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Strong Probability That a Wealthy Syndicate May Establish Works Here.

For some months back it has been known that a paper manufacturing company has been looking around British Columbia with a view to finding a suitable site for the establishment of a first-class pulp mill and paper factory. The Leader learns that strong pressure has been brought to bear on the company to found their industry right here in Ladysmith, which presents a larger number of genuine advantages for manufacturing enterprises than any place, either on the Mainland or on the Island.

It is understood that the heads of the concern have been very favorably impressed with the proposals made to them; and that, so far as the negotiations have gone, Ladysmith stands as good a chance as any place in British Columbia of seeing the pulp mill and paper factory established here. What this means to Ladysmith they know best who know most about such establishments. The plants are most costly, and the number of hands employed is great.

Around Ladysmith there is a fine stock of the necessary spruce which is used in the pulpmaking operations, and there are in other portions of the Island large tracts covered with this valuable wood.

The Leader hopes to be able at no distant day to announce to the people of Ladysmith that the syndicate have decided to settle here.

EXTENSION SHORT LINE.

Everything Indicates That Work Is To Be Pushed Vigorously At Once.

Work on the Ladysmith-Extension short line will be recommenced and rushed to a finish as soon as the weather settles; probably about the end of February. In preparation for this work large quantities of ties and bridge timbers are being hauled to various points along the line daily. The plans for the bridges across Nanaimo river and Haslam creek are now ready.

The most important piece of work on the line will be the two-span bridge across Nanaimo river. This will be very substantially built. The centre of the bridge will rest on a pier built on a small island nearly in mid-stream and there will be a one-hundred foot span on either side. Already a considerable portion of the timber to be used is on the river bank, and more is going up every day.

It is also stated that there is to be one rather heavy cut, but the only one on the whole line, near Extension. Apart from this the line is practically level, all the way, and will permit of high speeds being made by the trains travelling between the two points.

The officials of the company say that but for the unfortunate accident at No. 2 last fall the road would have been in full working order probably by the New Year. When the new line is completed the present route to Fiddick's Junction from Extension, will, it is understood, be abandoned, the rails and ties to be utilized for part of the new line.

SMASHED THE FOOTPAD.

Mr. A. C. Thompson, of Ladysmith, Held Up, Knocks Out His Assailant.

Last Tuesday morning, Mr. A. C. Thompson, who has been foreman of The Leader composing room since the founding of the paper, but who has had to remove to Nanaimo this week, and has temporarily severed his connection with the Leader staff, had occasion to go up to Nanaimo on the early train, leaving here at six o'clock. He walked up the railway track from Fiddick's to the point where the old track leading to the Southfield colliery passes under the E. & N. Railway. There Mr. Thompson struck off eastward to join the main road to Nanaimo.

It was a bleak, misty morning, and dark as the inside of a black dog, the traveller being just able to discern the track as he walked along at his usual brisk pace. When he came to a place on the road where the trees and underbrush stand very thick and close to the road, Mr. Thompson heard a slight noise at his left which caused him to turn his head sharply.

Dawn was just opening, and in the shadowy light he caught sight of the figure of a man looming out indistinctly against the swarthy foliage. At the same instant a rough voice exclaimed: "Here, hold up there!"

Mr. Thompson who was armed with nothing more formidable than a natty little umbrella with a steel shank, which he carried in his right hand, without a moment's hesitation left-wheeled and dealt the fellow a blow in the face with the umbrella, throwing all his force into the cut. With a lightning twist of the wrist he then plunged the point of the umbrella, bayonet fashion, into the stranger's midships, causing him to double up with a sonorous grunt and to disappear backwards into the bushes. The track at that point is somewhat elevated, and the man made quite a racket as he floundered down the slope.

So hearty was the stroke and the punch delivered in true cavalry sabre style by Mr. Thompson that he was not sure whether he had done the man a serious injury or not, and so stood listening for a few moments. Then, hearing nothing, he called loudly, but received no answer. He thought that he heard some one sneaking cautiously away through the thickets below, but wisely refrained from pursuit in such a place and in such a light.

It was so dark that Mr. Thompson had no chance to get a look of the pad, if the stranger were one, and besides the whole affair was over in less than five or six seconds. It is surmised that the man may have been wanting to ask the way or to borrow a match or enquire the time, but he certainly received a sharp lesson in daybreak etiquette and lonely road ceremonial that time.

On the other hand he may have heard Mr. Thompson's rapid footsteps, and the evil thought seizing him, stepped into the shadow with the object of assuming an undue share of the white man's burden.

