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HIGH EXPLOSIVES.

Ludicrous Blunder by a Nanaimo Pastor and Paper.

At a public meeting held in Nanaimo Tuesday evening one of the speakers was The Leader's estimable friend, the Rev. W. W. Baer. He made serious charges against the E. & N. Railway Co. As is well known to everybody in this district Mr. Baer dearly loves a joke, and can make a good one on occasion. Therefore, it is a source of exquisite pleasure to the Leader to be able to turn the joke on Rev. Mr. Baer.

A few mornings ago, Rev. Mr. Baer told the meeting, he was travelling to Victoria, and when the train stopped at Ladysmith he got out to admire the scenery and moralize over the sad fate which had consigned him to residence in Nanaimo instead of in this lovely and salubrious spot. Walking meditatively along the line of cars, he came to one next the engine which looked like a freight car, and on examination proved to be one. The keen, aquiline eye of the astute clergyman next caught sight of a label on the side of the car, and the spectacle made his hair run cold and his blood to stand on end like the quills upon the fretful porpoise, or bristles on a brand new paint brush.

The label bore the awful legend "High Explosives, handle with care; liable to go off any old minute; kindly stand from under."

Rendered speechless by the sight, unable to enquire of the conductor, station agent, or other railway officials if the car really contained the political election material thus thundered in the index, the reverend gentleman retired to the rearmost edge of the rearmost seat in the rearmost car of the train. There he hung on by his eyebrows and the skin of his chattering teeth all the way to Victoria, quivering with mortal terror, offering up prayers at every jolt, and thinking it was kingdom come every time the train did round a curve or tooted its whistle.

So the reverend gentleman told that meeting in Nanaimo. His last condition when he tottered ashore at Victoria was infinitely worse than his first at Ladysmith. And all the way down he was dumb before the man who could have told him, the conductor, that the label had been left on, overlooked, by trainmen, that the car was filled with tubes for the machinery of the tug Lorne, and that the reverend and exceedingly credulous passenger was acquiring grey hair and premature heart trouble over highly non-explosive material.

But the great heart of that Nanaimo meeting throbbed with virtuous indignation when they thought of the awful peril the reverend speaker had gone through in order to secure a rattling good, sensational story for their entertainment. He scored the E. & N. Railway most unmercifully, the local papers said, for their heinous carelessness with the lives of their passengers in running a car of solid iron tubes down to Victoria along with the passenger cars.

The Herald swallowed the story, fine, tall, claws and all and also waxed exceedingly wroth at the scandalous conduct of this railway company in thus treating their reverend passenger to a pipe (tube) dream. The Herald came out Thursday morning with a rip-snorting editorial of the regular whirlwind, Arizona type in which the E. & N. Railway Company is kilt entirely for its tabular carelessness. The editorial is as full of facts as Mr. Baer's narrative to that great public meeting.

As to the modus operandi of the railway company in handling explosives. Never under any circumstances is explosive sent on passenger trains; only on certain days is it sent by freight and, then the most elaborate care is taken to pack the car with sawdust and other materials to reduce the effects of motion to a minimum. Ammunition for the Royal Navy, black powder and other explosives for merchants along the line, are handled with the utmost care so that the danger of accident is lessened as much as possible. In short, on no railway in America is this class of freight handled with greater care than on the E. & N. Railway.

Reverend Baer, Reverend Baer, You must really take care, When spinning romance of the rail, to see your narrat ion as better foundation. Than most of your wonderful tales. Nan. Herald, Nan. Herald You are green to this world, To swallow each pious invention— You must get at the facts And not be so lax; Or shortly you'll suffer suspension.

COL. BOND'S DODGE.

Trick by Which Insurance Companies Were Cheated.

Last winter all Canada was thrilled with horror at the story of the awful death of Colonel Bond, of Montreal, son of Archbishop Bond, the Anglican Bishop of Quebec. The unfortunate gentleman was burned to death in his splendid mansion not far from Montreal, and only his calcined bones were found in the ruins. These sad relics were duly buried with all the honors that sorrowing friends could offer.

The Leader has been privileged by Mr. Conway, of the Ladysmith Custom House, to copy portion of a letter just received from his son, Mr. E. J. Conway, who is studying in Montreal. It foreshadows the big story which will be along next week in the Montreal papers, and is worth perusal. Mr. Conway says:

"There is a lot of talk here about the clever swindle that took place some time ago and has just been found out. Colonel Bond, son of Archbishop Bond of this city, owned a fine country house near Montreal, whither he went one night last winter. During the night the house took fire and was burned to the ground. Colonel Bond's bones were found amongst the ruins a few days afterward. Both Bond and the house were heavily insured, and as a matter of course, the money went to his wife. There was a grand funeral, and that was the end of the incident.

