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ONE REFERENDUM—There are three questions to be submitted to the electors of the Municipality of Victoria on Thursday next under the title of "The Referendum By-law." That relating to the abolition of the Ward system is a fair matter for discussion, and one upon which there can be a legitimate difference of opinion. The same may be said of the second, which refers to the adoption of a Commission form of Government. It is not improbable that both these questions may be answered in the affirmative, because there is a growing conviction that the time has come for radical changes both in representation and administration. The third By-law, however, is of an entirely different character, because it attacks a principle which has been conceded wherever Constitutional Government has been established. It is directly aimed at curtailing the legitimate rights and privileges of citizens in a matter which does not involve breaches of the law and which is the outcome of a campaign having for its object the making of men "good" by legislation. The referendum asks whether all liquor licenses shall be issued on condition that sales thereunder shall be made only from 8 a.m. till 5 p.m. on ordinary days; and that no sales shall be made after 12 o'clock noon Saturday, until the following Monday at 8 a.m. The first consideration that suggests itself is that the object of such a drastic proposal is not to regulate but to stop the liquor traffic. It is an attempt to advance a stage on the road of Prohibition by an indirect route. Morally, if not legally, it is in the same category as the attempt made by the Mayor to prohibit racing on the Agricultural grounds by imposing a prohibitive tariff, a procedure which was denounced by Mr. Justice Gregory as being inequitable and which was characterized by him in almost the identical words used above. The question is a very simple one. If the citizens of Victoria wish to introduce Prohibition, every provision is made for it by the existing statutes. It is only necessary to set the machinery provided by the law in motion, to give the notice, to demand a poll and to register the necessary majority and Prohibition will be established as a natural result. This is a right conferred upon the citizens by Federal legislation, known as the Scott Act. There is also the door of Local Option still standing open, and if that section of the community which is anxious to promote the cause of Temperance, is prepared to work along constitutional lines, then, as soon as the citizens have been convinced, there is nothing to prevent full effect being given to their wishes. That is a consistent, a logical and a British method of dealing with a big question intimately associated with the well-being of the community. The referendum, however, is neither British nor fair, even if it would be legal, which is doubtful. Either liquor selling is a legitimate traffic, or it is not. If not, it should be abolished, and the only way to abolish it, is, not to attack the retailers or wholesalers, but to stop the manufacture. As long as liquor is manufactured it will be sold, and it is rather significant that no Temperance or Church organization has yet had the courage to demand legislation which would prohibit its manufacture. If it is a legitimate trade, sanctioned by the law, regulated by the law and contributing largely to the revenue of the country, then it is entitled to the same protection and the same fair dealing as any other legitimate business. There is no other business which could survive, or which would not be regarded as the victim of persecution, if it were compelled to close its doors from noon on Saturday until eight o'clock on Monday morning. This is not regulating, it is discriminating; unfair discrimination and an invasion, not only of the rights of the traders, who pay for the

privilege of conducting their business on normal and rational lines, but an invasion of the rights of the citizens who, if they have a right to buy liquor at all, are not entitled to be deprived of that right for such an unreasonable length of time and in such an arbitrary manner. It is on these grounds that The Week claims that the proposed referendum should be answered in the negative, and that the Temperance organisations which initiated the question should continue legitimate work along legitimate and constitutional lines. Much more might be said on other aspects of the question; such as the undoubted effect of the legislation proposed; the known effect of arbitrary closing, where it has been tried; the stimulus which it affords to heavy, secret drinking, and the desolation which it has brought to many a home by transferring indulgence from the tavern to the hearth. These are facts well known to everyone who has investigated the subject, and to emphasize them is not to utter one word against necessary and praiseworthy Temperance work, but only to direct attention to facts which are too commonly overlooked when zeal outruns discretion.

SEISMOLOGY—The Sub-Committee of the Board of Trade which, assisted by Mr. G. H. Barnard and Mr. F. H. Shepherd, was able to secure a grant of \$2,000 from the Dominion Government to assist Mr. Napier Denison in his seismological researches, is taking steps to ensure the establishment of a permanent observatory in Victoria. Mr. Denison has been asked by the Department to furnish a list of the instruments which he requires and in due course he will do so; but it must be patent to all who have considered the subject that the present quarters occupied by the Meteorological staff at the top of the Post-office are entirely unsuitable for the installation of delicate instruments. If there were no other objections the large amount of rock blasting in the vicinity and the amount of blasting contemplated in the Inner Harbour will cause a vibration entirely inimical to successful seismological work. It would be of inestimable benefit to the ultimate working out of a scheme if it were possible at this juncture to secure a permanent site. Enquiries have been made and it is found that there is ample room in proximity to the Government Wireless Station on Gonzales Hill. It should surely be possible for the Committee, with the co-operation of Mr. Barnard and Mr. Shepherd, to secure a moderate additional appropriation which will at any rate put in the foundations of a permanent building. If this were done the new instruments would be satisfactorily installed, in a position far removed from artificial disturbances. The Week suggests that this matter might well be dealt with at the Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Trade next week as there is no time to be lost in view of the early assembling of Parliament.

THE MAYORAL CONTEST—As might have been expected the Mayoral contest has no sooner begun than Mr. Morley has resorted to his old tactics. With a discredited record behind him and the certainty of defeat in front, he has lost his temper, and allowed himself at the first meeting to indulge in personalities. With some men invective takes the place of argument; with Mr. Morley, abuse. The audience on Thursday night were quick to realise that the Mayor had nothing substantial to offer and that he was anxious to draw a red herring across the trail, in fact several red herrings, in order that sectional issues might be raised, and the big questions lost sight of. The sectional issues have to do with local and personal affairs, which have little place in a municipal campaign. The big

questions have to do with organization, administration, management, financing and the intelligent development of a city which has just started on a prosperous career. All these questions are too big for Mayor Morley. Not that he thinks so, but he evidences the fact by failing to grapple with them. His idea of organization is "One Man Government." His idea of administration is to boss the heads of departments and throw the responsibility for his own mistakes on their shoulders. His idea of management is that subordinate officials are superfluous, except as puppets. His idea of financing is to borrow the largest amount possible and get as many irons in the fire as he can, apparently in order to create the impression that he is doing something; but not to bear in mind that there must be a day of reckoning. His idea of development is to absorb the adjoining municipalities in order to be able to speak of a Greater Victoria as the child of his creation. In his scheme of development there is no well conceived, carefully digested plan; there is no provision for one stage leading to another and so on to rounded completion. His system is to start out on an expenditure which may lead anywhere—or nowhere. This is not the kind of programme which Victoria wants at the present time, nor the kind of haphazard, happy-go-lucky method of handling the affairs of an important city; and yet Mr. Morley has shown that it is the only manner in which he can handle them. It matters not that his methods have alienated almost every member of the Council and engendered a degree of friction which renders the judicious and economic conduct of civic affairs an impossibility. It matters not that the citizens, as a whole, have judged the Mayor and found him wanting. He is still unconvinced. It is true he knows that defeats awaits him in the Mayoral contest, but he is hoping that the Referendum By-law will land him in the position of Chief Commissioner. It is for the citizens to say whether Mr. Morley's record as Mayor recommends him for a more permanent and lucrative position. Meanwhile, Mr. Beckwith is conducting his campaign vigorously and intelligently. His manifesto is clean-cut, logical and progressive. In the first bout with Mr. Morley on Thursday night he captured the sympathy of his audience and already it looks as if he will make not merely a successful, but a triumphantly successful candidate. There is nothing for which Mr. Morley professes to stand on which Mr. Beckwith's record is not far more creditable, and on the bigger questions with which Mr. Morley has shown himself unable to grapple, Mr. Beckwith has taken a firm and intelligent stand. It is not unreasonable to appeal to all the electors who desire to rescue the Capital City from the reproach of mismanagement, which it has acquired under the Morley regime and who want to see it march in line with the progressive units of the Province, to support Mr. J. L. Beckwith.

THE POST-OFFICE—The Week makes no apology for again referring to the congestion of business at the Victoria Post-office during the recent holidays. It is approaching the question entirely from the public standpoint. It is a disgrace that the citizens of Victoria should be kept without their Christmas mail for a fortnight, and yet this has happened to scores. On New Year's day there were upwards of a thousand bags of mail undelivered. At the time of writing there are several hundred, and yet in a properly arranged, properly equipped and properly organized Post-office the whole should have been cleared in a few days. This condition of affairs is not the fault of the Postmaster. It is entirely the fault of the Department at Ottawa. The premises

are totally inadequate and have been for some time. Even by pressing the basement into service there is by no means sufficient room for the enormous accumulation of mail matter. In the next place it will probably be a surprise for the public to learn that the total amount of money proposed to be allowed by the Department for special delivery during the Christmas and New Year holiday amounts to the munificent sum of \$150. This is for delivery by horse teams. Now any school-boy can figure out what amount of mail matter can be delivered for \$150 when it costs a dollar an hour for a man, horse and waggon. As a matter of fact, to ensure that prompt and reasonable delivery which the public has a right to expect, at least \$1,000 would have been necessary. But, the greatest drawback of all lies in a matter which has been constantly referred to in the columns of The Week—the disgracefully inadequate pay of the Post-office staff. The permanent staff is under-paid. Indeed, when one remembers how greatly the cost of living has risen in Victoria recently it must be a marvel that any self-respecting man can continue to work for such a miserable pittance. The pay offered by the Department for special work during the holidays is \$2.50 a day. The Week wishes that the men responsible for this apportionment had to live in Victoria on that stipend. It is all very well for The Times to give an occasional dig at the Conservative Government. All these things are the legacy of the Laurier Administration. No government could have built a new Post-office in three months and no government could have remedied all the deficiencies of the local service in that time, but from now on it cannot be too clearly understood that the demand for better service and accommodation must be kept at high pressure until it has been suitably dealt with.