On arriving at Nanaimo Mr. Thompson promptly reported the affair to Chief Crossan, and the police have now the matter in charge. So far no damaged wayfarer has reported himself for repairs, and to claim that he, not the other fellow, was held up, and this lends color to the belief that the man who attempted to hold up Mr. Thompson had felonious intentions.

Mr. Thompson's umbrella is much bent near the point, probably from its spirited excursion among the vest buttons of the would-be Claude Duval.

HON. MR. DUNSMUIR.

Interview by Miners' Committee at Extension Yesterday.

On the noon train yesterday from Victoria was Hon. James Dunsmuir. He did not stop at Ladysmith but passed on to Extension. Mr. Harry Carrol of the Alexandria miners' committee boarded the train here to interview Mr. Dunsmuir, but was informed that Mr. Dunsmuir intended to speak with the members of the committee at Extension the same afternoon. Accordingly the committee went up on the afternoon train and held a lengthy conference with the premier. The interview was in progress when The Leader went to press last evening.

CROFTON'S TOWNSITE AGENT.

Captain D. McIntosh of Ladysmith, has been appointed townsite agent at the town of Crofton, Osborne Bay. Captain McIntosh will assume his new duties at once. He will probably be in Ladysmith tonight.

MR. AULD GETS IT.

Position of Superintendent School Building Awarded to Him.

Mr. James Auld, the well-known Ladysmith contractor and builder, has just been notified by the Lands & Works Department, Victoria, that his application for the position of superintendent of the work on the new school building at Ladysmith had been approved by the Department. The work of clearing the lots has been completed and the stone for the foundation is now on the ground. Work on building the foundations and stone courses will be started early next week. The stone is fine quality freestone, and when this portion of the work is finished it will present a very pleasing appearance.

Mr. Rabeles was also an applicant for the position of superintendent, but Mr. Auld's application was put in much earlier.

Victoria Poultry show had only 400 entries. Nanaimo's will have between 800 and 1,000. The show will begin Tuesday next and continue until Thursday evening, 23rd inst.

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WHY B. C. IS A FAILURE.

Is British Columbia a failure? That is the startling question which is beginning to awaken the people of British Columbia out of their deathlike torpor and cause them to enquire into the causes which lead up to the very patent fact that this province does not show anything like the progress that it should with the advantages that it is said to enjoy. We shall in the following extracts from a masterly article on the condition of mining affairs in this province, from the pen of an undisputed authority show the causes which are ruining mining in this province.

The article is by Mr. W. M. Brewer, correspondent of the New York Mining and Engineering Journal, and it is his annual report of the conditions prevailing in British Columbia during 1901. The article, which is in the January number, is exhaustive, most impartial, speaks the truth without bitterness, and if British Columbians will only heed its candid advice they will see to it that a stop is put to the abuses which are keeping this province in the background. We regret that the limitations of our space forbid us publishing the article entire, because we consider it to be quite as important as anything which has ever been published about the affairs of this province.

After a lengthy and critical review of all the conditions obtaining in this province during the past year, regards mining, Mr. Brewer sums up the reasons which in his opinion are operating to the detriment of mining development in British Columbia, as follows:

- First—The purchase prices paid for mineral claims by English and Canadian companies have almost invariably been from 50 to 400 per cent. greater than should have been paid.
- Second—Lack of conservatism by examining experts in measuring and valuing ore in sight.
- Third—Unrest among the laboring classes, caused by agitation provoked by so-called labor champions amongst the politicians and walking delegates of the labor unions.
- Fourth—The fact that extensive areas

of mineral bearing lands are tied up by being held by men who have either not sufficient confidence in their own country, or sufficient enterprise, or who lack the capital to develop their numerous mineral claims, but yet place such an exorbitant value on undeveloped prospects that no experienced, conservative operator can consider a proposition to purchase. These mineral lands return comparatively no revenue to the province.

Fifth—The fact that the province is passing through the same experience as have all older mining communities, and which may be designated as the period of "teething in infancy," or that period when heavy conservative operators await the results demonstrated by developments, and the opportunity to acquire properties at their actual value, instead of the speculative values which have been paid by less experienced and more optimistic operators.

Different reasons exist in different districts, for example—the prime cause in the Aitlin district has been litigation; in the Similkameen district lack of railroad transportation; on the coast lack of development, and prohibitive prices asked for prospects with possibilities.

VANCOUVER ISLAND ALONE.

Viewing the troubled sea of politics, and the commercial disputes and rivalries in this province, one is constrained to believe that the statement of Confederation made a serious blunder when they included in the Province of British Columbia the Island of Vancouver. How much better it would have been, at least for this island, had it been erected into a separate province, like Prince Edward Island, or had it remained a crown colony, like Newfoundland. Its destinies seem to lie along different paths from those which are to be followed by the Mainland.