"A few days ago a man who had been Bond's partner committed suicide, and papers, etc., found on his person go to show that Bond is now in Mexico, and his wife is on the way to join him. "How is that for romance? I was reading the epitaph on Colonel Bond's tomb yesterday. Alas! You can never tell the contents of a sausage by its overcoat!"

"A SCRAP OF PAPER."

Different Dramatic Critics Puzzle The Leader.

When a representative of The Leader was in Nanaimo last Wednesday he sought some information regarding the performance by a local company of amateurs of the celebrated comedy, "A scrap of Paper," in the Opera House on Tuesday evening. He got it, as follows. One gentleman who is deeply interested in the success of the little company, and who took part with it in the performance said:

"Although I say it myself it was a beautiful performance. Every member of the company did splendidly, and all went well. It deserved a better house. In spite of the fact that we ran a little behind financially the play was an artistic success."

When walking down Commercial street after hearing the foregoing interesting and satisfactory account of the affair, the Leader man almost collided with another gentleman who was also very much interested in that performance. He was walking along with his head bowed in deep thought, and his brow corrugated as if wrestling in spirit with some philosophical problem. He said:

"Say, were you at that show last night? No. Well you're a lucky man. Why? Well, of all the rottenest, burmest, silly exhibitions you ever saw that was the champion. It was a frock from curtain to curtain, and it is a wonder the audience did not storm the platform and try to lynch some of those stiffs. I think any gang of barn stormers is quite safe to show here here after that horror."

In great distress of mind the Leader man went his way with the strong adjectives of the adverse critic ringing in his ears, and determined to wait for the Free Press, that peerless and incomparable dramatic critic, which takes precedence as such even of the Vancouver papers, which formerly held the record for gaucherie in that line. Here is how the Free Press sums up the situation. It is a gem of neutral, non-committee judgment; saying nothing and meaning nothing, like a Victoria Times editorial:

"The play proved a difficult one to present by an amateur company and in consequence members of the company were in some instances criticised rather severely for what should possibly have been attributed to the fault of the playwright. Most of those taking part in the play have before been seen in the amateur performances in the city, and they last evening acquitted themselves in their usual style.

A COLOSSAL DEFICIT.

Vast Shortage in The Imperial Funds.

The statement showing the revenue and expenditures presented in the house of Commons on Monday, by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, when opening the budget announcements, showed a total ordinary expenditure for 1902-3 estimated at £129,150,000, with war charges amounting to £45,450,000, making a grand total of £174,600,000, which is £12,993,000 below the total for 1901-2.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer estimated the total deficit for the present year at £26,824,000. To the deficit must be added sixteen to seventeen millions additional war expenditures. The Chancellor says if he had hopes of a happy result from the conference in South Africa, he had put them aside. Preparations for the continuance of the war were the best guarantee of peace. The income tax is increased a penny in the pound sterling.

He estimated the war revenue for this year on the basis of the present taxation at £147,785,000, not including the cost of gratuities at the end of the war, the transporting of troops home, etc.

There is no increase on the duty on sugar. The sinking fund is to be suspended. The grand total of the deficit is £26,000,000.

The duties on wine, beer, tobacco and tea are not changed.

A penny tax is imposed on dividend warrants and two-penny stamps must be placed on checks instead of one penny as heretofore.

A duty of five pence per hundred weight is imposed on flour.

The sum of £32,000,000 will be borrowed.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer denied that the registration of duties on wheat (not corn as previously bulletined) and flour violated the principles of free trade, or would increase the cost of food. He thought the duties had been recklessly abandoned and declares their remission did not reduce the price of food.

The duty on meat is five pence per hundred weight.

The revenue from the new taxation is expected to be £5,160,000. After borrowing £32,000,000 the Chancellor of the Exchequer will make up the deficit by drafts on the exchequer.

A duty of three pence per hundred weight is imposed on all imported grain.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Important Resolutions Passed on Thursday Night.

At the adjourned general meeting of the Board of Trade on Thursday night the following resolution was moved by Mr. W. H. Mason, seconded by Mr. Freel and unanimously passed:—

To the Editor of The Leader:—Resolved that this Board do not agree with nor recognise the assertions made in the letter signed, "U Nones O'wright," in your issue of the 16th, and deprecate the use of Mr. Dunsmuir's name in the communication."

