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## LIBRARY AT LAST.

### Ladysmith's Long Lost Literature to Reach Town Today.

Last Wednesday The Leader received from Provincial Librarian E. O. S. Scholefield, Victoria, a letter to the following effect;

"I have much pleasure in stating in reply to your favour of the 8th. instant, that a travelling library will be forwarded to your address by the 9 o'clock train on Saturday next (today). A library would have been forwarded some days ago only for the fact that certain books which were to be placed therein were not received from the bindery until today. I regret exceedingly that there has been so much delay, but it has been unavoidable. Trusting that the books will be appreciated by the residents of Ladysmith, I beg to remain, yours very sincerely,—E. O. S. Scholefield.

The Leader can assure the people of Ladysmith that the selection of books in this library, which will arrive today, is splendid, and is calculated to appeal to every taste. Students of all kinds of sciences and arts will find something in those libraries to help them in their studies; fiction, history, biography, travel, works of reference, all find a place in the library. Mr. Jessup of the Ladysmith Pharmacy has prepared a convenient stand in his store, where all patrons of the library may look over and choose the books they wish.

A meeting of the library board will be held in The Leader office on Monday evening at eight o'clock. All signers of the application are cordially invited to be present. The business will consist of drawing up a set of rules suitable for the local conditions, and arranging all other matters for the proper management of the library.

## A THRIVING CONCERN.

### Messrs. Taylor and Haggart, Old Residents Here, Doing Well.

Last Wednesday a representative of The Leader paid a visit to the establishment of Messrs Taylor and Haggart, Yates Street, Victoria, to inspect the process of manufacturing iron bedsteads. This is the only establishment of the kind in Western Canada, and is therefore, worthy of a short description.

Mr. Haggart, who formerly resided here, courteously showed the Leader man around the premises, which are very extensive, and yet, at the rate of growth being experienced by the firm's business, will soon be too small for their purposes. With the exception of the ornamental brass-work used in the more expensive designs, Messrs. Haggart & Taylor manufacture every part of the beds sold by them. It is their intention to put in a brass founding plant at an early date so that they will be entirely independent of Eastern firms for their supplies.

They have a cupola furnace which is in daily use, the only one in Victoria so employed. All the matrices required for the fancy ironwork about the beds is made by the firm. They have a very elaborate outfit and a strong force of skilled mechanics under their personal direction. The enamelling furnace is on the best modern plans. The firm make all their own designs. Mr. Taylor being an expert in this department, as well as in the mechanical. He has several very clever and ingenious patents to his credit already, and his rare talents in this line are bound to redound to the advantage of the firm.

The show room is filled with the specimens of the firm's product, and no better are to be found in Canada. They have just filled an important order for the Protestant Orphanage in Victoria, and orders for their goods are commencing to come in from all parts of the province. The firm had a hard fight against difficulties and drawbacks at first, but they are now fairly round the corner and making entirely satisfactory progress. Mr. William Haggart is expected in Ladysmith shortly.

The Ladysmith Shaving Parlor High St. has received quite a nice touch of Mr. S. Rhodding's decorative art.

Mr. Guy H. Cavin makes an interesting announcement to the public of Ladysmith and neighborhood in this issue. Mr. Cavin has had a long experience with the best firms in Victoria, and is known as a thoroughly competent man at his trade. The manufacture of mattresses should prove a thriving industry in this district.

## STEAMER TO VANCOUVER.

### Reported That Ladysmith May Be Put In Direct Communication.

It is learned that the Board of Trade of Vancouver have laid a request before the E. & N. Railway Company that the steamer Joan may be allowed to visit Ladysmith twice a week. The proposal is that the Joan continue to call at Nanaimo four times a week, but to arrive and depart from this port on two days, to be specified, each week, carrying the mails, passengers and freight.

This would mean much to Ladysmith, and would certainly be the forerunner of regular daily communication with the Terminal City. The decision of the Company is awaited with much interest.

It is said in some quarters that some rearrangement of the train service might be made to meet the altered conditions. The Company it is expected will be prepared to return an answer to the Vancouver Board of Trade in the course of a few days.

