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COAL

It is generally supposed there will be another coal famine this winter; we have contracted for immediate delivery of 150 tons of coal, and are prepared to fill orders now, and we think you will be acting wisely in putting in your winter's coal supply at once. Coal last winter sold here as high as $15 per ton, and often was impossible to get at all at any price.

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JUICE TURNED ON.

The juice was turned on permanently, on Thursday last, and now you may turn on your light at any time during the 24 hours and you will find it O.K.

The B. C. E. R. Co. have had many obstacles to overcome in order to give us this great privilege and none are more pleased with its accomplishment than are the officers of the company who have had this work in hand.

When you wish to buy visiting cards call on the Delta Times who will sell the best money can buy. If you need them printed, why you are money in pocket by calling on the Delta Times first.

KICKED BY COLT.

Johnny Abercrombie had the misfortune to break his right arm, on Tuesday last. While taking a mare and colt from the Grauer ranch to his father's place, the colt kicked him on the arm breaking the bones completely and left him lying on the sand unconscious. After coming-to he was brought hastily to town where his arm was set by Dr. King, in about 40 minutes after the accident happened. The lad is progressing favorably.

Mrs. Wilkinson is recovering nitely from an attack of measles, from which, with her infant, she has been laid up during the past week.

THE PHEASANT SEASON.

By an order of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council the disabilities as to the shooting of cock pheasants have been removed from the various districts between certain dates. The dates for west of the Cascade Range, within Richmond, Dewdney, Delta and Chilliwack electoral districts, are October 15 to December 31 inclusive.

Pheasants are fairly plentiful this season.

A close season for prairie chicken has been declared throughout the province until August 31, 1908.

GRAIN SACKS—$90 per 1000 (less $2.50 for spot cash)—Brackman-Ker Milling Co., Ltd., H. N. Rich, Agent, Ladner, B.C.

Ottawa Letter.

Ottawa, Aug. 16.

The Conservatives are given to criticise the government for itsGrand Trunk Pacific policy. Have they forgotten the terms underwhich their friends and supporters were given the Canadian Pacific charter? In short, the Consevative political syndicate was given $25,000,000 in cash, 25,000,000 acres of land worth $3 an acre, and completed road valued at $32,000,000 more, together about $135,000,000. All this vast property was perpetually exempted from taxation. The land is being sold at prices varying from $5 to $12 per acre. The property to-day has a gross income of nearly $80,000,000 per annum, or practically the same as the income of the Dominion of Canada.

All of this vast franchise was given away by a government which failed to grasp the possibilities of the future, and whose only criteron of value was the hopeless deficits which each year faced the Minister of Finance. The Tory government was millions to the bad each year, and the public debt was growing larger and larger, and it was not to be expected that men who were unable to conduct the affairs of the Dominion, except at a loss, should be sufficiently intelligent to grasp the importance or value of a franchise such as the Canadian Pacific.

Turned the Rascals Out.

The people of Canada at all events arrived at this conclusion for in 1896 the Conservatives, after being in office for eighteen years, were buried under an avalanche of votes, and the Liberal party took the helm, and from that time to the present hour the country has enjoyed a marvellous measure of prosperity.

Grand Trunk Pacific.

The Railway Commission having in charge the building of the new transcontinental line held its first meeting Septempter 2, 1904, since which time an immense amount of work has been done of which the following summary may prove of interest.

Four departments were organized, viz., Engineering, Accounting Purchasing and Transport, The last named was for the purpose of transporting provisions and supplies to the surveying parties in the field.

Divided into Districts

The line from Winnipeg to Moncton has been divided into six districts as follows:

District "A"—From Moncton to the New Brunswick-Quebec boundary line, 255.11 miles, under Guy C. Dunn, District Engineer, St. John, N. B.

District "B"—From last named point to Clear Lake, in the Province of Quebec, in the vicinity of Long. 74 degrees west, 402.64 miles, under A. E. Doucet, District Engineer, Quebec, P. Q.

District "C"—From last named point to near the Provincial boundary line dividing the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, 276 miles, under A. N. Molesworth, District Engineer, Ottawa, Ont.

District "D"—From last named point to near Long, 84 degrees west, 249.05 miles, under S. N. Poulin, District Engineer, North Bay, Ont.