Mr. Coburn's motion was also unanimously passed as follows:

"That this Board ask Mr. Ralph Smith M.P., to press the claim of the Comox and Cape Scott Railway for a Dominion subsidy."

The secretary forwarded a copy of the resolution to Mr. Smith yesterday morning. The committee appointed to confer with Mr. Dunsmuir reported they had not been able to see him, and were discharged.

Lost in the Woods.

News was brought to town on Thursday evening that Mrs. Scriven was missing, having gone up to the waterfall and probably lost her way. A strong search party was immediately formed and proceeded with lanterns to search the woods near the ravine. Mrs. Scriven was found about eleven o'clock quite exhausted sitting on a fallen log a considerable distance from the trail. She had been preparing to spend the night in the woods, and was overjoyed to hear the calls of the searchers. Mrs. Scriven is none the worse for her unpleasant experience.

Archdeacon Scriven desires to thank all who so kindly assisted in the search for Mrs. Scriven on Thursday night.

If you have any old silver plate that deserves preservation send it to me and I will make it as good as new. Lively, the leading jeweler, First Avenue.

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MINERS' EIGHT HOUR BILL.

Again has Imperial Parliament been thwarted in its benevolent design of introducing amongst the miners of the United Kingdom the benefits of the eight hour law, enjoyed by the miners of Vancouver Island for years past.

The Miners' Eight Hour Bill has had a parliamentary history of seventeen years. Outside Northumberland and Durham it enjoys the support of a largely preponderant body of opinion among the miners.

It is not regarded by Liberal colliery owners as hostile to themselves. In fact the bill was introduced by Mr. Jacoby, a Derbyshire coal-owner, and supported by Mr. Markham, a Nottingham coal-owner, both of whose collieries would be affected, and both of whom are Liberals.

Colonel Pilkington, Conservative member for the Newton division of Lancashire, said in the House that the "miners had a very good time"; and a London Tory newspaper added to this that the "miners made a guinea a day, worked half the year, and made holiday the other half; while some who only made seven shillings a day took only three months holiday."

The speaker and writer are evidently ignorant of the fact that those English miners have to work lying on their backs in damp and contracted spaces, their scanty clothing dripping with the water from the roof and the sweat from their bodies, their eyes and lungs choked with dust, shut out from the light of Heaven and exposed to the risk of fatal accidents. But that is the real Tory way of talking about labor.

Modesty is not conspicuous by its presence in the Boer requests for peace. They seem to be under the misapprehension that they have come out at the big end of the horn. Ultimatum writing has spoiled their style.

Smith Curtis threw down his gun and refused to play any more at the Royal Commission business, and Richard McBride is two feet shorter since the House rejected his no confidence motions. The horse and the country have no confidence in Mr. McBride. We have confidence he will grow some more and learn sense yet.

INTERESTING ANNIVERSARY.

The Leader heartily compliments its venerable contemporary, Nanaimo Free Press on the completion of its twenty-eighth year, and hopes that it will endure as long as Nanaimo has a name on the map.

THE LABOR CONVENTION.

Informed observers of the labor question in this province, especially on its political side, do not hesitate to declare that we are within measurable distance at least of that unanimity of action which is certain to exercise a most profound effect upon the personnel of parliaments.

Year by year labor has been growing more and more intelligent; more enterprising; taking a larger grasp of its enormous possibilities, until at this time it is as absurd as it is gratuitously insolent to speak of or regard the workman as one of inferior education or mental capacity.

We earnestly hope that Labor will always use its giant power at the polls and in the legislatures of the land with wisdom, moderation and conscientious care for the rights of others.

MEMS FOR WOMEN.

Lawn, foulard linen, muslin, of which costumes are already being made for the summer, contain the most charming appliques imaginable, when broderie is not used.

Princess petticoats are now made quite straight in front, and without an atom of fullness at the back. Empire petticoats have short bodices in camisole fashion, fastened with a drawing ribbon below the bust, and tiny straps form the armholes.

Flowers will be much worn during the summer season, and even the toques prepared for quite early spring are bright in color and much trimmed with foliage or blossom.

The flower hat is the feature of the moment; there are flower turbans, shapes entirely covered crown and brim with flowers, also broad low toques of chiffon and tulle or of straw encircled with flowers.

