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DELTA AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Delta Agricultural Society was held in the Council Chamber, on Saturday last, with the president, D. A. McKee, in the chair and a fair number of members present.

The Treasurer's report showed the institution to be in a very flourishing condition and was, on motion, adopted, after which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, A. D. Paterson.
Vice-president, C. H. Davis.
Treasurer, H. N. Rich.
Secretary, A. DeR. Taylor.
Directors—A. Davie, W. J. Frederick, P. Clark, J. Jordan, Robt. McKee, D. Montgomery.

On motion, the sum of $50 was voted to the Secretary, A. DeR. Taylor, and a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the Treasurer, H. N. Rich, who positively refused to accept any other remuneration for his services.

The fixing up of the grounds was left in the hands of the Directors and the revision of the prize list was left in the hands of A. Davie and D. Montgomery.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to write the B. C. Field Trials Club thanking them for their donation of a cup annually.

The meeting then adjourned.

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RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The initial step of organizing a rifle association was taken on Saturday evening last, in the Council Chamber, when the oath of allegiance was taken by seventeen members and the following officers were elected:

Captain, Dr. J. W. Woodley.
Treasurer, Thos. Hume.
Secretary, N. A. McDiarmid.
Executive, H. E. Burr and M. MacKenzie.

It was, on motion, decided to call the organization The Delta Rifle Association.

W. E. Curtis kindly attended and administered the oath.

The question of constructing a range was brought up and laid over for further consideration.

The meeting then adjourned to the call of the Captain.

A Suggestion.

EDITOR DELTA TIMES:

Sir: In your issue of January 2nd "Viator" makes some very pertinent remarks as to ways and means, closely touching the interests of all residents in the Delta district. It is, perhaps, only once in a while that we are so strictly up against it for transportation facilities as we have been lately during the cold spell, but, nevertheless it clearly demonstrates the necessity of some other means of communication with our markets other than the Fraser river, well as this mighty stream has catered to the interests of the farmers and merchants in the past.

"Viator" seems to pin his faith to a great extent upon direct communication with Vancouver via Woodwards; in other words, a ferry or bridge connection with the electric railway system of Lulu Island. This, again, leaves us with the problem of the river to contend with. Would it not, therefore be better to look for an entirely land route to our greatest market? We are (speaking of the village of Ladner) situated within nine miles of what will, in a very short time, be the main line of the Great Northern Railway from Vancouver to Seattle and the east; also, we are the same distance away (namely at Oliver's Junction) from what promises to be the making of another great transcontinental road, i.e., the V. V. & E. Railway, which, as is well known, is already surveyed across the Hope Mountains, into the Similkameen country and which it is, we are told in the papers, Mr. Jim Hill's intention to connect up with sections of the C.N.R. now building west from Winnipeg by way of the Crow's Nest Pass and the Boundary country. Now, with all this system practically at our door would it not be as well to look to a bettering of our condition, so far as transportation facilities are concerned, to the connecting up of this short link of nine miles with what is or is to be a great railway system by an efficient service.

Evidently the powers that be on the G. N. R. do not value our trade or they would look after us a little better than they have done for the last 4 or 5 years; if this is so, then surely they do not value the right-of-way, over which they operate, at a very high figure. Taking this for granted would it not be possible to interest the farmers and others in themselves sufficiently to get them to form a company to acquire this nine miles of road either under lease or by purchase and operate it in connection with the fast main line trains of the Great Northern.

This would bring Ladner within an hour and a half of Vancouver which is about as close as could be made even with the Woodward connection and would have the advantage of not only serving the village itself with a good quick means of transportation but the whole of the farming community as well, running as the line does through the very heart of this fertile country.

Many other arguments could be used in favor of this route, such as efficient milk service which will be wanted here more and more as the city of Vancouver grows and which, as your other correspondent remarks, is at the present time at the mercy of the river.

Possibly some of your readers will remark "Can this thing be done? Can the Great Northern be persuaded to part with this line? Would not the cost of operating of such a line be excessive, &c., &c." Certainly all these things would need careful consideration, but what scheme does not, and shall we help ourselves by sitting still and not considering these things.

Yours,
ONE FOR A LAND ROUTE.

WATER SCHEME ADVANCED A STAGE

And Petitions Circulated for Signature Which Are Receiving Considerable Patronage.