Vancouver Island as a distinct province would have pursued a course free from all the vexatious entanglements with the Mainland. The development of the resources of this island would have been task sufficient for the energies of the finest people, and the reward of their industry would have been magnificent. The progress of this island has been retarded by the interposition of Mainland affairs, which have engrossed so much of the time of the legislature.

Had this island had its own legislature, and its own system of development, it would rank at the present day as one of the brightest jewels in the Imperial crown. But as we have said, Island affairs have been overshadowed by those of the Mainland; while the Kootenays, Cariboo and other districts of the province have been exploited to the fullest extent, the virgin areas of mineral and forest lands in the Island have barely been explored.

As the Province of Vancouver Island this would have been the chief centre of maritime activity on the Pacific Coast; no doubt railways would have penetrated into all parts of the island, and rich mining areas which have not yet been tapped would be yielding their wealth. But Vancouver Island seems fated to be dragged along at the tail of the Mainland, and to be embroiled in Mainland quarrels in which it can have little or no interest.

There was a little impetus in Impero here in the West, had the statesmen of the days of the Union only seen that the geographical position of the Island made it naturally into a state by itself. But the damage has been done, and no doubt Vancouver Island will

have to make one of an ill-assorted team to the end of time.

IMPERIAL UNITY.

Now that the gift made by Canadian statesmanship to the British Empire, the idea of imperial two-cent postage, has been proved to be a good thing, both for the people and for the Government, why not carry the idea to its logical consummation and make the postage stamps of all countries within the Empire the same? And when that has been done why not make the coinage of the Empire one, instead of so many? If those things were accomplished it would pave the way for the adoption of a universal language throughout the Empire.

It is true, the English language is spreading, with so much rapidity that the time cannot be far distant when all the races which enjoy the protection of the British flag will speak that language. The moral effect of using the same postage stamps and the same coinage is great; such uniformity serves to impress upon the people the British ideal a thousand times a day, and to keep strong the British sentiment.

The trouble would be, of course, to adopt a coinage that would be acceptable to all portions of the Empire. We on this side of the Atlantic, would scarcely like to return to the barbarous system still in vogue in the United Kingdom; and the prejudice over there against the decimal system is very strong. Still, some compromise could be arranged. The main thing is to unify the interests of the Empire in all things. There are now too many dispartes in the imperial economy, and it is the wisest thing to remove them wherever possible.

The motto of Prince Bismarck: "Ohne kaiser kein Reich," no state without a head; that is, let everything within the state conform to one ideal, is the best idea. Bismarck found it the very best formula for his imperial projects, and his success is proverbial. Make all things in the way of public utilities within the Empire uniform, and strong links are forged for binding the distant portions and peoples of the Empire more closely.

The time may come when these things will be seen more clearly than they are at present.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

"Flannelled folk at the wicket, and muddled oafs at the goal" is a line from Rudyard Kipling's latest "poem" on the Boer war. He is referring, if you please, to the very same gentleman whom he has so fervently apotheosized in former "poems"—to the officers of the British army. Well, we never had that superior intelligence that enables one to admire Kipling. Persons who were aforesaid insane, quite mad, on the subject of Kipling, now are "real cross" with him.

Mr. J. W. Hawthornthwaite, M.P.L., has been demitted from his employment in the New Vancouver Coal Company, but at the same moment he has gone up ninety per cent. in the esteem of intelligent and thinking Nanaimo. And it was not "following in the footsteps of (that great man) Ralph Smith, M.P.," that did it, but differing from the said Mr. Smith on a matter of conscience. Yet some people say Ralph Smith is losing his influence.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

The Coronation Oath.

Editor Leader:—In answer to a request made by "M" you published in your last issue "What Edward VII will be requested to swear at his coronation." No doubt it must have been a puzzle to many of your readers why this oath has raised such a storm of protest, not only from Catholics but also from non-Catholics. Allow me, therefore, to ask you as a favor to publish for the edification of the general public what His Majesty has sworn at his accession and, if I mistake not, will have to swear again at his coronation. It is against this oath that all right-minded people do protest.

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Over speech of anger and scorn and pride,
But never a word in my heart remembered
As I sit with myself at the close of day,
Has pierced with repentance more unavailing
Than have the words I did not say.

The word of cheer that I might have whispered
To a heart that was breaking with weight of woe,
The word of hope that I might have given
To one whose courage was ebbing low,
The word of warning I should have spoken
In the ear of one who walked astray—
Oh, how they come with a sad rebuking,
Those helpful words that I did not say.