## At No. 2 Extension.

With a plentiful supply of water and an uninterrupted flow into the slope the work of flooding No. 2 is proceeding as rapidly as can be expected. The stopping in the tunnel is holding well, and the leakage is not enough to affect the calculated results.

Provided that no interruption takes place the mine should be filled as high as is necessary before the end of the present month. When it has been allowed to remain in a few days the work of letting it away through the tunnel will begin, and this operation is expected to be completed in three or four days. Work on the upper levels of No. 2 is then to be started, and continued as the water recedes, and until the mine is once more empty.

The story in Nanaimo Herald about a narrow escape of some men near the stopping was published merely for the sake of sensation. The yarn had no foundation at all in fact, but was told to the Herald just to see what it would do with it. As usual the Herald "bit."

## Extension and Protection Disasters.

Strange to say neither of the Nanaimo papers, which made so very much of the Extension disasters, has a single word to say about the unfortunate affair at Protection Island mine. This is the Nanaimo papers' idea of fair play, no doubt; it is something like their intelligence, a negligible quantity. The Herald, particularly, at the time of the Extension calamities, surpassed even its own ruffianly record, and published as facts mere idle rumors without examination; it blackguarded Mr. Dunsmuir and all the officials as if it were being paid handsomely out of some secret fund for its abuse; it cited the Coal Mines Regulation Act, and howled like a madman for a thorough enquiry into the causes leading up to the explosion and fire in No. 2.

But this pattern newspaper has not a syllable to say about a disaster which may have the most serious consequences for Nanaimo. One of the Herald's most rabid supporters remarked yesterday that he hoped "that damned, infernal Ladysmith paper would not get hold of the facts concerning the fire in Protection and No. 1." Did the fellow think The Leader was like the Herald and Free Press, sound asleep and dead to the world? The Leader has its faults, every blockhead in the country thinks he can name them on his ten thumbs, but gloating over the misfortunes and troubles of its neighbors is not amongst The Leader's faults.

## 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. W. Tompkins. Everyone is heartily invited.

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## LADYSMITH'S PROSPECTS.

### No Place On Vancouver Island Has Any Better.

If the people of this town will only have a little patience, and not pay too much attention to the blue ruin talk of certain faint-hearted ones amongst them, they will soon see Ladysmith advance in a manner to satisfy the most sanguine of those who have never faltered in their faith that it is destined to be one of the most important places on the East Coast of Vancouver Island.

But for the unfortunate disasters at Extension last fall this town would even now be attracting the attention of the whole province, by its activity and expansion. The people must remember that while it was unfortunate for them, each in his small way, it was simply terrible for the Company. If those who are inclined to give way to despondency would only stop a moment to think of the loss sustained by Mr. Dunsmuir, and the splendid example of cheerful courage which he is displaying under such a trying ordeal, they would be rather inclined to feel ashamed of themselves.

The Leader has authority to say this much, that Ladysmith's prospects are well assured, and that within the present year the fulfilment of a great deal that has been promised will be seen. But for the troubles at Extension the short line would undoubtedly have been in operation; the repair shops would have been by this time established here, and there would not have been an idle man in the camp. The intentions of the Company were all that the most exacting could have desired, and it should be known to all that the Company have not in the slightest abandoned any of those intentions to make Ladysmith a place of importance.

All those things will be carried out in proper time, so there is no use in giving way to the blues. No place on this Island has a brighter future in store for it. The Tye smelter will assuredly be built. This The Leader states on the direct assurance of the manager of the Mining Company. To be sure that company are not making such a noise about the matter as their rivals are, but the reader can remember instances where great things have been done without a great deal of fuss.

None of Ladysmith's citizens want to see a boom here. Steady, healthy growth, a reasonable increase in business, population and prosperity are the things desired.

## PROTECTION SHAFT AFIRE.

### Serious Disaster at the Island Mine.

The people of Ladysmith have learned with very deep regret that on Tuesday morning a great fall of rock took place in Protection Island workings, Nanaimo, and this disaster was followed by an outburst of fire which spread with alarming rapidity. Water was immediately turned into the burning mine, and all day Tuesday it was pumped in steadily and in enormous quantities. It was expected that the fire would be put out before Wednesday night. The pumping out of the water will occupy a considerable time, and will hinder work in the mine for a while. The origin of the fire is difficult to ascertain. On Wednesday a number of miners trying to erect stoppings were brought to the surface unconscious. The fire was then making alarming headway. All work in the mine has been suspended.