The question of a water supply for the Delta brought together, as we hoped it would, a large and representative gathering of citizens in the Town Hall on Saturday last Whether the scheme which was outlined to the meeting will go through or not remains to be seen. One thing was made clear, that good water is required come from where it may. The lack of an abundant supply of wholesome water is undoubtedly the main drawback to the growth of our village and the progress of our municipality. Without this we cannot expect to attract strangers to our neighborhood.

We are of the opinion that the scheme, submitted by the committee, appointed several months ago to go into the question of a water supply, is thoroughly practicable, and that the details of assessment, over which there was a good deal of able discussion, might be safely left in the hands of our business officials. We judged from the remarks of one or two of the speakers that an effort would be made to introduce the scheme by those who will be in favor of it and cut out from the prescribed area the section or sections where there is strong opposition. We submit that this would be most unfortunate as it would entail a great deal of unnecessary expense which would have to be borne by those who wished to come in later on. It would be well for those who are disposed to offer opposition, to give the whole question a careful and just consideration before taking their stand.

During the discussion our member, John Oliver, read some extracts from the provincial law touching upon the subject of good water showing where we stand. He did not wish to make the people believe that the government was going to force them to put in a system of water as he did not believe they would, but the health officers of Vancouver are very active in obtaining a supply of pure milk for that city.

Following is the petition now in circulation for signatures, defining the area to be supplied:

To the Reeve and Council of the Municipality of Delta.

The petition of the undersigned, owners of land in the prescribed area as hereinafter defined, humbly sheweth:

1. That the Municipality of Delta is a district municipality subject to the provisions of the "Municipal Clauses Act" and amending acts.

2. That the greater part of said municipality within the prescribed area consists of dyked lands and is greatly in need of a supply of fresh water for the health and comfort of man and beast.

3. That Thomas H. Tracy, M. Can.-Soc. C.E., has made an inspection of the said municipality with a view to obtaining a supply of fresh water ample in amount and in such a locality that it may be economically furnished to the inhabitants of the said prescribed area within the said municipality, and has reported that on sections 11 and 12, Township 4, New Westminster District, within the said municipality and near the east boundary thereof such supply may be obtained; his report reading as follows: "I have examined the springs on Lot 12 and part of 11, near the east boundary of the municipality and while it is not possible without collecting all the springs to measure the flow accurately, yet from long experience in collecting and measuring spring water I am satisfied that there is a sufficient supply for the municipality. The quality is excellent and a good site for a reservoir close at hand where an elevation of 200 feet or more is available. I think this source of supply satisfactory and the best within reach."

4. That the said Engineer further reports that the cost of installing a system of water works to supply the prescribed area within the said municipality would be in the neighborhood of $125,000.

5. The said prescribed area within the said municipality shall be described as follows: Commencing at the junction of the boundary between Lots 130 and 131, Group 2, New Westminster District, with the south bank of the Fraser river; thence westerly and southerly following the south bank of the Fraser river to the northwest corner of Lot 151, G 2, New Westminster District; thence westerly and southerly following the south bank of the Fraser river past Crescent Island to the easterly bank of Canoe Pass; thence following the easterly bank of Canoe Pass southerly to the northwest corner of Lot 61a; thence southerly following the westerly boundary of 61a to the southwest corner of 61a thence easterly along the south boundary of 61a to the northwest corner of Lot 60; thence southerly along the westerly boundary of Lot 60 to the north boundary of Lot 186; thence westerly along northerly boundary of Lot 186 to the westerly shore of the mainland; thence following the westerly shore of the mainland to the southeast corner of Lot 183, G2, New Westminster District; thence following the north boundary of the Chewassen Indian Reserve to the east boundary of said Indian Reserve; thence south following the east boundary of said Indian Reserve to the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of Section 15, Township 5; thence east following the north boundary of said southwest quarter of Section 15, Tp. 5, and the same produced to the east boundary of said Section 15; thence east following the half-section line of Section 14, in said Tp. 5, to the westerly shore of Boundary Bay; thence northerly and easterly following the shore line of Boundary Bay to a point south of the half-section line running north and south through Section 1, Tp. 4, New Westminster District, produced southerly through Lot 243 and the fractional northwest quarter of Section 31, Tp. 3, to the shore of Boundary Bay; thence north following the said line so produced and said half-section line to the south boundary of Section 13, Tp. 4; thence west following said Section

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GEO. R. MANLEY,
Manager.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1909.

Through sickness we have had to delay this issue somewhat and to leave over two or three articles.

We have been specially requested to open a list for the formation of a ladies' rifle association for practice, at first, with .22 rifles, therefore we shall be pleased to receive the names of those who wish to take part in this interesting outdoor pastime.