So many and sweet; if I had but said them,
How glad my heart would then have been;
What a dew of blessing would fall upon it
As the day's remembrances gather in;
But I said them not, and the chance for ever
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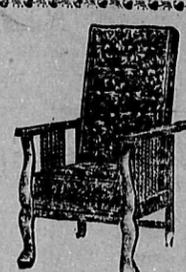
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 [Probably our correspondent will find in Rev. Fr. Verbae's letter the portion of the oath he set as—Ed. Leader.]

Captain Murray Protests.
 Editor Leader:—In this town of general improvement and go-aheadiveness we have a great want or need for local supervision, especially as regards the issuing of liquor licenses; those should only be issued to those who can and do maintain a control over the business. They have no right to make people crazy drunk and so annoy the public, and that on credit, too.

All ship masters are more annoyed by their men being made drunk (on credit) in this port of Ladysmith than in Victoria or Frisco. The low system that some two or three proprietors have of giving any amount of liquor to sailors of ships on credit so as to render the men incapable of their duties, and ultimately fessce them, is too low. No licensing authority should issue licenses to such men—to retail the chemical concoctions they have. I feel proud to number among my friends some of the Ladysmith proprietors, those who seem to allow any business that would endanger the character of their house or would annoy the public, for a little gain.

Ship masters coming to Ladysmith have a small moral claim that they shall not be annoyed, nor their men be made drunk on credit. A drunken man will sign anything so he obtains the chemical concoction which passes under the names of whisky, etc. I am well known here, and I am compelled to say, owing to what I style the low whisky mill, there is more trouble, bother and annoyance in Ladysmith, than we have in such ports as Victoria or Frisco. Yours, &c.

GEO. W. MURRAY,
 Ship Kinross.

He Kicks at McKechnie.
 The following letter has been sent to Nanaimo Free Press by a Comox Liberal who believes in avoiding circumlocutory diction. The Leader might answer that it is the very same identical Dr. McKechnie, as marked in the invoice:

Editor Free Press:—A Dr. McKechnie in Nanaimo has written me asking me to call a meeting of the Liberals in this district for the purpose of choosing delegates to the Vancouver Convention. Please inform me if this is the same Dr. McKechnie that is the head of the Nanaimo Company Labor Party, and who, as such, has opposed Liberal candidates in the past two elections? Also, if it is the same person who, after the Liberals of Nanaimo decided not to send delegates to the Liberal Convention in Westminster in 1897, sneaked over to the convention and had himself placed on the Provincial Liberal Executive, and as such now claims the right to be a member of the approaching Convention without election?

If it is the same doctor you can inform your readers that he is not recognized as a Liberal in this district, and we have no intention of being led by the nose by him or any of his Company clique in Nanaimo. The Liberals here are competent to make their own preparations for the convention without the suggestions of this party straddler. I don't feel complimented that he wrote me, thinking I was so ignorant of the political history of Nanaimo as to be a willing party to his impudent interference.

COMOX LIBERAL,
 Comox, Jan. 9th., 1902.

The Premier's Letter
 Editor Leader—Every reasonable man in British Columbia, more particularly those who are British Columbians by right of birth, or long years of residence in the province must be more than satisfied with the programme as recently given by our present local government, of course we except the place-hunters, those who have eyes to grind and railway charters to gain or peddle. After such a signal wiping out of all their objections, after such a kick in that part that Hudibras says hurts honor the more, I was curious to see in what form their dying venom would exhale itself. Only jeers, gentlemen, with a pronounced shirking of every question at issue.

There is one question I would dilate upon in this communication, that is the position of our province financially with the Dominion. Thousands of men in this province have been convinced for many years so far as confederation is concerned that we are paying too dear for our whistle. Seeing that whatever resources the province has are inherent, to itself, to none do we owe one jot of gratitude for these advantages. At the risk of being branded a traitor and by the way some writers have a very facile way of slinging epithets of whose broad meaning they seem to be ignorant, I assert that we have sold our birthright for a mass of potage and a pot of very

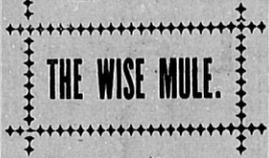
mean herbs at that. I contend every man being a true British Columbian should hold up both hands in support of the men who are the first in their position that have had the courage to place a plain statement of facts before the Dominion Government as to the treatment we have received.

No man, be he a thousand times a Canadian, can feel a warmer glow of pride than myself when I think of our great confederacy from ocean to ocean with limitless possibilities for the fostering of a great and happy people. But alas for we British Columbians, there is more poetry than bread and cheese in the idea and there is at all times an underlying thought that chills our patriotism, and that is that the Dominion Government has hitherto treated us as a careless if not as a harsh step-mother.

