Sun's* leader says: Many of the cultivated and eloquent writers and orators, who, during the last few weeks, have exalted the history and services of General Grant, have fallen into the error of representing him as the special saviour of the union in its conflict with the powers of slavery and secession. It is a natural mistake that the hero of the hour eclipses all other heroes, for his exploits fill the imagination and gain splendor and importance as they are told; but it is now time to insist upon the truth. This is, that the man who above all other men saved the union was Abraham Lincoln, had he not been an incomparable politician, a keen manager of men, Lincoln could hardly have brought the war to a victorious end. More dexterous or more successful politics never were seen than that by which he carried through congress the constitutional amendment prohibiting slavery, nor was there ever keener calculation of consequences than he displayed in the erection of Nevada as a State for the purpose of ratifying this amendment and making it permanently effectual.

A Sure Thing.—A sure cure for summer complaints. Procure from your druggist one 37½-cent bottle of Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry and use according to directions. It is infallible for Diarrhœa, Cholera Morbus, Canker of the Stomach and Bowels, and Cholera Infantum.

London Cable Letter.

London, Aug. 29.—*It is almost* certain that peace between England and Russia on the Afghan question is now completely assured. The two governments at present are busily engaged in arranging the last details of a mutual understanding and negotiations are proceeding rapidly and harmoniously. These final negotiations are now engrossing all the time of Baron DeStael, Russian ambassador to England and in consequence he has been compelled to forego his customary vacation and remain here during the August heat which long ago drove all resident English statesmen out of town. An additional sensation is being attached to *the Spanish-German difficulty* by a rumor giving Prince Bismarck's reason for the seizure of the Caroline islands. This rumor attributes to the chancellor the determination to obtain possession of Cuba and explains his conduct in taking the Caroline islands as wise to secure an understanding between the United States and Germany regarding the Spanish outlying possession, as a result of which Germany would permit the United States to secure the Philippine islands if the Washington government would consent to Germany's annexation of Cuba. It is strongly maintained in some quarters that Bismarck has for a long time had his eye on Cuba and he has assured himself of the support of certain western American sugar interests in this scheme. Englishmen of moderate views scout the idea that the United States will ever permit any German occupation of Cuba and affect to perceive in this reported Bismarckian project, a design of intrigue to involve America in the European squabble. This story came from Paris where it is extensively discussed, and the Spanish colony in the *French capital are furiously indignant* over the whole thing. The *Tagblatt* of Berlin in referring to the matter to-day remarks that the beautiful ladies of Cuba will soon be lovely subjects of *Emperor William. King Alfonso has* been informed by telegraph of the reported German occupation of Yap, the principal one of the Caroline islands. He will return from San Ildefonso to Madrid on Monday to preside over a special meeting of the Spanish cabinet to consider the Carolines affair.

It is stated that after the imperial meeting at Kremsier last Wednesday the Czar and his family immediately appeared unusually pleased over what transpired. The conference between M. DeGiers, Russian foreign minister and Count Kalnoky, Austrian minister of foreign affairs, lasted for hours. It is believed in this conference DeGiers secured Austria's interest in securing Turkey's neutrality in the event of war between Russia and England, and in accordance with the decision arrived at by Prince Bismarck during his conference with Count Kalnoky at Varsen. It is certain that during the whole time of the imperial conference at Kremsier telegrams were constantly passing between the Schloss and Berlin.

The belief is growing among military and other friends of General Gordon that he really escaped alive from Khartoum and escaped to the equator. So strong has this faith become that a mission has been organized to search for him. The work of preparing this mission for its enterprise is now almost completed.

The German government is preparing for the approval of the reichstag bills for the construction of several new canals within its empire. One of these bills is for the ship canal from the Baltic sea to the German ocean, with strong forts at each mouth and at commanding points along the route. The work will cost an enormous sum of money, and the water-way would never be able by any possible traffic upon it to repay even interest on the cost of construction.