District "E"—From last named point to near Long, 89 degrees, 30., 248.25 miles, under T. S. Armstrong, District Engineer, Nepigon, Ont.

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Romantic Wedding

"John Walsh, the well known tailor of New Westminster, and Mrs. Ann Gertrude Wells, of Mena, Arkansas, were married in Suisun, Ca., on August 10," says the Espano Republican. "The ceremony took place at the home of the groom's brother, Hubert Walsh, and was performed by Father P. J. Quinn, rector of St. Alphonsus Church of that place.

"The bride and groom had never seen each other until they met in Suisun two days before the wedding took place. Mrs. Wells arrived from her southern home on the Tuesday before the marriage, and Mr. Walsh arrived from his northern home on Thursday, August 8, so they had only two days of personal courtship. They had, however, corresponded for some time and their courtship had been carried on by mail and an engagement followed in due course of time. They were introduced to each other by mail through a mutual friend. Thousands of miles separated them so they decided to join hands and hearts and the romance culminated as above.

"Mr. Walsh is engaged in the merchant tailoring business in New Westminster, and after a brief honeymoon here he will return to his home with his bride."

Mr. and Mrs. Walsh returned to the Royal City on Tuesday last, and received the congratulations of his numerous friends and acquaintances, who thought he was doomed to be a bachelor to the end of his days. The Delta Times joins in wishing the happy couple a long and prosperous life.

There will be a special meeting of the Delta Municipal Council on Saturday next at 2 p.m.

The dog poisoner is around again poisoned meat having been discovered near the postoffice. Just for the benefit of the skunk who planted it, we wish to state that it will not be good for him if he is caught at his dastardly business.

The funeral of the late Miss Harriet Fraser, daughter of Simon Fraser, the explorer of the Fraser River, took place at Toronto on the 22nd inst., from the House of Providence to St. Andrew's. Deceased, who was 80 years of age, was laid beside the bodies of the father and mother.

Hurla Singh, a Hindu, is suspected of having abducted a little Indian girl from a camp near the St. Mungo Cannery. The girl's age has not been definitely ascertained by the police. The child's father and two grown-up brothers are on the chase after the Hindu, and if they mauage to catch up to him, his chances of escaping with his life will be very small indeed.

John Townsend met with rather a serious accident, on Thursday last, which will lay him aside from work for some time. It appears that, while engaged in splitting wood with a double bitted axe, in some way the axe became entangled in a clothesline which threw the blade onto his face making an ugly gash from the left eyebrow to the lip, laying the nose open on that side from top to bottom. He is doing alright.

Royal City's Fair.

New Westminster, Aug. 24.—It is more than probable that the famous Indian runner, Tom Longboat, will make his appearance at the provincial exhibition and run against time and against Burns, of Calgary. The latter is by no means a mean runner having run the coast marathon at Seattle with great ease and will make a worthy opponent to the Indian runner who has beaten all records in distance runs during the past year.

Mayor Keary received the following telegram, to-day, from C. A. Welsh, who, at the time of writing, was in Essex, Ont.: "Looks favorable for getting Longboat. Will have something definite in a few days." As soon as the word is received that final arrangements have been made with the Indian runner, the Calgary Y.M.C.A. will be asked to consider the proposal of allowing Burns to run against the champion.

They have already signified their willingness to do so and once Longboat has promised to compete there will be no difficulty arranging terms with Burns.

Tom Longboat has a unique record, jumping into prominence all at one stride. The first race he ever entered was the Hamilton marathon last summer when he defeated Marsh, the Winnipeg runner, by some distance. From that time on he has been placed in all amateur events and kas come through with the enviable record of not being beaten. He has lowered several high marks for five and ten miles but his favorite distance is a twenty-mile cross country run.

Longboat had practically no training when he raced in the Hamilton marathon but had merely run long distances, sometimes competing with horses for fifteen or twenty miles and other solitary runs. This made his victory all the more remarkable. It was not until the day before the race that it was decided that he should have a horse and buggy to pace him. His showing in the race has practically changed the appearance of affairs and once more the red man reigns supreme as the champion runner of the continent. There is every possibility, if another Grecian marathon is held, that he will be sent across to compete in it.

The S.S. Sonoma leaves Ladner at 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.; leaves Steveston at 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Every day except Sunday.