Think of the facts—150 millions borrowed to which we affixed our hand and seal, but not a cent of benefit derived; 12 millions in a score of years wrung from a few struggling pioneers; for these also we did not get a single stiver. Happily men are to the fore now who will persistently force these facts before the Dominion Government.

I say again that a man who will not support these men is recreant to his own interest and the welfare of his children.

Z.
 Ladysmith, B. C., Jan. 10th., 1902.



While surveying the country round Negrin, at the entrance of the great desert, south of Tunis, I had one of the funniest experiences of my life. The Arabs, as all know, are the shrewdest thieves on earth, and the Bey of Tunis, to prevent me from being robbed and possibly killed, gave me an escort of "grooms" or independent cavalry from the tribe of the Ouled-Nails. This escort, composed of twenty well-mounted men, was commanded by an old Sheik, Si-Mohammed-El-Moktar, who thought it more convenient to ride a mule. It was the only animal of that species in camp, and to my great surprise I discovered that the Arabs always kept at a respectful distance from their chief and his long-eared steed. I found also that Si-Mohammed took particular care of his mule.

One day a box of instruments and a gold watch disappeared from my tent. We were in camp, many miles from an oasis, and there was no doubt I had been robbed by a man from the escort. I complained to the Sheik, who at once called all the Arabs around his tent and told them of the theft, requesting the culprit to return the stolen property within an hour. I could do nothing without my instruments, and as I had little confidence in the Sheik, who did not appear to be very much concerned about my loss, I wanted to search the tents. The Sheik, however, objected, saying: "You wait one hour, and if the box and watch are not returned, my mule will find the thief."

As I expected, one hour elapsed, and neither box nor watch were in sight. During that time the Sheik had led his mule inside his tent, where he remained apparently holding a secret conference. All the men saw the performance and began to be nervous. When the Sheik left the tent at the end of the hour he called again the escort around him, and asked for the thief to produce the box of instruments and the watch. Nobody answered, notwithstanding the threats of a sound flogging. "Very well," said the Sheik, addressing the men, "I'll have to refer this matter to my mule. Each one of you will go inside my tent and pull the mule's tail; if he has stolen the Koum's property he will be kicked so high that he will remember the occurrence all his life."

When I heard that astonishing speech I began to believe that the chief of my escort was having some fun at my expense. But what could I do? The men went to the tent one by one as directed, but from our position we could not see the pulling done, the door of the tent being closed after the entrance of each Arab. As a matter of course, the mule kicked no one, and I was ready to search the camp instead of waiting any longer, when the Sheik ordered the men to face him in single line. Passing slowly in front of this line, he examined closely the hands of each man until he reached an Arab whom he called "Belkassam."

"You are the thief!" he said to Belkassam: "what have you done with the box and the watch?"

The accused vehemently denied the accusation, but to no avail. The Sheik ordered him to be at once flogged until he would tell where the stolen property was. In a few minutes Belkassam confessed, and my instruments, as well as the watch, were found buried in the sand outside of the camp. I was dumfounded.

I did not believe for a minute in the supernatural power of the mule, but I wanted an explanation. "Easy enough," told me the Si El Moktar confidentially, "but do not give the secret away. All the men of my tribe believe that my mule possesses the gift of divination. I

knew that the thief would not pull the mule's tail for fear of a kicking. So what did I do? I simply put some perfume on the tail, and in examining the hands I could tell by the smell that Belkassam was the thief because he had not touched the mule's tail; he was afraid to be kicked." I must add that the old Sheik had the reputation, which he justly deserved, of being a very wise man.—Karl Melite in "Akbar."

NOTABLE PROVINCIAL NEWS.

Chief Justice Angus McColl died in Victoria yesterday.

Mayor Manson was elected mayor of Nanaimo for the second term.

Mayor Hayward was elected mayor of Victoria for the third consecutive term.

Socialist of Nanaimo refused to vote but wrote "Socialist" across the face of the ballot.

Rossland Labor party failed to carry the day in that camp.

It Was a Job.

From all points comes protests against the holding of a Liberal convention at Vancouver on the lines proposed by the provincial executive of the party. This does not bode good to the party, for if its leaders insist on a policy that does not meet with the approval of the rank and file, the party cannot hope to win in a contest. The leaders at the Coast do not want to conduct an election on party lines. They want to gain power through forming combinations that will make them independent of a man named Joseph Martin, who today is the strongest Liberal in the province. His personal following is double that of all such would-be leaders as Templeman, Bodwell, and Davies combined, and they know it, hence their attempts to stifle the party's wishes in a convention made up of delegates in no sense representative of the party.—Nelson Tribune.