Two ladies belonging to families of rank in Mezzevo in Epirus, European Turkey, were some time ago abducted by brigands from Epirus mountains. The abductors demanded a ransom of $20,000 for the return of each or either captive. The families of the women have just paid to the agents of the brigands $40,000, and the ladies have been safely restored to their homes. They say they were well and honorably treated by their captors and made as comfortable during their stay in Epirus, as the circumstances of the robbers would permit.

The demand for the "Myrtle Navy" tobacco is still on the increase, and from every quarter the firm who make it are receiving unsolicited testimony of its growth in public favor. A gentleman from one of the mining islands of Lake Huron writes, "Your 'Myrtle Navy' is an invaluable solace to the loneliness of the miner's life. I don't know how our *men could get along without it. If* their stock ran out they would risk swimming to the mainland to replenish it, heedless of danger, and I believe they would cross the ice in winter on the same errand if it was not more than an inch thick. No other tobacco will satisfy them."

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

San Francisco, Aug. 25.—The appraiser's office in this city under its former administration will, it is said to-night, be made the subject of an official investigation. *It has been discovered* that large quantities of opium and other valuable merchandise have been systematically stolen from the stores by persons having the *entre* to them. Many of the charges are alleged to be of the most serious character and to include the under valuation of invoices. The charges all date prior to the appointment of the present incumbent, Mr. Thomas Beck. Mr. O. L. Spaulding, a special officer sent here from Washington to examine into the affairs of this office, has been for some days busily engaged in drumming up witnesses and preparing a report which he will lay before a special government agent who is expected to arrive here from Washington next week. It is also intended that the latter shall specially investigate the customs service and the Chinese certificate business.

London, Aug. 27.—The expulsion of Polish subjects from Austria has begun. All classes alike are expelled.

Trieste, Aug. 27.—There was a terrific boiler explosion yesterday on the steamer Argo. Eight persons were killed and many wounded.

London, Aug. 28.—Gladstone states that his cruise to Norway and his travels through that country have greatly benefitted him in health. He pronounces Norway admirable, and says its inhabitants are hospitable, and that he was received everywhere with such cordiality that the only regret he entertains is that he was unable to accept all invitations tendered him.

Paris, Aug. 28.—It is stated that Emperor William, of Germany, through feeling sympathy with King Alfonso, *has made a personal interference in order* for the settlement of the Caroline Island affairs favorable to Spain. Spanish merchants and other consumers of garden products threaten to boycott all German goods. Firms in Wurzburg have received notices from commercial concerns in Spain severing business connections with them.

Berlin, Aug. 28.—The Barzer *Courier* has a dispatch from Constantinople which says that Russia is making overtures for an alliance with Turkey; holding out as an inducement the prospect of the Turk's receiving possession of the Balkan passes and fortress. The Turkish ministers, the dispatch says, are divided as to the acceptance of the proposals.

Madrid, Aug. 28.—It is reported that Spanish men-of-war have arrived at Yap, the chief island of the Caroline group, and planted a Spanish flag, no German vessels being in sight.

Aden, Aug. 28.—A British man-of-war has left here to occupy Ambo, situated in Tagourah bay, East Africa. The object is to anticipate the occupation of the place by France.

New York, Aug. 29.—Edward Hanlan has sent to *Turf, Field and Farm*, proposing three rowing races, each three miles with turn, for $10,000 or more; one race, Hanlan against Courtney, within six weeks; one with Peter Conley, one day following, and one with double sculls between Hanlan and mate against Courtney and Conley.

San Francisco, Aug. 29.—During the first seven months of the present year, as shown by the customs records, 5,840 Chinese persons were landed at this port. During the month of August there have arrived here 1,061. Including leakages from over the British Columbia line probably not less than 7,000 Chinese have arrived here in the eight months of 1885. The total number landed during the three years preceding are reported to have been as follows: 3,900 in 1882; in 1883 there were 3,014, and 6,602 in 1884. A reduction of one cent per pound on the freight rate on hops from the Pacific coast to eastern points has been made by all transcontinental roads. The old rate was three cents. The new rate goes into effect on Sept. 2nd.