Have you got a Savings Bank Account in the Royal Bank of Canada? If not, you should open one as soon as possible. Deposits of $1 and up received.

Mrs. W. J. Leary, jr., who is confined to the General Hospital, Vancouver, will likely undergo an operdtion, next week, for appendicitis.

T. E. Ladner recently discovered a small patch of joint grass on his property. This is a noxious weed that is hard to get rid of. It is propagated through the root which forms into joints of about an inch in length and each joint throws up its spear. Mr. Ladner discovered it in his potato patch where it had grown clean through a tuber. The only way to rid the land of it is to dig it all up and burn it. One joint left in the ground is sufficient to produce quite a patch in one season.

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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, AUGUST 27, 1907.

The two-rowed barley sown here for malting purposes, is turning out plump and clean.

Threshing is in full blast and the grain is turning out much better than was expected.

As 6,500 is to 5,000 so is the yield of the grain crop, this year, compared with what was expected as a result of the continued drought. The straw is very short but the heads are long and well filled. Such is the condition of the grain crop here.

Rev. E. B. Owen, of New Westminster, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. J. F. Fletcher and son, of Victoria, are visiting Mrs. J. F. Stainton.

Mrs. R. McDonald, of Vancouver, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. P. Follis, Slough road.

The Royal Bank of Canada is here for your convenience and will be pleased to give you every attention.

Geo. Cunningham, sr., and daughter, Miss Alma, of New Westminster, drove down, to-day, on a short visit.

Harvest Home services will be held in the Methodist Church here on September 15th next, morning and evening.

Mrs. Shoff and daughter returned home, yesterday, after spending a couple of weeks here the guest of Mrs. T. W. Foster.

Preserving Peaches are late in arriving at the right price. We are taking orders for delivery upon arrival—W. H. Smith.

Messrs. Milne and Rummel, of the B. C. E. R. Co., who have charge of the installation of the light system here, drove down, to-day, on a visit of inspection.

Fred Sutherby left, to-day, on a trip to San Francisco, in company with Fred Cutting, who is returning there after spending a week or so renewing old acquaintances around Delta.

Mr. Rennie, manager of the Vancouver branch of the Wm. Rennie Seed Co., paid a short visit here on Wednesday last, the guest of Asahel Smith, and spent most of his visit in looking over Mr. Smith's potato crop.

The Market.

New Westminster, Aug. 24.—For the first time this year crab apples made their appearance on the local market yesterday. The supply, of course, was only limited but the quality was good. Two cents a pound was the price asked.

The fruit as a whole was strong and the demand quite heavy. Large consignments brought in by the farmers of Surrey never reached the market at all, but were bought up by the Vancouver buyers in wholesale quantities. Apples as a whole are showing up well and ripening fast.

The supply of plums was very large, but the fruit is small and unattractive. The demand for the A1 article is good.

The supply of chicken, fowl, eggs and ducks was extra large, and the demand was very strong for each of these lines. There was an extra big supply of chickens, but many of the inferior birds were passed over by the purchasers, and left until the last when the late arrivals bought them up in order to have birds with which to start their ranches in the spring.

The supply of fowl was exceptional, many good sized birds, bred late last fall and early this spring, being among those for sale. The demand for these birds was very strong but there was no great rush for the old birds.

There was a good supply of fat ducks on the market, the demand, however, was equal to the supply which was speedily sold off.

Thirty-three cents was the price offered for eggs in any large quantity by the dealers and many of the farmers sold their crates at that price. Others, with only small consignments, sold to the local buyers for as high as 40c a dozen.

There was only a meagre supply of beef on the market and it was all sold without delay. It is stated that the farmers have already killed all the animals which they do not intend to hold over until next summer and so the quantity coming into the city is not as large as usual. There was a fair supply of veal which was in good demand. The animals are continuing to keep up the good quality which was noticed earlier in the season and there were some very presentable animals hanging on the hooks yesterday morning.

The supply of mutton and lamb was not large, but what there was of it was thoroughly first class, and could be sold to the most particular buyer. The ladies appreciated this fact and it was not long after the market opened that the choicest cuts of these animals were all sold and the late comers were forced to satisfy themselves with the cheaper parts.