He Sympathized.

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Mistress and Maid.

Nothing amuses me more than to see a woman who is under the thumb of her house girl. She is common enough, for she has a horror of housework and does foolish things to keep a competent girl. Now, girls who are forced to battle with the world for a living are no fools, and they feel the fear of an employer, and they recognize the weakness, as horses and dogs will, and sometimes take advantage of it. When hiring anybody, it is well to state just what is expected and what will be given in return and then live up to it. A worker wants her wages when they are due; she wants her afternoons and evenings when they are promised. She appreciates any little favor that can be extended on the hard days when there is washing or ironing. She likes praise and resents unjust censure and altogether requires much tact in the handling. I have seen women to whom no servant in the world would think of being anything but respectful. I have seen others who could not command a respectful bearing from their own children or their pet animals. Think this over and try to find out in what class you belong and if in the bad class begin the reform right away.

Enlightened Motherhood.

The time is coming when an exalted conception of motherhood will prevail as the most important and sacred of all the functions given to woman. Enlightened motherhood will be complemented by enlightened fatherhood, and science will come to their aid with all that it has learned concerning parental being. Invention will have simplified household as it has agricultural labor, or co-operation will have extended to housekeeping as it has to business, and the home will then become a sanctuary for the young child whose surroundings will be ideal and who can be trained and molded right from the cradle. Then will "the staller Eden come again to man;" then will human fatherhood and human motherhood take on something of the fullness, tenderness and divineness of Godhood, and then will the children born into the home have trooping about them such divinities as were never, never thronged on old Olympus.

What Does the Baby Weigh?

There is no specific detailed table of infants' weight from day to day; but, as a general rule, a child doubles its weight at birth by the fifth month and triples it between the twelfth and fourteenth months. If a child is without fever and no apparent disorder of digestion, but fails to gain in weight, it points strongly to consumption, and the feeding should be forced. If the infant is nursing, it would be better to try bottle feeding, as no doubt the mother is consumptive and will intensify the tendency in the child. The fact that neither the father nor mother has any apparent symptoms of consumption is no proof that the child has not the disease. By a strange freak of nature diseases may skip one generation to appear in the second—that is, the father and mother may be apparently well and healthy, yet if the father or mother of either parent has had consumption or other similar diseases it may appear in the children of their children.—Los Angeles Herald.

GROW OLD GRACEFULLY.

A Few Simple Rules, Including a Little Self Denial.

To grow old pleasantly and gracefully it is necessary to recognize the fact that one is getting old and that therefore one should spare one's life accordingly.

To begin with, to be beautiful one must have a contented mind, and as this has very much to do with the bodily health this should be taken care of.

One need not be a faddist or a fidget, but even the youngest girl ought to begin to prepare for a beautiful and healthy old age by using discretion in diet.

Indulgence in quantities of unwholesome, though perhaps pleasant, sweetmeats and other indigestible foods will slowly but surely ruin the best of complexions, which as time goes on will become thick and coarse or, even worse, pimply.

To retain a good complexion and digestion, for the two generally go together, the food taken should be simple, but nourishing, and at regular hours. Promiscuous meals are to be avoided, and as a general rule stimulants should not be taken.

Warm milk will be found an excellent pick me up when needed.

The elderly woman must remember that she cannot undergo as much fatigue as she could a few years ago and that she should while taking regular walking exercise be careful not to overdo it.

She should also be careful to have sufficient sleep, and if she should chance to have to keep late hours she should take a rest and a sleep during the daytime.

Cold, too, must be guarded against, and therefore the elderly woman should wear underclothing of wool or silk.

Wrinkles of course will come, but no woman as she gets on in life need wish to be without them, for they really give character to the face. If after forty years there were no lines there, it would surely denote a want of intellect if not a want of heart.

For the complexion there is no cosmetic to equal rainwater, and the daily tepid bath should not be forgotten.

As to the hair, that should be the color nature intended it, for thus it harmonizes with the complexion, and dyeing it is invariably an artistic mistake.

Sleep eight hours every night if you can. Few people realize the value of sleep. Take a warm sponge over every night before going to bed. Use a small, hard pillow only or if you can do without one altogether. Attend to your general health and take regular exercise every day.—Home Chat.

Didn't Find Her Honey.

A young married woman from the south who was visiting New York with her husband left him in their hotel room one morning while she went on an errand. She was not accustomed to big hotels nor to big New York, but she got back without mishap in half an hour and knocked at the door. There was no response.