MAJOR HODGINS—A couple of years ago or so Major Hodgins, one of the engineers on G. T. P. construction, threw up his position because certain friends of the Laurier Government made it too hot for him to hold it. Major Hodgins is a soldier and a gentleman. As such he has a conscience and his conscience would not allow him to pass classifications which alone would satisfy the rapacity of the G. T. P. contractors and their friends. Like many soldiers, Major Hodgins is much more a man of action than of words and when his complaints were investigated by a partizan committee, in which that champion of "bulldozers," E. M. MacDonald, was the whipper-in, he failed to secure a favourable verdict. Later on, his chief Mr. Lumsden, than whom there was not a more capable or honourable engineer in Canada, had a similar experience, and he too resigned. Major Hodgins settled in Victoria and has been residing in the vicinity ever since. He is a man who deserves well of his country, having filled a conspicuous position both during and subsequent to the Boer War. When he left Africa he was the right-hand man of Sir Percy Girouard and had made his mark alongside that distinguished officer. The Week ventures to suggest that a man who made such a firm and conscientious stand against dishonesty and the squandering of public money is entitled to some consideration. It was not likely that he would ever get it from a Liberal Government when all the circumstances are taken into account, but there is no reason why he should not get it from a Conservative Government, which claims to be actuated by the British principles of justice and fair play. The Week has heard nothing of or from Major Hodgins for two years, but is sure that there are a sufficient number of fair-minded people at the Coast who would be glad to hear that he had been remembered by "the powers that be."



I am sorry to say that there is a man in this city who is an uncultured boor, and a fool to boot. I know that he is uncultured, because he does not appreciate "The Week"; he is a boor because he returned his copy with words on the address which very nearly contravened the Postal regulations, and he is a fool because he never gave any clue as to his name and address, although he wished the paper to be discontinued. Now what are you going to do with a man like that? I know what I am going to do. I have a sneaking idea that Mr. Uncultured, Boorish Fool will continue to read "The Week," if only because he so thoroughly disapproves of it; there are lots of people who read it without confessing the fact. In the full belief, therefore, that Mr. U. B. F. will see this paragraph, I will ask him to write me personally. If he addresses his letter to "The Lounger," care The Week, it will find me. I should like him to write his heart out in this letter and to make use of all the forms of abuse of which his soul is capable. He need not be worried by Postal regulations, because if the letter is properly stamped I shall be the only person any the wiser. I will guarantee him all the secrecy he wants. But I want to have a word match with him. I have been known to leave a London cabby speechless on the street. I am a modest person and do not wish to pose before the public, but, at the same time, I have been given credit for a sarcastic tongue, whilst I have also been informed that my "nasty" letters are a dream. I should very much like to match "blackguardly language" with my friend the Uncultured, Boorish Fool, and if he can beat me, I will "give him best" all right. In the meantime I would suggest to him that if the continued presence of "The Week" in his house really annoys him, he should acquaint the office with his name and address. The paper which he returned bore no address stamp, neither a vestige of such a stamp, and it was therefore delivered by hand. As we are sending out some two thousand papers every week by hand, Mr. U. B. F. must excuse us if he still receives the paper. Really; we cannot be expected to know the hand-writing of all our subscribers, in spite of the fact that we run a hand-writing department. For 50 cents U. B. F. can learn what Tau thinks of him.

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That paragraph has left an unpleasant taste in my mouth. It is so seldom that we have that particularly dirty kind of dirt thrown at our devoted heads. I am glad that I have a more delectable topic to which to turn. I understand that our old friend, the "St. Francis" Hotel, has been re-opened under new management. Under the name of "The Oriental Hotel" the present "St. Francis" was one of the most popular hostels in the city. It was a favourite haunt of those whom we now style old-timers, many of whom have since come back to town and regretted that they have found "A Pharaoh who knew not Joseph" established in the house which knew them so well. This is all to be changed. Messrs. Lambert & Sedney, who have undertaken the resurrection of the Yates Street house, have realised the claims which the old-timers have on them, and have determined that, any time one of the old patrons returns, he shall find the most hospitable of welcomes awaiting him. Although the hotel has been renovated from top to bottom there is still an air of "Ye Ancient Hostelrie" left about it. The beds are big and old-fashioned in appearance; the furniture throughout is solid and lacks that gaudy display which is so characteristic of the modern taste; the cuisine is calculated to suit the taste of the most exacting of epicures, and the bar is beyond re-

proach. The proprietors, who are not confining their interests to "The St. Francis" alone, having two other places of business in town, have made a specialty of restoring to this house the old-fashioned flavour which is so especially acceptable when it is tempered with the comforts of modern civilization. The latter are supplied and the former is maintained.

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At one time the irreverent passer-by, when he came over from the Mainland, was inclined to term Victoria "The City of the Dead." He can no longer do that; Victoria is very much alive, as her building permits and all kinds of other things can show. But there is another reason why she can no longer claim this title. She most violently repudiates her dead, and so much does she dislike them that she makes it almost an impossibility for their number to be increased. At least she takes care that the road to the cemetery shall be as impassable as possible. The other day a hearse stuck in the ruts right inside the cemetery gates and it took six men at the wheels to clear it. On Tuesday the carriages had to drive over the grass in order to reach their destination. One would think that whatever else was left to the vagaries of the Paving Companies and the Civic authorities, the cemetery would at least be respected. But no! The Council is evidently mindful of the Scriptural command to "let the dead bury their dead." It would certainly take a hearse of spiritual build to traverse the quagmires that beset the roads to the gravesides.

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I am always glad when I am able to say something which may be for the benefit of the dumb creation. It is with pleasure therefore that I comment on an excellent number of "Our Dumb Animals" which reached me this week. The magazine is printed in Boston, Mass., on behalf of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. This number is particularly attractive and is full of charming Animal stories. It is seldom that we in Victoria have to chronicle deeds of cruelty to those friends of ours who cannot voice their own griefs, but an occasional paragraph on their behalf does no one any harm, and may possibly still do them some good. Last week there was an editorial comment on the doings of our own branch of the S. P. C. A. and it is, perhaps, unnecessary for me to say anything more. At the same time I should like to wish the Society in general and the local officers in particular a prosperous New Year in their most admirable work.

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I am nothing if not candid and there is nothing in this world which I prefer to giving advice to others. I will therefore take this opportunity of passing on to the Messrs. Patrick of the Victoria Skating Arena a criticism which was given to me today. My vis-a-vis was a man more fortunate than myself, because he had been up to the Arena, whereas, so far, I have been unable to avail myself of the opportunity. He told me that everything was excellent bar one thing. Have you ever noticed that there is always "one thing?" It appears that his musical susceptibilities were wounded because the music contributed at the Arena introduced a funeral element into the otherwise gay proceedings. This may be so. Not having heard the said music I cannot lend a critical ear. I insert this paragraph so that the proprietors of the Arena may consider the music that is being supplied, and if, in their opinion, it is funeral, they may give orders to have it changed. For myself I would say that funeral music at a skating rink would suit me excellently; the last time I had a pair of skates on was at a skating rink in

London and they suited the back of my head so ill that "The Dead March" would have been the most appropriate thing that the band could have played. If I remember rightly, however, the piece which they had chosen was something after the style of "Johnny comes marching home," or it might have been "Tommy make room for your uncle." The latter would have been the more befitting to the occasion.

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I noticed in the paper this morning that tenders are out for a caretaker for the public convenience on Government Street just below the Post-office. The tenders called for men who would satisfy the Council of their general fitness for the position and specified that every applicant should show how he intended to run the place "free of cost to the city." Merciful Heavens, can't the City afford to put a white man in the place and pay him a salary to look after it, or is it absolutely necessary that they should have a gang of dagoes down there selling fruit, peddling papers and blacking boots? It would seem to me that a position of this nature is eminently suited to some elderly man, too old for hard work, but who has deserved well of his country and who would be glad to have an easy place where he could make a little money shining brass-work and generally keeping an eye on things, without having to go into business himself under rather embarrassing surroundings. People do not go to a public convenience in order to buy fruit or papers, neither do they look upon it as the natural place in which to get a shoe-shine. I did a good deal of agitating to get the place built and I don't want to see it made the abiding-place of lazy dagoes. Any respectable man who has served the city during the best years of his life and who cannot afford to retire into obscurity, and who is anxious to secure such a position will have the hearty endorsement of the

Lounger.