Montreal, Aug. 29.—Forty-six new cases of small-pox were reported yesterday, only 15 of which were authenticated. There were 20 deaths within the city limits reported, but these do not include interments in the Protestant cemetery, returns for which are made upon once a week. This would not make the difference probably more than one and possibly no difference at all, as since the outbreak of the disease here very few deaths from small-pox have been reported from interments in the Protestant cemetery. The Indians on the Caughnawaga reservation have all been vaccinated within the past few days.

Paris, Aug. 29.—The Marquis of Salisbury has invited DeFreycinet, French minister for foreign affairs, to a personal conference at Dieppe, where the British premier is spending his vacation in his *chalet. It is understood that DeFrey*cinet is favorably inclined toward accepting the invitation, but that as the conference is avowedly for the purpose of reaching adjustment of questions pending between France and England, he will consult with his colleagues in the ministry before deciding to go. Another meeting was held to-day in connection with the death of Oliver Paine. About 4000 persons were present. Rochefort presided and made a speech, repeating his charges against England and claiming that she was directly responsible for the murder of Paine. The meeting adopted resolutions affirming the solidarity between the people of France and England, and demanding the punishment of Paine's assassins. The meeting was held in the winter circus. Speeches were made, fiercely denouncing the assassins of Paine. The speakers also expressed sympathy with the Spanish people and abused King Alfonso. Letters from the Irish invincibles, assuring the meeting of their sympathy, were read amid great enthusiasm.

A Fruitful Season. — The fruitful season of the year is prolific with many forms of Bowel Complaints, such as Diarrhœa, Dysentery, Colic, Cholera Morbus, Cholera Infantum, &c., as a safeguard and positive cure for those distressing and often sudden and dangerous attacks nothing can surpass that old and reliable medicine, Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry.

SPECIAL DESPATCHES.

London, Aug. 31.—The Marquis of Hartington, who was minister of war in the Gladstone government, delivered an address at Rosendale, in which he urged the extension of local self-government so that parliament might be enabled to give its attention solely to imperial legislation. No party, he said, would ever accede to Parnell's demands, the ultimate result of which would be to unite all British political parties against Parnell for the preservation of the empire. *He was glad Parnell had publicly defined* his position and demands, and he thought that now no English party would consent to acquire or retain office by conceding Parnell's demands. If he persisted in his policy of obstruction means would be found by a practically united people to oppose a firm veto on proposals that were fatal to the integrity and prosperity of the empire.

London, Aug. 31.—A despatch has been received to-day stating that cholera has appeared in Japan, and that the presence of the scourge has created great excitement, especially among foreigners.

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 31—A largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of French Canadians in this city was held this evening on behalf of Riel. Addresses were delivered by prominent Frenchmen in the city, and a petition was drawn up and signed by all French residents asking the president to interfere as Riel is an American citizen and did not have a fair trial.

London, Aug. 31.—It is reported that Turkey has completed a basis upon which she will discuss with Sir H. D. Wolf the question of Britain's immediate evacuation of Egypt.

Rome, Aug. 31.—Cholera has appeared in Pouzone, near Acqui, in the province of Alessandria. It was brought from Marseilles.

Madrid, Aug. 31.—There were 3831 cases of cholera and 2480 deaths in Spain yesterday.

A Dangerous Condition.—One of the most dangerous conditions is a neglected Kidney complaint. When you suffer from weary aching back, weakness and other urinary troubles, apply to the back a Burdock Porous Plaster, and take Burdock Blood Bitters, the best system regulator known for the Liver, Kidneys, Stomach and Bowels.

A Dog that Understands.

There is a Newfoundland dog of the historian's acquaintance, Lion by name, who gives daily proof of his comprehension of what is said to him. A lady called on his mistress the other day. During her call Lion came in rather slyly, lay down on the parlor carpet and went asleep. The conversation ran on, and the visitor said finally:—

"What a handsome Newfoundland you have!"

Lion opened one eye. "Yes," said his mistress "he is a very good dog, and takes excellent care of the children."