Many of the newest evening and dinner gowns have a shirt-yoke; that is to say, that the hips are imprisoned in a yoke of passementerie, a trelle work of velvet ribbon or lace.

Fine watch repairing is my specialty. Entrust your watch to me and I will fix it for you at reasonable prices.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

Senator Templeman Will Introduce Union Label Question.

Seven members of the present United States Congress are Canadians. Six of them were born in Ontario and the seventh in Nova Scotia.

PROVINCIAL.

Smith Curtis accuses Judge Walkem, Royal Commissioner of gross unfairness and favoritism. The dispute may go to Ottawa.

BRITISH.

Two hundred and six smallpox patients were under treatment last week in Glasgow.

The largest floating dock in the world 545 feet long and 100 feet wide, was recently launched at Newcastle-on-Tyne to supersede an old dock at Bermuda.

Government are asking tenders for 370,000 pairs of army boots.

It has been resolved to establish a Conciliation Board in Dundee for the settlement of disputes in the textile industry.

In addition to the 40,000 or 50,000 troops to be drafted into London for the coronation, there will be a naval brigade of 1,750 officers and men, comprising 80 officers, 170 naval cadets, and 1,500 petty officers and men.

Only the steel bullets of the Austrian Mannlicher rifle, it has been found, can pierce the bullet proof coat of finely textured silk recently invented by M. Szepanik, now in England.

The Executive Council of the United Kingdom Alliance has passed a resolution recording its hearty approval of the Government's temperance bill.

Passengers may now travel two and one-third miles for a penny on the Glasgow Corporation tramcars.

UNITED STATES.

Andrew Carnegie offers New Westminster \$15,000 to build a library, and \$1,500 a year for maintenance.

During the year half a million Oregon salmon eggs were sent to New Zealand and successfully hatched.

After falling 300 feet down a shaft at Hibernia, N.J., Andrew Michaeliquo, a miner, is still alive and chances are good for his recovery.

The Ohio legislature has repealed the Garfield Corrupt Practices Act, aimed to secure purity in elections.

Reciprocity with Canada is becoming an insistent question in the United States, particularly in New England.

SPORTING NOTES.

Happenings in the World of Sport and Pleasure.

BASEBALL.

The Western League will open on the 23rd April.

The Eastern League is offering large salaries to induce players to jump from the American Association.

The New York National Club offered LaJoie \$7,000 a year for three years to desert the Philadelphia American. He refused.

The National magnates would not deny that a fund of \$100,000 had been set apart to fight the American organization.

The National League season will open April 17 and close October 4. The schedule has 140 games, ten at home with each of the others. The season will open in the west.

The Montreal Mascots expect to put a team in the Northern New York League.

There are 40 conflicting dates between the National and American Leagues.

An attempt is being made to re-organize the Canadian League circuit of last year.

FOOTBALL.

This evening on the Bunker Grounds the Shamrocks and Rushers will again try their mettle in a game of Association football.

The losers will have to pay for a recherche supper in the Grand Hotel, and the winners will kindly assist them to get away with the wittles as guests of the evening.

At Belfast 12,000 persons witnessed the annual football match between representative teams of the Irish and Scotch Associations.

Long before the start of the game the crowd invaded the field of play and considerably delayed the proceedings and hampered the players.

The match ended in a victory for the Scotch team by five goals to one.

Who Understood.

"Ignorance," remarked young Borem, "they say is bliss."

An Offset.

A asks B to lend him 50 cents. B has but 25 cents and gives that to A. A accepts it, remarking that he will trust B for the balance.

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COLLEGE BRED WOMEN.

Do They Lack the Charm of Manner Men Admire?

The question of the college girl in society is of equal importance with that of the college man in business, for as business is the vocation of most men so "society," using the word in its broadest sense and including in it all the "social" relations, claims so much of the time of many women that the few who take to "public careers" can safely be left out of the discussion. They are exceptional cases and do not affect the main point at issue. It is in her duties as friend, hostess, wife and mother that woman usually finds the larger part of her existence, and if her attractiveness and usefulness in the discharge of these duties are impaired by her devotion to purely intellectual pursuits most men feel and express an unqualified dissatisfaction.

It is asserted that many college women are found to lack that charm of manner and those graces of everyday life which men desire and demand. A woman may be learned, but if she cannot talk small talk, which is the largest part of talk, if she cannot manage a crowd of men and women in her drawing room, if she is without social tact and if she has no interest and skill in the small things of ordinary existence, but is continually leading the higher life, it is a sad but indisputable fact that her men friends will, to use their own low expression, "pass her up." They do not want that kind of woman.