AN OVER-SIGHT

In the Christmas Number of The Week some very excellent photographs were published. One in particular showed a panoramic view of the Parliament Buildings and the James' Bay Causeway. It is only due to Mr. Leonard Frank of Alberni to credit him with the splendid photographic work which made their publication possible. It was an omission not to have done so at the time. Mr. Frank is always so generous with his photographs and is such a thorough artist that they possess special merit. The panoramic view referred to is without doubt the best photograph of the water-front of the Inner Harbour which has ever been published.

B. C. S. P. C. A.

The annual meeting of the parent Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, will be held by the kind permission of the Mayor, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Saturday next at 2.30 p.m. Delegates from the various branches will be present, and the work of the society fully discussed. All members and the public generally who are interested in the movement are earnestly invited to attend.

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GOSSIP FROM THE STALLS

THEATRE BOOKINGS FROM DATE TO JANUARY 31ST

Kinemacolor Pictures	Jan. 4, 5, 6
University of California Glee Club	Jan. 8
Robert Hilliard in "A Fool There Was"	Jan. 11
Kinemacolor Pictures	Jan. 12, 13
Anna Held	Jan. 19
The Private Secretary	Jan. 20
Forbes Robertson	Jan. 22, 23
The Girl of the Golden West	Jan. 26
The Barrier	Jan. 29

De Pachmann

As a matter of record I am going to print the complete programme executed in brilliant and inimitable style in the Victoria Theatre last Wednesday night by Vladimir de Pachmann. The only regret one could possibly have in respect to the programme is that it was not confined exclusively to Chopin's works, of which de Pachmann is easily the most capable interpreter of any pianist of my time. There are experts who claim that de Pachmann should confine himself exclusively to the productions of this great composer, and yet it would seem a sin to bar him out from such other items as he contributed to Wednesday night's programme, notably Mendels-

triumph. It cannot be that we have heard the last of de Pachmann. His avowed intention to retire may surely be reconsidered; he is still in his prime and none of his brilliant powers show the slightest abatement. If he can be induced to pay a return visit it is safe to say that the Ladies' Committee, which deserves such hearty thanks for having brought him here, can guarantee a bumper house.

PROGRAMME

- I
 Sonata No. 9, A Major.....Mozart
 (a) Ende von Lied Op. 12, No. 8, F. Major.....Schumann
- II
 (b) Spinning Song, Op. 67, No. 4.....Mendelssohn
 (c) Menuet Op. 17, G Major.....Moskowsky
 (d) Rondo Brilliant, Op. 62, E Flat.....Weber-Henselt
- III
 (a) Nocturne, Op. 27, No. 2, D Flat Major.....Chopin
 (b) Prelude, Op. 27, No. 16, B Flat Major.....Chopin
 (c) Impromptu Op. 36, F Sharp Major.....Chopin
 (d) Etude, Op. 10, No. 3, E Major.....Chopin
 (e) Mazurka Op. 67, No. 4, A Minor.....Chopin
 (f) Mazurka Op. 56, No. 2, C Major.....Chopin
 (g) Valse Brillante, Op. 34, A Flat.....Chopin

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The Empress Theatre

The big hit this week has been made by Lew Hawkins, a black monologist with a fund of good stories and comic songs. Another excellent turn has been provided by the Malvern Troupe of acrobats who do some wonderful feats of strength and agility. Paul Stephens, the one-legged equilibrist, presents a novel and thrilling act and well deserves the applause which he has been receiving.

The Majestic Theatre

The Majestic has been to the fore with an excellent New Year's bill of pictures. Gaumont Graphic, which is a feature of this house, has been keeping the patrons well up to date with views of the world's happenings.

Romano's Theatre

There has been a fine selection of pictures showing at Romano's this week and the posters which are displayed outside the doors give a fair idea of the attractions which have been showing within. Comedy and drama have been well featured.

The Crystal Theatre

It is astonishing to see how quickly the Crystal, almost the latest Moving Picture house to start operations in Victoria, has caught the public fancy. During holiday week the house has been packed with most appreciative audiences who have seen a good deal more than their money's worth.

Glee Club Sings German Songs

When "Brick" Morse returned from Europe two years ago and brought back with him some of the liveliest of Heidelberg student songs to teach the University of California Glee Club, he little dreamed that beside returning to his position of musical director, he would also have to assume the role of professor of German to his fifty old charges. However, when the musical squad with its cosmopolitan membership was for the first time confronted with the imported Teutonic slogans, even Amos Elliott, captain of California's 1911 victorious football team, began to quail, and the initial rendition brought tears to the eyes of the worthy Brick. Brick then saw the need of giving his boys some practical German, and so last summer, he took eighteen of the bunch on the longest trip ever undertaken by a college Glee Club, viz., to Europe. Not only were the boys drilled in the mysteries of the German language, but they visited Paris as well, and picked up not a little of that branch of the Latin tongue, and then just to show them how we do it in America, they journeyed across the channel and gave the Britishers a shock as strains of "Yankee Doodle" and "Dixie" burst upon their ears.

Practically the same bunch of college men who made this famous trip are now journeying toward us and are booked to appear at the Victoria Theatre Monday, January 8, and will no doubt turn loose in enough languages to warrant the installation of a modern language course in our town.

"A Fool There Was"

Robert Hilliard, who is making a coast-to-coast tour under the direction of Klaw & Erlanger in "A Fool There Was," will be seen at the Victoria Theatre on Thursday, January 11.

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sohn's "Spinning Song" and Weber's "Rondo Brilliant." De Pachmann is so perfect an artist and so thorough a musician that his work is beyond criticism. I have heard all the great pianists of the last forty-five years and not one of them has appealed to me as has de Pachmann. In making this statement I recall delirious moments under the influence of Rubinstein, but Franz Lizst is the only player whom I would place in the same class as de Pachmann. In delicacy of expression, in lightness of touch, in soulful interpretation, in complete rapport I know of no playing comparable to de Pachmann's. One might go further and say that never has an instrumentalist aroused a Victoria audience to such a pitch of enthusiasm as on Wednesday night. It was a revelation; the audience rose en masse, ladies and gentlemen waved their hands and shouted "Bravo, bravo," for about fifteen minutes, and half the time de Pachmann was bowing and smiling in the most gracious manner; indeed, his personality had a charm which was quite irresistible. Patti at the height of her popularity never had a more sincere and enthusiastic ovation. The reception must be all the more gratifying to the master because he was laying before an extremely critical audience and one which did not thaw out during the first few items of the programme. The Mozart Sonata which opened was received with critical appreciation; the Schumann "Lied," brief and dainty, carried the audience a little further in appreciation, but the third item, Mendelssohn's "Spinning Song," captured their hearts, and from that moment to the end of the programme it was a continual march from triumph to

Madame Sherry

On Tuesday night "Madame Sherry" paid a return visit to the Victoria Theatre and played to capacity; in fact, owing to the large number of mail orders, the house sold out within two hours of the box office being opened. The Company, taken all round, was better than the one which was here last year, the only weak spot being the young man who tried to sing tenor and couldn't. I refer to Franklin Farnum. The leading characters were perfectly taken, the honours being divided between Marie Flynn and Oscar Figman, neither of whom could be improved upon. Figman's work was far better than upon a previous occasion when he was suffering from mal-de-mer. Miss Flynn is one of the daintiest and cleverest of comedienne; she can act, sing and dance; a very rare combination. Figman's rendering of "We are only Poor, Weak Mortals After All," was the artistic gem of the performance. William Cameron as "Philippe," Flo Irwin as "Katherine" and Virginia Foltz as "Pepita" were all admirable. The performance as a whole was entirely satisfactory and reached a very high standard.

Seven Days

"Seven Days," which was played at the Victoria Theatre on January 1st, proved to be a most acceptable New Year's offering and delighted a crowded house. The play itself is distinctly amusing and the parts were all most capably taken. The story of the quarantined household cooped up for seven days with their domestic difficulties will long continue to act as a

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The New Year

By Bohemian

Newness is attractive as well as suggestive. It is hardly possible to speak of anything as being new without creating a pleasurable sensation. Newness speaks of freshness, expectancy, hopefulness. By a natural conjunction of ideas the mind is at once led to contrast it with Oldness, so that the New and the Old form a perpetual antithesis. A new thing must of necessity present features of perfection, unsullied, unspotted, unmarred. We cast aside old clothes, sometimes regretfully, but of necessity, because they have begun to look shabby, or we have tired of them. Some people are weak enough to throw over old friends, because even friends may become tiresome. There is an old proverb that says that "faithful are the wounds of a friend," but there are many people who resent plain truths even from their greatest intimates. At the bottom we all know what is best for ourselves, or think we do, and if the most faithful and tried friend crosses our fancy for the moment we are apt to forget all his fidelity and to turn to the new one who will pander to us.