The prevailing prices were as follows: Beef, hindquarters, 8½c to 9½c; forequarters, 6c to 8c; mutton, 13c to 14c; lamb, 15c; veal, 11c; pork, 11c; eggs, per doz., 35c to 40c; fowl, per doz., $6.50 to $7.50; chickens, per doz., $3.75 to $5.50; ducks, per doz., $6.75 to $7.50; potatoes, per ton, $40 to $50; apples, per box, 75c to $1; Bartlett pears, per box, $1; crab apples, per lb. 2c.

Plans of the subdivision of Wellington Farm may be kept at this office and any information which may be desired.

The Royal Bank of Canada with its splendid connection all over Canada, affords you exceptional banking facilities.

Louis Stannard, an old and very highly respected farmer of Cloverdale was gored to death on Saturday afternoon by a bull which was not considered to be dangerous. The funeral was well attended showing the respect in which the the old gentleman was held.

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P. O. Drawer 761, Victoria, B.C.

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District "F"—From last named point to Winnipeg, 386.56 miles, under Major A. E. Hodgins, District Engineer, Kenhora, Ont.

Total mileage under Contract, 861.

Great Progress Made.

To those who think the Grand Trunk Pacific a visionary enterprise, these facts may come somewhat as a surprise, but the truth is, the Government is urging on the completion of this national work so that the congested conditions in the transportation world may be relieved.

Coal Lands Conserved.

The speculator finds no encouragement from the Liberal Government. The policy of the Interior Department in dealing with the coal question shows how faithfully the Government redeems its promises. Heretofore any person wishing to acquire coal lands could do so upon filing his application and paying $20 per acre for anthracite coal and $10 per acre for coal of any other quality.

Under these regulations coal land passed out of the possession of the Government rapidly. The total area disposed of previous to 31 March, 1907, being 252,371 acres. The areas disposed of each year under the old regulations, which permitted the purchase of the coal lands, for the five years and nine months previous to 31 March, 1907, are as follows:

Year ending June 30,	'02,	33,260 acs
do.	'03,	27,412 "
do.	'04,	21,455 "
do.	'05,	16,014 "
do.	'06,	46,259 "

For the nine months ending 31 March, 1907, 103,931 acres.

Speculators Blocked.

It became very evident that speculators were securing the coal lands, for no less than 103,931 acres were absorbed in the nine months previous to 31 March, '07. The Minister of the Interior saw what was happening, and on March 4, '07, the regulations under which such things were possible were suspended.

New Regulations Made.

Whereas under the old regulations there was no limit to the acreage one man might secure, and had the same remained in force much longer the coal lands of the country would soon have been all in the hands of speculators. The Liberal Government does things differently. New regulations were promptly framed and put in force which limited the acreage of each applicant to 2,560 acres, and this may only be leased.

Must Work the Mine.

In addition to the limitations as to acreage and the right to lease only, each applicant is required to commence active mining operations on his leasehold within one year from the date he is notified by the department, and shall produce such quantities of coal as the department elects. Should the applicant fail to conduct operations as adised, or produce the amount of coal stipulated, his lease is liable to cancellation in the discretion of the minister.

Must Also Pay Royalty.

It is also provided in the lease that the applicant for a coal lease shall pay to the Government royalty at the rate of 5 cents per ton, failure to pay which renders the lease liable to cancellation.

Actual Settlers Protected.

All leases of coal mining rights shall be issued subject to the provision that actual settlers shall be entitled to buy at the pit's mouth whatever coal they may require for their own use, at a price not to exceed $1.75 per ton.

Lost.

On Friday, Aug. 23rd inst., between Hazelgrove Dairy and Stanley street, a Gold Necklace. Finder please return to

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Evensong, 7:30 o'clock.
Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Friday evening, Litany at 7:30.
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Sunday school at 3 p.m.
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PLANT NO. 9063.

My friend Wilmore told me a surprising story the other day. Doctors—and Wilmore is one—do meet with surprising cases at times.

I had not seen my friend for some time, when he invited me to spend a few days with him at his pretty villa overlooking the Royal gardens at Kew. On the first evening of my visit I sat with him on the balcony of an upper room.

Close to us was the great palmhouse. Wilmore pointed to it.

"Whenever I look at that house," he said, "I think of the events of a night that I spent in it with a man who would have committed a murder had I not been instrumental in preventing him."

I did what any one else would have done—asked Wilmore to tell his story.