In a man all corresponding defects would be excused for the reason that his life work lies in other directions. This is perhaps exceedingly unjust, but, like other things in this world, its injustice is no proof that it does not exist. A man who falls in his social relations may still be a useful person. Such is not the case with the vast majority of women.—Chicago Tribune.

Utilizing a Recess.

How to tastefully dispose of a recess in a room is often a vexing question, yet the illustration here given shows how it may be easily and cheaply done. Three shelves are placed at intervals in the proportion of those shown, and the front is filled in a manner which gives opportunity for the introduction of fretwork. The bottom space would be a very convenient



A RECESS FILLER.

position for a trash basket. In the center division a cupboard could be constructed, the handles and hinges of which would look well in copper or brass. When finished, the whole could be stained and varnished or enameled according to taste.

Four Women's Just Complaints.

A young woman lingered in a store elevator the other day after it had disgorged its crowd. "Seventeen is the limit," she said to the elevator man; "you took in more than twenty." "You have collected six fares without ringing up one," said a lady to a street car conductor. "I am responsible for two; please ring them up." "I do not care to discuss the matter here," said a tall college girl to a hackman. "I will pay you what you ask, take your number and make investigation later." "Waiters six and eleven," reported a woman to a hotel clerk, "fall to serve me civilly when I do not fee them."

These four complaints, all overheard in one day, seem to confirm the rumor that American good natured indifference is waking up.—Youth's Companion.

Things the College Girl Missed.

A girl who had been very clever at college came home and said to her mother, "Mother, I've graduated, but now I wish to take up psychology, philology, biblics." "Just wait a minute," said the mother. "I have arranged for you a thorough course in roastology, bollology, stitichology, darnology, patchology and general domesticology. Now put on your apron and pluck that chicken."—Modern Society.

Renovating Chiffon.

Chiffon when soiled can by a process of steaming be made to look almost as well as when new. Take a sheet of cardboard (the lid of an old box will do) and pin the fabric length by length on to it. Steam well, and when nearly dry remove it from the cardboard and press under a heavy weight.

White Petticoats.

If you draggle a white petticoat in muddy weather, don't let the mud dry in it. Rinse it out immediately and rinse it thoroughly. Mud on wool goods should dry, then be brushed off and the stains removed with soap and hot water if the fabric will bear it.

PAYING SOCIAL DEBTS.

People Who Have Small Houses or Board Can Do Their Share.

Some people say they are not situated so they can entertain. Certainly their situation must be peculiar. Entertaining is hard work and to some extent unselfish. Now, human nature is inclined to shirk when it can. Almost anybody can do something. It need not cost much. Your house is too small? Give small things. Society is very lenient and grows good natured over a sandwich and a cup of tea. It is "entertaining" to hand lemonade to a caller now and then. It is odd how such things are remembered. A matinee ticket does not cost a fortune, or when you meet a friend up town how hospitable you can be by simply inviting that friend into where you can rest, get an ice and smell flowers—all for a trifle.

Be ashamed to receive forever and give nothing. And don't imagine for a moment that your selfishness is not noticed, says the Philadelphia Press.

How much meanness and laziness hide behind the "Oh, I am boarding, poor me! I can do nothing." Indeed! It is ever so much easier and cheaper for you than for those who keep house. You can ask a friend to your hotel. The dinner will be at most a dollar and a half, and you have neither trouble nor responsibility, while your guest will enjoy the change just as you do "this good home cooking" when somebody spends \$5 to get up a meal especially for you.

Another thing. Don't be offended when you are left out of small affairs. In a busy place most women in society know several hundred people, and possibly like a hundred very much. It is a great puzzle sometimes to know how to choose twenty out of that hundred. Even an intimate opposite neighbor can't expect to be asked every time.

Of course if you never entertain at all you should be doubly tolerant. And never ask invitations for strangers unless they are visiting you or the circumstances are exceptional. Do something for them yourself, and don't use your friends to amuse your acquaintances. These friends perhaps prefer their own.

Does this sound sharp? These things and worse happen every day, and every one of us is more or less guilty.

Cultivate Reading Habit.

