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The British Columbian.

Saturday Morning, Aug. 5, 1882.

Steam Communication.

For many, many years the people of New Westminster and the Mainland of British Columbia have been agitating for direct steam communication with San Francisco. The progress towards the accomplishment of that object has been slow and disappointing. Until about a year ago we have had to depend solely upon the slow and expensive route via Victoria for all foreign supplies. The vexations and costs to which our merchants have submitted in connection with that route were enough to produce a rebellion in any less patient and peaceful community. Within the last few years great progress has been made in the development of steam communication on the Fraser. It is only a short time since our entire service consisted of two steamers a week from Victoria and four to Yale. Now we have six steamers a week from Victoria, and eight to Yale. Besides that we have the steamship Victoria making fortnightly trips from San Francisco, and the prospect of a similar service from the steamship Sardonyx. It seems that the way is opening up for the speedy establishment of a regular ocean service to this city, and the realization of our long-cherished hopes. If it could be arranged for the Victoria and Sardonyx to make regular alternate trips from San Francisco, our merchants would be placed upon an equal footing with those of Victoria, and this city would certainly become the wholesale market for the entire Mainland. It has been definitely arranged that the Sardonyx will sail from San Francisco for this port to-day, and it is announced that the Victoria will also come here on her next trip, leaving San Francisco on the 10th inst. Every merchant ought to give these steamships all the patronage he can. At present the Sardonyx comes here merely as an experiment, and it is certainly the interest of every merchant on the Mainland that she should receive freights enough to make the experiment successful. By reference to an advertisement on another page it will be seen that the freight rates proposed are exceedingly low, very much lower than those which have hitherto prevailed. There is also a new steamboat service proposed between Puget Sound and this city. The people on the Sound are anxious to have regular steam connection with us, as was seen by an extract from the Seattle *Post-Intelligencer*, which appeared in our last issue. There is a considerable trade between British Columbia and places on the Sound, but whatever part of that trade belongs to the Mainland has to pass through Victoria. If we had direct and regular steam communication with Puget Sound, the present trade would be very largely developed, and freights would be one-half less. Let us encourage by all possible means the direct ocean service. If it be once firmly established, New Westminster will have nothing to fear from her most formidable rivals in the race for commercial supremacy.

One of those unnaturally bright children who are always getting people into difficulties, was at prayer-meeting the other evening with his mother, when he asked aloud: "Ma, say, ma—who was Dinah Moore?" "Hu-u-sh," whispered his mother, cautiously, "it's a hymn." "No, it ain't, ma," continued the hopeful, "it's a woman's name. Say, who's going to Dinah Moore?" "Willie," said his mother in a ghastly voice, "you're disturbing the meeting. It means going to heaven to die no more." "Dine no more! O, ma, don't they eat anything there?" His mother explained as well as she could, and Willie sat still for half a minute.—*Detroit Free Press.*

Wanted His waterproof.

Another Episode of the Spoopendykes.

"My dear," said Mr. Spoopendyke, pulling the shams off the bed, "where is my—my, where is my—you know what I mean. What did you do with it?"

"Your shawl strap?" asked Mrs. Spoopendyke, dropping the baby into the crib. "Oh, I know: your dumb bells. Is that what you want?"

"Has that shawl strap got sleeves to it?" demanded Mr. Spoopendyke, ransacking the sewing machine. "Are those dumb bells split up the back and torn around the collar? You know what I want, my rubber overcoat. Where did you put it?" and Mr. Spoopendyke pulled a pile of letters out of the pigeon hole of his wife's desk and spilled them along the floor.

"Where did you have it last?" murmured Mrs. Spoopendyke, with her finger in her mouth and consternation in her eye. "Had it on!" growled Mr. Spoopendyke. "Where'd ye s'pose I had it? Think I had it for lunch? Don't you know were the measly thing's gone to? Spry around now and find it; take your finger out of your mouth; I don't suppose it's in there! Get that coat before it clears up, will ye?" and Mr. Spoopendyke shook the clock and then peered into the mantel vases.

"I don't believe it's going to rain much, anyway," faltered Mrs. Spoopendyke, who couldn't remember having seen the coat for a month. "When it looks like this it's always going to sunshine," and she followed him around the room in a flutter of apprehension.

"Of course it is!" snorted Mr. Spoopendyke. "Things are going to do just what you tell 'em to. If you had some tin figures in front and a streak of mercury up your spine, you'd only need a sheet iron case and a wire handle to be a barometer! If you'll look along your information about the weather, p'raps you will find that overcoat at the other end of it! Where's that coat! Going to let me stand here and soak while the moths picnic that coat into a shad net! Take me by the elbow and lead me to the coat!" and Mr. Spoopendyke tipped the sofa over so that he could see under it, and then slapped a plaster bust of Minerva against the wall, under the impression that the coat might have crawled into her ear.

"It's the strangest thing in the world!" giggled Mrs. Spoopendyke hysterically. "Are you sure you wore it home?"

"If I didn't how'd it get home?" roared Mr. Spoopendyke, putting his hands on his knees and grinning in his wife's face. "S'pose it hired a hack and drove home? Oh, no, I didn't wear it home. The last I saw of it it had its hat over its ear and a female waterproof over its arm, piking up Fulton street, as happy as an alderman's funeral! What're ye standing there for? Got some indistinct notion that the coat has gone to get shaved, haven't ye? Who'd ye give it to? Been endowing a metaphysical chair in some kind of an old woman's home with it, haven't ye? Where's the coat? Develop the coat before I vitiate the insurance!" and Mr. Spoopendyke kicked his wife's workbasket across the room and rammed his arm to the shoulder up the chimney.

"Do you remember where you wore it last?" asked Mrs. Spoopendyke suddenly becoming calm and analytical.

"I wore it on my back!" protested Mr. Spoopendyke, who didn't remember whether he had taken it to church or to an hospital. "Maybe you're under the impression that I tied it to a stick and wheeled it along on the buttons! On my back, I tell ye! On this particular back!" and Mr. Spoopendyke almost broke his arm pointing out the attraction referred to. "Most folks fit up their rubber overcoats with a bent wire and a focus, and wear 'em for spectacles, but I hadn't time; so I wore it on my back! Bring forth the coat!" yelled Mr. Spoopendyke, spinning around like a top. "Fetch out the measly coat before the proprietor of these premises makes up his mind whether he'll build a new house here or mortgage the lot!"

"You wore it the last day it rained, and when it cleared off in the afternoon, I noticed that you had on your spring overcoat," said Mrs Spoopendyke beginning to feel uncomfortable, and wondering how it was coming out.

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"And I don't know," continued Mrs. Spoopendyke, "but I think you had it on over your waterproof. If you'll look you may find the rubber coat inside of the other now."

Mr. Spoopendyke growled and snorted his way to the closet, like a foghorn, and found things as his wife had predicted.

"Smart, ain't ye!" he grumbled, as he hauled out the waterproof. "Great powers of inductive reasoning! Some day I'm going to fit you up with a stiff neck and a pot of beans and start a Concord School of Philosophy with you."

And with this threat Mr. Spoopendyke threw the coat over his arm, and all the way to Coney Island entertained his friend Specklewottle with a description of his habits of order, "which are so perfect, sir, that I could put my thumb on anything I wanted, sir—if my wife would only let things alone!"