Lion opened the other eye and waved his tail complacently to and fro along the carpet.

"When the baby goes out he always goes with her and I feel perfectly sure then that no harm can come to her," his mistress went on.

Lion's tail thumped up and down violently on the carpet.

"And he is so gentle to them all, and such a playmate and companion to them, that we would not take a thousand dollars for him."

Lion's tail now went up and down, to and fro, round and round with great and undisguised glee.

"But," said his mistress, "Lion has one serious fault."

Total subsidence of Lion's tail, together with the appearance of an expression of great concern on his face.

"He will come in here with his *dirty feet* and lie down on the carpet, when I have told him time and again that he musn't do it."

Here Lion arose with an air of the utmost dejection and humiliation and *slunk out of the room with his lately* exuberant tail totally crestfallen.

Syrup of Figs,

Manufactured only by the California Fig Syrup Co., San Francisco, Cal., is Nature's Own True Laxative. This pleasant liquid fruit remedy may be had of Messrs. D. S. Curtis & Co., New Westminster. *Sample bottles free and large* bottles at 75 cents or $1.25. It is the most pleasant, prompt and effective remedy known, to cleanse the system; to act on the Liver, Kidneys and Bowels gently yet thoroughly; to dispel Headaches, Colds and Fevers; to cure Constipation, Indigestion and kindred ills.

The Size of Noah's Ark.

The exact size of Noah's ark has not been determined definitely, but according to Sir Isaac Newton's calculations, based on his estimate of the length of a cubit in feet and inches, the historical barge must have been 515.62 feet long, 85.94 wide, and 51.56 deep. The measured tonnage of the ark was 18,232. The Great Eastern was 680 feet long, 83 feet wide, and 53 feet deep, and she measured 28,093 tons. Although the Great Eastern was not so well proportioned as the ark, she probably had double the carrying capacity if her coal and machinery were left out of her, because she was made out of iron, and the ark was a wooden ship.

To the Rescue.—"When all other remedies fail" for Bowel Complaint, Colic, Cramps, Dysentery, etc., "then Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry comes to the rescue." Thus writes W. H. Crocker, druggist, Waterdown, and adds that "its sales are large and increasing."

PASSENGERS.

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After the Subsidy.

The Montreal *Herald* says: There is more in the matter of the Hon. Mr. Baker's departure from South Australia for London on the subject of a mail service to the Australian colonies than at first sight appears. There is in it the very important element of the possibility of securing for Canada the transport of the Australian mail, or, at least, a division of it with the P. and O. Co., who now carry it via the Suez Canal. This is the situation: the Australian colonies between them pay the Pacific Mail Steamship Co. an annual subsidy of $350,000 for carrying the mails between certain Australian ports and San Francisco. The contract will expire in November, and the colonies refuse to continue the subsidy unless the United States government will join in paying it. The latter refuses to do so, and the P.M.S.S. Co. are accordingly prepared to abandon the service at the beginning of November. There are three ships at present employed, two of which, the Zealandia and the Australia, will probably be for disposal when the present contract terminates. Of course, there are several competitors for this trade and one company has already despatched an agent to New South Wales and New Zealand to negotiate with the governments of those colonies. If possible, this service should be secured for Canada. The Australian mails can be carried more quickly via the Canadian Pacific railroad than by San Francisco, and the British government might probably be induced to avail themselves of the route, if not entirely, at least in division with the P. and O. Co. This subsidy, together with that of the Australian colonies, would secure the trade to Canada, as competition from San Francisco would be out of the question. Besides the carriage of the mail there is a good trade for the line and a yearly increasing passenger traffic. But it looks as if immediate action were necessary. The agent who has gone to Australia from the Oceanic Steamship Co., will not, of course, be able to make much progress in his negotiations until the result of Mr. Baker's visit to England is known, and this gentleman is still on his way. Before the present contract is at an end the C.P.R. will be open from ocean to ocean, and it is reasonable to suppose that, other things being equal, a preference would be shown for a Canadian route.