We attended the practice of the Glee Club, on Tuesday evening last, and were highly pleased at the large attendance and the progress being made. Both the Leader, E. T. Calvert, and the Pianist, Mrs. Hilton, are deserving of the highest praise for the energetic way in which they attend to their labours.

There seems to be some misunderstanding as regards the report of the Water Committee on Saturday last. Some people thinking that the Committee had power and did make a rate at which the water should be sold to the people, when, in reality, the committee has no power or right to say what the rate shall be. What the Committee did wish to convey was that, roughly speaking, a certain part of this municipality, constituting the water area, could buy the water at the cost of $10,000, or the cost of maintenance—interest and sinking fund—and this, when spread over the number of houses would be $2 per house per month and 16c per acre per year. The actual way at which the water will be sold to the patrons has yet to be determined, and no doubt the best and most modern system will be adopted at the time the by-law is drafted.

THE WATER QUESTION.

EDITOR DELTA TIMES:

Sir: I was an interested listener to the discussion of the water question last Saturday afternoon, and left the meeting with the feeling that the question is now a real live issue. The need of a sufficient water supply is admitted on all hands. It is required for domestic purposes, for fire protection in the village, as well as for the use and better care of stock on the farms. It is somewhat unfortunate that some of the farmers are disposed to decry the scheme because they have got along well enough without it in the past, but what, I would like to ask, about the men, women and children of the village who have neither a wholesome nor sufficient supply for several months of the year and what about those farmers who have no suitable supply for their stock. There are three or four months in the dry season when the water in the tanks is not fit for domestic use without being boiled or filtered and an examination of the water which is drawn from the tanks in the months of July or August by a public health inspector would, no doubt, tend towards making this water scheme compulsory. As stated by Mr, Rich at the meeting, even on the farms where there is an abundant supply of water from wells that have been sunk, the water is not good. "Not fit for domestic purposes" is the verdict pronounced by the Public Analyist, not on a few wells only but of every one that has been tested.

There is no place in the whole broad Dominion of Canada that is better able to afford a proper water system than the municipality of Delta. The farmers are possessed of the best soil, the best markets, and year after year they can count upon excellent returns from the soil They have nothing to fear from early or late frosts. The great majority of the farmers are recognized as well-to-do, why then haggle about incurring the comparatively small expense of providing a suitable supply of water that will mean comfort, health and happiness to the whole community.

In following the discussion, one of the main difficulties seemed to be how to make an equitable assessment. This is, no doubt, an important question, and one that should receive the most careful attention. But surely, Sir, there need be no undue anxiety on this score. We have every confidence in the rectitude of our public men, and of those who have been appointed to official positions, and may safely leave the question of a fair and just assessment to their care.

The scheme that was outlined by the committee seems a most reasonable and feasible one. These gentlemen have devoted a great deal of time to the consideration of this question, and after months of careful inquiry, in consultation with the ablest engineer in the province, they submit what in their judgment is the best course to pursue. Let us view the whole question, not from a personal standpoint but rather from the standpoint of the greatest good to the greatest number and join heartily in supporting a scheme that is of supreme importance to the health and comfort of the whole community, to say nothing of the increased value it would add to the land, and the great advertisement which it would undoubtedly be to this beautiful and attractive district in which we live.

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line between Sections 12 and 13 and Sections 11 and 14 in said Tp. 4, to the east boundary of Section 10 in said Township 4; thence south following the east boundary of said Section 10 to the northeast corner of Section 3 in Tp. 4; thence west following the south boundary of said Section 10 and the south boundary of Lot 437, G2, to the southwest corner of said Lot 437, G2, in Tp. 4; thence north and east along the westerly and northerly boundaries of said Lot 437 to the south end of the boundary line between said Lots 130 and 131, G2, New Westminster District, and thence north following the said boundary line between said Lots 130 and 131 to point of commencement.

Your petitioners would therefore request the Municipal Council of the said municipality of Delta to construct water works within the said prescribed area pursuant to the powers conferred in Section 259 of the Municipal Clauses Act, and to procure plans and estimates of the proposed works, and if it be deemed expedient and within the limitations as to cost provided by law to pass the by-law or by-laws provided for in and authorized by said Section 259 of the said Act.