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Uncalled	1,500,000	0	0
	£2,000,000	0	0
II. Fire Fund—			
Reserve	£844,576	19	11
Premium Reserve.	319,551	7	0
Balance of Profit and Loss Account	54,367	7	1
	£1,218,495	14	0
III. Life Fund—			
Accumulated Fund of the Life Branch ..	£3,112,590	7	8
Accumulated Fund of the Annuity Branch ..	395,515	3	4
	£3,508,105	11	0
IV. Revenue for the Year 1881—			
Fire Branch — Premiums and Interest	£1,024,460	16	11
Life and Annuity Branches—Premiums and Interest	478,825	14	3
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The British Columbian.

Saturday Morning, Aug. 5, 1882.

Yale -- Kootenay Federal Election.

This election drags on its weary length. The polling is fixed as far off as the 28th inst., and the returns will be three or four weeks beyond that. According to the latest and most authentic information the return of Mr. Barnard may safely be accepted as a foregone conclusion. Three candidates are in the field (Messrs. Barnard, Vernon and Robinson), and that circumstance will undoubtedly tell in Mr. Barnard's favor—dividing by two the votes which will not be cast for him. Indeed it would be strange if the Yale District should have rejected Mr. Barnard. Long before entering the Federal Parliament he did good service for that District, notably in the great battle of the railway routes—service which a grateful constituency was not likely to forget while yet railway work is but in its infancy. Since entering Parliament as the member for that extensive and most important District Mr. Barnard has probably accomplished quite as much as any member could hope to do under the circumstances; and if he had done nothing more than secure the Spallumcheen canal he would have merited the thanks and continued support of the constituency. Indeed there has been but one ground for any question at all as to the continuance of Mr. Barnard in active public life, and that was the condition of his health. We have reason to know that, had Mr. Barnard's health not materially improved, instead of asking, as he is now doing, for a renewal of the suffrages of the electors, he would have been asking release from further active service. But happily his health is not only materially improved. It is completely recovered, as those in the District with whom he is now being brought into personal contact will perceive. "Barnard is himself again," is the joyous exclaimation which greets the ear in the interior, and there can, therefore, no longer be any doubt as to the determination of the constituency to send him back to Ottawa to carry on the good work so well begun. There is this one unhappy feature about the present contest. Mr. Barnard should have been re-elected by acclamation. But, as that cannot be now, the next best thing to be done is to put him in by such a majority as to make him and the authorities at Ottawa feel that his services all these years have been appreciated and that he still possesses the confidence of the increasingly important District to which his services have been so long given and in which his interests lie. One word about one of the candidates, in conclusion. As a man Mr. Robinson is generally respected and doubtless has many friends in the District. As a politician, his own friends must admit him to have made anything but a success. With the party now in power at Ottawa he certainly has nothing in common. At the general election in 1878, it will be remembered that he ran for this District as an out-and-out "Grit," and on that occasion he received the energetic and potent (?) support of the *Guardian* because he was ultra "Grit," This is no time to send such as he to Ottawa. Least of all can the Yale District afford to indulge in such fantastic experiments at a time when she requires the steady hand of an old and well-tried friend. Barnard "knows the ropes," so to speak. He has well established influence at headquarters, and his ripe experience and proved influence are wanted during the parliamentary term upon which we are now entering. The present is no time to swop horses. There is too much at stake for experimenting.

The Wagon Road.

The inconvenience and loss arising from damage done to the portion of the trunk road between Yale and Lytton by the unprecedented floods this season have undoubtedly been very great. That bitter complaint should arise beyond the Cascades on account of the serious and prolonged interruption to traffic is most natural, and it is not surprising that the contractors who have undertaken to keep the road in repair should come in for a share of blame. Nor is it to be wondered at that the people beyond should, in their sore distress, raise a cry against the contract system for maintaining the road in question. A little reflection will tend to show, however, that neither the contractors nor the system are really much, if at all, to blame. The floods of 1876, unprecedented, as they were, seriously broke up the roadway, and freight traffic was interrupted for a period of sixty-three days. At that time the road was not maintained by contract. The work was done directly by the Government. This year the floods were much greater. The water was eight feet higher, and the damage done to the road was proportionately greater. And yet, assuming the resumption of traffic yesterday, which we have been assured would be the case, the actual interruption to traffic will have been several days less than it was in 1876. These facts and figures would seem to demonstrate the superiority of the contract system. They would appear to speak well for the present contractors. Indeed it would be difficult for any one to display more energy and push than has been displayed by the contractors. There was undoubtedly a deplorable waste of precious time before an arrangement was come to between the contractors and the Government; but there is good reason for believing that the Government, not the contractors, were responsible for that. The arrangement complete, no time was lost in placing a large working force on the road. On the fourth day the contractors had 120 men at work, and work has been continued vigorously ever since. These observations are not offered in the interest of either the contractors or the contract system, but simply in the interest of justice and to disabuse the public mind of wrong impressions arising chiefly from want of reflection and a knowledge of the facts. It is no more than right that we should mention the further fact that, after all, the repairs could not have been made much earlier, in consequence of the water keeping up so long. Indeed we are led to believe that some of the repairs are even now awaiting the further assuagement of the water—notably a necessarily temporary crossing at Anderson river. While, therefore, the interests beyond the flooded portions of the road have suffered very seriously, and the sufferers have naturally chafed under seemingly unnecessary delay, a careful and unprejudiced examination into the facts of the case tends to show that the disaster has not, after all, been seriously aggravated by man's dilatoriness.

Editorial Notes.

In his last issue the *Guardian* announces that there are certain magistrates who are "not wanted" on the bench in this city, and intimates that it is a piece of impertinence for them to thrust themselves into court unasked. This is certainly a new doctrine. It may suit the *Guardian* and its friends to let all magisterial duties fall into their hands. Very likely they would run the machine to suit themselves, and everything would be lovely for the twins. We are under the impression that any magistrate for this city has a perfect right to sit on the bench when he thinks proper. More than that, it is the imperative duty of every magistrate to be there whenever he believes his presence would promote the cause of justice and fair play.

Our local contemporary appears to be painfully exercised over the fact that the publishers of this journal sent out a tentative list of papers during the late election contest, with the double object of still further extending our circulation and counteracting the falsehoods so industriously promulgated by the organs, and he is employed in a frantic effort to make the public believe that there is something disreputable about it. While confessing our inability to discover anything objectionable or inconsistent with honorable journalism about it, our contemporary may like to know that the effort has been appreciated and our already large subscription list materially augmented thereby. As for the salutary influence thus exerted during the election, we leave our contemporary to form his own conclusions.

CANE LOST.

LOST, A HEAVY HICKORY CANE. Any person leaving it at this Office will be rewarded. au5tc

WANTED:

BOARD AND LODGING IN PRIvate house, or single room.
Apply at the Office of this Newspaper.
au5-2t X. Y.

FOR SALE.

ONE YOKE WORK OXEN, FIRST-class leaders, 5 and 6 years old respectively. Apply to
WILLIAM PERKINS,
au5t2 Greenwich Park Mission.

PIANO TUNING.