Reading should form a considerable element in a young woman's recreation, for not only is it a pleasure while one is at it, but there is nothing that will educate one so quickly. One or two hours a day is none too much to spend with substantial literature—essays, history, poetry, political economy or historical romance—and the reading habit, once formed, is a joy forever. Possessing it, one need never know a lonely hour; one's books become one's friends, and from the hour or two spent in reading one unconsciously acquires a studious disposition.

Reading an essay, for instance, you come across a name or a word that is either entirely unfamiliar or is remembered dimly. The name or word perhaps appears frequently, and you naturally wish to read understandingly. Your only course to acquire your end is to spend a few moments with the encyclopedia or the dictionary. In those few moments the searcher is certainly richer in knowledge by more than the information she started out to find. Such reading cannot help but be educational, and a self-search for information is a dozen times more beneficial than knowledge sought and gained without personal effort.

Appreciation.

How often we hear these words: "Well, what's the use? I do the very best and yet never hear a word of encouragement." They are echoed and re-echoed in every walk of life. How many wives there are in the world who have hung over hot stoves until they were half cooked in preparing something nice for John, who gobbled it down in a silence that was the only proof of how well it pleased him. There are men who have been toiling for years that those honored and beloved beings, their wives, might enjoy every possible luxury, and yet in return they hear nothing but complaints about the hardness of the life to which they are condemned. And so it is on every hand, men and women longing for one kindly expression from a grateful heart that would mean new life and redoubled effort to the strugglers. Too often we forget to speak our feelings until it is too late and the ears that have been listening so long for one little word of praise are deaf to all earthly sounds. Better one appreciative sentence in life than a whole volume of eulogies.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Be Affectionate and Don't Mind.

Charlotte Bronte's word of advice to women, matrimonial wise, is every bit as applicable today as it was when it was first written:

"I know that if women wish to escape the stigma of husband hunting they must act and look like marble or clay, cold, expressionless, bloodless; for every appearance of feeling of joy, sorrow, friendliness, antipathy, admiration, disgust, is alike construed by the world into an attempt to hook a husband. Never mind!"

"Well meaning women have their own consciences to comfort them, after all. Do not, therefore, be too much afraid of showing yourself as you are, affectionate and good hearted; do not too harshly repress sentiments and feelings excellent in themselves because you fear that some puppy may fancy that you are letting them out to fascinate him; do not condemn yourself to live only by halves, because if you showed too much animation some pragmatical thing in breeches might take it into his pate to imagine that you designed to devote your life to his inanity."

Plants and Flowers.

No modern home is complete without its quota of tropical foliage plants and flowers for decoration, and, while the great majority may not be able to stock a conservatory for their individual use, yet no woman whose desire is to make home the most attractive place on earth to the members of her own family should neglect to add the dainty touch to the dinner table that a centerpiece of ferns will give if she cannot afford to purchase flowers in midwinter. Palms, rubber plants and other specimens from the tropics are not so expensive if purchased when the plants are little more than shoots, and it is surprising how rapidly they grow if properly cared for, and since we have taken to camping on our own doorsteps in such a wholesale fashion in summer we cannot have too many of these decorative plants to make the piazzas a trifle less public. A beautiful plant in a pretty jardiniere makes an admirable gift for the mistress of a home.

THE HOME DOCTOR.

The rind of a fresh cut cucumber will give relief to tired feet.

A strong solution of borax applied twice a day will cure ringworms.

It is said that raw eggs and milk are a sure remedy for poison of any kind taken into the stomach.

Soft linen bandages saturated with a 1 per cent solution of carbolic acid is excellent for a blistered finger.

Cornmeal poultices are too heavy where there is great tenderness. Flaxseed and slippery elm should be used instead.

A good chillblain lotion is made by dissolving an ounce of muriate of ammonia in half a pint of cider vinegar. Apply it frequently.

When a cold first appears in the head, three drops of spirits of camphor in water every three hours will arrest the cold and give immediate relief.

A slice of bread soaked in boiling vinegar applied to the throat as hot as you can bear it the last thing at night, it is said, will cure sore throat before morning.

A simple remedy for a sore throat is one teaspoonful of water, one tablespoonful of vinegar and half a teaspoonful of red pepper, mixed together and used as a gargle every half hour.

One method of curing a corn is to tie a small pad of cotton wool dipped in linseed oil over it every night after washing the feet and leaving it there until morning. A bit of oiled silk tied over the pad will prevent the oil from soiling the sheets.

Frenchwomen Hunt Frogs.