Mohammedan Invasion.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—Secretary of State Bayard is in receipt of a dispatch from Sierra Leone, giving accounts of the movements of an army of 100,000 men in the interior of Africa. The dispatch is dated July 14th last, and was sent by U.S. Consul Lewie. Mr. Lewis says:

"I have the honor to bring to the notice of the department of state the fact of an extraordinary movement among the Mohammedans of the Nigritian regions, extending from Timbuctoo to the west coast. It appears that a Mandingo, named Lamudu, of extraordinary intelligence and energy, conceived the idea that he was called by God to wage a war for the suppression of paganism, and also for the purpose of opening the roads to the coast, which in certain districts have been for generations subjected to excessive blackmail and to the plundering of vagabond tribes. During the last five years he has collected an army consisting of foot and horse, about 100,000 men. Wherever he goes, the Mohammedan youth flock to his standard, anxious not only to secure the reward in the hereafter, promised to those who fight for their religion, but to carry off the rich spoils which these expeditions that battle for the faith are sure to win. It is said that Lamudu's army is divided into three portions. One is operating near the head waters of the Niger. This portion recently drove certain French troops from the gold regions of Boarse, of which they had taken possession, and are now besieging Bammaks, a large town on the Niger, occupied about three years ago by the French, who have erected fortifications there. Another portion of the army is operating in the region east of Liberia, and by suppressing disturbing elements, unfettering trade and introducing a knowledge of religion and letters, is in one sense opening a way for nego immigrants of intelligence and energy from America to push out from the African American republic to the healthy regions of the interior. In another sense it is forestalling the whole region for Mohammedanism and making it difficult, if not impossible, if indeed, it is desirable, to convert that country to the faith imported from America by the immigrants. The third portion of the army is approaching the coast a few miles northwest of Sierra Leone. It has secured the submission, by force or by voluntary surrender, of all the tribes for 300 miles back. The largest and most important kingdom on this side of the Niger was Soolima, of which Tallaba, a large commercial city, was the capital. For the last sixty years the Fulah Mohammedans have been trying by diplomacy and arms to subdue this city to their faith, but it has always resisted both diplomat and warrior. Last year Lamudu's army in overwhelming numbers surrounded it and called upon the king to surrender and profess the faith of Islam. This he refused to do. The town was then invested, and after a terrible siege of five months the king assembled the royal family and the principal chiefs in his powder house, informed them that he could hold out no longer, as his resources were exhausted, but having for more than 200 years belonged to the ruling element, he was determined for himself and family to die rather than come under Mohammedan rule. He gave the chiefs their choice, either to die with him or to go out of the town and give themselves up to the enemy. They decided to die with him. He then set fire to the powder, and they were all blown up. This ended the Soolima power, which for more than seven generations had influenced the trade and politics of these extensive districts and had commanded the principal highway to the coast.

The tallest chimney in the world, at the Townsend Works, Pt. Dundas, near Glasgow, is 454 feet in height. Another monster flue, the second largest in the world, also found in Scotland, at St. Rollax, near Glasgow, is only 19 feet shorter. Both are circular and are constructed of brick and stone. St. Peter's at Rome is only 455 feet high.

It is a curious fact that wasps' nests often take fire, as is supposed, by the chemical action of the wax upon the material of which the nest is composed. Many of the fires of unknown origin in haystacks and farm buildings may thus be accounted for.

Obedience Without Questioning.

"Hurrah! Hurrah! A sail in Jimmy Tinch's boat? What a royal time we'll have! Now, Madge, and Susie, and Kit, be on time; we must be off in an hour, sure."

Hugh, Harry and Jack went away to look after their fishing tackle while the little girls played on the sandy shore. Jimmy Tinch's boat, the largest sailboat anywhere about that part of the coast, lay a little distance out in the water.

"Now, then?" said the boys, coming back, "we've got plenty of bait and can fish a couple of hours off Rocky Point before we shall have to come back."

But a great disappointment awaited them.

"Papa has been here since you went away," said Madge, "and he says we are not to go in Jimmy's boat today. We may take a little bit of a sail in your boat if we all want to, but that is all."