PROF. A. L. FRANCIS WILL VISIT New Westminster about the 5th August, and remain a few days. Persons having Pianos or Organs which require tuning or repairing should leave their orders at T. R. Pearson & Co.'s, or W. H. Keary's. au5-2t

THE
ROYAL WASHING BLUE

THE ONLY BLUE IN WHICH THE clothes can remain for any length of time without specking or streaking—the best article in the market.
C. D. KNIGHT, Manufacturer,
New Westminster,
British Columbia.
☞ In case of clothes being left out in the rain, can put same in Blue over night and they will not be specked or streaked.
(au5tc)

Pacific Coast Steamship Co's
STEAMER
VICTORIA
CAPT. PLUMMER,

WILL SAIL FROM SAN FRANcisco for New Westminster, via Portland, on or about
THURSDAY, 10th AUGUST, 1882.
For rates of Freight and Passage, apply to
GOODALL, PERKINS & CO.,
San Francisco,
Or to J. A. R. HOMER, Agent,
ap18 New Westminster.

NOTICE

I HAVE THIS DAY DISPOSED OF my branch Furniture Store in New Westminster to Mr. John G. Bunte, who is authorized to collect all outstanding debts, and will pay all liabilities in connection therewith.
I take this opportunity of thanking my customers for their liberal patronage in the past, and trust the same will be extended to my successor.
The business in Victoria will be continued as usual by the undersigned.
JACOB SEHL.
New West., Aug. 2nd, 1882.

FURNITURE!

IN CONNECTION WITH THE Above notice, the undersigned has pleasure in announcing that he is now prepared to supply all kinds of Furniture, &c., at the lowest possible prices. Cabinet work and Upholstering done promptly and in first-class style.

UNDERTAKING

In all its branches. The undersigned has the only HEARSE in the City. A continuance of public patronage solicited. Old stand, next Occident Hotel.
J. G. BUNTE,
Late Manager Sehl's Branch Furniture Store. au5tc

COMING! COMING! COMING!

WESTMAN'S GREAT EASTERN
CIRCUS

Will give One Performance in New Westminster, on
Thursday Evening, Aug. 10, 1882.

EDUCATED HORSES!
FUNNY CLOWNS!
LOFTY TUMBLING!
FEATS OF STRENGTH!
GROTESQUE COMICALITIES!
NUMEROUS NOVELTIES!
Etc., Etc., Etc.

Previous to the performance, Professor Blondin, the daring Funambulist, will make an outside
Ascension on the Tight Rope
FREE TO ALL.
Will exhibit on the lot opposite Lytton Square. Performance in the Ring to commence at 8 o'clock.
Admission $1. Children under 12 yrs. of age, 50 cents. au5t2

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the following are the names of the persons duly elected as Reeve and Councillors for the Municipality of Surrey for the year 1882:
REEVE—Wm. C. McDougall.
COUNCILLORS—John Armstrong, Wm. Brown, George Boothroyd, Donald Stewart, Thomas Shannon.
JOHN OLIVER,
Returning Officer.
Surrey, July 24, 1882. au2

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

NORTH ARM SAND HEADS, FRASER RIVER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that six Buoys have been placed in the Channel of the North Arm Sand Heads, and painted according to the rules for coloring Buoys at Ports in the Dominion of Canada.
The Channel is tortuous and narrow, and the Buoys must be passed close to. The least water in the channel is 3 feet at low water spring tides.
F. REVELY, Agent.
Dept. Marine and Fisheries,
Victoria, B. C., 29th July, 1882. au5

CLOCKS

C. M. McNAUGHTEN

HAS JUST RECEIVED THE LARGest assortment of Clocks ever held on the Mainland of British Columbia.
Nickel Clocks, at $2.25 (warranted).
Seth Thomas' Nickel Alarm, at $3.25.
All kinds of **Mantel and Office Clocks.**
Waltham Watches, coin silver cases, from $15 upwards.
A fine assortment of **Stirling Silver Jewelry,** of the latest designs.
Silver Plate Ware and Optical Goods.
COLUMBIA STREET,
au2 New Westminster, B.C.

THROUGH FREIGHTS
—FROM—
SAN FRANCISCO
—TO—
New Westminster & Yale.
FOR SAN FRANCISCO
Carrying H. M. Mails and Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express.

THE FAST AND POWERFUL BRItish Steamer
"SARDONYX!"
W. MEYER, MASTER,
Will sail from New Westminster, via Nanaimo, for San Francisco, on or about
FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 1882.
RETURNING—Will leave San Francisco about AUGUST 18, connecting with the Steamer "GERTRUDE" at New Westminster, for Yale.
Carrying Freight at the following reduced rates:—
From San Francisco to New Westminster—$4.50 per ton;
From San Francisco to Yale—$6.50 per ton.
B. C. Merchants will do well to patronize the Local Boat.
For further information apply to
EWEN & CO.,
Agents Str. "Sardonyx,"
New Westminster.
S. GUTTE, 307 California St., San Francisco. au2

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED, BEING About to leave New Westminster for some months, may be found for the present at his old office on Front Street, near Mary Street, where he will be prepared to settle all accounts against him and receive all sums due.
I take this opportunity of thanking the public for the liberal patronage bestowed on the Occident during the time I have occupied it and to solicit a continuance of the same to my successor.
J. W. HOWISON.
New West., July 25, 1882. jy26tc

THE SUNBEAM
PHOTO. GALLERY
WILL VISIT
HOPE & YALE
About the 27th JULY, and remain for a short time. Photographs of all kinds taken in the best style known to the art.
D. R. JUDKINS,
jy22-2w Proprietor.

WANTED.

A LOAN OF $3,000, FOR A TERM of years on unexceptionable security. Rate of interest seven per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly.
Apply A. B. C., Box 1, New Westminster. jy29

NOTICE.

FISHERMEN AND OTHERS ARE notified that it is illegal to import salmon under any pretence from above the Sumas River.
G. PITTENDRIGH,
Fishery Overseer.
July 28, 1882. jy29

PAY UP!

ALL ACCOUNTS NOT PAID BY the 15th inst. will be placed in the hands of a Collector with instructions.
W. J. FRENCH.
New West., July 4, 1882. jy5

WANTED:

BOARD AND LODGING FOR MASters and Boys connected with Collegiate and High School in this City.
Apply at once to REV. E. ROBSON, Secretary. au2to

OCCIDENT HOTEL
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.
The Only Fire-Proof Hotel in the City.
THE CULINARY DEPARTMENT
IS UNDER THE CHARGE OF AN EXPERIENCED ARTIST.

THE UNDERSIGNED BEGS LEAVE to announce to the Public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where everything will be found first-class, and at reasonable rates.
The Parlors and Sleeping Apartments are under the superintendence of MRS. AUSTIN.
Private Dining Rooms for Ladies, Families and Private Parties.
A Private Reading Room, commodious, comfortably furnished, and well supplied with books and papers, is provided for the use of guests.
THE BAR
Is supplied with the choicest brands of WINES, LIQUORS, CIGARS, &c.
JNO. AUSTIN,
PROPRIETOR.

COLLEGIATE
—AND—
HIGH SCHOOL
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.
RE-OPENS AUG. 30, 1882.
VISITORS:—REV. R. JAMIESON, REV. C. WATSON.
MANAGERS:—W. J. ARMSTRONG, M. P. P., J. S. CLUTE, ESQ., REV. E. ROBSON, C. G. MAJOR, ESQ.
TEACHERS:—
H. M. STRAMBERG, B.A., PRINCIPAL; Mathematics, Classics and History.
REV. W. J. DOWLER, B. A., VICE-PRINCIPAL; Modern Languages, Science and Literature.
L. R. MCINNES, M. D.; Anatomy, Physiology and Hygiene.
MRS. D. ROBSON; Voice Culture and Art of Singing.
Instrumental Music (piano) by a first-class teacher.
The school year consists of 40 weeks of actual teaching, divided into four terms of 10 weeks each.
EXPENSES:—
Tuition, High School, per term, $15.00.
Board, per term, $45.00.
Music (vocal or instrumental), per term, $10.00.
Use of Instrument for practice, per term, $3.00.
Washing, 50 cents per doz.
For circulars, with fuller information, apply to
E. ROBSON,
Sec.-Treas.
New West., July 20, 1882. jy22

TENDERS WANTED.