Those interested in the water system will facilitate matters greatly by calling on the Reeve, H. J. Hutcherson or H. N. Rich and signing the petition so as to make things easier for the committee who have so generously spent their time and energies in bringing this scheme to the advanced position it holds today,

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Andrews' Presbyterian Church was held last evening, Rev. Mr. White presiding. Notwithstanding the inclement weather there was a good turn out of the congregation. Encouraging reports were submitted by the Session, the church treasurer and the Sabbath school. The report of the Treasurer showed that there had been a substantial increase in church contributions, nearly $900 more being raised this year than the previous one. The congregation, on motion of N. A. McDiarmid seconded by D. A. McKee, agreed unanimously to adopt the weekly envelope system of contributing. On motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Managing Board was instructed to ascertain the approximate cost of certain improvements which are contemplated on the church property, and to report on same at an early date. Amongst the improvements being the putting in of a furnace and the building of a small hall or vestry. The congregation agreed that a condensed report of the meeting be prepared and printed for circulation amongst the members of the church.

After the business was over, a pleasant half-hour was spent in social intercourse, during which Mr. Simpson and Mrs. Cross delighted their hearers with beautiful solos, while light refreshments were passed by the ladies. The meeting was regarded as highly satisfactory.

Delta Glee Club Concert, Friday, February 12th.

H. Howard, of Vancouver, is in town endeavoring to locate a tailoring establishment, and we hope to be able to say more about this next week.

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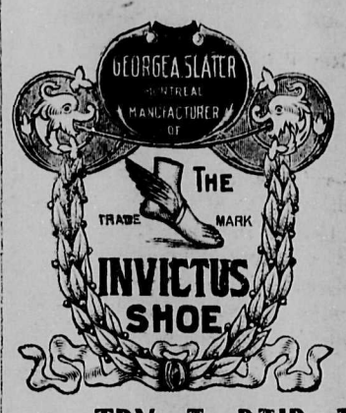

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CORNISH DIALECT

Some Quaint Terms That Are Common Among the Natives.

"A bruised my foot in the sconce and knocked my nuddick, and A wadn't able to climmy for a fortnight."

Readers of recent popular dialect tales will probably take it for granted that this sentence is Scotch. It is, however, Cornish, and, being interpreted, means, "I caught my foot in the pavement and struck the nape of my neck, and I was not able to swallow for a fortnight."

There are some quaint terms common in Cornwall which have a pleasing savor of their own. The phrase "my dear"—prolonged to two syllables—is not, for instance, any indication of especial affection. It is a common form of address to either man or woman. So also, though with rather more discrimination in its use, is "my dearie life."

A young child is mentioned in terms of endearment as "my 'ansome" or "tender dear" or even "tender-warm." "Son" and "sonny" are used without the least relation to the age or sex of the person addressed. A man may sometimes be heard speaking to his own father as "my son" or a husband calling his wife "sonny"!

"Young" means simply unmarried. A bachelor of 60 is "a young man." Of a bride still in her teens it was said that she was "a pretty lot better looking than when she was young!" An old person is not simply old. He is "old ancient." Several New England localisms are found in Cornish speech, as "cricket" for a small stool, "chores" for household jobs and "dowdy" for pudding, though in America the latter word survives only as part of "pandowdy," the delicious deep spiced apple pie of country housewives.

A Cornish anecdote relates that a small boy, left at home to supervise the family dinner while the rest of the household were at church, having, like King Alfred, neglected his duty and allowed the fig pudding to scorch, in his dismay ran to the church and from the doorway made signs to the housewife to come forth. She indignantly signed to him to wait, which for a time he did, but at length, becoming impatient, cried aloud in reply to her further winks and grimaces, to the scandal of the startled congregation:

"Vice 'n may winky and skrinky as long as yiew du plase, but the figgy dowdy is 'n margin the crock!"—Youth's Companion.

New to Hotel Ways.

"Some one had told her that you always have to register, but she wasn't used to hotels. That was apparent from the way she hovered be" [illegible] old time traveling man who stood by the clerk's desk. She wanted to see how it was done. The old fellow had had the same room in the house for nine years. It was always kept for him—No. 63, on the second floor. He had wired three days before that he was coming, so it was all ready for him. He dipped the pen in the ink well and, with an extra flourish or two, scratched down the name, "James Edward Clifford."

"The same old thing?" he asked of the clerk.

"Yelp," was the answer.

Whereupon Mr. Clifford wrote down opposite his name, "63."

Then the bellboy grabbed his traveling case and conducted him to the elevator.