"Let me in, honey," said the young woman, knocking more vigorously.

Still no response.

"Honey, let me in," called the young woman, redoubling her exertions. "Honey, honey, let me in."

She rattled the knob and shook the door and pounded with both fists, but there was the silence of the grave on the other side. The young woman's voice rose to half a cry.

"Honey, aren't you there? I want to get in. Honey, open the door."

Then arose from the other side of the door a deep bass voice with a resentful note in it.

"Madam," it said, "this is not a beehive. This is a bathroom."—New York Sun.

It Turns Music.

An automatic music leaf turner has long been desired, and the want seems to be supplied by the invention of Robert O. Hammond of Depew, N. Y. It is so arranged that the pressure of a key with one finger causes a metal arm to turn the leaf over. Another touch will cause the leaf to turn back again if the player on



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piano or any other musical instrument desires to repeat. By an ingenious arrangement of springs and wires a piece of music of considerable length is made to present itself page after page to the performer simply in response to the touching of two or more keys.

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For Stained Fingers.

Moisten dry starch with glycerin, rub parts starch to one of glycerin, and rub upon stained fingers. The result is magical. Some stains require frequent applications of the remedy, but even so it is good to know something which removes the traces of soil from fingers which have ripped old dresses apart, scrubbed stained woods, peeled potatoes, dusted rooms and made fires.

Ladysmith, B. C.

This beautifully situated town offers exceptional advantages.

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THE CITY

Captain McIntosh spent most of the week in Victoria on business.

Mrs. Dr. Watson visited Ladysmith yesterday morning, and went to Victoria on the express.

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

The Hotel Portland, will it is expected, be in full running order next week under the management of Mrs. Davis.

Nothing finer turned out anywhere than those winter suits and overcoats at Caldwell's, Nanaimo.

Mr. W. H. Mason, townsite agent, has returned from an extended business trip to Victoria.

Caldwell, the Nanaimo tailor, is showing the finest tweeds and cloths for winter garments.

Mr. Foster, of Messrs. Foster Brothers saddlers and harness-makers, Nanaimo, visited Ladysmith Thursday.

Do you believe in your own goods? Then don't conceal the fact from the public. Advertise.

Mr. William Henderson of the Public Works Department, returned to Victoria from Nanaimo, Thursday morning.

For highest class jewelry and skilled repairing go to Lively, the jeweler.

Two young Nanaimo people well known in Ladysmith, Mr. Will Johnston and Miss Bennie of Central School teaching staff are to be married on the 18th inst.

Watch and clock repairing is my specialty. Send them to me and I will make them like new. W. H. Lively, First Avenue.

The ladies of the Ladysmith Church of England, intend to hold a concert to be followed by a dance and supper on Wednesday evening the 29th inst., in Oddfellows' Hall.

Still a few bargains left at Lively's the leading jeweler. Christmas and New Year didn't take them all.

A. McGregor, ex-Government Agent, Ladysmith, W. M. Brewer, of the New York Mining and Engineering Journal, Dr. Tolmie, V. S., Victoria, were passengers to the capital on yesterday's train.

Have your watch make a good resolution to keep correct time throughout 1902. Lively will attend to it for you.

Readers of The Leader who skip the "Voice of the People" miss some of the best things in the paper. The Leader's correspondents are well worthy of perusal. This issue has some specially good letters.

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NANAIMO POULTRY SHOW.

Something Worth Travelling From Ladysmith to behold.

Upwards of eight hundred entries have been received by Secretary Wilkinson for the great annual poultry exhibition to be held next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in Nanaimo City Hall. Amongst these are all the grandest birds on the Island, Mainland and neighboring states. That Nanaimo's show is the premier exhibition of poultry on the Coast is proved by the fact that while Victoria could score up only 400 entries Nanaimo will have close on a thousand. All interested in poultry will do themselves a serious injustice if they miss Nanaimo's big show next week.

Sunday Services.
Methodist church—Services are held at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and 7 o'clock in the evening. Sunday school at 2.30. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

The Baptist congregation meets every Sunday afternoon in Nicholson's hall. Preacher, Rev. J. W. Williamson. Everyone is heartily invited.

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

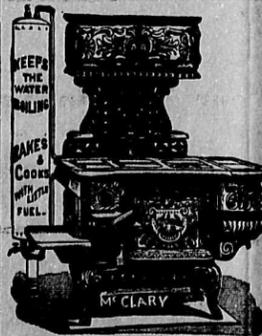
Anglican Church.—Sunday, Jan. 10th, 2nd after Epiphany. 8 a. m. Holy Communion; 11 a. m., Litany; 2.30 p. m., Sunday School. No evening service, the Archdeacon being at Extension. Ven. Archdeacon Scriven in charge.