A strong smell of fire was noticed in all the No 1 workings yesterday, and smoke is rising from Protection shaft. The men find it very hard to get forward with the stoppings as there are caves and falls of rock around the gobs that are burning. The white camp is reported very bad, and it drives back the gangs who are trying to put in stoppings. Every effort is being made to check the spread of the fire.

## Ladysmith Shipping.

Ship Antiope had not arrived in Ladysmith up to the hour of going to press, but was expected to arrive at any hour.

Sr. Victoria completed her load of Wellington coal and left for San Francisco yesterday.

Ship Two Brothers is nearly loaded with her coal cargo for San Francisco.

Ship Edward Sewall is to come alongside today for her coal cargo for Honolulu.

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—AND—  
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1902.

**BEAUTIFY THE CITY.**

Ladysmith has well passed the rough-and-ready stage of its history and is beginning to emerge. Some of those fine days it will arrive, probably to be known as one of British Columbia's liveliest towns. It behooves the citizens of this place to begin now to do something to add to the natural attractiveness of the place. Some of our citizens have, with commendable spirit, worked hard to make their lots and dwellings as pretty as possible, and with marked success. It is wonderful what a little gardening will do for the appearance of a home. Ladysmith has, especially on the level portions of the city, a soil that will grow anything, so that the coming summer should see great advances made in local horticulture.

This, of course, is excellent, but it is not all. To be sure, the brightening up of the surroundings of many homes must produce a fine general effect, but there must be something done with the streets. Why should not the citizens get together and take some steps to clear off the unsightly boulders and stumps which still disfigure many of those thoroughfares? We would advocate the planting of shade trees along the principal streets.

Those trees are to be had very cheaply; fifty cents a ten-foot sapling, we understand, in Victoria. If every citizen undertook to plant even a couple opposite his dwelling, just outside the line of the sidewalk the effect would soon be fine. In the course of a few years this city would not only be noted for its beautiful, well-shaded streets, but also for its excellent taste and common sense. We commend this suggestion to the earnest consideration of our fellow-citizens and hope to see it acted upon this summer.

Another thing, and plain speaking will be pardoned for the sincerity of the motive—the best interest of Ladysmith is our motto. The unsightly and dangerous accumulations from the stable which are not so carefully looked after as might be even in the very heart of the town will have to be attended to

much more carefully than in the past if we are to have a healthy town and are to earn the good opinion of our neighbors, who are only too happy, many of them, to observe such blemishes.

Then, the deadly open sewer, with its fatal gatherings of rank and fetid matter, must be abolished immediately the waterworks reach this place. Otherwise the cemetery board will have to open their books and get to business. But Ladysmith's citizens are full of the right spirit in these matters, and will do anything to advance their town.

We hope to see a tidy, clean, well-built, beautiful Ladysmith rising on the shores of this magnificent harbor. But it all rests with the people themselves.

**LADYSMITH'S GRAND HARBOR.**

For some time back The Leader has been quietly investigating all the facts connected with the harbor of Ladysmith. Very serious charges against the harbor have been industriously circulated by persons who seemed to have an object in doing so. Assertions of a very grave character reflecting upon the navigability of Ladysmith harbor have gone abroad, and as is only too frequently the case in such matters, they have been accepted as true by persons who should know better, or who at least should have taken the trouble to find out the truth or falsity of the reports.

From the long and careful enquiries we have been able to make we are now in a position to challenge anyone to make those statements and support them. What we have found in conversation with mariners who have visited this harbor times out of number, and are thoroughly familiar with every part of it, men who are best able to give an opinion that is worth respect, is this. Ladysmith Harbor is not only the finest harbor on the Pacific Coast, but, we quote the language of the masters of vessels, it is one of the world's best harbors. The only harbors in the world that can be compared with it for capacity, safety of entrance and anchorage are the harbor of Sydney, N. S. W., and the harbor of Malta, in the Mediterranean. Of course, there are newspapers and people that will laugh scornfully at this statement, but nothing is so foolish as the laughter of fools, and senseless laughter alters no sound judgment.