"Don't mind if I do," he replied, "only I must not be too long about it.

"Well, it is almost 25 years since I settled here near this wonderful garden. I put up my brass plate and waited for patients. I could do this with little anxiety, for I had a slight income to keep me going.

"There came to Kew about the same time a colonel, his wife and his daughter. Apparently they did not intend to reside here permanently—they took a furnished house by the quarter.

"I met the three of them in the gardens constantly. Like myself, they had obtained a private pass and used to enter by that little gate opposite to us. They were seldom in the gardens when the general public were admitted.

"To be candid with you, the beauty of the colonel's daughter was to me far more enchanting than the beauty of the gardens. Yes, it was a case of love at first sight.

"I am not going to describe her except to say that every man before he reaches any age experiences the sort of intoxication that I did then, and to him the beauty of the loved object is incomparable.

"The girl, I must tell you, was one of the most healthy looking girls I have ever seen. We doctors know at a glance where health has its abode.

"I took a dislike to the colonel—naturally perhaps, for he seemed to guard his daughter with exceeding sternness. He disliked me, too, it was plain. I shall never forget how he used to watch me and frown. Though I was in love, I was not quite devoid of reason and could find many excuses for the man's apparent antagonism. Doubtless he wanted a quiet time, as I did. Besides, the colonel might well have imagined at times that I followed them. It had really reached that stage with me that I felt despondent when I could not see them. Of the colonel's wife I need say little—she seemed to be an unusually modest, quiet, even timid, woman.

"For two weeks I had to be absent from Kew on business.

"On returning, my first visit was to the gardens—to the rhododendron walk. They were a splendid sight, but I saw nothing of them—I was looking for a face. Just as I reached the open I saw three figures coming from the direction of the grove of bamboo.

"I fancy I betrayed my feelings a little—I could not help it. I was shocked, almost paralyzed, to see the girl, upon whose image every fiber of my brain had dwelt, supported by her mother, pale, sickly, utterly broken down in health.

"She looked at me—oh, what a pitiful look! Her eyes were unnaturally large and unnaturally bright. Her face had become thin; its color had deepened. She was plainly suffering from some sort of slow fever, a fever that was consuming her strength little by little.

"Later in the day I was at the railway station, getting some books from Smith's library. I saw the colonel at the ticket office. He was inquiring for a ticket to Holyhead. He did not see me.

"It occurred to my mind all at once that I might see his wife and daughter by themselves next day. Perhaps I should have a chance to introduce myself in my professional capacity. That night I concocted all sorts of plans. In the morning I was in the gardens early. As the time drew nigh that those who I wished to see arrived I was close to their customary gate. They came somewhat late, and I followed them. I felt mean—very mean—in doing so.

"They made their way to the quietest place in the gardens—the rhododendron valley. There is a fountain beside the path to it. They stopped at it. I saw the elder lady take a handkerchief, saturate it at the fountain and apply it to the girl's forehead as she stood beneath the arching shade of a yew tree, leaning against a branch of it. Presently they proceeded slowly, I following. Fortunately there were no others at that early hour to see me. The two disappeared round a turning into the valley. As they did so I saw something white fall. When I reached it, I found it to be the handkerchief.

"Well, as I am telling the story, I had better tell it all. I put the handkerchief to my lips and kissed it. To my amazement an odor came from it that I had smelled but once before and had never forgotten. It was the odor of the 'Thug plant.'

"It was a fortunate thing that I had traveled in the east. While doing so I met a lady, the wife of a Madras artillery officer, who told me that she was on the point of death. She described her sickness most carefully. None of her doctors had been able to cure her. She had done some service to the 'medicine man' of the station. He was noted among his caste for skill in curing by means of herbs. He begged that he might see the lady and at last was allowed. He entered the room, looked at her, went about in an amazing manner, smelling everything on the bed, the upholstery, the rugs, curtains, blinds, and reached the window. There he pounced upon a plant that the officer's wife had had for many years, having brought it from her own English home. The 'medicine man' plucked from the pot a small weed that had not been attended to. With a cry of delight he said that the sahib's wife would live.

"I sought out the medicine man," continued Wilmore after a pause, "and after some persuasion he told me that the weed he had found was of the sort supposed to be used now by thugs instead of their former strangling cord. Its odor was poisonous, was emitted only at night; must be inhaled from the plant or from some article saturated with it; that the thugs covered the plant during the night and collected the poison.

