THE DELTA TIMES

Vol. 6, No. [illegible] LADNER, B. C., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1908.

We take this opportunity

to wish you ALL

A Bright, Happy

and

PROSPEROUS

1909.

Marshall Smith & Co., Ltd.

GREAT DAMAGE DONE.

During the storm on Christmas Day considerable damage was done along the waterfront:

At Steveston the wharf at which the Sonoma makes her landings was pounded to pieces, and a portion of the new dyke was destroyed.

The Westham Island dyke withstood the storm remarkably well but Gulfside was badly shaken up. The Road Foreman, accompanied by a gang of workmen and the piledriver, proceeded to Gulfside, Sunday morning, to make the necessary repairs, it being necessary to drive some fifty piles in order to effect temporary repairs.

At Sunbury the strength of the storm was also felt with the result that R. L. G. Lloyd's barn was badly damaged, J. Alexander's granary was overturned and a considerable number of big trees were blown down.

B. H. Weare wishes to state that he will re-open his class on Monday, January 11th, 1909. Happy New Year.

M. E. Wharton has purchased 25 acres and B. Eyton 15 acres of land on Crescent Island, adjoining the Vasey property, from Jas. McCallan.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Elliott, of the firm of Latimer & Elliott, left, on Thursday last, for Seattle, where they are spending the holiday season with relatives.

SOMEWHAT MIXED.

One of our worthy citizens mixed more than his drinks, on Thursday evening last. With his buggy well filled with Xmas supplies, toys, etc., he undertook to take a friend home, which feat was safely accomplished, but, in making the turn, he backed his rig into the ditch and had the misfortune to wet himself and to lose considerable of his cargo of toys which floated away. However, he survived long enough to get within half a mile or so of home when he unhitched and turned his horse loose, making the rest of his journey on foot while the gude wife had to gather up the pieces of merry Xmas.

Correspondence.

MR. KITTSON WANTED.

EDITOR DELTA TIMES:

Sir: It seems as though considerable interest is now being taken in municipal affairs, and it is to be hoped that some good will result before the excitement dies out.

In criticising our Councillors, it must not be forgotten that "like master, like man," and if the ratepayers as a whole were more alive to the interests of their municipality, it is very certain that the Council itself would also be more alert, for after all the attitude of any Council is but a reflection of the ratepayers themselves.

Mr. Embree says that the Councillors are not lacking in business ability, pointing out that each of them has been conspicuously successful in his own affairs.

That, no doubt is true, but the general complaint is, not that the Councillors are without ability, but that they do not apply to public affairs enough of that ability which has made them so successful in their own, and which the public has a right to expect from them. I rather think that Mr. Embree is not that sort of man who would build, fence, ditch, operate his thresher or anything else, without first ascertaining the cost of this or that, or what his operating expenses are likely to be.

Why not, then, apply such principles to municipal affairs?

But instead we are told (once a year) that a lump sum of so many thousands has been spent, on roads for instance, but no details are available to show what any particular piece of work has cost. Councillors come before us to give an account of their stewardship, but seem to know little of what has occurred, outside their own wards. It seems absurd that a ratepayer seeking information should have to give notice to the Municipal Clerk, and then wait till he gets it.

Personally, I think that the ward system is responsible for a lot of our councillors' shortcomings. A man elected for any ward is apt to imagine that his duty begins and ends with that particular ward, and only too often his chief aim is to grind his own particular axe.

Referring to my remarks in previous letter re River road, I believe that everything then stated to be absolutely correct. My point is, that the road need never have been expropriated in the first instance, but once expropriated there is no possibility of recovering it, and in case of dispute we are bound by any award the Railway Commission may see fit to make.

As I understand it, the present position of the Delta in this matter is, that we have parted with a portion of the River road, and so far, have received absolutely nothing in exchange (except lawsuits), not even having any ownership in the newly constructed piece of road which was to replace that expropriated.