We are quoting, as we have said, the opinions of seamen who know well whereof they speak, and what is perhaps more important, the foregoing comparison was quite unsolicited. We have already, in these columns, stated the opinion regarding this harbor, expressed by Captain Hensden of the mammoth steamer Alcoa, one of the world's largest freighters. He declared that he would not wish to enter a finer harbor than that of Ladysmith, at any hour of night or day. Surely the master of a vessel like the Alcoa is entitled to credence when he is talking of a matter of which he must have so intimate a knowledge.

The disaster to the steamer Miami is often brought up as proof that the entrance to Ladysmith harbor is dangerous. Anyone who has ever conversed with the pilot who was in charge of the Miami when she went upon the rocks will not hold that opinion long. The disaster to the Miami is no more to be charged to Ladysmith harbor than it is to Chemainus harbor. It was an accident which would have happened in any channel, for it was ten miles outside the harbor of Ladysmith, in Trincomalee Channel, and was wholly due to an

error of judgment on the part of a Dominion official.

The entrance to Ladysmith harbor is broad and deep enough to float the Celtic; and the harbor itself could shelter the navies of Great Britain, France, Japan, Russia and the United States, and never crowd any ship of the combined fleets. An average depth of seven fathoms is found all over the harbor, and the finest of anchorage.

The person or the newspaper that says Ladysmith harbor is dangerous to enter and unsafe for anchorage is either densely ignorant of the facts or is actuated by sheer malice.

It is to be hoped that the Department of Marine and Fisheries will remedy without delay the injustice which has been done to this magnificent harbor in not properly lighting it, and that before many weeks are over beacons will be placed at the proper points.

**NANAIMO'S MISFORTUNE.**

We desire to express the deepest sympathy for the people of Nanaimo in the calamity which has overtaken the great establishment upon whose operations so much of Nanaimo's prosperity depends. And in doing so we feel sure that we express the hearty sympathy of the people of Ladysmith, amongst whom are to be heard only the sincerest regrets at the misfortune. The Leader hopes that the damage to the mines may not be so extensive as is reported, that the work of the stopping parties may be in every way successful, and that the mines may be opened up again with the least possible delay.

**EDITORIAL NOTES.**

Toronto Evening Telegram has a pretty wit—to wit:

"Victoria, B. C., has overgrown its Pieradilly accent when it snufflants h's Majesty's Own Colonel Prior with a blooming colonist, a mere native Canadian, to wit, one G. Riley, M. P."

Vancouver merchants, with their accustomed energy, are seeking customers on Vancouver Island. If Ladysmith had a steamer service to the mainland it would be an enormous aid to business here. The Leader would like to see a conference between representative Vancouver and Ladysmith merchants. Cannot this be arranged for an early date?

To the disgruntled, and those who seek anarchy in this province the election of Joseph Martin to the leadership of the B. C. Liberal party, the controlling power throughout the province today, was as gall and wormwood. Nelson Tribune is correct when it says: "In the election of Joseph Martin, as leader, the Liberals of the province have a man who can lead, not a faction, but a great bulk of the party."

Nelson Tribune gives expression to the views of most of the intelligent people in British Columbia in the following "straight-flung words and few":

"If the report from Ottawa, respecting the taking of Senator Templeman into the cabinet, is authentic, it will appear that the federal government has taken time by the forelock. If the decision of the federal authorities was arrived at before the Liberals of the province expressed their preference for Maxwell it is to this circumstance alone that the senator owes his elevation, since the ministers would scarcely like to negative the choice of a duly called convention, even if it were dominated by Joseph Martin."

Nanaimo Free Press's statement that The Leader copied from its report of the Smith-Hawthornwaite meeting is absurd falsehood. The Leader has no wish to cast any reflections, but may say that the Free Press's report was about as near the facts as the British Columbia newspaper report of public meetings usually is. The Leader published the only correct report of that meeting; both the Nanaimo papers published garbled and incorrect reports. The Leader received from Nanaimo a number of letters complimenting it upon its report of that meeting and saying it was impossible to get the truth from the Nanaimo papers. Longhand "reporters" take terrible chances.