The clerk dipped the pen in the ink and handed it to the demure maiden who had stood behind the old traveler. She glanced at the last name on the page, then turned for a parting look at the form just passing into the elevator car. She laid her handkerchief and pocketbook on the desk and wrote, "Faith Merreweather."

Then she shot the clerk a modest little glance and finished out the line by placing "24" after the signature. She looked up blushing.

The clerk smiled, and when he had whispered a room number to the porter and the girl had passed behind the screen he said to himself, "By Jove, she doesn't look it!"—Detroit Free Press.

The Russian Society Woman.

A Russian society woman knows only one thing—fashion. Art is a stranger to her. She loves admiration and flirtation, but her heart remains cold, though she may be burning other hearts with the fire of her eyes. Nowhere is woman more dangerous than in Russian society. To begin, a Russian girl seeks a husband only for the position he gives her. Matrimony is only a question of fashion, and if a Russian girl cannot find a husband within a reasonable time she can fill no place in good society, and she is ridiculed by all her acquaintances. Thus, she watches with agony the approach of the end of her youth. Every tentative is thus made to win the grand prize of matrimony. Even her friends are as anxious as she is and fearsome lest she may be an old maid. Then when all efforts have failed, when no more hope remains, she takes advantage of the sole remedy left to her "maiden widowhood." She travels. She goes to Paris and Nice. She stays away three years maybe, then returns to Russian society, no longer an old maid, nor even a wife, but a widow. Nobody asks whom she married, nor how she became a widow. She is a widow; that suffices. As a widow she is received everywhere and is somebody.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Evidence of Ability.

"Smiley always seems industrious," remarked the gossip. "And yet he never accomplishes much."

"Yes," replied the eager listener, "he's one of those people who whenever they do anything make you think they'd be first rate hands at something else."—Washington Star.

Fitting Punishment.

The playwright half his play had stolen,
Yet when first nighters mocked it madly
That author's cheeks with rage were swollen—
He thought his audience used him badly!

But, though the "gods" so fiercely roared,
We can't accuse unfairness quiz 'em;
It strikes us that the right reward
For plagiarists is play-jeer-iism!
—Ally Sloper.

"Nothing."

"Nothing seems to please you," he said bitterly.

"I confess," she replied, "that you do not exactly meet my approval."

After he had inwardly digested that he was inclined to be even more bitter.—Chicago Post.

Not Her Business.

"Woman!" he cried in a voice of thunder. "Don't you know you'll drive me to my grave?"

"No!" she retorted, with a curl of her ruby lip. "The hearse driver will do that!"—Up to Date.

FREE.

A winter prisoner, leath and long
From sun and song,
One sapphire hearted morningtide I heard
A jubilant word,
A mellow music syllable from a tree
Spring's herald robin caroled clear to me—
"Free! Oh, free!"

Ah, with what iterant lusthood,
What buoyant mood,
Did I, the ice endungeoned one, reply
To that glad cry!
What sudden visions did it bring to me,
What dream delight, what vanished ecstasy!
"Free! Oh, free!"

Once more the melody and mirth
Of the old earth!
Once more the soft warm whisper of the rain,
The waves of grain,
And all the little laughters that there be
In vine and grass—no more chill secrecy!
"Free! Oh, free!"
—Clinton Scollard in Bachelor of Arts.

PRESERVING THE RUINS.

Final and Laughable End of One of Ireland's Old Castles.

One of Ireland's magnificent ruined castles came to its final end in this manner. The ancient seat of the Castlereaghs overlooked Lough Swilly, and it was one of the most princely residences in Ireland. Eventually it fell into decay and was not inhabited.

As usual in such circumstances, when the peasantry wanted to build a pigsty, repair a road or anything of the sort, they took the stones from the ruined castle, which was disappearing piecemeal when one day the then Lord Londonderry paid a visit to his Irish property. When he saw the state the castle was in and reflected on the fact that it was so much identified with the history of his family and even as a ruin was a glory of Ireland, he determined to put a stop to the encroachments that had been made upon it.

Sending for his agent to give him orders that the people were no longer to remove stones from the building, he instructed him to have the place inclosed with a wall six feet high and well coped to keep out trespassers. That being done, he went his way and did not return to Ireland for three or four years. He then found, to his amazement, that the old castle had completely disappeared, and in its place there was a big wall inclosing nothing. Sending for the agent, he demanded to know why his orders had not been carried out. The agent insisted that they had been.

"But where is the castle?" demanded the marquis.

"The castle, is it?" [illegible] "I built the wall with it, my lord! Is it for me to be going miles for materials with the finest stones in Ireland beside me?"