Then as to the question of appeal from decisions of the Railway Commission, I might make that more clear:

1. The findings of the Board upon questions of fact are final and conclusive.

2. On questions of jurisdiction of the Board, an appeal lies to the Supreme Court, provided such appeal is allowed to be taken by a judge of the Supreme Court.

3. On questions of law, an appeal lies to the Supreme Court provided leave for such appeal is first granted by the Board.

Nomination day will soon be here, and who are we going to elect?

Of the present Councillors, Mr. Embree is by far the best man we have, and he should certainly be retained. That there are plenty who covet the office of Reeve, goes without saying. We all know that good lady with her engaging smile, who now for several years past, has butted into our conversation with "So many people (accent on the so) want my husband to be Reeve, that really I, I, I, don't — — Then comes nomination day and exit the husband for another twelve months. Mr. Hutcherson is a good man, but want of municipal experience at this particular time tells against him, and then, would he have come forward except to boost the water scheme along?

"Rancher" suggests Benson, John McKee or Kittson. It is well known that Mr. Benson will not run and John McKee (I think "Rancher" must have meant David McKee) is not to be taken seriously. Mr. Kittson, I believe, is the best available man in the municipality to-day. He has been a successful man in his own affairs, is cautious, prudent and is given to thought and reading. He is well posted on all matters relating to our municipality, and water schemes, trams, etc., will all be safe in his hands. Further, he has both the time and inclination to devote himself to municipal affairs, and if I remember right, it was during Mr. Kittson's last term of Reeve that rock roads were first experimented with, so he is no stranger to the road question.

Come along, Mr. Kittson, you're wanted.

RATEPAYER NO. 2.

Remember the dance in the Town Hall, New Year's night.

Cantata.

The cantata, "The finding of Santa Claus," which was given in the Town Hall, on the 22nd inst., by the children of All Saints' Sunday school, was a great success. Rev. E. R. Bartlett acted as chairman and said the teachers and superintendent were deserving of the appreciation of the parents for the time spent in teaching them from Sunday to Sunday, and that the heartiest of thanks should be given them. Weeks have been spent in training the children for this entertainment, many of them being unable to even read their parts. Following is the programme:

Song, "Christmas, Happy Christmas".....School
Song, "Coasting".....A. McBride
Brownies Hunt for Santa Claus.....
Song, "The Santa Claus Man"
....Spies
Song, "All Along the Wooded Way"..... .....Brownies
Drill.....Boys of the S.C.N.
Song, "Santa Claus' Navy"...Boys
Song, "Overalls and Sunbonnets"
....Little Tots
March.....Snow Fairies
Instrumental...Mrs. Hilton, Hume Hilton, Leon Harris
Song, "Good Old Father Snow"
....Snow Fairies
Song, "Peek-a-Boo"...Snow Fairies
Song, "Santa is My Name"
....Santa Claus
Instrumental.....Miss M. Smith
Tableau..... ....School
Song, "Good Night".....School
God Save the King.

The Market.

New Westminster, Dec. 24.—The best Christmas market on record was held on the 23rd Dec. and was well attended in spite of its being held on an off day instead of the usual Friday. A heavy day's business was transacted, prices ruling the same as last market with the exception of eggs. New Year's market will be on Wednesday, 30th Dec.

There was a good supply of Xmas beef, but the demand was only fair. For prime stock 7 to 8 cents were paid while a lower grade brought 4 to 5 cents. Both lamb and mutton were short of the demand, the former fetching 11 to 12 cents and the latter 10 to 11 cents. Veal was not so plentiful although there was a good demand for medium stock. The price paid was 11 cents and for large 6 to 7 cents. Pork was plentiful and all found a ready sale at 8½ cents.

Eggs had a fair supply, but the prices dropped to 45 cents wholesale and 50 cents retail. The prices held up longer this year than last.

Butter remains steady at 35 to 40 cents a pound and the demand and supply are equal, and of very good quality.

A great demand for fowl and particularly in dressed fowl, but the supply was short. Prices ruled $7 to $8 per dozen, chickens being steady at $6 to $7 per dozen. There was a good supply and a good demand. Broilers remained the same, $4.50 to $6.