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECeived by the undersigned up to WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of August, for putting in Flood Gates in Big Slough, Boundary Bay, and making about seven and one-half miles of a Ditch and Dyke in Townships 3 and 4, New Westminster District.
Each tender must be accompanied with the names of two good sureties in the amount of contract price for the faithful completion of the work.
Plans and specifications may be seen at Messrs. T. R. Pearson & Co.'s, New Westminster, up to the 1st day of August; after that date they can be seen at Mr. Robt. T. William's Book-bindery, Victoria.
Separate tenders will be received for the work as stated in specifications.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
By order of Commissioners,
WM. McKEE,
Clerk.
Bayview, July 19, 1882. jy22

DOMINION GOVERNMENT
SAVINGS BANK
NEW WESTMINSTER BRANCH.

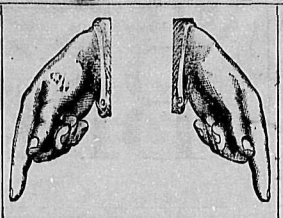
DEPOSITORS ARE REQUESTED to present their Pass Books for insertion of interest up to the 30th June, 1882.
G. PITTENDRIGH,
Agent.
N. W., July 11, 1882. jy15

W. ELSON,
MERCHANT TAILOR,
LYTTON SQUARE,
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

HAVING JUST RECEIVED INvoices of NEW GOODS and being desirous of clearing off his stock of Tweeds now on hand, the undersigned will sell at first cost for cash.
jy5-1m W. ELSON.

MONEY TO LOAN.

TRUST FUNDS TO LOAN ON first mortgage; and mortgages purchased.
H. H. HORSEY,
jy29-4t At Mrs. Holmes', Mary Street.



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IMPORTERS &
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—DEALERS IN—
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—AND—
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WHARF STREET,
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Having established Business in the above Lines and by
RECENT IMPORTATIONS
—FROM—
European & Eastern Markets
We are prepared to fill orders to the Trade in the following Goods:
TEAS,
COFFEES,
SUGARS,
TOBACCOS,
HAM,
BACON,
LARD,
CODFISH,
MACKEREL,
Candles, Rice, Syrup, Cheese, Dried Fruits, Canned Goods, Vinegar, Baking Powder,
Soap,
Coal Oil,
Cocoa,
Pearl Barley,
BEANS,
BROOMS,
WRAPPING PAPER,
PAPER BAGS,
And all other Goods in the Grocery and Provision Line.

SPECIAL ATTENTION
Is called to the undernoted Goods, on which the most LIBERAL INDUCEMENTS will be offered to the Trade, as we are
SOLE
Agents for British Columbia
GOOD AS GOLD BAKING POWDER
The Best and Cheapest.
BEACON LIGHT COAL OIL,
Water White and Pure.
ARCTIC SUGAR CURED HAM
Turkish Patrol Cigarettes,
Being the Largest Size and Best Tobacco.

Our Goods are Guaranteed of the highest standard in Quality, and are offered
—AT THE—
LOWEST MARKET RATES.

1861. 1882.
THE
COLUMBIA
HOUSE.

THE PROPRIETOR, after 21 years of mercantile life in this City, begs leave to report to his numerous Patrons that his Business is prosperous and the outlook for the future is bright. We hope to do a big trade during the present year. We have now in stock a complete assortment of
GENERAL MERCHANDISE
With some heavy shipments on the way from the Eastern Markets. We are buying for Cash, getting large discounts, which enables us to sell at much lower rates than formerly. We are determined to keep the COLUMBIA HOUSE to the front, making it, as it has been for years, the leading mercantile House on the Mainland. Our stock is usually so complete that we can fill orders sent to us at cheaper rates than any other House in this City, and we will do it.
JAMES CUNNINGHAM,
IMPORTER.
New West., Feb. 8, 1882. fe11

BARGAINS!
—AT—
QUESNELLE-MOUTH
—IN—
BOOTS and SHOES
FARMERS' & MINERS'
IMPLEMENTS
AND A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF
HARDWARE.
THE BEST BRAND OF
Flour,
Bacon,
Beans,
Groceries.
Ready-Made Clothing!
AND A GENERAL LINE OF
DRY GOODS
SPECIALLY SELECTED FOR THIS MARKET.
☞ Storage and Forwarding done at reasonable rates.
REID & HUDSON.
jy12-6m

MUNICIPAL NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the City Taxes for 1882 are now due and payable at the office of the City Clerk.
JAMES ORR, C. M. C.
New West., July 25, 1882. jy26

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's mother, in this city, by the Rev. R. Jamieson, on the 2nd inst., Mr. Wm. S. Chandler, of San Francisco, to Miss Nellie Irving.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer WILLIAM IRVING from Yale, Aug. 4—Mrs Towle, Mrs J Hochelson, Mrs Eastman, Mrs J Kirby, Mrs A Bradford, Messrs York, Stephens, Severney, Gaines, Pratt, A Wilson, Brunnett, Hallwett, Kewitz, Regan, Ingridham, Kerrigan, McWalters, Krophy, Frontenburg, Hurley Buckwell, Prout, Houston, Special Constable Evans and prisoner.

The British Columbian.

Saturday Morning, Aug. 5, 1882.

City Council meets next Monday night.

L. Mart Slocum, the Circus Agent is in town.

The Rev. J. B. Good (Lytton) has resigned.

The steamer Western Slope, Capt. Moore, passed down yesterday.

The fish are reported to be running better during the last two days.

See Mr. Perkin's advertisement if you want an extra good yoke of oxen.

The entrance to the North Arm channel has been buoyed.—See notice.

The steamer Enterprise, Capt. Gardiner, arrived from Victoria last evening.

The freight shed at Port Moody is now ready to receive its roof of asphaltum.

On Wednesday a Chinaman was run over and killed by a C. P. R. train near Spuzzum.

The str. Wm. Irving, Capt. Insley, returned from Yale last evening with freight and passengers.

At Richmond cannery the fish supply had continued full up to Thursday, when it fell off slightly.

So thick are salmon in the edies of the Fraser cañons that canoe navigation is rendered difficult.

The *Bulletin* estimates that there are now upwards of 300 electric lights used nightly in San Francisco.

A salmon caught last Friday for English & Co. weighed 51½ lbs., and a sockeye turned the scale at 14 lbs.

The postponement of the Mainland assizes till late in the fall is causing much dissatisfaction in the interior.

Amongst the passengers down by the steamer R. P. Rithet yesterday were Mrs. H. Cornwall and children.

The Victoria *Standard* still professes to believe that the Beaven Government will be sustained by the House!

A. E. B. Davie, Esq., senior member for Lillooet, returned from the interior yesterday, looking well after victory.

The contractor began work on the Agnes-st. sidewalk last Wednesday, and will have all the planks laid in a few days.

To-day will be shipped from the Royal City Planing Mills ten thousand salmon cases for the North-West coast canneries.

Col. Laurie, late of this province, offers a regiment of Nova Scotian lads for Service in Egypt. His offer will probably be accepted.