**MR. B. AND MR. D.**

Boldly he struts like an actor gay,  
Or like the clown that's in the play;  
Declaring of the duty done—  
With weather eye on number one!  
Evolving things that make us smile;  
Ludicrous, queer; yet all the while

Live people know he would beguile,  
Desirous of the people's good,  
Unmoved by fear or favor,  
Not quailed by clamor's angry flood,  
Secure in principle of right  
Unlike politicians who shun the light;  
In actions bold he flings the glove  
Resolved to win the people's love.

**A BOLDFUL TRIO ALL AT SEA.**

Said Sailor McP. to Sailor McB.  
With a Mephistophelean frown:  
"There's a rumor afloat, there's a leak  
In the boat;  
I'm afraid that we must go down."  
Said Sailor McB. to Sailor McP.:  
"Should Dunsmuir hang on to the crown  
And this boat should be rotten, and we  
Go to the bottom  
It's a comfort to know we burret Brown."  
Said bluff Jack Tar Harry, who tried to  
Be merry:  
"No doubt 'twas a glorious feat;  
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**FOR FARM HOMES.**

Mr. J. Quinn, Department of Public Works, Toronto, Gives Simple Method of Disposing of House Sewage.

In these days of popular education when the people throughout the province have the benefit of free lectures in dairying, fruit growing, domestic science, etc., it is noteworthy that the knowledge of so important a subject and one so closely allied to the physical and moral welfare of the people as sanitary science is confined to a limited number.

True, the principles of the science is an open book to the medical profession, and is freely discussed at medical conventions, but these discussions are mainly reported in professional journals and do not reach the great mass of the people at all.

In the matter of public sanitation the question of effectually disposing of sewerage in small towns and villages, is one of the most important problems that has engaged the attention of scientific men. The great cost of a system of sewerage as used in large places has rendered this course impracticable while the use of privy pits and cess-pools has been found objectionable and dangerous. That there is a desire on the part of those living in towns and villages, as well as in less populated districts for what are known as the "Modern Convenience" of the city, is evidenced by the thousands of cess-pools in existence or being built for the purpose of hiding away far beneath the surface of the earth the various organic and liquid wastes from the private residence, public house or institution as the case may be.

Those in authority labor under the dangerous yet common delusion that "so long as the stuff is put down deep enough there is no danger," and herein lies one of the greatest causes of many of the diseases which at times are epidemic in whole communities, viz.: the pollution of the water supply.

How is the water supply polluted by decaying organic matter buried deep under the surface of the earth?

In answer to this question a brief explanation of the existing physical conditions may be more convincing than bold assertions without the reasons being given therefor.

Over the whole surface of the earth where vegetation is possible nature has provided a most wonderful scavenger system composed of millions of little workers to the cubic foot; these little workers are known as microbes, other species are also found in vast numbers in the water and air.

The natural functions of many of these microbes, tend to produce one result, viz., purification, and when one comprehends that both the sun and air are essential to the life of the various species of microbes which are necessary to the proper decomposition of waste matter, it will be



unnecessary to state that in the deep sub-soil where both are impossible, microbe life cannot exist, and hence it is that instead of being converted into life producing matter at the surface of the earth, with its dangerous properties destroyed, organic matter is allowed to decay and putrify in the deep dead earth until it is washed into some near-by well or stream, there to cause the innumerable ills produced by drinking impure water.

It may be said that wells are too far removed from cess-pools to be in any danger from this source, but the experience of the village of Lawson, near Basle, in Switzerland, will be sufficient to controvert any assertion to that effect. In the village referred to, which had not within the memory of man been visited by epidemic typhoid, and in which not a single case had occurred for many years, there broke out in the year 1882 an epidemic which simultaneously attacked a large portion of the inhabitants.

About a mile from Lawson and separated from it by the mountainous ridge of the Stockhalden, which was probably an old moraine of the glacial epoch, lies a small parallel valley, the Furlithal. In a small isolated house situated in the valley, a farmer who had just returned from a long journey, was attacked by typhoid and within the next two months three other members of the family contracted the disease; the dejecta from the patients together with all the house slops having been emptied into a small brook which flowed past the door.