Live ducks had a fair supply and good demand at $10 to $11 per dozen.

Both live and dressed geese found a ready sale and the supply was equal to it. Price paid was $1.25, and dressed, 20 cents per pound.

Live and dressed turkeys were on sale in large numbers, but the supply was short of the demand. Price paid was 30 cents.

Of apples the demand was equal to the supply for good varieties and ranged from 75 cents to $1.00.

The potato market remains unchanged and a fair supply was offered. Turnips and carrots were plentiful at 50 cents a sack and onions realized $1.25 per sack.

Miss Irene Robinson returned home, last week, to spend Xmas.

Leon Harris spent Christmas Day at home with his parents in Vancouver.

Ed. McBride went up to the Royal City, on Tuesday last, to spend the Xmas at home.

K. D. Simpson, manager of the local bank, returned, yesterday, from spending the Xmas holidays in Vancouver.

The annual Christmas tree of All Saints' Sunday school will be held in Oddfellows' Hall, on Tuesday, January 5th, 1909.

Remember the dance to be held in the Town Hall on Friday next, New Years' night, under the auspices of the Excelsior Club.

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Correspondence invited, on matters of public interest. Communications to editor must be accompanied by name of writer, not necessarily for publication, but as evidence of good faith. Correspondence must reach this office by Thursday evening.

GEO. R. MANLEY, Manager.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1908.

We wish you all a HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Names are still coming in slowly for the Rifle Association. We have, at present, twenty on the list and need twenty more at least, so if you intend joining kindly do so right away.

Start the New Year right, and if you wish to help out the village and district in which you live help support your home paper, which does, and has done for the past five years, lend its assistance toward everything for the improvement of the village and district. An advertisement will help us immensely and must of necessity bring some benefit to the advertiser. Try it for the next twelve months and see what an amount of good can be accomplished.

MUNICIPAL.

We understand that Councillors Gibbie, Davie, Morley and Embree will be candidates in their various wards, while the Reeve, H. J. Hutcherson, of course, will stand for re-election. In Ward III, several names have been mentioned as possible candidates—Wm. Pybus, Jas. Storey, T. Hume, J. M. McDonald, G McCluskey—and it is hoped that the electors will be careful in their choice and return the man best fitted for the position.

With regard to the Reeveship, we see no reason why the present Reeve should not be re-elected by acclamation unless it be that he make way for R. E. Kittson, on account of the latter's knowledge of municipal law, a qualification much to be desired at this time.

XMAS. DRAWING.

Following is a list of the winning numbers at Marshall, Smith & Co.'s Xmas drawing:

1. C9512—Mrs. Wm. Reagh.
2. C9072—Fred Arthur.
3. C9971
4. B10800.
5. C1670
6. B13607—Jas. Bone.
7. C9449—Wm. Hennessy.
8. C4105.
9. C8064.
10. B12582.

Consolation, C7726—Pyke Bros.

Halifax county, N.S., is the scene of the latest find of silver which is expected to rival even Cobalt. The discovery has been made on the property of Miss Dunbrack, at Musquodoboit, after a search lasting twenty years.

Synopsis Of Canadian Homestead Regulations

ANY available Dominion Lands within the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

Entry must be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

The homesteader is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

1. At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

2. If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased), of the homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

3. If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

Six months' notice in writing should be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent.

Coal.—Coal mining rights may be leased for a period of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 per acre. Not more than 2,560 acres shall be leased to one individual or company. A royalty at the rate of five cents per ton shall be collected on the merchantable coal mined.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

ENGLAND.

By Marie Corelli.

Lift up thine eyes, Queen-warrior of the world!
Stand, fearless-footed on Time's shifting verge,
And watch thine everlasting Dawn emerge
From clouds that thickly threaten thunderous war!
Lo, how thy broad East reddens to thy West,
The while thy thousand-victoried flag, unfurl'd,
Waves to thy North and South in one royal fold
Of tentlike shelter for an Empire's rest;
O Queen, sword-girded, helmeted in gold,
Strong conqueror of all thy many foes,
Look from thy rocky heights and see afar
The coming Future menacing the Past,
With clamour and wild change of present things,
Kingdoms down-shaken with the fall of kings!
But fear not Thou! Thou'rt still the first and last
Imperial wearer of the deathless rose.—
Crown'd with the sunlight, girdled with the sea,
Mother of mightest Nations yet to be!