The steamer Princess Louise, Capt. Lewis, arrived from Victoria shortly after noon yesterday with a full cargo of rice—Chinese muck-a-muck.

The strs. Rithet and Slope arrived from Victoria about 9 o'clock on Wednesday night, and proceeded up the river, returning yesterday morning.

The str. Gertrude, Capt. Odin, arrived down from Yale at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon with about 20 passengers. She leaves again for up river this morning.

The grand excusion to Alaska is expected to leave Victoria on the steamship Dakota to-day. It is expected the number of excursionists will not be less than 100.

Yesterday the steamer R. P. Rithet, Capt. Jno. Irving, returned from Yale with a large number of passengers and forty head of fat cattle for Van Volkenburg & Co.

There is little hope of a speedy settlement of the Peruvian-Chili question. The United States Minister has withdrawn from meditation between the two Powers.

The Labrador and Newfoundland shore fisheries are a total failure. Norwegian fishermen will be compelled to import fish this season, the first time for many years.

Major-General Luard has determined to return to Canada after all, and will arrive about August 6th or 7th. He is anxious to get back in time for the militia camps.

The Canadian Pacific railroad authorities state that there are 330,000 acres of land under cultivation in Manitoba, and that the crops are in excellent condition.

Six of the excursionists going to Alaska by the Dakota came up on the Rithet last Wednesday and made the round trip to Suspension Bridge. They were delighted with the scenery.

Hon. Mr. Trutch was taken ill on Monday when starting on a tour above Yale and returned to his brother's where he is staying. According to latest accounts he is convalescent.

The steamer Otter arrived at Victoria from up the coast last Tuesday, bringing a considerable quantity of cured fish. The salmon run at Skeena river is said to be almost over. The Skidegate Oil Co. have put up a large quantity of oil this season.

The recent rainy spell has had the effect of bringing on the growth of hay on the lands that were flooded to such an extent that a fair crop will, in many instances, be secured. Possibly in this way the rains may compensate for damage sustained by hay in course of harvesting.

A curiosity for botanists has been discovered in the Niagara Elevator, consisting of a huge mushroom which had grown through nine inches of solid Trinidad asphalt flooring, that was hard and solid as a rock. Hundreds have been to the spot to see the wonderful freak of nature.

Mr. Paul Murray just out from Ontario, has been appointed school teacher at Maple Ridge.

The *Colonist* thinks Mr. Beaven should immediately resign in view of the elections having gone so decidedly against him. We do not see how it is possible for him to retain his portfolio and his self-respect.

Our contemporary of the *Colonist* is quite in error in stating that Rev. Mr. Stephen, of Victoria, was the clergyman who officiated at the marriage of Miss Irving on Wednesday night. It was Rev. Mr. Jamieson of this city.

Mr. Dingwall, member-elect for Comox, distinctly announces himself an Independent—ready to support any government that may be formed which will conduct the affairs of the Province with vigor and ability—which the present government certainly does not.

Mr. Richard Alexander, for many years chief clerk, has been appointed to succeed the late lamented Capt. Raymur as manager of the Hasting's mills. The company have been most fortunate and judicious in their selection of a manager, and we congratulate Mr. Alexander upon his well-deserved promotion.

The Rev. Father Sheppard is daily making eloquent and impassioned appeals to large audiences at St. Johns Church, Yale. He has the reputation of being by far the most eloquent and impressive preacher that has visited these parts, and some who have gone scoffing have come away weeping.

At Italian Bar, Fraser river, on the 17th of July, while P. O. Charlebois and three others were making a canoe, a sudden squall blew down a tree which fell on Charlebois and caused his death in less than an hour. The unfortunate man was a native of Coteau Landing, Quebec, and aged 44 years.—*Colonist.*

FUN AHEAD.—The great Westman circus is coming. See advertisement.

THE VICTORIA.—The steamship Victoria will leave San Francisco for this port on the 10th inst., coming via Portland.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Last week one of the railway workmen employed at a windlass near the Big Tunnel, was killed, having been struck by the windlass handle.

METHODIST CHURCH.—Services tomorrow—New Westminster, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.—Rev. W. J. Dowler; Langley Prairie, 11 a. m.; Mud Bay (Woodward's), 2:30 p. m.; Delta (St. Stephen's), 5 p. m.—Rev. E. Robson.

COUNTY COURT.—The Hon. Mr. Justice Crease held County Court in this city on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. There were really no cases of public interest. The case of Thompson v. Wilson (of Chilliwhack) occupied the greater part of two days, and was decided in favor of plaintiff.

SMALLPOX.—On Monday Dr. Hannington was called to visit a sick child of Mrs. Wade, who keeps a boarding house on the C. P. R. at the Hope crossing. The Doctor pronounced it to be a case of smallpox, and the Government Agent at Yale promptly established quarantine.

PERSONAL.—Rev. Dr. Cochrane, of Brantford, Ont., Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and Convener of the Home Mission Committee, arrived at Victoria last Tuesday. Dr. Cochrane may be expected to visit this city shortly.

SCOTTISH GATHERING. — Arrangements are in progress for holding this annual gathering during the present month. Without being in a position to state the time definitely, we think it will probably take place about the 23rd inst. One thing is beyond doubt: Every effort will be made to render the occasion enjoyable.

COLLEGIATE HIGH SCHOOL. — The Board of Management have just issued the annual announcement of the Collegiate and High School of this city. As has already been observed, the teaching staff for the approaching session has been strengthened by the addition of Rev. W. J. Dowler, B. A., who takes modern languages, science and literature. The school reopens on the 30th of this month. Particulars may be found by referring to an advertisement in this paper.

THE CHURCHMAN'S GAZETTE.—The August number of this interesting monthly is before us, but it came to hand too late for any lengthened notice at this time. It contains a vigorous article on the subject of "Sunday Trading." The following item also appears in it:—Mr. Horlock (Yale) has received from an anonymous donor the sum of $1000 to build a Reading Room and Coffee Bar at Yale for the use of the employes on the railroad.

PERSONAL.—Amongst the gentlemen who went on the excursion to the cañons of the Fraser this week were Mr. Harry A. Heywood of Boston, and Mr. T. J. Parsons, of the firm of Sanborn & Parsons, Oakland, San Francisco. These gentlemen are of the larger excursion party about to leave for Alaska on the steamer Dakota, and Mr. Heywood will give an account of the trip as special correspondent of the San Francisco *Call*. Both were in ecstasies over the Fraser river scenery.

AID SOCIETY.—We have received a copy of the 8th annual report of the Boys and Girls Aid Society, of San Francisco. The work of this benevolent organization consists chiefly in rescuing friendless children from suffering and evil, and placing them in the way to obtain honorable employment. In connection with the institution there are reading rooms, library, and classes for instruction. It is supported wholly by voluntary contributions, and its object should certainly commend it to a large public sympathy.

FURNITURE.—By reference to an advertisement elsewhere it will be seen that Mr. J. G. Bunte has purchased the entire furniture establishment which, during the past two years, he has been carrying on for Mr. Sehl. Mr. Bunte has been connected with furniture establishments for 18 years, and he informs us that the business under his management in this city has more than doubled since he took it. The public will be glad to know that it is now entirely a local enterprise, and it should receive a largely increased patronage.