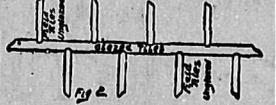
Ten years previously it had been proven that direct connection existed between this brook and the springs on the mountain side, which supplied the village with water; and as the disease had not occurred in a single house supplied with well water, the authorities suspected that the water supply derived from the springs was infected with the disease germs, and on investigating found conditions existing as related above. In order that the connection between the brook and the springs might be proven beyond doubt, the following ingenious experiment was made: eighteen hundred weight of salt was dissolved in water and then emptied into the brook, with the result that within a few hours the water coming from the springs was of a decidedly salty flavor; a similar experiment with two and one-half tons of flour produced no result, showing that while the earth was capable of filtering the water so well that even such minute particles as wheat flour were prevented from passing through it was impossible without the presence of air and aerobes to properly purify and oxidize it.

This remarkable case shows: 1st. That the power of mischief possessed by sewerage placed beyond the action of bacteria is enormous. 2nd. That the diffusibility of typhoid poison in water is practically infinite. 3rd. That water containing the

germs of disease may not be purified by filtration through a mile of solid earth (a filter so fine as to arrest particles of wheat flour.)

The moral to be drawn from the foregoing is that the greatest care should be exercised in the disposal of waste matters, and that under no circumstances should they be buried deeply under the surface of the earth. The question will be asked, "how is decaying matter to be disposed of at the surface of the earth without creating a nuisance?" In answer to this question it may be said, that as far as it applies to human excreta, two methods have been found to work successfully, viz.—the dry earth closet, the contents of which are dug into shallow trenches at regular intervals, and the septic tank system, the latter being preferable for the reasons that while it performs all the work of the dry earth closet it will also take care of all the liquid wastes from the house, and it requires little attention, while the former depends for its success upon unremitting care.

A brief explanation of the construction and operation of the Septic tank system will be of value to those who are anxious to have their premises in the best possible condition, and who are willing to go to a com-



paratively small amount of trouble to produce the desired results.

Referring to the accompanying cuts it will be seen that a tank (fig. 1), constructed preferably with bricks or stone well bedded in cement to prevent leakage, is built at such a level as to allow the discharge pipe "D" which is of glazed tiles to leave it at a depth of not more than twelve inches beneath the surface of the earth. Where the surrounding land is level this tank may be located quite close to the building where, if covered with earth (and sodded over if desired) it will not cause any inconvenience. If more convenient it may be placed at any distance from the house and the inlet pipe "E" laid along a mound or ridge of earth, and covered with earth to protect it from the frost; this pipe must under any circumstances have a slight continuous fall from the building too, and must enter the tank at the top as shown. If, however, there is a considerable slope to the land the tank may be buried beneath the surface, it being borne in mind that pipe "D", with its branches, must not be more than twelve inches beneath the surface and must be perfectly level. From pipe "D" about every two feet (ordinary length) are run branches of field tiles, (fig. 2) the total contents of which should be equal to the amount of water which will be discharged at each operation of the valve. The bed connecting the tank to the system of sub-surface tiles should be of iron, solidly cemented into the bottom of the tank to allow of the caulking in of the valve with lead.

The valve described in this article is a comparatively recent invention, and is the only thing of its kind which can be set at any level, will open and close automatically and, as it needs no adjusting, it can be put in by almost any person. It overcomes the only objection ever made to the Septic tank system, viz., that when the emptying of the tank depended upon a servant or some member of the family to pull a plug at regular intervals, replacing it when all the liquid had escaped, it was sometimes forgotten and the tank overflowing caused the pipe between it and the house to fill up, thereby causing a great deal of annoyance and expense.

It will be noticed that a dividing wall is built in the centre of the tank to a height of about two inches from the top, the latter space being left for the free passage of fresh air, and a sub-dividing partition of planks with small spaces left between is built in compartment No. 1. The object of the latter partition is to keep the bulk of the solids from overflowing "F" pipe "J" the mouth of which is turned down permits the entry of fresh air, which passes over the sewerage and up through the soil pipe "E" to the roof. Manholes "G" "G" provide access to both tanks.