"What can be the reason?" broke out Hugh, in great astonishment. "Did he say why, Madge?"

"No."

"I saw him look at the clouds," said Susie.

"I suppose that's it; he thinks there's going to be a storm. But I don't think so. Those light clouds don't mean anything. If he had only given us some sort of a reason for putting off our trip!"

"I think he meant us to obey without having a reason," said Madge.

Hugh fretted and fumed in great ill-humor.

"It's going to be a splendid afternoon," he said.

"The clouds are all blowing away," said Jack.

"I'm going to ask Jimmy," said Hugh. "Here, Jimmy, is it going to storm?"

"Nivir a bit, sir. It's the illegant day for a sail. It's out on the bay we'll be and round the Pint in no time at all at all."

"Hear what he says," said Hugh, turning discontentedly to the others. "Papa is over-careful, you see. Of course Jimmy knows a great deal more about weather than he does. So let's go."

"Without leave?" asked Madge, in surprise.

"Why, I know he'd let us go if he could hear what Jimmy says; so it will do no harm. I'm old enough, I'm sure, to have something to say about things, and I know it's safe for us to go."

The others wanted to believe so. All but Madge followed him to the boat, although with rather hesitating steps.

"Come on," cried Hugh, "see how the sun is breaking out. What nonsense it would be to have our long walk down here for nothing!"

"Do give it up, Hugh," entreated Madge; but he only laughed at her.

Madge turned her face homeward, calling the little girls to follow her; but they were glad to listen to Hugh's reasoning. In a few minutes Jimmy Tinch had hoisted the sails and the boat was skimming gracefully towards the outlet of the little bay."

Once outside its shelter Hugh began to feel rather less confidence in his own judgment and in Jimmy's. They had a better view of the dark clouds which were rolling up in the western sky, and the water was much rougher than he had expected to find it.

For a while the boat danced gaily over the waves, and all enjoyed the exhilarating motion, but farther out the breeze became sharper. A sudden gust seized the sails and almost threw the boat over, while a scream of terror arose from the little girls.

"Take care!" cried Hugh, in great alarm at observing that Jimmy made no effort at taking in sail; for even the boy's inexperienced eye could see the danger they were in.

Jimmy gave a stupid laugh as the boat leaned heavily to one side. Hugh gave him a sharp glance, and his heart sank with dismay. He had not before seen what his father's keener eye had marked—that Jimmy was under the influence of liquor and utterly unfit to undertake the management of a boat. Believing that his boys would obey his command, he had not thought proper to speak of this to the little girls.

"Take in that top-sail," said Hugh, almost angrily. "Don't you see we shall go over in another minute?"

Jimmy made a feeble clutch at a rope, then reeled as the boat made another lurch and if Hugh had not seized him would have fallen overboard. The next moment he was in a heavy sleep in the bottom of the boat.

"Take hold here, boys," said Hugh, with a pale face, as he called into play his best knowledge of boating.

With trembling hands they did their best, and were then obliged to commit themselves to the mercy of the storm, which soon beat pitilessly down upon them. For hours they were driven before it, but as night approached Hugh observed with a most thankful heart that it was abating. Darkness came on and he knew not where they might be on the tossing waters. The little girls cried to be taken home, then cried for supper, when it was discovered that the lunch-basket, which had been handed to Jimmy to stow in the boat, had been left behind.

Face to face through the long hours of that night, with the full realization that his disobedience had brought his brothers and sisters into this peril, Hugh learned a lesson which he never forgot. The whistling winds whispered it, and the dark waters frowned it up at him as he gazed upon them, wondering if the boatful of bright young life was to go down in their depths, and all because of his wrong-doing.

But the longed-for light of morning came, and Jimmy, sullen and ashamed, but again in his right mind, and with senses and powers sharpened by the demand upon them, took command of the boat and skilfully turned it in what he knew to be the way home.

"Say anything you please to me, father," said Hugh in the voice of a thoroughly humbled spirit as he saw the marks of the night's suffering on his mother's gentle face. "I deserve far more than any words can give me."