—From "The Flag."

BY-ELECTIONS.

Thos. Taylor, M.P.P. for Revelstoke, has been appointed Minister of Public Works, and a writ has been issued for the by-election to be held on the 9th January next.

A writ is also issued for the 9th of January next to fill the vacant seat for Nanaimo city.

The Methodist Sunday school are holding their annual Christmas festivities in the Town Hall, today.

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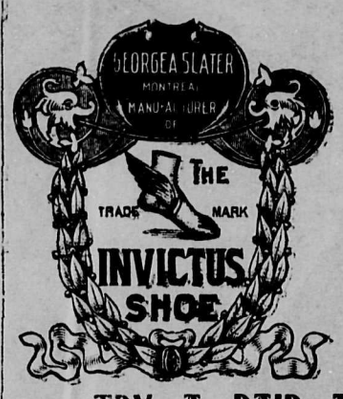

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Miss Dora Cook returned home, Thursday, to spend the Festive Season with her parents at Trenant Park.

E. W. Calhoun, of Kamloops, is visiting at the coast, his jovial countenance was seen on the street, to-day.

According to the World, Vancouver is to be the terminal city of two more transcontinental lines of railway, the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific.

Found.

A black Shawl, on the Trunk road, last week. Owner may have same on proving property and paying for this ad.

JAS. PEARSON.

A. DeR. TAYLOR, G. KELSON THORPE, Veterinary Surgeons.

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Calls at Steveston Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays only.

The Launch J. C. BRUCE will leave Ladner for New Westminster at 8 a.m., on and after Tuesday, Sept. 8th; returning leaves New Westminster at 5 p.m. each day, carrying passengers only.

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J. C. BRUCE.

B. H. WEARE

begs to announce that he re-opened his Mandolin and Violin Classes in Waddell's Hall, over Gifford's barber shop, on Thursday, Sept. 17th.

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CURTAIN RAISERS.

Gardes Forestiers" of Alexandre has been revived in Paris.

Sora Duse has announced that she may only in Italy unless her health es.

er and Fields announce that next after the New York season, they take their big company over to Lon-

Smith Russell produced recently e Dick," the new play that Martha n has provided him with. It was a s.

eline Hull is to join the army of the n invasion. Miss Hull sings in distinct voices and is a charming tainer.

r. Edgar Pemberton has presented the use:ipt of Tom Robertson's "Society" he Shakespeare Memorial theater at tford-on-Avon.

aura Burt is to desert the vaudevills , having signed to play the leading in the next New York Casino produc- , "A Dangerous Maid."

ir. Bancroft's play, "Teresa," seems e prospering at the London Garrick will be succeeded in due time by a new e by Mr. Leo Trevor called "Brother ers."

Ariel Barney announces that the receipts Frank Wilson in "The Little Corpo- l" are so large that he would not be sur- ised to see his star clean up $100,000 on e season.

In sunny Italy recently one of the great t actors of that country, Novelli Giorgio nti, died of a broken heart. He had ruggled for years against the reputation having an evil eye.

In his interesting memoirs which are ceiving due consideration at present lexander Salvini praises the Hamlet of dwin Booth, but expresses the opinion at Sir Henry Irving was the better in- rpreter of the character.

PERT PERSONALS.

Possibly Lillian Russell is merely am- itious to be able to say that she has held our of a kind.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Camara's real fighting will occur when t comes to getting a naval appropriation through the cortes.—Washington Star.

Commissioner Day gets a fee of $20,000 for his services in Paris. Does he earn it by Day's work or peace work?—Philadelphia Times.

How in the world did General Kitchener ever win out without having Stephen Crane and Richard Harding Davis along? —Evansville Courier.