The operation of the tank is as follows: All the sewerage from the building enters the tank through pipe "E" filling compartment No. 1, the solids being compelled to float by the gases generated underneath. When this compartment is filled the liquid overflows through "F" into compartment No. 2, the valve "C," which is closed. When, however, the liquid rises to the level at which float "H" is set the valve opens, discharging the whole contents of compartment No. 2, be it fifty or five thousand gallons into the system of sub-surface tiles through which it soaks into the earth there to be taken care of by nature as already explained.

As the valve closes automatically when the tank is nearly empty, it will be seen that sufficient time will be given for that which has just been discharged to soak away before the tank fills again and the operation is repeated.

Regarding the size of the tank necessary, it may be said that for an ordinary family a tank four feet long by three feet wide and from thirty to thirty-six inches high would be sufficient, while for hotels or institutions one large enough to hold about eight gallons for each inmate would be ample.

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**SOFT PORK.**

Indian Corn as the Cause—Skimmilk the Great Corrector—Mr. Frank T. Shutt's Experiments Summarized.

Many theories have been advanced to account for a softness in pork. Some have ascribed it to the character of the food, others to undue forcing of the pig in the earlier stages of growth, to killing while still immature, to the breed of the pig, to the locality in which it is grown, and even the phase of the moon when the pig is slaughtered has been assigned as a cause. Mr. F. T. Shutt, chemist, of the central experimental farms of Canada, has made a study of the character and causes



FRANK T. SHUTT, M.A.  
Umet Chemist, Dominion Experimental Farm.

of soft pork. Mr. Shutt finds that softness (slight resistance to pressure) is nearly always accompanied by oiliness, and he draws the following conclusions from a series of experiments in feeding:

That the one great controlling factor in the quality of the pork of finished pigs lies in the character of the food employed.

That Indian corn and beans tend to softness—i.e., to increase the percentage of olein in the fat. If these grains are used, they must be fed judiciously if first class pork is to be produced. If fed in conjunction with skimmilk, it has been shown that a considerable proportion of Indian corn may be used in the grain ration without injuring the quality of the pork.

That a grain ration consisting of a mixture of oats, peas and barley in equal parts gives a firm pork of excellent quality.

That skimmilk not only tends to thriftiness and rapid growth, but



FED ON CORN. FED ON BEANS.

counteracts in a very marked manner any tendency to softness.

That rape, pumpkins, artichokes, sugar beets, turnips and mangels can be fed in conjunction with a good ration without injuring the quality of the pork.

That the fat of very young pigs and animals of unthrifty growth is softer than that of finished pigs that have increased steadily to the finishing weight.

**Fast Walking Horses.**  
Horse breeders and trainers almost entirely overlook or neglect one of the most valuable features in a horse, and that is fast walking in draft and road horses, writes Dr. Galen Wilson in Practical Farmer. This seems never to be bred for, and as to training for it, I, for one, have never seen it done but once. If the breeder will select a fast walking mare and stallion, the colt will likely be a fast walker, but no attention is now paid to this point. Other things being equal, if a team will walk 50 per cent. faster than another it will be worth 50 per cent. more. Once let the public become interested in fast walkers and the breeding of farm and draft horses would be conducted with that end in view, to the great benefit of all concerned in such stock.

**Milk Absorbs Bad Odors.**  
You cannot feed moldy hay, bad silage, musty corn fodder that has been put into the mow when it was not in shape to go there, and get good milk. The use of any such materials will get you into trouble and will of itself prevent you from making high grade milk. No feed that has an odor should be permitted to remain about the stables. You may set a vessel filled with milk in a silo for an hour; then, if you take it out and heat it, you can tell by the nose it has been in the silo. At the Vermont station we could heat the milk up to 110 degrees and by the smell tell whether it had been near a hog pen or not.—H. B. Currier, before the Illinois Dairymen's Convention.

**The Tail of the Horse.**  
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Work on the erection of Mr. William Russell's residence began this week. It is to be situated on the slope north of the pay office. Mr. D. Nicholson has the contract.

The Leader's statement that Constable Hodgson has arrested a man at Extension is not a "baseless fabrication" (whatever that may be), as Nanaimo Herald declares. It was founded on a very substantial base.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilkinson of Nanaimo arrived this week in Ladysmith to take up their residence here. It is learned that several other Nanaimo families are about to remove to Ladysmith.

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