"Now, in the handkerchief I had picked up in the gardens I recognized the odor of the plant—unmistakably it was the smell

"That evening the director of the gardens was to hold an at home. I decided to go, to confide in the director. It came to me like an inspiration that the 'Thug plant' might be in the gardens. I found the director's house crowded—it was an old fashioned place, partly in the gardens. When the host saw the urgency of my case, he arranged with some special friends to take his place in entertaining the guests. Then he listened patiently to all I had to say, making particular inquiries concerning the 'Thug plant.'

"'We have a specimen,' he said. 'If you come with me, we will obtain more information about it.'

"In a few moments we had crossed Kew Green and entered the herbarium, having with us the curator, one of the guests. We consulted there a ponderous book and read all about the 'Thug plant' and its properties. Then we went to a department containing a multitude of drawers, labled and numbered. An envelope, or 'capsule,' was produced. As the curator opened it I exclaimed:

"'That's it! I smell it from here!'

"'Has any one lately inquired about this plant?' asked the director.

"The curator again consulted the books.

"'There is an entry here—yes, Colonel —— called, made special inquiries about the "Thug plant," and was taken to see it in the palmhouse.'

"The director asked its number.

"'9063,' was the reply.

"'We will go to the palmhouse,' said the director, 'and have a look at "9063" and see if it has been disturbed. I believe it is a good size. It is some time since I saw it on its arrival.'

"He procured a dark lantern and the key of the planthouse. We started for it. The director told me what he knew of the colonel and his family. It had occurred to me many times how little the girl resembled the colonel. She was his stepdaughter, I was now told. The director's wife knew the girl's mother. She had married a second time. In a few months on coming of age the girl would inherit a considerable fortune—the reversion of her property in case of her death would be to the mother—'and that,' said the director, 'means the colonel.'

"We were going through the herbaceous garden and just emerged into an avenue when we saw a figure passing rapidly into the cypress walk.

"'Who's that?' said the director in a low tone.

"'The colonel!' I answered, grasping his arm.

"'What is he about?' he asked.

"'Let us follow,' I said, 'and carefully. He may be after the plant.'

"Down through the avenue of cypress trees we kept the colonel's shadow in view. Then we watched him passing along the margin of the ornamental water. The shrill cry of a startled sea gull made us clutch one another.

"'Let us stand here,' said the director. 'We can watch the house well.' We stood by a magnolia. The colonel, with rapid strides, made for the great house of glass. He had to cross a wide, unsheltered space. My companion had had his doubts, but the identity of the figure was now too clear.

"'It's he!' he ejaculated.

"The colonel went round to a side entrance. We glided round also to keep him in view.

"'Why,' said the director, 'he's in without a key! Some one has been bribed. We will go to the opposite door. I know where the plant is.'

"We went. Outside the door we removed our boots. Taking them with us, we crept in like burglars.

"In a few moments we reached the foot of a winding iron stairway, partly hidden by creeping plants and the surrounding palms and shrubs. We ascended noiselessly.

"Presently the director caught my arm, stopped me and pointed below. There was the colonel. He was leaning against a palm trunk looking down intently at a bush covered by a white cloth.

"For five hours we remained there, stirring only to ease our positions.

"As morning approached we saw the colonel look at his watch, which he had done many times, then remove the bandage from the plant, fold it, place it in what was plainly an oilskin case and put it in his pocket. He left it as stealthily as he had come. So did we.

"We followed him to his house. He opened the door with a latchkey.

"Before he could close it we were on the step. He had no time to refuse us admittance.

"'Colonel,' said the director, 'we must speak with you.'

"'Why now?' he answered.

"He was shaking with fear. The surprise was too much for him. He stammered, lost his voice and presently lost control of his muscles also. He recognized the director, and doubtless he knew me also. We held him, each by an arm, brought him into the dining room and put him in a chair. He was in a pitiful condition. I saw what was coming on; it was paralysis of the brain.

"I need not say that his stepdaughter recovered. I believe she is gossiping with the director's wife at this moment. When she returns presently, I'll introduce you. She's my wife."—Exchange.

Didn't Measure Them.