Kitchener and Dewey seem to be two of a kind. So Kitchener is made a peer, and Dewey—well, Dewey is simply peer-less —Richmond Dispatch.

As a compound of fool and scoundrel Esterhazy appears to be the most striking sample which the close of the century any where exhibits.—New York Tribune.

FASHION AND FABRIC.

"Wilhelmina" jackets, hats, ties, caps and costumes are now appearing.

Surplice effects are much used on the bodices of silk and satin wedding gowns.

Rounding fronts, arching back toward the hips, represent one of the new features of stylish jackets and coats accompanying the newest tailor costumes.

Velvets are assured of a great success in the seasons of 1898 and 1899 for the making of costumes entire, for redingotes, skirts, wraps, waist combinations, millinery, etc.

The princess shape will be much used, both for dressy day and evening toilets, this autumn, and nothing could be more perfect than the fit and outline of some of the newest models.

There is a great demand for both the standard and fancy materials in black, and this fall they are brought out in very many different weaves, either in all wool or in silk and wool mixtures.

Black gowns of lovely transparent or semidiaphanous weaves over silk or satin and in heavier materials for day wear will take high place in the ranks of fashion for the two seasons before us.

The deeply pointed peplum overskirts of the season do not always match the underskirt and, if preferred, can be made of entirely different fabric. Therefore it may prove most desirable for remodeling gowns.

Victoria cords, bayadere silks, in black and dark rich autumn colorings, grosgrain, faille, bengaline, imperial reps—in fact, all the lustrous corded silks—are in high vogue, both for gowns entire and for combination uses.

Mohair braid in various widths and buttons of graded size trim the skirts and bodices of rough dress fabrics, and silk braid and small tailor buttons ornament the costumes made of finer weaves of wool and silk and wool materials.

Faille, bengaline, victoria reps and many other lustrous corded silks are brought out in charming variety, and these are used alike for entire gowns, fancy waists, capes, coats and for stylish combination toilets and costumes.—New York

Elizabethan Excise Laws.

In striking contrast to the present laws to prevent habitual drunkenness were those passed in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. The Lansdowne manuscripts in the British museum record that in 1594 orders were set down by the lords and others of her majesty's privy council for the reformation of the great disorders committed by the excessive number of alehouses, which the justices were ordered to reduce. The publicans were compelled to give to the constable of the parish the name and business of every one who frequented their houses and were forbidden to have any games played therein. On Sundays no persons dwelling within a mile of the public house were allowed to enter except substantial householders traveling to church, and then only for a reasonable time to refresh themselves. Curiously, the chief complaint against publicans was the "brewing stronger ale and beer than is wholesome for man's body."—London Chronicle.

In Danger All the Time.

"I would be afraid to place much reliance upon him at a critical moment. He looks like a man unaccustomed to danger."

"Nonsense! Why, he lives on the line of a trolley road."—Chicago Post.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

If you spill oil on the carpet, cover the spot with cornmeal as quickly as you can. The meal will take up the grease.

Wooden skewers are convenient to clean the hairs and dust out of hairbrushes; also to loosen the dirt which sometimes gets caked in the corners of floors or window sills.

If dishes become discolored from fruit or tea stains, take a little fine ashes on a cloth and rub off. See to it that there is not a stain of dust and dishwater where the handle joins the cup.

If a bassock be taken up by both ears, it will last much longer than if carried or pulled around by one, the weight being more evenly divided. It is not the easiest thing in the world to put back and fasten an ear which has come partly out.

POLITICAL QUIPS.

It is a paraphrase—the colonel or the tiger.—Syracuse Herald.

Whichever ticket (Roosevelt or Van Wyck) wins the Dutch will take New Holland.—New York Tribune.

About all you can say in favor of an officeholder is that when he begins he has the best intentions in the world.—Atchison Globe.

So far Ohio has had three secretaries of state in one administration. And the first term administration is not half over. Of course, if there are other vacancies, Ohio will fill them. Noble state!—Baltimore American.

Good Reason to Hurry.