Ladysmith Shipping.
Str. Tullus sailed for San Francisco on Thursday with her usual cargo of Wellington coal.

Ship Benjamin F. Packard will be loaded and ready for sea on Monday. She is bound for San Francisco.

Ship Kinross will probably be ready for her voyage to Kihel, Hawaii, next Saturday.

Extension
At a meeting of the subordinate and district lodge L. O. L. the following officers were installed for Western Star No. 1687 by A. Anderson, District Master: W. M., Bro. H. McKenzie; D. M., Bro. S. Furlong; Sec., C. Thompson; Chaplain, A. Seymour; Fin. Sec., D. McLean; Treas., J. J. Doherty; D. of O., D. McKenzie; Lect., McCollough. After the installation of officers the District Lodge session commenced, when some very important questions pertaining to the advancement of the order were discussed. The work for the year shows a good increase in membership throughout the district. The District Lodge officers for the year 1902 were then appointed and installed by Past Master, A. Anderson; D. W. M., Bro. Grant, Nanaimo; D. D. M., Bro. McLeod, Cumberland; Chaplain, Bro. Seymour.



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Extension; Sec., Bro. McInnes, Extension; Treas., Bro. Doherty, Extension; D. of C., D. D. McIntosh, Ladysmith; Lect., McKenzie, Nanaimo.
After the election of officers the Scarlet Chapter was opened and a few remarks given by the newly elected officers, when the lodge closed to hold its next annual session at Cumberland.

The Good Templars are going to have a social on the 24th inst., and have extended an invitation to Onward Lodge No. 2, of Nanaimo, to visit them on that occasion.

On Wednesday evening there will be an at home at Knight's boarding house, given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church. There will be games, recitations, songs, etc., after which refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Davis intends leaving Extension on Friday of this week and moving to Ladysmith where she will take charge of the Portland Hotel.

The mason work in No. 2 mine has been completed and the water will be run in next week. It is expected the mine will be filled in about two weeks if rainy weather comes, otherwise it will take longer. Immediately the water begins to run into the tunnel work will be commenced on No. 2 slope.

City Police Court.
Mr. George Thomson, stipendiary magistrate, fined a sailor off the ship Kinross \$2 for drunkenness this week.

The same day Charles Borgeas was charged with having stolen some sails, blocks and ropes from a boat belonging to Joseph Ferguson, Oyster Harbor. The case was dismissed on account of insufficient evidence to convict. The articles alleged to have been stolen have been recovered and restored to their rightful owner.

A. Anderson, B. L. Troufleur, and Gustav Larsen, seamen belonging to the British ship Kinross, were charged with refusing duty, being absent from ship without leave, and drunk and disorderly. All pleaded guilty. The magistrate ordered them to duty. They forfeit two days' pay and pay costs. J. Anderson, of the American ship B. J. Packard, was fined for being drunk and disorderly.

Bachelors' Entertainment.
A Bachelor's high tea and concert will be given by the ladies of the Methodist Church on Tuesday evening, Jan. 21st, to be held in the Oddfellows' Hall. Tea will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock, and the concert will begin at 8 o'clock. The ladies are endeavoring to make this a high-class tea in every particular, and the concert will be a mixture of choice entertainment, ranging from the sublime to the ridiculous. The best local talent are on the programme and some from a distance. Tea and concert 50c. Children 25c.

Hawthornthwaite and Smith clash tonight at Nanaimo for the heavyweight championship and the black diamond belt. Dr. McKechnie is timekeeper for the Labor-Liberal; Gerald H. Cross for the Labor champion. Dogberry rules to govern. Odds are offered on Hawthornthwaite.

SHIP KINROSS.
The Master of the Ship Kinross will not be responsible for any debts contracted by his crew without an order signed by him.
GEO. W. MURRAY,
38-3t Master, Ship Kinross.

REWARD!
The Government of the province of British Columbia hereby offers a REWARD of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) for such evidence as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who, on the night of the twenty-ninth ultimo, fired three rifle bullets through the window of the dwelling house occupied by Mr. Alexander Faulds, mine superintendent, situated at South Wellington, Vancouver Island.
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W. G. FRASER,
General Secretary.
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This Notice, in terms of law, is equivalent to a personal demand by me upon all persons liable for taxes.
GEO. THOMSON,
Assessor and collector, South Nanaimo Assessment District, Ladysmith P. O.
Dated at Ladysmith, 6th Jan., 1902.

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