There is some such ingratitude in the thoughts with which we so deliberately fling aside from us the recollections and incidents of the Old Year. We say it is past and done for, which is true, but we are not so willing to take with us into the future the lesson which it taught. We are impatient of control, impatient of restraint. There is in most of us too much of the "don't care" spirit; of the "what I have done I have done, let it go at that" and we open the book at a new page, delighted with its fresh cleanliness, and instead of saying "I will write on that page what I ought," we say, "I will write on it what I will. It is mine, all my own. Mine to make or to mar. Never mind the caution which the past would instil. I am sufficient for myself," and so, all too soon we begin to tread in slippery places.

The sane mind, whilst looking eagerly to the unwritten page, and fervently craving the opportunity to make a new record, balances the lessons of the past with the possibilities of the future; and the sane mind never forgets that one's greatest enemy is oneself, and that the only thing which is likely to blot the new page is the gratification of uncontrolled impulse.

From time immemorial the dawn of the New Year has been the period for making new resolutions. The danger of this is that one may get into the habit of thinking that good resolutions are only seasonable once a year. I take it that a good resolution is due every time a mistake is realized. For this reason New Year's day is not more suitable than any other for resolving to correct the errors of life. Every day of the year may be made a stepping-stone from which to mount from "our dead selves to higher things." The New Year is full of hope. It is bound to bring us the long deferred happiness. We are bound to catch up with that dazzling will o' the wisp which has eluded us so long. We are bound to reach the turning of a lane which has been so far ahead. We are bound to pass the crest of the hill, to surmount which has been so laborious. Oh, yes! This New Year cannot fail to bring the realisation of many hopes, but who is wise enough to know that it calls for the abandonment of other hopes, some of which,

perhaps, have been cherished for years; some of which have at times looked as if they were approaching fruition; or some, perhaps, which have burst on our vision in a moment, fascinated, enthralled, but yet, which are impossible of realisation, and which to carry on would but mean to add to life's handicap.

Most of us have weight enough to carry; many of us add to our burden anxieties, expectations which are as 'unsubstantial as the fabric of a vision.' The wisest suggestion of the New Year is to pray that the scales may fall from our eyes; that we may be able to abandon the dross, the chimaera, the mirage, and hold fast to that which has been proved and which we know can be trusted. The New Year will be strenuous and exacting; we shall need all our strength; we shall draw strength from sources which will add to it, and we should seek ever to keep our ideal as unsullied as the unwritten page of the New Year book.

Bohemian.

**Sir James Douglas
K. C. B.**

The Early History of Vancouver Island

Written Specially for the Week
by Gilbert Malcolm Sproat

The sudden retreat of nine-tenths of over 30,000 incomers, with lessened purses, many of whom had not reached the objective points of their inroad, gave the country what, in common parlance, is termed a "black eye," for several years, along the whole North Pacific Coast. It affected also, remarkably, for a time, the judgment of many of those who remained after the exodus, with more or less belief in the country's future, some of whom won deserved success, later, in changed circumstances. Among these was Mr. Amor De Cosmos, of Nova Scotia, one of the earliest arrivals here with the mining immigrants from California, in 1858. Immediately after the exodus, he started a weekly newspaper, "The British Colonist," first issued, December 11, 1858. Single copies, 25 cents. The general programme showed considerable prescience, including the union of all the British North American Colonies, a railway, waggon road and telegraph, to the Pacific, and, also, representation of the said colonies in the Imperial Parliament. The latter item he did not, then, explain, nor, afterwards, when, as myself the author of a pamphlet on that particular subject, I asked him how he proposed to work out such representation.

The influence of these large views dominated the whole future career of De Cosmos, as a journalist and politician. It accounts for his readiness, in the middle "sixties," to sacrifice such representative government as we had here, and to join, unconditionally, the Mainland Crown Colony in 1866, which, though seemingly a step backward, was, in his view, the sure prelude to federation, as indeed, the Home Government also believed, though De Cosmos did not know that. His personal ambition and hope were to get to Ottawa, and to work in the making of the Canada of his dreams. That destination he reached, and was, for many years, a hard-working member of the Commons, but he was not found to possess the qualities of tact and patience so helpful to success in the practice of party government.

As to local affairs, Mr De Cosmos' programme was to solace the many disappointed persons of that time, and to help the sale of his newspaper, by attacking the administration of Governor Douglas on the mainland. Four well written columns of the above first issue of the "British Colonist" are filled with adverse criticism of that administration. This shows the effect upon a generally honest-minded man, of the immigration disappointment, making him ig-

nore the commonest facts of the case. He harped upon the Governor's supposed desire "to preserve the grasping interests of the Hudson's Bay Company, inviolate." The facts were: (1) that Alexander Grant Dallas, the President of the Hudson's Bay Co.'s Council in North America, had succeeded Douglas in the Company's service in May, 1857, and (2) that Douglas, in 1858, as a condition of continued service under the Crown, was not allowed to be even a shareholder in the Company(?). The Crown, thenceforward, had, in him, a faithful servant who scrutinized the claims and pretensions of the Company in his own difficult position, as the following extracts from correspondence show. A. G. Dallas complained to Sir Edward Watkin, a Director on the London Board, that "the Governor tried to saddle all expenses on the Company"; whereupon, the Company in London, wrote to the Colonial Secretary, that "it is quite obvious that the Governor's communications to the Colonial office are conceived in a spirit of hostility to the Company, and to its representatives in the Island." Moved by these letters, and, possibly, by the Parliamentary influence of the Company, the Secretary of State proceeded to impress on the Governor, the importance of showing a "liberal and conciliatory spirit" in dealing with the Company. Douglas had, on this occasion, only been objecting to an attempt of the Company to get a parcel of land, in the colony, that was actually occupied for public purposes—land which the Company had no legal, or equitable, right to. This is a sample of the answers that might be given to many of the allegations in the newspaper indictment. It is sufficiently illuminative, yet I may mention another charge, namely, that improperly, to help Victoria, it was made the port of entry for mainland imports. Not so, it was, that duties might be collected, where, alone, the Governor had jurisdiction, until receipt of his commission for the new Colony, and, so on. These were the days of slow posts and no telegrams, and the hard-worked Governor, without any real official status on the mainland, during a considerable period of the mining "excitement," made himself personally responsible in the King's Bench, and, officially, to the Crown and Parliament, for every act that he performed, or suffered to be done. Honest mistakes of course he made, but the Home Government, in recognising that few Colonial-Office men would have even undertaken what Douglas achieved, in the emergency, made him a C. B. before he had been a year in office, in the new Colony—a most unusual, but well merited distinction.

I mention the above for historical reasons, and not from any unkindness to De Cosmos. He and I, in fact, got on very well together at that time, and also later. Abusive articles of me in his newspaper, did not prevent our emptying, the same day, a bottle of old Burgundy in Driad's Colonial restaurant. De Cosmos, a semi-recluse by habit, had more fun in him than people imagined. London he did not like, "it was so big one could not easily get out of it." We called, together, on Gladstone in Downing Street, and De Cosmos, who could not get a word in, admired the statesman's handsome feet. The only town worth seeing in the Old Country was Edinburgh; it was so picturesque. Glasgow, without charm for the eye, yielded some amusement. An Irish cabman there directed by De Cosmos to drive to the office of "Baillie Nicol Jarvie" (which the cabman said he knew), had to draw up to the sidewalk half a dozen times, to seek information from bygoers, who all seemed annoyed at the request. A policeman only grinned. "Uncivil they are, see," said the cabman, "they would not treat us so in Dublin." A very interesting and historically, valuable booklet, entitled "The Fraser Mines Vindicated," or "The History of Four Months," was written, here, before the starting of the "British Colonist." The author, Mr. Alfred Waddington, became one of our best known worthies, and, as I have shown elsewhere, was the real pioneer of the Canadian Pacific Railway, if that may be said of any individual. I ap-

pend an extract from the booklet, showing how Victoria progressed, in the period referred to, and the writer's optimism in the face of the mining disappointment.