The trials of a musical accompanist are many, if we may credit all the stories told of them. A young professional recently played accompaniments for the performers at a private entertainment for a fashionable charity lasting for nearly two hours.

"Here, you see, I have no chance to take a breath for ten bars," said the amateur flute player, indicating to the accompanist a passage in his opening solo. "There are a number of such places in my solos, and if you'll hurry the time whenever you come to them, it will be a relief to my wife, for all my family are subject to apoplexy, and I've already had one slight attack."—Youth's Companion.

Trouble on the Mantelpiece.

"If you'll always give me full swing," observed the pendulum, "you will never have any trouble with your hands."

"I don't know," replied the clock. "If it wasn't for your going back and forth in my works, I never would have any strikes."—Chicago Tribune.

A Powerful River.

"Should one be asked at random to name the most powerful river in New England—that is, the river yielding the most water power and doing the most work—he would be likely to name the Merrimac," said M. S. Edgar of Portland, Me. "He would have in mind the great manufacturing city of Lowell, and the answer would be a natural one. It is surprising, therefore, to be told by the United States geological survey that the most powerful river in New England is the Androscoggin. Yet the surprise abates when the facts are recounted. There are nine or ten developed water powers along the river, and it appears that they furnish total power equal to 7,000 horses. The falls at Brunswick yield 7,700 horse power; at Lisbon Falls, 1,925; at Lewiston, 12,600; at Livermore Falls, 3,000; at Otis Falls, 8,000; at Jay's, 3,700; at Peterson's Rips, 6,000. At Rumford Falls there is a potential of 30,000 horsepower when the resources at that place are fully developed, and that is altogether the greatest water power in New England."

Bismarck and Grant.

Sidney Whitman in his "Personal reminiscences of Prince Bismarck" says:

"Bismarck's intimate friendship with Motley, the historian, is well known. He was also particularly attached to George Bancroft, so that when it became a question of Bancroft being recalled from his post of United States minister at Berlin Bismarck wrote specially to his friend Motley and begged him to intercede with the president to allow Bancroft to remain, and he did remain.

"Bismarck told me that when General Grant came to Berlin he accompanied him to see one of the reviews at the Tempelhofer feld. Grant was not well that day, and they had to drive out in a closed carriage. Grant looked downcast and told Bismarck that it worried him to think that he was to meet the Prussian soldiers sitting cuddled up in a carriage like any ordinary civilian. 'Never you mind that, General Grant,' Bismarck said. 'You may sit here hidden from view, but our soldiers are well aware what sort of fighting man is in this closed carriage.'"

A Parable Impeached.

The parable of the wise man who built his house upon a rock and of the other man who built on the sands was uttered before the "house with modern improvements" had made its appearance or modern sanitary science had been evolved. A rock foundation is unimpeachable for stability, but it may be very bad when it comes to a matter of drainage, whether it be for the disposal of sewage or of surface or ground water. A cellar excavated in the rock is usually a wet cellar, because the water leeches through the crevices and seams in the rock, and it is both difficult and expensive to trench and drain properly about the walls of a building in a medium so hard to excavate. To be sure, if the rock drops away quickly on a sharp grade this difficulty may be altogether a minor one. A good gravel soil is one of the best to build upon in respect both to drainage and to the stability of the house, and compact sand, if not subject to the action of running water, is a most excellent foundation and a thoroughly good medium.

Literally Exact.

The Politician—Now, don't quote me as saying anything.

The Reporter—Oh, no! I'll simply publish what you said.—Life.

A Georgia Maxim.

Don't be discouraged; keep a-tryin',
An' you will get your wish;
Sometimes the very shortest line
Pulls up the biggest fish.

His Wife's Bread.

Brown—I believe that half a loaf is better than no bread.

Towne—H'm. Guess you never tasted my wife's bread.

Behind.

He married a leading lady,
And she's leading still, 'tis said,
For she spends his money so freely
That he never can get ahead.
—Philadelphia Bulletin.

GREEK WIT.