"If you realize that, my boy, I need not say much; you have punished yourself more severely than any one else could punish you. Only try to bear in mind, Hugh, that one of the crying sins of this age is the lack of reverence to parents, which the great Lord solemnly lays down in his law. His gravest threats are uttered against the children of disobedience, and his choicest promises are to those who honor alike their earthly and their heavenly parents."—*Forward.*

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Matsqui, March 6th, 1885. mh11d

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership heretofore existing between Chas. Allitt and John Burkitt, of Chilliwhack, B. C., carrying on business as farmers in Chilliwhack, B. C., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Chas. Allitt retains the business, assumes all liabilities and collects all debts due the firm.

As witness our hands this 23rd day of June, 1885.

CHARLES ALLITT,
JOHN BURKITT.

Witness: ROBERT LONG.
Chilliwhack, June 23rd, 1885. 11jy1m

"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

The North-Easterly Half of Lot No. 2, Block XII, in the City of New Westminster.

A CERTIFICATE OF INDEFEASIBLE Title to the above mentioned half of said Lot will be issued to William R. Lewis, on the 21st day of November, 1885, unless in the meantime, a valid objection thereto, be made to the undersigned in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest in said land or some part thereof.

R. W. ARMSTRONG,
Deputy Registrar.

Land Registry Office,
New Westminster, 18th Aug., 1885.
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"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

The Northwest One-Fourth of Section 27, Township 26, in the District of New Westminster.

WHEREAS THE CERTIFICATE OF Title of George Gibson, (deceased) to the above mentioned quarter section of land, bearing date the 18th day of January, 1883, has been lost, and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate; notice is therefore hereby given that such duplicate will be issued, unless cause be shown to the contrary in writing within one month from the date hereof.

R. W. ARMSTRONG,
Deputy Registrar.

Land Registry Office,
New Westminster, 19th Aug., 1885.
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"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

The South-Westerly Half of Lot No. 2, Block XII, in the City of New Westminster.

A CERTIFICATE OF INDEFEASIBLE Title to the above mentioned half of said lot will be issued to James Cunningham on the 10th day of October, 1855, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to the undersigned in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest in said land or some part thereof.

R. W. ARMSTRONG,
Deputy Registrar.

Land Registry Office,
New Westminster, 7th July, 1885.
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"Land Registry Ordinance, 1870."

Lot No. 5, Block XXIII, and Lot No. 12, Block XXIV, in the City of New Westminster.

A CERTIFICATE OF INDEFEASIBLE Title to the above mentioned lots will be issued to Murdock Duncan McLennan on the 10th day of October, 1885, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to the undersigned in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest in said lots or some part thereof.

R. W. ARMSTRONG.
Deputy Registrar.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease for timbering purposes the following described lands situated on Valdez Island, Coast District:

Commencing at a stake on the northwest corner of Lot 6, thence west, 40 chains; thence north, 40 chains; thence west, 20 chains; thence north, 40 chains; thence west, 40 chains; thence north, 80 chains; thence west, 40 chains; thence north, 100 chains; thence west, 40 chains; thence north, 60 chains; thence east, 40 chains; thence north, 80 chains; thence east, 120 chains; thence north, 40 chains; thence east, 60 chains; thence south, 40 chains more or less to north shore of Village Bay Lake; thence in a west and southerly direction following shore line of Lake to a point true north of the northwest corner of Lot 10; thence south to said Lot 10, following west side of Lot 10 to place of commencement, containing 4,300 acres, more or less.

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JOHN HENDRY, Manager.
New Westminster, B. C.,
6th July, 1885. 8jy1m

NOTICE.

WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT we intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to gazette the following roads half a chain wide:

Starting at the N. W. corner of Lot 37 and following the northern boundary line of the said lot to the North East corner post; thence through Lot 19 and intersecting Agassiz station ground to the South West corner post of Lot 49, where it joins the road along the western boundary of the said lot.