STEALING FREIGHT. — For a long time the mail steamers running between San Francisco and Victoria have been losing considerable quantities of freight which the owners had to make good to shippers. Lately a detective has been employed to work up the case, and has discovered that the crews of the ships were the culprits, and a wholesale system of pillage had been carried on. Several of the pirates have been arrested, and more will be gathered in shortly. It is said the quantity of freight carried off amounted to as much as $1,000 on a single trip.

PERSONAL.—It will be remembered that some weeks ago, Mr. P. Bennett, M. P. P. for Yale, had a severe attack of congestion of the lungs. He had apparently recovered sufficiently to conduct his election canvass soon afterward, and, as the reader is already aware, was elected. On Monday last while the ballots were being counted at Kamloops Mr. Bennett had a fit of coughing, resulting in a severe attack of hemorrhage, quite a copious discharge of blood from the lungs taking place. It is with extreme regret we learn that Mr. Bennett's condition is considered very precarious.

THE TWINS.—In our last issue we had occasion to notice the beautiful harmony and brotherly affection which existed between Mr. Bole the lawyer and Mr. Bole the legal reporter for the *Guardian*. That is twin number one. In Wednesday's issue of the *Guardian* we had something from twin number two. The editor of the *Guardian*, over the signature "Hookem," writes to the editor of the *Guardian* felicitating him upon his report of the Magistrates' Court! Not only do the twins delight to honor each other, but the two pair of twins form a happy family the serene contentment of which it would be a pity to disturb.

TOO BAD.—A short time ago we drew attention to the fact that an important bridge on the road between Granville and North Arm had been rendered impassable by fire, and we urged the duty of having the damage repaired without delay, so that the interruption to traffic might be as short as possible. We regret to learn that nothing has yet been done towards the attainment of that object, notwithstanding that most serious inconvenience and loss are thereby entailed upon the large interests at both ends of the road. The way the Government is neglecting the interests of the people is simply outrageous!

COUNCIL REPORTS.—We are always glad to publish reports of the proceedings of municipal councils, or any other items which would be of public interest; and we are very much obliged to the municipal clerks who take the trouble to forward these reports. It must be obvious, however, that reports of municipal councils intended for publication should be limited to matters of public interest. It is not necessary to publish the entire minutes of each meeting. The date of meeting should be given, the names of members present, the amount of accounts passed with names of those presenting them, and a concise summary of the business transacted. It is quite unnecessary to give the names of the mover and seconder of a motion, unless the motion is of special importance. It is not necessary to publish the entire procedure of passing a by-law through its various stages, as has often been done. It is sufficient to say that the by-law was passed. These hints may save municipal clerks much unnecessary writing, and may also save us the trouble of re-writing their reports for publication, which we sometimes find it necessary to do.

HARD PRESSED.—Several weeks ago the proprietors of this journal began to issue about 75 extra copies of the COLUMBIAN, which were mailed to persons in this district who were not subscribers. With the first of this extra issue a note was sent stating that the paper would be forwarded until after the election in the hope that those who received it might become regular subscribers. The arrangement was purely a matter of business, and the result was the addition of many new names to our subscription list. We have very great faith in the virtue of judicious advertising, and the best way to advertise a properly conducted newspaper is to let the people see it and read it. But the *Guardian*, who probably didn't increase his subscription list during the past month at all, declares that the issue of these extra papers was a piece of "degrading trickery," and proceeds to make one of his stereotyped, venomous attacks upon the senior member of this firm. The editor of the *Guardian* is like a mad dog; and if you wish to see him perform any of his tricks you have nothing to do but pronounce in his presence the name "Robson." That will fetch him every time.

Surrey Council.

Council met at the Town Hall on the 29th July. Present—the Reeve and Councillors Brown, Boothroyd and Stewart.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid: T. R. Pearson & Co., stationery, $4.50; Jno. Olive, services as returning officer, $10.

On motion the salary by-law and the road-tax by-law were carried through the various stages and passed. The by-law for revising the assessment roll passed its first reading.

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Vancouver Election.

A telegram received at this office from Nanaimo gives the following result of votes cast at the three polling places named:

	GORDON.	BUNSTER.
Nanaimo	153	105
Wellington	95	35
Cowichan	17	12
	265	152

Majority for Gordon—113.

Saanich is yet to be heard from, but it cannot alter the result. Gordon is undoubtedly elected, and it is almost certain that his majority is a handsome one. It is "victory all along the line." Vancouver has done herself honor in electing D. W. Gordon.

Matrimonial.

On Wednesday night, at the residence of the bride's mother in this city, Miss Nellie Irving was married to Mr. William Sutton Chandler, son of David Chandler, Esq., a San Francisco millionaire. The bridesmaid was Miss Monroe of Victoria, and the groomsman was Mr. Byers, of the same place. The Excelsior Band was in attendance during the evening, playing appropriate airs, and the bridal party left about midnight for Yale on the splendid steamer R. P. Rithet, accompanied by a number of friends and tourists from Portland, San Francisco and elsewhere. On arriving at Yale on Thursday the party proceeded up the railway as far as the suspension bridge on a train kindly placed at their disposal by the contractor, and thus enjoyed a glimpse of the magnificent scenery of the Fraser cañons. Returning to this city yesterday morning, Capt. Irving (brother of the bride) made arrangements for the party to take a run over to Burrard Inlet, where a steamer was ready for a cruise on that beautiful sheet of water. According to the programme they were to leave here for Victoria by the Rithet at an early hour this morning, after which we understand the bride and bridegroom contemplate travelling abroad for about a year. While New Westminster grudges the loss of the fair bride, the best wishes of the whole community for their safety and future happiness will accompany her and her chosen life partner.

The Provincial Penitentiary.

Three Convicts Plan an Escape.

On Saturday the authorities at the penitentiary discovered a plot laid by three of the convicts to effect an escape. One of the three got into trouble with the guards and was put into irons for insubordination. Finding his chances of escape gone he intimated that two of his companions were about to make a strike for freedom, and gave their names. On Sunday these two men were kept in their cells, and a conversation was heard between them discussing the details of their plan. Enough was learned by the authorities to justify an investigation, and on Monday the suspected men were searched. Both of them had managed to cut their irons through by means of an old pocket knife of which they had made a kind of saw. On one was found the handle of a zinc bucket made into the form of a dagger, with a handle on one end and the other ground to a very sharp point. This was securely fastened in the side of his shirt. The other had a piece of rock tied up in a handkerchief, with a stick about a foot long for a handle, and a loop through which to put his hand. It had been arranged that the three men were to keep together as much as possible and watch their chance. When a convenient opportunity offered, the rifle guards at a safe distance, one of the men was to run as if attempting to escape. The guard whose business it is to be among the men and direct their labor, carries a revolver but no rifle. This man would naturally pursue the escaping convict. The other two convicts, having thrown off their irons, were to run after him with their dagger and sling shot and fell him to the ground. One of them would then seize his revolver, and the three desperate men would run the chances of escaping the rifles of the other guards. Had the plot been allowed to mature, it is difficult to guess what might have been the result, as nothing would be too desperate for such characters under such circumstances. The Warden inflicted a penalty of 60 lashes on each, but when they had received three dozen they begged and promised so profusely that the remaining 24 were withheld. It is probable the flogging will have an excellent effect not only on these desperadoes but on all the other inmates of the institution.

Selected Telegrams.

NEW YORK, July 18.—The sharp decline in breadstuffs on the Produce Exchange yesterday was due partly to the failure of Wheeler & Co., Chicago, but principally to the favourable reports of growing crops.