The following are specimens of Greek wit:

It was a saying of Cato the elder, "Those magistrates who can prevent crime and do not in effect encourage it."

Socrates used to say the best form of government was that in which the people obey the rulers and the rulers obey the laws.

Philip in passing sentence on two rogues ordered one of them to leave Macedonia with all speed and the other to try and catch him.

Demonax was once heard to say to a lawyer, "Probably all laws are really useless, for good men do not want laws at all, and bad men are made no better by them."

Cicero, when one Nepos told him he had caused the death of more by his testimony than he had ever saved by his advocacy, replied, "That is because my credit exceeds my eloquence."

Alcibiades, when about to be tried by his countrymen on a capital charge, absconded, remarking that it was absurd when a suit lay against a man to seek to get off when he might as easily get away.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

It takes a pretty good carpenter to floor a pugilist.

Many a man punctures his tire on the road to wealth.

The more innings a man has the better he enjoys his outings.

A woman's idea of religion is to have kindly thoughts of her rival.

The heiress who invests in a title does not always purchase happiness.

Perhaps it is the microbes in kisses that cause people to fall "dead in love."

The less thought some men give to a subject the more liberal their views are.

With the exception of ourselves no one ever does things as they should be done.

The happiness of some people depends upon their ability to make others unhappy.

Love may laugh at locksmiths, but it never smiles at the owner of a bicycle repair shop.

Capital and labor would commingle better if there weren't so many men trying to get capital without labor.

THE INVENTOR.

A novel sort of window glass has been invented. Persons on the inside of the house can see through it, but it is opaque to those on the outside.

Skates made of hardened glass in various colors are now manufactured in England. It is said that they are easier and lighter for exercise than the steel ones.

To support a camera on an ordinary cane or staff a metal base is provided with two spring clips at the ends, which hold the camera in place, the underside of the base having four spring arms which extend downward to a clamping socket, which slips over the end of the cane.

THE COOKBOOK.

To serve stewed figs with whipped cream put each fig on a small square of sponge cake neatly cut and pile whipped cream on the top.

To preserve vegetables keep the stalks in water until ready to cook. Eggs may be kept by burying them in salt and carrots and turnips by burying in layers in a box of sand.

If, in using sour milk with soda for griddle cakes or muffins the milk does not foam as it should to produce the desired lightness, a teaspoonful of vinegar added to the milk will give the desired result.

Housekeepers sometimes think nothing can be done with cold baked potatoes. Unless overdone, they warm up quite as satisfactorily as the boiled, and Delmonico's recipe for corned beef hash calls for "an equal quantity of chopped cold baked potatoes."

Bismarck as a Drinker.

When Bismarck was in London in 1843, he was invited to visit the famous brewery of Barclay & Perkins, and his hosts, having heard of his reputation as a beer drinker of great prowess, presented to him an enormous tankard of old ale, in the confident expectation that he would be obliged to admit himself vanquished by it. "I seized the tankard," Bismarck told Sir Charles Dilke, who tells the story, "and I thought of my country and drank to Prussia and tilted it till it was empty. Then I thanked my entertainers—courteously, I hope—and succeeded in making my way as far as London bridge. There I sat down in one of the stone recesses, and for hours the great bridge went round and round me."—Exchange.

Would Try to Prevent It.

"What a fine little fellow," said the patronizing old gentleman who had been elected representative for four successive terms from his congressional district. His remark was addressed to a kind hearted lady holding in her arms a little fellow who blinked gravely at all that was going on.

"Yes," replied the lady. "His father and I set a great deal of store by him."

"Well, he's a bright looking little fellow. Maybe he'll be a congressman some day."

"Maybe he will," said the mother. "But," she added earnestly, "I'm going to do my best to raise him right."—Youth.