"Where, in so short a time, have there been so many streets laid out, 'built up, and some of them graded, 'macadamized, planked, and even 'lighted up, as in Victoria? Eight 'substantial wharves carried out into 'the harbour, two brick hotels, and 'other brick buildings, numerous 'frame houses and stores, besides 'those going up; twenty or thirty 'restaurants and coffee houses; 'steamboats built and launched,—in 'short, all the beginnings of a large 'city. Where a more orderly population, or more law-abiding? Where, 'in the United States, a city without 'taxes, lawyers, or public debt? 'Where, in the United States, the 'town, or city, where there is more 'money to be made, even now, by 'the industrious trader, or craftsman, who is at all decently started 'in his business, than in Victoria? 'And as a proof, rents are higher, at 'this moment, than in San Francisco ' * * * and, scarcely six business 'stores empty. Could San Francisco 'boast of as much at the end of four 'months? * * * We have, then, reason to be thankful, and, if our 'short-sighted disappointments have 'been a severe trial to all, we have 'still, a good aftergrowth of hope before us. * * * Those who are gone 'will soon be replaced by another 'population as active, more hardy, 'and less ambitious."

Mr. Waddington did not, then, foresee, that, during the ensuing decade, the insistent policy of the Home Government, for ends of its own already described, and the wrangling of short-sighted, local politicians, would be far more adverse to progress, than the common incident of the outrush of miners,—in this case, of miners who found that Nature had made working conditions, here, largely different from those to which they had been accustomed. The country of course was as good as ever, but capital was quietly withdrawn, its possessors seeking other fields. The Cariboo mines, when discovered, were worked, entirely, by the miners themselves. No outside capital was obtained. As Dr. G. M. Dawson said, in his address to the Royal Colonial Institute, London, in 1893, "Money made in one venture was 'freely and at once embarked in another, and the investors were to be 'found working with pick and shovel 'in the shafts or drift."

Book Notes

"THE HEALER." By Robert Herrick, author of "Together." New York. The Macmillan Co., 1911. On sale at The Standard Stationery Co., 1220 Government Street, Victoria. Price, \$1.50.

As far as I know this is the second book which has come from the pen of Robert Herrick. The first one, "Together," attained an ephemeral reputation, because it was slightly sensational and not a little "risque." It had no literary merit, and its sole interest depended on a few smartly written paragraphs, and a few suggestive situations. Like most books of its vogue "Together" professed to be written in support of a propaganda, but as Lord Chief Justice Cockburn remarked, when sentencing Mr. Bradlaugh and Mrs. Besant for publishing "The Fruits of Philosophy," in the interests of morality, "I have me doubts."

Having written "The Healer" I should imagine that Robert Herrick is already wishing that he had never written "Together," and one can only hope that future publications of his will cease to tell us that he ever did write it.

"The Healer" is a book of another colour. It is well written; it has a definite purpose, which is not too obtrusive; it tells an enthralling story and it paints a unique and strong personality in the hero, Dr. Holden.

Holden is a big, strong, aggressive personality; every inch a man; one who with his temperament could not but inevitably plunge into the ex-

cesses of youth; one who has emerged to bury himself far from the busy city in the isolation of a mining camp, in order that he may there administer the "healing art" and work out his own salvation. Finally, he does both. In pursuit of his profession he becomes the avowed enemy of mercenary doctors and mercenary institutions; he exposes the insincerity of much of the work that is done under the name of healing. He will have none of it. If he cannot heal he will not practise, and his great success, which secured him the title of the "The Healer" was due as much to his personality and will-power as to his skill, and that was by no means inconsiderable.

Such a man must necessarily fall in love and he loses his heart to his first aristocratic patient, a young lady from New York, who was injured by bathing and on whom he successfully performed the delicate operation of trepanning. She very correctly describes him as "her wild man of the woods." She marries him in spite of the strongest protests of her friends. They have a few months of idyllic happiness in their little shack in the mountains and then the bubble bursts. They can live in castles in the air, but they are not adapted for houses made with hands. The dream is over; they disagree; they separate and for some time she goes her way and he goes his.

Once again he gives away to his weakness, morosity overtakes him; he loses his grip and his nerve, and is on the border of collapse when another woman walks into his life; and here the author makes a fine contrast. While the woman of beauty and charm, of butterfly existence and social qualities could attract but not hold him, the woman of sorrow, whose garments had been trailed in the mire, who had been buffeted by the rude winds of life and who had learned the value of comfort and solace, could take him for one brief moment from his delirium and restore his sanity. This is one of the most charming and exquisitely written chapters in the book.

After that the Doctor becomes the victim of the system which he has so vigorously assailed. Returning to his wife he allows himself to be cajoled into establishing a fashionable sanatorium; he makes money, not because he loves it or wants it, but because he must make it for those dependent on him, and finally he leaves the problem which he has attacked still unsolved.

The book has a serious purpose and will not fail to stimulate thought on a subject of vital interest to the community. It is a work of promise and leaves no doubt that Robert Herrick will yet have to be reckoned with among the recruits of a new school. As usual, I propose to allow my readers to sample a few of the most striking paragraphs of the book.

The following deals with The Healer's attitude towards his work and the impossibility of an aristocratic wife sympathising with him.

"She could not comprehend that
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BOOK NOTES

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M. H. Dobie—South Turner St.—Garage	170
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P. R. Brown, et al—Fort and Douglas Sts.—Alt.	1,000
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The profits of the Eastern Townships Bank for the year ended November 15th were \$459,570, which with \$145,038 carried forward from last year showed \$604,608 at the credit of profit and loss account. The amount was distributed as follows: Dividends \$270,000, reserve fund \$150,000, strengthening assets \$100,000, bonus to officers \$17,000, officers guaranteed fund \$2,000, leaving a balance carried forward of \$65,608.

The net profits were nearly \$50,000 in excess of those for the last year, and over 15 per cent. of the bank's capital. The assets amount to \$28,471,056, while current loans and discounts totalled \$19,385,447. The bearing interest deposits totalled \$14,553,536, and the non-bearing interest deposits \$4,956,461. The paid-up capital is \$3,000,000, and the reserve fund \$2,400,000.

Commenting on the pulpwood and lumber industry the report says that the wise action of the provincial government in increasing the stumpage dues on wood cut on government land, together with the prohibition of the export of pulpwood and manufactured lumber from Crown lands has had a tendency, temporarily, to check that branch of business, but has resulted in the establishment of pulp mills, which will undoubtedly be followed, in time, by that of new paper mills and the enlargement of those already operating, thereby giving increased employment to our own people and converting our forests into their most valuable product.

The annual statement indicates that very satisfactory progress has been made by the Eastern Townships Bank, and reflects credit upon the management.

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The annual statement of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the fiscal year ended November 30th shows earnings of \$2,305,409 as compared with \$1,838,065 earned in 1910, the best record in the history of the bank. Earnings on the paid-up capital with 18.38 per cent. last year, 15.10 per cent. in 1909, 16.27 per cent. in 1908, and 17.52 per cent. in 1907. The bank has taken into its assets \$250,000 from over-appropriations in connection with assets since realized, which is in addition to a sum of \$350,000 from the same source appearing in the statement of May 31st last. The bank within the last year has thus been able to add to its resources a sum of half a million recovered from its reserve for bad or doubtful accounts.

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Remember that principal comes first and that everything else is of a secondary nature.

It is said that when nothing is risked nothing is gained; nevertheless.

A doubtful bond for investment is a source of worry and annoyance and often begets loss.

Never leave a bad bond to your heirs lest they question your judgment.

Do not expect to find an absolute safe bond paying an excessive rate of interest, for the two do not go hand in hand.

In making investments high grade means low rate, and low grade means high rate, but the terms are not synonymous.

It is better to be satisfied with a moderate income than to jeopardize your principal.

A company is only as strong as its weakest mortgage.

A junior mortgage of a strong company is often better than a first mortgage of a weak company.

It is a bad proposition to be tied up with a security which cannot be readily marketed: therefore

A bond that is listed on a representative exchange possesses market advantages over one that is not listed: besides

A listed bond is a ready collateral in making loans; whereas

An unlisted security is not always accepted by banks.

Attempting to average on a bad bond is usually throwing good money after bad.

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City of Victoria, 1910.....	806 43	O. Johnson	2 00
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Lake of the Woods Milling Co..	25 00	1911:—	
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	\$11569 93	Sports and Attractions—	
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Gate Receipts	\$7501 35	Office Expenses, Salaries, Rent, Phone..	2439 40
Members' Tickets	578 00	Lighting	1375 65
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	\$13196 05	Decorating	591 80
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Victoria Country Club (Repairs)	952 28	Firemen and Fuel	108 00
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Forbes Robertson Shows Acme of Art

Gives "Passing of Third Floor Back"—Wonderful Interpretation is Presented of the English Play written by Jerome K. Jerome

Christmas day found Forbes-Robertson telling a simple and impressive little story of Christ to tense audiences in the Cort Theatre. Nothing could have been more appropriate to the spirit and sentiment of the day than "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," Jerome K. Jerome's symbolic play.

It is a full quarter of a century since last Forbes-Robertson confronted a San Francisco audience. Then it was with Mary Anderson that he came here, a young actor whose mark already had been made and who gave promise of a brilliant future. That promise has been fulfilled, for now Forbes-Robertson is recognized as the foremost actor on the English stage. On him has fallen the mantle left by Irving.