LORDSBURG, N. M., July 20.—Fifty to one hundred White Mountain Apaches left San Carlos reservation yesterday and attacked a train on the Gila River, killed the driver, and ran off 50 head of stock. A courier has been sent from here to warn the settlers at Clifton and York ranches, and unless the courier reaches Clifton ahead of the Indians the outrages of last April will be repeated.

Latest from Egypt.

Turkey's Honesty Suspected.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 29.—The German representative was instructed yesterday, from Berlin, to recommend the Sultan to issue a proclamation declaring Arabi Pasha a rebel, as demanded by England. Moukhtar Pasha has made arrangements which will enable the Porte despatch 20,000 men to Egypt in successive detachments.

LONDON, July 29.—A report was current in the House of Commons that the Sultan of Turkey had made overtures to Great Britain looking to the latter's acquirement of Egypt on the same terms as those on which Cyprus changed hands.

NEW YORK, July 30.—The *World's* London cable says: "The government of Mr. Gladstone is showing more firmness than was anticipated in any quarter. It seems at the present writing fully determined to prevent Turkey from obtaining the mastery in Egypt, which the Sultan would almost infallibly obtain should his troops once set foot in the Khedive's dominions, and I hear from very good authority that it will adhere to the conditions to which it alone invites Turkish interference—the maintenance of Tewfik Pasha as Khedive and the suppression of his rebellious subject, Arabi Bey. Turkey, like every other power in Europe, has calculated on Mr. Gladstone's weakness and indecision, as shown in the earlier stages of the Egyptian difficulty; and now in England belief is general that the Boer story will be repeated. The strength of the government and the consequent vigor of its action are largely due to the unflinching support which it has received from Birmingham, Manchester and other great constituencies interested in manufacturing. The feeling there is that if the supply of Egyptian cotton should fail us great losses will be inflicted on one of our most important industries; therefore, paradoxical as it may at first sight seem, the way, even in radical constituencies, for an English protectorate of Egypt is hourly becoming stronger.

NEW YORK, July 30.—*Herald* London cable: The British government is informed that intrigues are progressing between the Alexandria entourage of the Khedive's government and the Sultan, who is using especially Mussulman and religious influence to decide Arabi to declare that he will submit unconditionally to the Sultan, and will protect the Suez canal if the British forces are withdrawn, leaving the work of pacification for a Turkish contingent, and thereby merely affecting a compliance with the decision of the conference. This plan is patronized by M. DeLesseps also. The deficiency of provisions and water is urged against the landing of Turks until after a forward movement of the British, which will be preceeded by the occupation of Aboukir, Damietta and Port Said. Admiral Seymour and General Alison are equally of opinion that the position of Arabi is an easy one to turn, but not to attack in front without heavy losses. There are strongest hopes of an understanding between England and France to oppose an exclusively Turkish intervention if M. DeFreycinet remains in office.

LONDON, July 31.—The *Times* says: We have ample reason for believing the expedition the Porte has now determined to send to Egypt has no other object than to thwart and oppose the efforts England is making to restore order there.

Notes About Egypt.

An interesting article appeared in the St. Petersburg *Golos* on the armies of England and Egypt. It proves that Arabi Pasha could oppose 60,000 men, including 10,000 reserves and 30,000 irregular troops; whereas England at the present moment could hardly bring 20,000 European soldiers into action, as none could be taken from Ireland, and Government would probably not run the risk of weakening its Mediterranean garrisons. India could only supply 5,000 good men, as probably no native troops would be called out. In conclusion, the *Golos* remarks that England can only be sure of success if she prepares for a campaign and not for an expedition.

The New York *Evening Post* says:—There is not the smallest reason for believing that Ismail's foreign loans have had any influence in increasing the peasants burdens. The rule of native Egyptian, as of all Mussulman finance, is very simple; it is to take everything visible the tax-payer has got beyond a bare livelihood. In Egypt, owing to the gentle, uncomplaining character of the fellah and the wonderful fertility of the soil, it has long been the custom to apply more pressure than is usual in Oriental countries. Before the establishment of the European Control not only did the amount of the taxes depend largely on the caprice of the collector, but he was flogged to make him pay. If there had been no foreign debt and no European control, he would have been taxed and flogged just the same. There is no bottom to the maw of an Oriental court. The truth is, the European Control greatly improved his condition by making the amount of the taxes certain, by stopping torture in the collection, reducing the theft and corruption in the financial administration, and introducing a proper system of accountability.

The Egyptian debt is an uncertain quantity, but most of the holders are citizens of France and Great Britain. Under an arrangement made with the Khedive in 1879, controlers general for France and Great Britain practically took charge of the finances of the country. The revenue in 1878 was about $42,000,000, leaving a deficit of some $10,000,000. The debt proper is about $450,000,000 bearing 7 per cent., but the controllers arranged a scheme whereby it became nominally but about $300,000,000. Added to this was the personal debt of the Khedive of that day, who had a passion for building palaces and harems. This was some $44,000,000, to secure which the Khedive made over his private estates. The floating debt was about $25,000,000 in 1878, and has probably been increased. Egypt proper has a population of some five millions and a half. Seventy per cent. of its foreign trade is with Great Britain. The Government is paternal, step-paternal at that, and the men who die opposing it are probably better off than those who live under its malign influence.

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KITH AND KIN.

(Continued.)

Sir Gabriel was lost in amazement. He could not understand the lad. Randulf's face—the pale face which he had brought with him into the breakfast-room—never flushed in the least; his eyebrows met in a straight line across his forehead. He seemed to look neither to right nor to left, but urged his horse relentlessly at every chance of a leap, big or little, but the uglier and the bigger the better it seemed, till his father, watching him, began to feel less puzzled than indignant. A good day's run, Sir Gabriel would have argued, was a good day's run; but to drive your horse wilfully and wantonly at fences which might have been piled by Satan himself, and at gaps constructed apparently on the most hideous of man-and-horse-trap principles, went against all the baronet's traditions! for all his life he had been very "merciful to his beast," holding his horse in almost as much respect as himself. He had always credited Randulf with the same feelings, and his conduct this day was bewildering, to say the least of it.

As Sir Gabriel and Miss Bird happened to be running almost neck and neck through a sloping field—the chase nearly at an end, the fox in full view at last, with the hounds in mad eagerness at his heels—suddenly a horseman flew past them, making straight for a most hideous-looking bit of fence, on the other side of which was the bed of a beck, full of loose stones, and in which the water in this wintry season rushed along both broad and deep.

All day long a feeling of uneasiness had possessed Sir Gabriel; this put the climax to it. Forgetting the glorious finish, now so near, he pulled his horse up short, crying:

"Good God! Is he mad?"

Miss Bird also wondered if he were mad, but put her own horse, without stopping, at a more reasonable-looking gap, considerably to the left side of the fence Randulf was taking.

Two seconds of horrible suspense, and—yes, his horse landed lightly and safely at the other side. Sir Gabrial wiped the sweat from his brow, and caring nothing for the "finish" or anything else, rode limply on to where, not Randulf, but another, was presenting the brush to the amiable Miss Bird.

"What the devil do you mean, sir, by riding at a fence like that, and frightening me out of my senses?" growled Sir Gabriel at his son's elbow. The latter looked round, with the same white, pallid face, and far off eyes, which the father had already noticed, and which had filled him with vague and nameless alarm. Randulf passed his hand across his eyes and said:

"What did you say?"

"What ails you, lad? What is the matter with you?" asked poor Sir Gabriel, his brown cheek turning ashy pale, and a feeling of sickly dread creeping over his heart.