In telling the man to build the wall Lord Londonderry had said nothing whatever about preserving the castle, which is now a thing of the past. Nevertheless the wall is a good one.—London Tit-Bits.

The Great Boat Race in London.

Toward the middle of March London suddenly becomes aware of the fact that the race is fixed for the second Saturday before Easter, when the Londoner, who has passed weeks and months without holiday or pageant, is in the humor to make the most of it. And London decorates itself in anticipation. The draper's window becomes a harmony in blue. So does the stationer's; so does the milliner's; so does all Regent street, so do Oxford street, Piccadilly, Kensington High street and Cheapside the fakir puts away his penny bagpipes and his sacrilegious and his toys and brings out trays of tiny light and dark blue butterfly bows. The railway companies print their timetables in light and dark blue, and the papers, if they do not change the color of their ink, cut down police news and literary notes to devote the space to daily accounts of the crews out for practice, and the columns of personal gossip are filled with descriptions of the men, their boats and their fancies. The condition of Nobby is of more importance than the health of the prime minister and the blister on the finger of a stroke more serious than a defeat in India. About 99 out of every 100 people in London have something staked upon the race, for the Londoner is a born gambler, though his gambling has been officially suppressed, possibly the reason of its never failing charm for him.—Mrs. Elizabeth Robins Pennell in Century.

Short and Long Courtships.

Young ladies in Russia are not at all averse to long engagements and use all sorts of artifices to stave off the wedding day as long as possible, while in Siam, where old maids are unknown, as all girls marry, the recognized length of an engagement is one month. If an engaged man in the Argentine Republic dallies beyond a reasonable time in leading his fiancee to the altar, he is heavily fined, and if a resident of the republic should fail to marry he is taxed until he reaches the age of eighty. In no country in the world are courtships so abnormally long as in Bohemia, where engagements commonly last from fifteen to twenty years. In fact, there recently died at the age of ninety-nine an old man who had been courting for seventy-five years and who was married on his deathbed.

Wet Shoes.

The usual—and the wrong way—of treating wet boots is to take them off and put them on the fender or the radiator to dry. This method spoils the boots. Too much heat cracks and hardens leather.

Another wrong way is to stand them on their soles anywhere to dry.

The proper way is to place the boots soles upward, near enough to the fire to dry slowly and properly, but not to steam during the drying.

The soles should always be turned upward, even when the boots are only a little wet, for this way enables the air to reach the wettest part of the leather first.

The Colossus of Rhodes.

The Colossus of Rhodes, a bronze statue, was 105 feet high. It was made by Chares, who, aided by an army of workmen, consumed twelve years in its construction. It remained in position in the harbor of Rhodes for sixty six years and was thrown down by an earthquake B. C. 224. It lay on the ground 894 years and was sold to a Jew for old metal. He carried away 900 camel loads, or about 720,000 pounds, of bronze.

The Judge's Slip.

A mistake which caused a ripple of amusement to run through a western courtroom was made by an absent minded judge.

He had to pass sentence on a big woodman. After stating clearly the disgrace which the man had brought upon relatives and friends by his lawless and dishonest life the judge said: "And in consideration of these many offenses against the law committed by you, you are hereby sentenced to seven years' hard labor in the legislature."

"Penitentiary, your honor," hastily corrected the prosecuting attorney in a respectful whisper.

"What?" said the judge blankly. "Oh, yes; the penitentiary. But the difference is only a slight one. Of course I should say"—

Here his honor abruptly ceased, and what he should have said was left unsaid.—Youth's Companion.

Arab Music.

Who shall define Arab music? It has been described as the singing of a prima donna who has ruptured her voice in trying to sing a duet with herself. Each note starts from somewhere between a sharp and a flat, but does not stop even there, and splits up into four or more portions, of which no person can be expected to catch more than one at a time.

John Oliver Hobbes says there is a great law of infidelity in the human race. A man must be faithless to something, either to a woman or his deity or his most cherished belief. The Arab musician is always unfaithful—to his stave and his key note. But faith unfaithful makes him falsely true to the ears of his hearers, and they enjoy and applaud his wrangles with harmony. Their singing reminds one of the wails of a bereaved Thomas suffering from an acute attack of gastritis, complicated with neuralgia.—Cairo (Egypt) Sphinx.

Instruction of Youth.

Johnny—The verbiage was so bad I wouldn't ride my wheel.

His Sister—What are you talking about?