Isaac Bromley once ran "against a snag" while lecturing in Litchfield county, Conn. As I recall the story, he was lecturing before a local institute upon the subject of a trip he had recently made to California and the Yosemite valley, winding up with a beautiful description of the Bridal Veil falls, which so charm all who visit them.

As he took his seat he was surprised to see the gentleman who had presided over the meeting step forward and say, "In accordance with our usual custom, we will now be glad to hear any questions that the lecturer may be desired to answer in relation to the subject upon which he has been talking."

At this a tall, redheaded man rose in the audience and with a rasping voice said, "I would like to ask of the lecturer the exact height of the Bridal Veil." Bromley, who had expected nothing of this kind, and was never strong in details as to figures, was entirely taken by surprise, but gave no sign thereof as he rose and advanced to the front of the platform and coolly answered, "I did not measure them, but as nearly as I can remember the exact height is 361 feet 9½ inches." No further questions were asked of that lecturer.—New Haven Register.

Russian families when moving to new homes kindle the fire on the hearth with coals brought from the old residence.

THE GRAVE OF RORY O'CONOR.

Last high king of Ireland, buried 1198 at St. Fechin's monastery, Cong, County Mayo.

Clear as air, the floods of Corrib
Evermore their old, unchanging song
Murmur from their stony channels
Round O'Conor's sepulcher in Cong.

Crownless, hopeless, here he lingered;
Noteless years went by him like a dream
While the faroff tide of conquest
Murmured faintly as the singing stream.

Here he died, and here they tombed him,
Men of Fechin, chanting round his grave.
Did they know—ah, did they know it—
What they buried by the western wave?

Now above the sleep of Rory
Holy things and great have passed away
Stone by stone the stately abbey
Falls and fades in passionless decay.

Darkly grows the quiet ivy
Where the broken arches glimmer through
Dark upon the cloister garden
Dreams the shadow of the ancient yew.

Through the roofless aisles the verdure
Flows, the meadowsweet and foxglove bloom:
Earth, the mother and consoler,
Winds soft arms about the lonely tomb.

Peace and holy gloom possess him,
Last of Gaelic monarchs of the Gael,
Slumbering by the young, eternal
River voices of the western vale.

—T. W. Rolleston in Spectator.

KNOWING FIRE HORSES.

How They Learn to Start With the Jigger and Get the Swing.

The intelligence of fire horses is well known. A most knowing animal of this kind is described by Sewell Ford in "Horses Nine." The author says of him:

Other things besides mischief, however, had Silver learned. Chief of these was to start with the jigger. Sleeping or waking, lying or standing, the summons that stirred the men from snoring ease to tense, rapid action never failed to find Silver alert. As the latter shank slipped through the bit ring that same instant found Silver gathered for the rush through the long, narrow lane leading from his open stall to the poles, above which, like great couchant spiders, waited the harnesses pendent on the hanger rods.

Once under the harness Silver was like a carved statue until the trip strap had been pulled, the collar fastened and the reins snapped in. Then he wanted to poke the poles through the doors, so eager was he to be off. It was no fault of Silver's that his team could not make a two second hitch.

With the first strain at the traces his impatience died out. A sixty foot truck starts with more or less reluctance, but when once the tires caught the car tracks Silver knew what to expect. He and his team mates could feel Lannigan gathering in the reins as though for a full stop. Next came the whistle of the whip. It swept across their flanks so quickly that it was practically one stroke for them all. At the same moment Lannigan leaned far forward and shot out his driving arm. The reins went loose, their heads went forward and, as if moving on a pivot, the three leaped as one horse.

Left to themselves, each horse would have leaped at a different instant. It was that one touch of the lash and the succeeding swing of Lannigan's bulk which gave them the measure, which set the time, which made it possible for less than 4,000 pounds of horseflesh to jump a five ton truck up the street at a four minute clip.

HOBSON'S WORK.

If Hobson will now raise the Colon, the praise of his countrymen will never come to a full stop.—St. Louis Republic.

While he is about the work of lifting the sunken wrecks off Santiago Hobson might give the Merrimac a boost.—Detroit Journal.

It took Mr. Hobson a long time to make a raise. There are lots of people who are qualified to sympathize with Mr. Hobson.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

All that seems necessary is to mention to Lieutenant Hobson whether it is desired to have the ship come up or go down.—Washington Star.