"What ails me? Oh, nothing that I know of," replied Randulf, with blank indifference, and then suddenly heaving such a sigh as comes only from the depths of a sick heart.

The laughter, the jesting, and joyous bustle of the finish were sounding all round them. No one took much notice of the two figures apart, apparently earnestly conversing. Neither Sir Gabriel nor Randulf was given to displaying his feelings openly in public, but Randulf knew, as well as if some one were constantly shouting it aloud from the house-tops, that his father worshiped him—that he was the light of his eyes and the joy of his life, and that to give him any real joy he would have sacrificed most things dear to him. And Sir Gabriel knew that his worship was not wasted upon any idol of clay or wood—that it fell gratefully into a heart which could appreciate and understand it. During the last month it had occasionally crossed his mind that Randulf was a little absent—somewhat more listless and indifferent than usual; but the baronet had himself been unusually busied with magesterial and other concerns, and had scarcely had time to remark the subtle change. Of one thing he was now certain, that Randulf, as he saw him now, was a changed man from what he had been four-and-twenty hours ago. The poor old man felt hopelessly distressed. He knew not how to force the truth from a man who looked at him and said nothing ailed him, when it was patent to the meanest comprehension that, on the contrary, something very serious ailed him. He sat on his horse, looking wistfully into Randulf's face. The groups were dispersing. The young man, at last looking up, seemed to read what was passing in his father's mind, and said:

"I have something to say to you. Could we manage to ride home alone? How will Miss Bird do?"

Sir Gabriel's face brightened quickly. If Randulf had "something to say" to him, no doubt that communication would quickly put to rights all these shadowy disquietudes which troubled him.

"I'll arrange for Miss Bird to be escorted," he said; and, turning round, he requested the man who had already presented her with the brush to see her safely to Danesdale Castle, as a matter of business obliged him and Randulf to ride home by Scar Foot. The youth yielded a joyful assent, and went off rejoicing in charge of his "fair." Sir Gabriel and Randulf, with a general "Good-afternoon" to the rest of the party, turned their horses' heads in a southerly direction. Scar Foot was a little distance away, farther south, and then there were ten miles to ride to Danesdale Castle.

They soon found themselves in a deep lane, beneath the gray and clouded afternoon sky of New Year's Day. Behind them, Addlebrough reared his bleak, blunt summit, and the other fells around looked sullen under the sullen sky. It was Randulf who had proposed the ride, but still he did not speak, till Sir Gabriel asked, in a voice which he strove to make indifferent:

"What did you make of the dance last night, Randulf? Philippa informed me before she went to bed that it had been a success."

"A success, was it?" said Randulf indifferently. "I'm glad to hear it, I'm sure. I don't know anything about it."

"What do you think of Aglionby's intended?" pursued Sir Gabriel.

"Miss Vane? Pooh! She may be his *intended;* it will never go any further."

"I should hope not, I'm sure. What a mistake for a man of that calibre to make! It shows what soft spots there are in the strongest heads."

Silence again for a short time, until Sir Gabriel, resolutely plunging into a serious topic, said:

"Well, surely there were lots of nice girls there. Did none of them strike your fancy?"

"Surely I've seen most of them before."

"Well, I'll tell you which girl I like the best of the lot. I wish you could see her in the light I should like, Randulf."

"And which was she?" asked Randulf, with a sudden appearance of animation and eagerness.

"Evelyn Bird."

"Oh!" There was profound indifference in Randulf's tone. Sir Gabriel went on steadily:

"It is time, without any jesting, that you began to think about marrying. I've thought about it often lately. An only son is in a different position from——"

Randulf looked drearily around him. They were passing the back of Scar Foot just now, and the profoundest silence seemed to reign there. Slowly their horses mounted the slope of the road which was for Randulf, and for one or two others, haunted with the memories that do not die. The lake lay below them, looking dull and dismal—the ice with which it had been covered turning rapidly to slush in the thaw-wind—its wall of naked fells uncheered by even a ray of sunshine. Randulf remembered certain other rides he had taken along this road, and walks too which he had had there. He glanced toward his father, and in that kindly face he read trouble and perturbation; he knew that that brave old head was filled with plans for his happiness, his welfare—with schemes for securing gladness to him long after those white hairs should be laid low. Yet it was long before he could summon up words in which to answer his father's last remark. At last he said:

"I know what you mean, sir; I wish I could gratify you, but you must not expect me to marry yet."

Deep disappointment fell like a cloud over Sir Gabriel's face, as he said:

"Boy, boy! was that what you brought me out here to tell me?"

"Partly; not altogether. It was because I wanted to be alone with you, and make a clean breast of it."

He paused. "A clean breast of it?" Vague visions of dread floated through Sir Gabriel's mind—dreams of foreign adventuresses who entrapped innocent youth into marriages which were a curse and a clog to them all their days. Was his boy, of whom he was so proud, going to unfold some such history to him now? Randulf's next words somewhat relieved him:

"I know you wish me to marry, and I know the sort of a girl you would like me to marry, but surely you would not have denied me some tether—some free choice of my own?"

"Bless the lad! Of course not. Every Englishman chooses his own wife, and with the example before me of old John, and the results of his severity——"

"Just so," said Randulf, with rather a wan smile. "I've had something on my mind for a good while now. *I* wanted to marry too. My only doubt was what you would say to the girl I wanted to have, and I had fully meant to talk it all over with you, and tell you all about it, before I did anything." Randulf raised his eyes full on his father's anxious face. "I wanted to marry Delphine Conisbrough."

"Good Lord!" broke involuntarily from Sir Gabriel.

"You don't know her much, I think. I was not going to do anything rashly. For though I love her—better than my life—I knew that whoever I married, you must have a great deal to say in the matter—as it is right you should. I intended to get you to see her, to learn to know her a little better, before you said anything one way or another. You would have consented to my wish—most certainly you would have consented. I heard what you said about her last night, to her sister—about some men's heads being turned by her beauty. Ah, it's not only her beauty—it is everything. But if it were only that, you cannot deny that she surpassed all the women there, in looks?"

He turned to his father with a sort of challenge in his voice and eyes.

"Well, who wants to deny it? said Sir Gabriel. "I own I was enchanted with her, and, as you say, not only with her beauty. But you must remember, my boy, that you have to think not only——"

"I know, I know," said Randulf, with a little laugh, not of the gayest description. "I had to think that if she had been one of this abominable old Aglionby's heiresses it would have been the most suitable thing in the world. But she just missed it—and of course a miss is as good as a mile. She was not so worthy of a wealthy young Admirable Crichton like me, in her poverty, as she might have been *with* the money and the acres. Bah!" He set his teeth, choking back a kind of sob of indignant passion at the picture his own fancy had conjured up, so that Sir Gabriel became very grave, realizing that it was more than a mere flirtation or a passing fancy. "I tell you she would have honored any man by becoming his wife. But that's not to the point. I have duties toward you—toward the best father a fellow ever had—and I knew it, and was resolved to have it out with you."

"And suppose I had refused?"

"But you would have seen her as I wished?"

"Naturally. But I might still have refused finally. What did you propose to do in that case?"

"I wish you wouldn't ask me. I didn't *propose* to do anything—only I felt that if she would be my wife, my wife she should be, against all the world."

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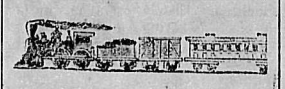

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