"Well, when I saw the word 'verbiage' in the paper and asked pa what it meant he said 'wind.'"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Choice of Two Evils.

It's always very wrong to fight,
But, none the less, my son,
Improve your muscles—don't relax
As if all strife were done.

It's always very wrong to fight,
But never close your ears
When Uncle Sam suggests that he
May need new volunteers.

It's always very wrong to fight;
The saying's old and terse.
But to make battle and get whipped
That's infinitely worse.
—Washington Star.

Two Kinds of a Boat.

A little boat is seen afloat
Upon the moonlit water,
In which a youth does sit, forsooth,
With his neighbor's daughter;
He hugs the shore a mile or more,
Along the laughing water,
Then [illegible] the boat serenely float
And hugs his neighbor's daughter.
—Chicago News.

Time to Open.

The President—Is the list of football players thoroughly advertised?

The Dean—It is.

The President—Then I guess we might as well open up the college.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Paternal Wail.

I'm weak and worn and weary, I am frazzled to a thread,
I never get a breath of peace till Dick is safe in bed;
At morn, at night, I growl and bite; I charge, I pitch and tear;
I have to be those animals he saw at the county fair.
—Chicago Record.

Blessings in Disguise.

They used to tell me when I was a little girl and had broken my dearest doll, for example, or had been stung by a bee on the day before my best friend's birthday party that every affliction is a blessing in disguise. I was never clever at penetrating disguises, but there are times when I agree to the truth of the saying, especially when the afflictions are other people's. Just a few evenings ago I heard a young girl, who has just come home after six months out of town, playing the piano. I was so much struck with the improvement in her technic since I heard her before that I spoke about it.

"It's all due to a little 'run around' I had on the middle finger of my right hand," she said. "I wasn't doing much practicing, but I was embroidering a centerpiece for a friend who is to be married next month, and I couldn't lose any time. I put my thimble on my ring finger, and after a few days I could use it just as easily that way as on the middle finger. When I began to play the piano again, I was amazed to find how my third finger had gained in strength. It had always been my weak point before. I always use it for thimble finger now, and you see the result. I've advised everybody to try it. 'It's an ill wind'—you know the rest.

Cause of Headaches.

Too little blood in the brain is a frequent cause of headache and may be recognized by the ache being on the top of the head, by constant dizziness and by noises in the ears. The best cure is a slight stimulant, such as strong tea or coffee or hot soup—anything which will increase the circulation. People who suffer with these headaches should always sleep with their heads low.—Exchange.

Good For a Child.

A white potato, roasted, not boiled, should be the first vegetable given to a child, but in summer time its effect must be watched. One of the most fruitful sources of sickness with young children is giving them animal food indiscriminately and too often. Beef, mutton and chicken are the only articles fit for children.

Protecting Boiled Ham.

After a ham has been boiled and before getting entirely cold it will be found a good plan to wrap around it a long strip of thin old muslin, tying it on with a string. This may be turned back as fast as the ham is sliced. In the meanwhile it keeps the edible from the intrusion of would be familiar flies.

As a Precedent.

Tom—Why were you so determined to kiss that plain cousin of yours?

Dick—I wanted to establish a precedent. She has two very pretty sisters you know.

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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.

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(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.

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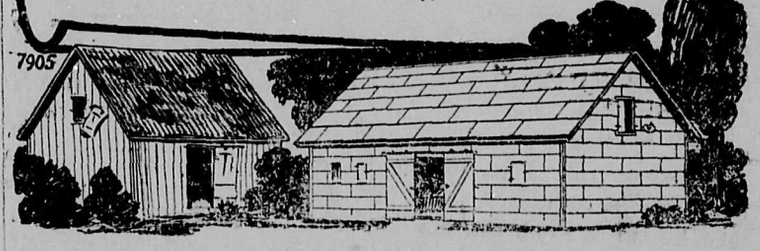