The audience that welcomed Forbes-Robertson back to San Francisco last night was surprisingly large in view of the holiday, and it was genuinely enthusiastic in its approval of the play and of the performers. Not only Forbes-Robertson, but every member of the company seemed to exert an extra effort to make the evening performance striking, and they succeeded. Altogether it was a performance even more perfect and more appealing than that given a few nights ago in Oakland, when the play was reviewed in "The Examiner."

It was curious to find in the Cort Theatre an audience so tense and attentive to the inspiring little drama. "The Passing of the Third Floor Back" is not an exciting play. It cannot even be called a great play. Occasionally the symbolism by which Mr. Jerome expresses himself is annoyingly obvious. But underlying the crisp dialogue—dialogue, by the way, which has a crispness and sparkle as brilliant as the chatter of a Chambers novel—and the theatric use of coloured lights, there is the powerful appeal of an intensely sincere human note.

The play itself exploits the spiritual sentiment that above all days is attached to Christmas day. It is deeply and movingly religious, but religious in a most human and simple way. The humanity and simplicity of it makes its appeal almost elemental. The sincerity of it is inescapable, and the lesson or moral is calculated to penetrate the most callous cuticle.

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The greater part of the charm of the play emanates directly from the alluring personality of Forbes-Robertson. This actor, in his own person, constitutes an invocation to admiration. In these days, when the stage is cluttered with primed and painted and posing stars, it is a joy and a grateful relief to encounter an actor armoured in simplicity. Forbes-Robertson scorns the froth and flash of fustian. His art is unpainted and unposed, and his voice is a veritable solace. You have never heard over the footlights a voice that gives more satisfaction. To hear it lend a mellow sweetness to the lines is alone worth a journey to the Cort.

After four years of almost continuous appearance in "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," it would be natural to expect that Forbes-Robertson had become afflicted with "long run" mechanicalism. Such, however, is far from being the case. He is not stereotyped. There cannot have been more freshness and vigour in his first performances of Jerome's play than there was in his ardent interpretation of it last night.

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An all-English company is associated with Forbes-Robertson in "The Passing of the Third Floor Back." Individually its members are unusually well adapted to their roles; collectively they give a performance as cohesive and coherent as could be desired. The result is that every thread in the web of the illusion is perfect. There is no jarring or discordant note.

Plays such as "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," when conceived and interpreted in sincerity, are powerfully impressive. This particular play is one of an entirely new type that has made its way onto the stage in the last few years. This type of drama, exploiting earnestly the spiritual element in life, recalls the ancient morality play. Recently they have become increasingly numerous and the success which has attended them indicates a certain definite tendency toward a divorce from the exploitation of opposite themes in the theatre.

The theatre caters in many forms to the imagined needs and cravings of the tired business man, but the plays which bring Christ to his elbow in the theatre in an understandable and sympathetic way are rare. "The Passing of the Third Floor Back" is one of these. That it has been a fortune-making success to Forbes-Robertson through four seasons surely indicates that the tired business man is not such an unmitigated chorusgirl-worshipping drug upon the dramatic market as he is painted.—San Francisco Examiner, Dec. 26.

Character by Hand-writing

The Editor of The Week wishes to call special attention to this Department, which is conducted by an English gentleman, a 'Varsity man of high attainments. Character reading from hand-writing is a scientific study, entirely devoid of charlatanry and is possibly the most reliable index of all, because hand-writing records the development of character, and its index is not confined to natural traits. It is an interesting study, not merely in enabling us to see ourselves as others see us, but may be turned to important account in submitting the hand-writing of persons with whom we have business relations. Indeed, viewed in this aspect, it is only a reasonable precaution to learn all that the chirographist can tell us. Before deciding to institute this Department the Editor of The Week imposed the severest tests, submitting the hand-writing of well-known persons entirely unknown to the gentleman conducting this Department, who is a stranger to Victoria and a recent arrival. He is prepared to guarantee absolute accuracy and hopes that the readers of The Week will avail themselves of what is a genuine privilege.

RULES

1. All persons wishing to consult "Tau" must enclose a specimen of hand-writing, consisting of about four lines, written on unruled paper. It may be signed with their own name or not, but there must be an initial or nom-de-plume to identify the answer, which will appear in the next issue of The Week.

2. Each specimen of hand-writing must be accompanied by a P. O. for 50 cents. Stamps will not be accepted, and the outside of the envelope should be indited "Hand-writing." Absolute privacy is guaranteed.

REPLIES

LEONARD—You are capable, business-like, with a fair amount of energy. Cautious rather than impulsive. You have a nice and discriminating taste in dress and design. You are neither ardent nor enthusiastic, nor are you deeply affectionate by nature. You are candid, truthful and straightforward, yet with plenty of tact and a good deal of finesse. Scientific sense and feeling is indicated, and also a strong sense of order and method. Jealousy is not a strong point, but you are just in your decisions and charitable to others. A high sense of honour and a diffidence about your own powers is very perceptible. Will-power is not very strong, you have a high moral sense and you are fond of flowers and nature.

KNOW THYSELF—So you ask me for "a perfectly candid verdict." I observe the following traits in your character: "Complex" will best describe you, I think. You are diffident and retiring yet energetic and en-

thusiastic. Very careful in what you do, striving towards perfection and accuracy. Your temper is erratic and you are apt to be jealous. You are not always absolutely straightforward, you plan and scheme, and you will probably be successful as a business man. You have common sense and a head for figures. Artistic feeling is rather poor, yet you can appreciate the work of others. Careful with money you dislike waste of any sort. You readily make allowances for others and you are capable of self-sacrifice. Moral sense is fairly good. Rather credulous, at times you may be inclined to speculate unwisely.

L. A.—Artistic by nature you should draw or paint well; this gift you should cultivate more assiduously. Energy is fair but you have but little ambition. Neatness is not your strong point, you are inclined to be untidy. Moral sense is fair but you must beware of insincerity. Capable of deep affection to one or two, you are rather reserved otherwise. A slight tendency to jealousy is shown, but you are bright and cheerful and have a keen sense of humour with plenty of imagination. You are not very sanguine and your temper is more morose than violent, I should describe it on the whole as good. Justice is weak, so too are your mathematical powers. You possess common sense, and your taste in dress is good, you are fond of country life, and you prefer the country to the town.

B. W.—As you gave me no nom-de-plume these are your initials. Thank you for your suggestion; the words "Sibyl" and "Sphinx" are, however, distinctly feminine and I am a mere male; how would "Merlin" suit you? and do you not sarcastically under-rate your abilities? Now as to your character; a strong artistic taste is shown but not much executive ability, what you have being musical. Refined literary taste and good mathematical abilities. You have a good deal of energy, ambition, and a keen and refined sense of humour. You value the approbation of other people and you are inclined to be too self-conscious. Straightforward and candid, you are sometimes a little tactless. Fond of social life and having many friends you are bright, cheerful, and gay. You have both imagination and originality, you can organise and you are methodical. Capable of violent affection you are charitable and do a good deal for others. Temper is strong and passionate but you control it well. You have a strong will but you are amenable to reason. A fair sense of justice.

KAPPA—As to Reliability, Conscientiousness, and Fidelity in this character, I have the following to note:—Distinctly a reliable person; loyal to his friends, party, nation, or employer, and therefore can be considered faithful. Moral sense being good, leads me to deduce the presence of conscientiousness.

TAU.

Music Firm's Centenary

To commemorate the centenary of the foundation of Novello's, the well-known music publishing firm, a banquet was given to the partners at De Keyser's Hotel during the first week of the current month, under the chairmanship of Alderman Sir T. Vezy Strong. Many of the leading English composers and musicians were present.

An interesting letter, written to Mr. Novello by Mendelssohn from Leipzig on Nov. 18, 1837, was read. In it Mendelssohn referred to the success of Mr. Novello's sister in that city, and asked:—

"How is music going on in England? Or have you no time now to think of anything else but the Guildhall puddings and pies and the two hundred pineapples which the Queen ate there—as the French paper has it?"

M. P.'s Protest

One hundred M. P.'s of all parties already have signed the following declaration of protest:—

"We, who have voted for women's suffrage in the House of Commons, record our protest against the campaign of organised rowdiness which is being carried on by certain advocates of women's suffrage. We condemn this conduct as a degradation of public life.

"If persisted in it must make the organisation of an effective platform campaign in favour of women's suffrage difficult, if not impossible; and it gravely imperils the Parliamentary prospects of women's suffrage in the coming Session."

For Alderman

To the Electors of Ward 3:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I beg to announce that I am a candidate for re-election. Trusting my efforts in the past have met with your approval, and that I may have your support at the polls,

Yours respectfully,

W. A. GLEASON.

For Mayor

MR. J. L. BECKWITH asks for the support of the Citizens of Victoria in his candidature for the Mayoralty. If elected, he will use every endeavour to secure a peaceful administration of civic affairs, and to institute such practical measures as will insure sound, economical and progressive development

For Alderman

To the Electors of Ward No. 2:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—In offering myself for election as your representative in the approaching civic election, I beg to give my every assurance that the interests of Ward No. 2 will receive my best attention. If elected, I will use every endeavour to further such interests, having due regard to the betterment both of the Ward and of the city at large.