One of the favorite amusements of French ladies at Constantinople is frog hunting. A large party is organized. The ladies all appear in costly Parisian toilets, with very high heels to their boots, and each carries a long bamboo rod. The gentlemen are got up in proper costumes for "la chasse" and bear sticks. Then they all adjourn to some marshy spot where frogs abound and begin fishing. The bait is a piece of raw meat tied to a string at the end of the bamboo.

The ladies do the fishing, and as soon as one feels that a frog has swallowed the bait she gives a violent jerk to the rod, which brings the frog out on to the land. The attendant sportsmen then fall upon the ferocious animal and slay it with their sticks. The ladies sometimes also join in the last fatal act, but the men always try to dissuade them, as in their excitement they frequently mistake a man's head or foot for the frog, and the sport becomes too dangerous.—London Telegraph.

A Week's Menu.

There was once a woman who begged that when she died there should be engraved upon her tombstone not "She hath done what she could," but "She hath tried to do what she could not."

How many poor tired housekeepers feel that they are preparing for themselves a similar epitaph as the oft repeated, ever recurring question greets them every morning, "What shall we have for dinner?"

An excellent plan which was given by a dear, delightful old creole lady and a most excellent housekeeper of this city, who has used it for years, is to write out a menu for the entire week and have it pasted upon the pantry door. It is thus handy for reference for cook and marketer and saves a great deal of worrying questions to and from dining room and kitchen.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Ideal Bedroom.

An ideal bedroom should be provided with the essentials for healthful sleep. The room should be as nearly as possible kept free from anything that would contaminate the air. The windows should be so arranged as to open at top and bottom. The floors should be bare and the rugs used on them so small that they can be taken out of doors with ease for cleaning and airing. Everything about the room should be washable. The bed should be light and fitted with strong casters, so that it can be readily moved. The mattress should not be too soft, and, above all, the room should not be overfurnished.

Dress Rules.

Says a French writer: "There are two methods that a woman can adopt for being always well dressed. The first is extravagant, consisting in being a slave to fashion and in ruthlessly spending time and money. The second is economical, consisting in having a few dresses well chosen, appropriate for the occasions that compose one's life, and these gowns should be so few that they last only as long as the season and permit their wearer to enter the following one with a new modest supply. Following this rule, one can always be in the latest fashion and always freshly arrayed."

Agnes Repplier's Cats.

Agnes Repplier, the essayist, has a remarkable collection of cats, only one of which, a prize Angora, is alive. Some of the others are relics of ancient Egyptian rites, and others again are souvenirs of Holland, Switzerland and Japan. Miss Repplier says that the reason the cat is not more generally extolled for fidelity and intelligence "is partly her own fault—she is so uncommunicative."

Oily Bottles.

When you wish to use a glass bottle that has contained oil and desire to remove the traces of oil, fill the bottle with ashes and place it in a kettle of cold water. Put the kettle on the fire and let the water come to a boil gradually. Keep it boiling for an hour and allow the bottle to remain in it until it gets cold, then empty out the ashes, wash with soap and rinse with clear water.

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THE CITY

"All is quiet along the Chemainu."
General Correspondent.

Nothing more tasteful than those beautiful new designs in tweeds and cloths has been seen in Nanaimo those at Caldwell's, Nanaimo's leading tailor.

Report comes from Victoria the South Nanaimo district gets \$10,000 in the estimates, and North Nanaimo \$7,500.

Watches, chains, jewelry of all kinds on view at Lively's, the leading jeweler, First Avenue.

John Mahrer and George Mottishaw of Nanaimo visited Ladysmith Thursday. Mr. Mottishaw is looking for a house here, as he contemplates moving down soon.

They all come back. Who? Why Caldwell's customers. They know where they can be certain of getting suits that fit, look stylish and don't cost outrageous prices.

For fit finish and style go to Caldwell, the well-known artistic tailor of Nanaimo. And the prices are right.

Time is money, and many a man has lost a fortune through putting up with a watch that got clogged up for want of a little oil and a spring cleaning. Lively, the leading jeweler, First Avenue.

Nanaimo's fashionable tailor, Caldwell of Commercial Street, has just opened out a rare display of new season's goods. Gentlemen should call and see the patterns.

Wednesday afternoon's train collided with a calf near Shawigan, and one of the passengers put the wounded animal out of misery by smiting it on the head with an axe. The calf ran on the track at a curve, and was caught by the pilot.

The latest styles in hair cutting and beard trimming at the Ladysmith Shaving Parlor, High street.