Constructor Hobson has shown himself an engineer of the very first order. Yet under the foolish and antiquated system of our navy, being a staff officer, he can never be given executive command on board ship and has only nominal rank.—Philadelphia Press.

Unpleasant Choice.

A traveler through southern swamps learns many things from his guide—caution among the rest.

One man, noticing that his guide tapped with his foot each hollow log and stump in a certain pathway before stepping on or past it, inquired the reason.

"Looking out for snakes," was the reply.

"What kind of snakes?" asked the traveler, with an unpleasant sensation along his spine.

"Moccasins," returned the guide.

"What makes you walk on the logs or so close to them, then?" demanded the uneasy traveler. "Why don't we walk off there, where the ground is solid?"

"Well, you can try it," said the guide, launching a vigorous kick at a stump and then mounting it. "You moughtn't sink below yer waist, and then ag'in you mought."—Youth's Companion.

The Roman Aqueducts.

The Roman aqueducts were marvels of architecture. The Ahio was forty-three miles long; the Martio forty-one, of which thirty-eight were on 7,000 arcades seventy feet high; the Claudia was forty-seven miles long; the arches 100 feet high. The Roman aqueducts brought 40,000,000 cubic feet of water daily into the city, and the various sections of the metropolis were supplied with water by 13,504 pipes.

The New Zealand local option bill provides that every man convicted or being a habitual drunkard shall be photographed at his own expense and every publican in the district be supplied with a copy.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Gregg, of Ohio, U.S.A., is a guest of Mrs. Alex Davie.

J. B. Elliott is building a fine new house for John Honeyman.

Donald Kean returned home, Saturday, from a visit to friends in the Royal City.

Bert Arthur came over from the Terminal City, Saturday, to take in the threshing.

Miss Mae Jordan left, on Wednesday last, for Custer, Wash., on a visit to relatives.

Miss Ella Stainton left, Sunday, for Victoria, where she will attend High School.

R. Shaw returned home, Wednesday, after spending a few days holiday in the Terminal City.

Misses Clara and Mabel Lord returned here, on Saturday last, to take up their duties of teaching.

W. J. Mathers, manager of the Brackman-Ker Co., New Westminster, paid a short business visit here last week.

F. Butterfield, of Vancouver, a cousin of Mrs. Robt. May, came over, Saturday, on a short visit to Robt. May.

What about shooting notices? Some of these old ones need repairing. Bring them along and get them re-covered.

Miss Eva Alexander, of Vancouver, was a visitor, last week, to her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Beadleston, Slough road.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Dixon returned to their home in Vancouver, on Wednesday last, after spending the holidays at Boundary Bay.

Mrs. T. D. Calhoun and sister, Mrs. Dixon, of Calhoun, N.B., returned home, Wednesday, after spending a few days here the guests of Mrs. J. F. Stainton.

R. W. Fleming, late teacher in the Ladner school, has returned to B. C. again and has taken up his home in Sidney, V.I. It is a very difficult matter for anyone long resident in B.C. to content themselves in the east.

Geo. O. Dennis returned home, Friday, after a very successful trip through the Northwest. Mr. Dennis reports the crops there as looking fine but late. Cutting in general will not begin until the first of next month.

R. L. Reid, of Vancouver, paid a visit here, Saturday, in company with — Moore, intending to meet the Council re the V. V. & E. right-of-way on the River road, but there being no meeting on account of everyone being busy threshing, the matter will come up at the next meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Brandrith and daughter, Miss Fanny, drove up to New Westminster, on Wednesday last, to attend the nuptials of Angus D. MacKenzie, of Vancouver, and Miss Minnie Love, second daughter of Councillor Love, of East Burnaby, which took place at St. Mary's Church, Sapperton, the paster, Rev. Mr. Dunlop, officiating. After a sumptuous breakfast at the residence of the bride's parents, the happy couple left on the G. N. R. to spend their honeymoon visiting the Sound cities.

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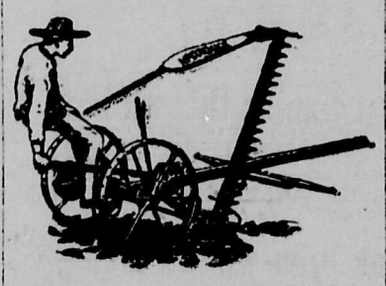

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