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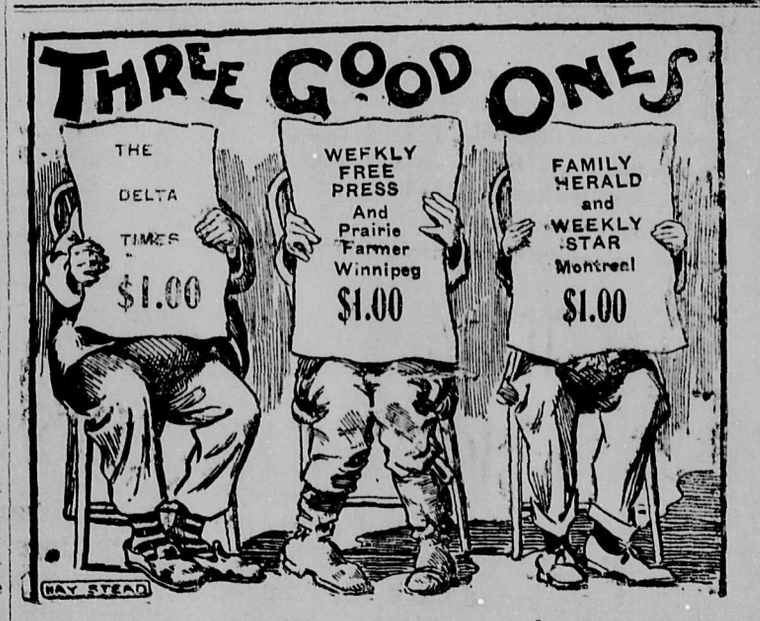

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LOCAL NEWS.

Keep Friday, 12th Feb., clear.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Rich spent Friday in Vancouver.

H. D. Benson was among the visitors to the Terminal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Welsh visited the Terminal City, last week.

J. A. Moore, of Oakland, Cal., is in town having a look around.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Green went over to Vancouver, on Thursday last.

Mrs. P. Matheson visited the market at the Royal City on Friday last.

The Riverside Mission Circle will meet in the Parsonage, to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The patent smile has been donned by our neighbor, T. W. Foster, on account of the arrival of a bouncing butcher girl.

The Ladies' Guild of All Saints will be held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Mackenrot, on Thursday next at 2 p.m.

Dr. G. E. Davenport, manager of the Delta Saw Mills Branch of the Jervis Inlet Lumber Co., came over from Vancouver on Thursday last.

Rev. J. H. White, of St. Andrews' Church, announces that on Sabbath evening, the 7th February, he will deliver the fourth of the series of lectures on the Reformation, subject: "John Knox and the Scottish Reformation."

The J. A. Paterson property has been disposed of at $225 per acre, R. A. Coleman taking the west half and W. Stokes the east half. Less than five years ago people thought land had reached its limit when it fetched $150 to $175. The price has not reached its limit yet by any means.

Last week Capt. Bruce patched up the Str. Favorite sufficiently to take her to Westminster, but he was unable to reach that port on account of the strong tide, and tied up at the Oilery wharf till morning. Mr. Williamson warned the Captain that it was a bad place to leave his boat as she would turn over at low tide, but the Captain thought he knew best, with the result that she is now sunk at the Oilery. Antone Pine made such a good job of patching that she does not leak.

The Royal Bank.

Of the bank statements for last year that have yet been issued, that of the Royal Bank is one of the few showing an increase in profits over 1907. Concurrent with this is an improvement in practically every item of the accounts, the liquid assets being now $21,944,440, equal to 58.60 per cent. of the total liability to the public. Deposits have grown by over four million dollars, and the amount of specie and Dominion Government notes held is greater by just one and a half millions, and the total assets have increased by over four millions. The successful operations of the twelve months have enabled the directors to raise the reserve fund to $4,600,000 by the addition of $210,000. This is nearly 118 per cent. of the paid-up capital, which remains at $3,900,00

The actual net profits amounted to $746,775, as compared with $742,034, the ratio to the paid-up capital being in both cases 19 per cent. This with the balance of $156,910, brought forward from last account, there is a total of $903,658, out of which is paid the usual 10 per cent. dividend and other appropriations. The Officers' Pension Fund this year receives $25,000, that is, $5,000 more than in 1907; $200,000 is written off bank premises account, an addition already indicated is made to the reserve fund, and a balance of $78,685 is carried forward.

The combined deposits by the public aggregate $37,739,291, comparing with $33,205,789 the previous year. The amount of note circulation stands at a slightly lower figure: the decrease, due doubtless to the trade recession being $97,500. The surplus funds of the bank have been disposed of in a manner which will satisfy exacting critics. With call loans reduced by over half a million, advances on domestic commercial paper have been increased by nearly $900,000, the amount thus loaned being $26,736,165. Bank premises are valued at $1,150,924. This is $269,237 more than a year ago, the difference probably being represented by the banks' fine new building on King street, Toronto, opened during the course of the year.—Monetary Times.

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church, will meet in the Parsonage on Thursday afternoon, at 2.30.

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