Road No. 2 starts from the North West corner post of Lot 19 along the western boundary of said lot to the South West corner post; thence in a southerly direction to the South West corner post of Lot 10; thence along the southern boundary of said lot to where it joins the road to lower steamboat landing.

(Signed) JAMES B. AGASSIZ,
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F. PASSINGHAM.

Ferny Coombe, July 18th, 1885. au12m2

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2. Commencing at a post on the North shore of Cardero Channel, nearly opposite Denham Island, extending along the shore for a distance of 100 chains, with a depth of 100 chains, containing 1000 acres, more or less.

3. Commencing at a stake on the shore of Hemming Bay, Thurlow Island, about one-half mile West of Jackson Point; thence following the shore line 120 chains; thence in a N. W. direction 240 chains; thence Easterly 160 chains; thence South to point of commencement, containing 3500 acres, more or less.

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Burrard Inlet, B. C., 30th July, 1884.
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G. PITTENDRIGH,
Agent.

New Westminster, July 7th, 1885.
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NOTICE.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has been pleased to order that—

1. A vacation of the Supreme Court be, and is hereby appointed, commencing on the 20th day of August and terminating on the 1st day of October, in the present year.

2. This Order shall not interfere with the sittings of the Full Court or the Divisional Court, and shall only apply to civil proceedings.

By Command,
JNO. ROBSON,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
17th August, 1885. 20au1m

NOTICE.

LAND RESERVATION.

WHEREAS the Hastings Saw Mill Company (Limited) have, by an Agreement dated 24th July, 1885, relinquished all right, claim and title to that particular portion of the lands held by them under the Lease to the British Columbia and Vancouver Island Spar, Lumber and Saw Mill Company, dated 30th November, 1865, which is situated to the north of a line drawn due west from a point one chain south of the southwest corner of Lot 302, Group 1, New Westminster District, excepting certain rights of way and landings therein specified.

Public notice is therefore hereby given, that the lands so relinquished by the said Hastings Saw Mill Company (Limited) are reserved from pre-emption, settlement or sale until further notice.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Com. of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 6th August, 1885.
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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
18th August, 1885.

WHEREAS, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is empowered, under the "Public School Act, 1885," to create School Districts, in addition to those already existing, and to define the boundaries thereof; it is hereby notified that His Honour has been pleased to create the tract of land enclosed within the undermentioned boundaries a School District, under the title of the "Beaver Point School District," viz:—

Commencing at the point in which the western boundary of Sec. 88, Salt Spring Island, reaches the sea; thence due south, to Fulford Harbor; thence easterly and along the sea-shore to the point of commencement; and including Russell, Portland and Moresby Islands.

Also, that His Honour has been pleased to direct that the boundaries of "Burgoyne Bay School District" be re-defined, as follows:—

Commencing at the north-west corner of "Beaver Point School District"; thence due west to the sea-shore; thence to southerly and along the sea-shore to Fulford Harbor; thence north, along the western boundary line of "Beaver Point School District," to the point of commencement.

Also that His Honour has been pleased to direct that the boundaries of "Vesuvius School District" be re-defined, as follows:

All that portion of Salt Spring Island situated north of the northern boundary line of "Burgoyne Bay School District."

Also, that His Honour has been pleased to direct that the boundaries of "Langley School District" be altered and re-defined, as follows:—

Commencing at the north-east corner of Section 126, Township 9, New Westminster District; thence south to the centre of the eastern boundary line of Section 24, Township 8, of said district; thence due east, to the western boundary of "East Langley School District;" thence in a right line, north, to the north-east corner of Section 16, Township 12, of said district; thence west, to the western boundary line of said township; thence due south, to point of commencement.

Also, that His Honour has been pleased to direct that the boundaries of "Prairie School District" be altered and re-defined, as follows:—

Commencing at the south-east corner of "Langley School District;" thence due west, to the eastern boundary line of Section 21, Township 8, New Westminster District; thence south, in a right line, to the south-west corner of Section 27, Township 7, of said district; thence due east, to the south-east corner of Section 28, Township 10, of said district; thence north, in a right line, to point of commencement.

By Command,
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