GEORGE W. ANDERSON.

For Alderman

To the Electors of Ward No. 5:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for re-election at the forthcoming Municipal Elections and respectfully solicit your votes and influence. If I am successful I will endeavour to do my duty both by the Ward and by the city.

ALEX. PEDEN.

For Alderman

To the Electors of Ward No. 2:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for re-election as representative of Ward No. 2 at the forthcoming election. I wish to assure the Electors of this Ward that I will spare no effort to further their interests in the event of my re-election.

W. H. RUSSELL HUMBER.

For Alderman WARD 1

R. BEARD, the Progressive Citizen's Candidate for Ward 1

For Alderman

To the Electors of Ward No. 5:

Having been requested by a large number of the Electors of Ward No. 5 to stand for Alderman at the ensuing Civic Election, I beg to announce that I am a candidate. I beg to solicit the votes and influence of the Electors of this Ward and to assure them that the needs and requirements of the Ward will meet with every attention on my part if I am elected.

JOHN DILWORTH.

For Alderman

To the Electors of Ward No. 3:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—A large number of the Electors of Ward No. 3 have asked me to stand for re-election. I therefore offer myself as a candidate at the forthcoming election and beg to solicit your votes and influence on my behalf.

W. F. FULLERTON.

For Alderman

To the Electors of Ward 4:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Having been requested by a number of electors to allow my name to be put in nomination as a candidate for Alderman in Ward 4, I beg to announce that I have decided to stand for election and respectfully solicit your support and influence.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. BAKER.

DEATH

NAPIER—At St. Joseph's Hospital, Victoria, on the 3rd inst., Margaret Paxton Young, aged 63, late of Edinboro, Scotland, widow of the late John Mutter Napier. Funeral private. No flowers.

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Dated 6th December, 1911.
FRANK H. SAGER.
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Dominion and Provincial News

Bringing Potatoes From the Old Land

On account of unprecedented shortage in Canadian potato crop several Ottawa wholesalers of Irish stuff are making arrangements to import potatoes from England and the Emerald Isle. In Ottawa potatoes range in price from \$1.40 to \$1.60 for a bag of 90 pounds weight. At this season last year prices ranged from \$1 to \$1.10. Ottawa wholesale merchants report that there is little probability of drop in the prices at any rate before spring. Although New Brunswick crop is said to be lighter than usual that province and little Prince Edward Island are now supplying all demands of Eastern Canadian market with the exception of Simcoe district of Ontario, where the crop does not fall so far below normal as in other parts of the province.

Railway is Now at Fort Steele

Saturday, Dec. 23, was a red letter day for the town of Fort Steele, the rails of the Kootenay Central having reached and passed north of the town on that day. The engine was No. 1403 in charge of Engineer William Neill.

The operation of the track laying machine brought down to the grade or to the banks of the river almost the whole town—men, women and children—to most of whom the working of such a machine was not only something new but a source of greatest wonder. The track laying gang had passed the bridge end by 11 o'clock and the grade being clear ahead they were soon out of sight. They will complete about two miles north of the town at present so that as soon as the weather will permit the steam shovels may be able to get to work.

Penitentiary Report

The annual report of the Inspector of Penitentiaries for the last fiscal year, which has just been issued, shows that the average daily population of the Canadian penitentiaries for the year was 1834, an increase of ten over the previous year and of 401 as compared with half a decade ago. Canadian born inmates of the penitentiaries numbered 1,004, while 198 were born in England, 54 in Ireland, 45 in Scotland, 12 in Newfoundland and 13 in other British countries, making a total of 1,326 British born criminals. The United States heads the list of foreign born inmates with 229, other countries coming in the following order: Italy 94, Austria Hungary 61, Russia 41, France 20, Germany 18, China 13, other foreign countries 63.

Deer Doing Well

Reports from Queen Charlotte Islands show that the experiment made by the Provincial Government of stocking the islands with deer promises to meet with success. Of the first consignment of fifteen taken over under the superintendence of Mr. Bryan Williams last year, one jumped overboard from the boat and one died after landing, but the remaining 13 are alive and doing well. A further consignment of six has recently been sent from Prince Rupert and this is all the government intends sending over for the present, the provincial game warden being of the opinion that this will be sufficient.

A Garnet Deposit

A garnet deposit of exceptional possibilities has been discovered on an island situated in St. Michael's Bay, Southern Labrador, about thirty-five miles north of Belle Isle in the straits. This garnet has been tested superior for that purpose to any found elsewhere. It is also thought that slabs of any size and thickness can be cut and polished. If so, it will be interesting to building trades, as they would be exceedingly handsome, durable, attractive and new for both inside and outside ornamental

work. Shipping facilities are excellent, the water being deep, and there is perfect security for the largest ships.

New Vancouver Theatre

As soon as a site can be secured a theatre with a seating capacity of 2,500, to cost a quarter of a million dollars, will be built in Vancouver, according to Mr. L. Richmond, Jr., who is in Vancouver representing New York capitalists. Mr. Richards is looking for such a site, preferably one near Granville Street, though not on the main thoroughfare. The building will be fireproof and construction will be begun immediately on the acquisition of the site. The proposed theatre will be opened at the beginning of next season. Mr. Richards describes Vancouver as being one of the best show towns in the West.

Kettle Valley Railway

Of considerable interest to British Columbians is the announcement that the Kettle Valley Railway is being constructed at a great rate, as by the operation of freight into the Okanagan country will be greatly facilitated and the fame of that gloriously fertile region of British Columbia immeasurably quickened. Thirty miles of the road at Merritt end have now been completed and it is expected that the entire road will be an operation by the middle of 1913.—Vancouver Province.

A New Line of Steamers

A new line of steamers from Vancouver across the Pacific to Australia and China, independent of another line of steamers to carry all Saskatchewan and Alberta grain along its lines through Vancouver and then in its vessels through the Panama Canal, together with the positive announcement that within the next 18 months transcontinental trains will be running from Montreal to Vancouver—such is the news that comes from no less an authority than Sir Donald Mann, of the Canadian Northern Railway.

Penticton-Carmi Road

At its last meeting the Penticton Board of Trade passed strong resolutions requesting the provincial government to undertake the early construction of the Penticton-Carmi wagon road. A similar resolution will be submitted to the meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of the Okanagan Valley, which will meet in Penticton early in January. It is pointed out that aside from its being an advantage to the immediate district it could be utilized as a part of the trans-provincial highway.

"The Vernon News"

Of all the Christmas Exchanges which have reached The Week's reviewing desk this festive season, not one can compare with "The Vernon News." In addition to the regular paper, which is full of live news, as it always is, there is a special coloured supplement containing Christmas stories and articles of real interest. "The Vernon News" is to be congratulated on its success.

Kelowna Customs Port

On order in council has been passed establishing new customs ports from Jan. 1 at Minnedosa, Man., under the survey of the port of Portage la Prairie; Kelowna, B.C., under the survey of the port of Revelstoke, and 40-Mile, Y.T., under the survey of the port of Dawson.

Mongolian Pheasants

Mr. A. Bryan Williams, provincial game warden, states that the Mongolian pheasants introduced in British Columbia a year ago have bred well, and a number were shot by sportsmen this fall. This pheasant is considered the most beautiful of the species.

Military Uniforms

The minister of militia is putting into effect the new rule with regard to the selection of uniforms for the militia. Under the old system, the cloth for uniforms was purchased without any stipulation as to colour standards, the result being that different regiments wore varied hues of red or of green and this has caused comment on review days. Hereafter the cloth will be manufactured in Canada specially for the militia, under supervision of a textile expert.

The Government Telegraph

The annual report of the government telegraph service states that there are now in operation in various parts of the Dominion 8,150 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles of government-owned and operated wires and 256 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles of cables. These wires, some of which are double lines cover 7,700 miles of ground. The expenditure for the system during the year has been \$432,970.40 while the revenue has been \$169,585.15.

A Great Rush to Canada in 1912

A. D. McRae, of the Canadian Northern railway says that from advices received by his company's land department he believes that four hundred thousand new people will settle in Canada in 1912. Mr. Rae declares that wheat crop and excellent lumber trade and general conditions convince leading Canadian bankers that the country is on the threshold of banner year of prosperity and expansion.

Stampede to Head Of 60-Mile River

There is a stampede to the head of Sixty-Mile River, as the result of a rich gold strike there. Many old prospectors have started over the 130-Mile trail to the new strike, which is twenty miles from the Alaskan boundary.