U. S. Revenue cutter Grant called in at Nanaimo harbor Wednesday with a party of notable people aboard. Mr. Consul Smith of Victoria went to meet them and returned home on Thursday morning's train.

C. B. Robelee has moved out of Campbell's old shack to the Berry block, First Ave., where he is better prepared to do work. C. B. Robelee.

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Local lovers of cricket are talking of meeting one of those evenings to form a club and try to get into the series of matches now being arranged.

The new school house now looms up like a cathedral with its spire, and is certainly one of Ladysmith's lions. It will be ready for occupation early in June.

Don't fail to see G. H. Cavin's samples of wallpaper at Captain Dillon's office, Esplanade. Choice new designs at astonishingly reasonable prices.

Many Nanaimo miners are seeking work at the Extension mines. All the men who have gone up are first-class workmen.

Lumber for the eight feet high board fence to be built around the Company's property at Extension, is going in there by carload from Fiddick's junction.

Now's the day and now's the hour to get your watch cleaned up for its long spell of day and night duty throughout the ensuing year. I make a specialty of grooming watches. Try me and be convinced. Lively's, leading jeweler, First Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis, of the Portland Hotel, are sparing no expense to make the grounds around their popular hostelry as pretty as possible. The huge stumps are being blasted out, soda are being put down and shade trees planted, and the place is already presenting a most attractive appearance.

The double train on Wednesday continues to be well patronized all along the line. The traffic last Wednesday was the largest, locally, since the commencement of the service.

Nanaimo is carrying out considerable improvements on Commercial Street near the bank block. Those improvements had long been needed.

Miss Agnes Deans Cameron, principal of the South Ward school, Victoria, is the authoress one of the most interesting and amusing of the articles in the new first readers, used in all Canadian schools and issued by Gage & Co., of Toronto. The article is entitled "Bumble Bee, Lady Bug and Other Friends."

Serious cause for complaint is being found in the section of the town known as the Chinese quarter, between the railway track and the bay. For a considerable time back the Chinese have been doing pretty much as they liked with their sanitary arrangements, and those are far from satisfactory from a civilized standpoint.

PERSONAL.

Duffy McGregor left for Mount Sicker Wednesday afternoon. He will work for the Lenora Copper Company.

Robert Allan went down to the capital on Wednesday afternoon's train to attend the performance of Haydn's "Creation," by local talent.

John W. Coburn, manager of the Ladysmith Lumber Co., paid a business visit to Nanaimo Wednesday, returning on Thursday morning.

William Beveridge, of the Grand Hotel was in Nanaimo on Wednesday. He returned on the afternoon train.

Mrs. Stephens of the Ladysmith Hotel made a trip to Nanaimo on the Wednesday train, and came home the same day.

Charles and Mrs. Young of Wellington have moved down to Ladysmith and have taken up their residence here.

Mr. Webster, the well-known miner, who left Ladysmith some months ago, has returned and will go to work in No. 3 Extension, where his tools, a brand new outfit purchased just before the explosion, have been lying ever since.

BASKETBALL.
Nanaimo Mosquitos defeated the Sixth Regiment (Vancouver) team in the opera house Wednesday night by a score of 33 to 15. The soldiers were poor shots.

LACROSSE.
The Canadian team easily defeated the Kent County, England, in the match at Oatford Tuesday afternoon, the score being 14 goals to 2. The passing of the visitors was the wonder of the English players and spectators. The Canadians have to meet Oxford, Cambridge, Leeds, Manchester, Belfast, Glasgow, Edinburgh and other British teams.

Sunday Services.
First Presbyterian Church—Regular services, morning 11 o'clock; evening 7 o'clock. Sunday school 2.30 p. m. Rev. W. A. Rae, pastor.

Methodist church—Services are held at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and 7.30 in the evening. Sunday school at 2.30. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Missionary services will be held in the Methodist church next Sunday evening.

Church of England—April 20th, 3rd. Sunday after Easter, 8 a. m. Holy Communion; 2.30 p. m. Sunday school; 7.30. Evening; No Service at 11 a. m. A. Scriven, Missionary-in-charge.

A Game For Two.
Once upon a time a young gentleman and a younger lady were alone in a bright parlor in front of a cheerful open fire, with a table between them, playing cards. As they continued to play and chat the table was not so much between them, for they both got nearer the fire and played the game on one corner of the table. They had started in to play euchre, but after an hour and a half they found that they were playing hearts. Moral—We are not always sure what the game is.

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