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Sunday School at 10:30 a. m.
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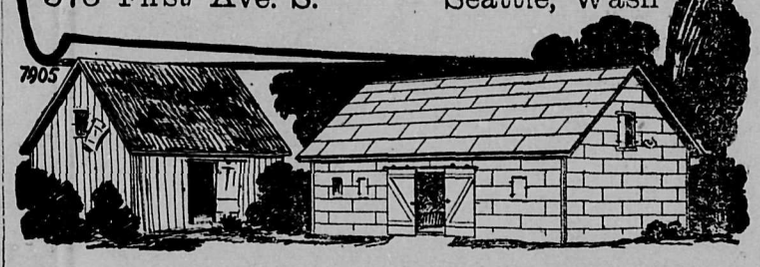

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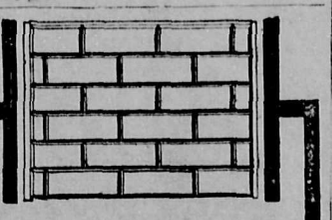

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LOCAL NEWS.

Jas. McCallan has purchased about 180 acres of land on Lulu Island.

T. Shortreed left, on Tuesday last, for his home at Aldergrove, to spend the festive season, and expects to return about the middle of February.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, of Maple Leaf, are spending the festive season with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Pearson. Mrs. Lambert, of Ducks, aunt of Mr. Pearson, is also visiting there.

Rev. A. McAuley, wife and family, of Vancouver, intended spending Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Benson, but were detained at Steveston on account of the storm and did not arrive until the 26th, when they proceeded to Broadview Farm.

Dr. G. Kelson Thorpe returned home, last week, accompanied by his bride. The Doctor left here on the 17th of October last, on an Urgent Business visit to the Old Country. Very good Doctor any way we wish you every success in double harness and welcome Mrs. Thorpe to Delta.

East End Notes.

Is it not time we were hearing from would-be candidates for municipal honors?

What about that public meeting to discuss the water question? Let there be light upon this important matter.

This section of the municipality is in favor of on experienced man for the Reeveship, and R. E. Kittson will be strongly supported if he consents to be a candidate.

Should we have another spell of hard dry frost, it is to be hoped the Council will take advantage of it to get some gravel on the Kittson road as it is in a very bad condition.

The tragic death of the late Christopher Brown has thrown a gloom over the whole community and the usual Christmas festivities have been materially curtailed as a consequence. His relatives have the sympathy of all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance.

The cribbing on the big hill is settling very fast and it need cause no surprise if it collapses any day and renders the Trunk road impassable. Will the Council accept this warning and cut down the top of the hill, fill the gulch and fix this bad place for all time to come?

Repairs to the East End dyke are proceeding slowly owing to the stormy weather. Why were these repairs left till so late in the season? The dyke on the east side of the railway near the trunk road has been washed through and, as a consequence, the salt water mixing with the fresh spoils it for the use of live stock.

Communion services were held in St. Andrews' Church, on Sunday last, a large number receiving the Sacrament. The congregation were very pleased at again meeting their former minister, Rev. Mr. McAuley, and to hear a few words of advice from him, to shake his hand and wish him God speed in his mission amongst the logging camps of the coast.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the Electors of the Municipality of Delta that I require the presence of the said Electors at the Town Hall, Ladner, on the 11th day of January, 1909, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of electing persons to represent them in the Municipal Council as Reeve and Councillors, also two Trustees to represent them on the School Board.

The mode of nominating candidates shall be as follows:

The candidates shall be nominated in writing, the writing shall be subscribed by two voters of the municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of this notice and 2 p.m. of the day of nomination, and in the event of a poll being necessary such poll will be opened on the 16th day of January, 1909, at the Town Hall, Ladner, and will be kept open from 9 a.m. till 5 p.m. of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

The qualifications for a Reeve or Councillor shall be his being a male British subject, and having been for the three months next preceding the day of his nomination, the registered owner in the Land Registry Office of land or real property situate within the municipality of the assessed value, on the last Municipal Assessment Roll, in case of Reeve, of five hundred dollars or more, and in case of a Councillor, of two hundred and fifty dollars or more, over and above any registered judgment, and being otherwise qualified as a voter.

The qualification of School Trustee shall be any person being a householder in the Municipality, and being a British subject of the full age of twenty-one years, and otherwise qualified to vote at an election of School Trustees.

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