Correspondence

The Week accepts no responsibility for the views expressed by its correspondents. Communications will be inserted whether signed by the real name of the writer or a nom de plume, but the writer's name and address must be given to the Editor as an evidence of bona fides. In no case will it be divulged without consent.

TIMELY GENEROSITY

Koksilah, B.C.

Jan. 3, 1912.

Editor The Week:

As you may remember I published a Coronation hymn in June of last year with a promise that any profits arising therefrom, should be devoted to local hospitals. A very large number of copies were circulated as you know (in the Government Souvenir and the Kamloops Souvenir, etc., but the majority of these were not paid copies.

I have at last managed to get together most of the moneys due and find that after paying Mr. Cusack's printing bill of \$119.30, I have nearly \$40 in hand. I am sending \$15 to the Jubilee Hospital, \$15 to the Anti-Tuberculosis Hospital, and \$10 to the Duncans Convalescent Home.

I am very much ashamed of the paltry sums and would gladly not mention them had I not promised to account for my profits.

Yours truly,

CLIVE PHILLIPPS WOLLEY.

To the Electors of Ward 1:

In response to a requisition numerously signed by the electors of Ward 1, I have decided to offer myself for the position of Alderman for Ward 1. If elected, my policy will be one of progress, and at the same time safeguard the interests of the city in every regard. I am in favour of the Sooke Water Scheme, and will work to have the Sooke water delivered in Victoria at the earliest possible date. I am also in favour of municipal ownership of all public utilities. I am in favour of the Greater Victoria Scheme, if properly worked out, so that every interest will be considered. I am of the opinion that the Public Works Department of our City stands in need of reorganization, as we are not getting value for the money spent. I am in favour of the day labour system on city works as far as possible. If elected my endeavour will be to promote the interests of Victoria, and will work to build up and clean up the city, as we have in Victoria the best residential and commercial centre in Canada.

Respectfully yours,

R. BEARD.

The British Columbia Old Country Public School Boys' Association

President—E. E. Pooley (Bedford Grammar School)
Hon. Secretary—A. R. Sherwood (Dulwich Coll.), Northern Crown Bank Bldg.

P. O. Box 812, Victoria,
Dec. 29th, 1911.

The Annual Dinner will be held in Victoria on Saturday, 13th January, 1912, at the Empress Hotel at 7.30 p.m.

Tickets, \$2.50, can be had from any member of the Council or from the Secretary.

An adjourned General Meeting will be held at the Board of Trade Rooms, Bastion Street, on January 15th, 1912, at 5 p.m.

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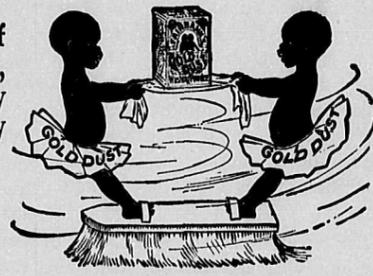
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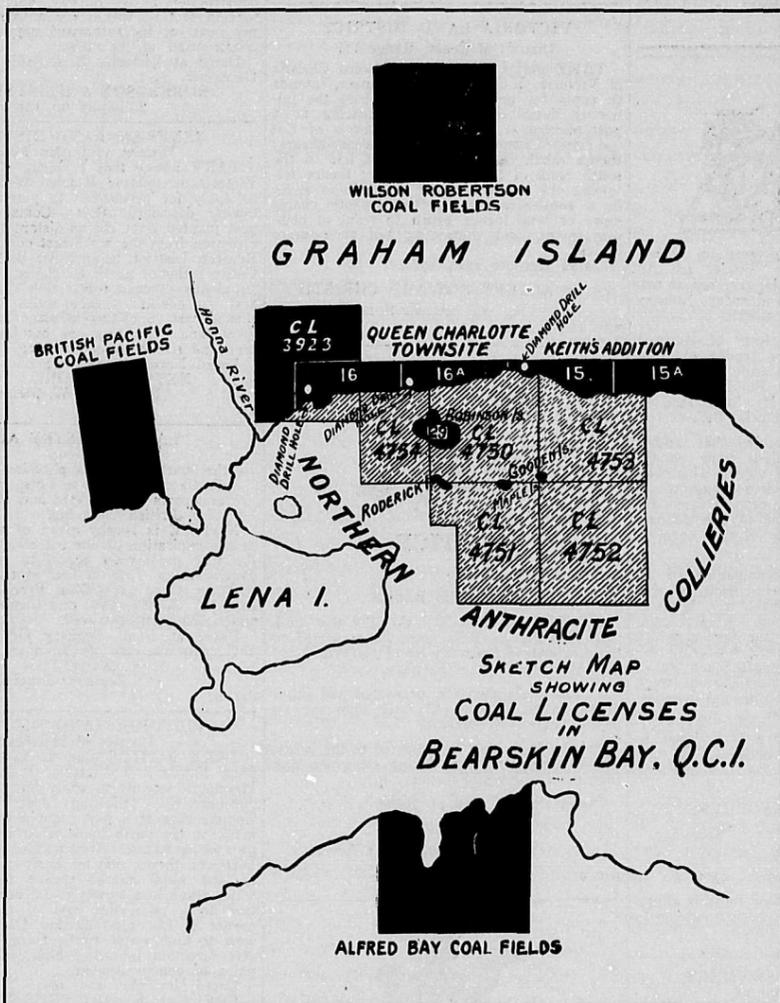
At a meeting in Shrewsbury, on Tuesday, December 5th, of the Conciliation Board of the Great Western and London and North-Western Joint Railways, concessions were agreed upon by which some 1,500 men will get either reduced hours or higher

wages, or both. The staffs affected include those at Birkenhead, Chester, Shrewsbury, Hereford, Ludlow, Wellington, and many other stations. It is estimated that when the scheme comes into full operation it will cost the joint companies a further £4,000 a year.

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APPLICATION FOR SHARES

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I hereby request you to obtain for me.....shares in the NORTHERN ANTHRACITE COLLIERIES, LIMITED, of par value of \$1.00 each at the net price to me of 15c per share, and I now hand you the sum of \$....., being the first payment of five cents per share now applied for; the balance I agree to pay as follows: Five cents on each share in thirty days from date hereof; five cents on each share in sixty days from date hereof; being payment in full, and I hereby agree to accept the said shares or any less number of shares that may be allotted to me, and also pay for same; and I hereby authorize you to obtain registration of me as the holder of the shares so obtained for me.
This application is made by me subject to (50,000) shares being subscribed for and purchased.

A. E. KEALY, Office: 506 Pacific Bldg., 744 Hastings St., W., Vancouver

H. J. HEAL, 125 Pemberton Block, Victoria, B. C.

Rules for Limerick Competitors

1. In order to win a Limerick Prize it is only necessary to cut out Coupon below, and to add a line to the verse which accompanies the Coupon. This last line must rhyme with the first two lines, but neither of the last two words terminating the first two lines may be used.

2. All who desire to compete for the prizes offered by "The Week" for Limericks must enclose the Coupon below, together with P. O. for 50c (no stamps, and forward same not later than January 6th, addressed Limerick Editor, The Week, Victoria, B.C. All letters sent after that date will be disqualified.

3. Competitors may submit two or more Limericks if desired—but each attempt must be accompanied by separate coupon, and additional entrance fee. Competitors sending more than one Limerick may enclose one money order or cheque for the full amount covering the number of their coupons. The Editor undertakes that every Limerick shall receive careful consideration, but he will not hold himself responsible for coupons lost or mislaid.

4. The decision of the Editor on all matters relating to this competition must be accepted as final, and acceptance of this rule is an express condition of entry.

5. The result of each competition will be duly announced in the next issue of "The Week," following the closing date for entries. The names of the prize-winners, together with their addresses, will be published with the winning lines.

6. The total amount of the money received will be distributed amongst the winners who will be graded in order of merit, less 10 per cent. for various objects of general public interest, and 10 per cent. for expenses. The 10 per cent. this month will be paid to the Public Library for the purpose of adding new books to the Library. (We should be happy to receive any suggestions as regards the books most in request by readers). Next month the amount set aside for public purposes will be given to the Jubilee Hospital.

"THE WEEK" LIMERICK COMPETITION Coupon No. 4

We hail Father Christmas today,
Who has always a glorious way,
Of distributing toys,
To good little boys

Name

Address

No. of M. Order.....

Motherland

Mishap to the Mauretania

Owing to the strong tide and wind the anchor chain of the Cunard liner Mauretania, berthed in the Mersey, broke late on Wednesday night, December 6th, and the huge vessel drifted up river for a mile or so, narrowly missing several vessels in her erratic course.

There was considerable excitement, and a tug hastened to assist, but found that the weight of the liner was too much for her, and there was every danger of the towing-rope snapping. A number of other tugs quickly arrived, and, attaching hawsers, steadied the Mauretania, which, however, went ashore near the Dingle, on a bottom consisting of mud and sand. As the tide was then falling, it was found impossible to get her away.

Sir W. Grantham

Rarely has so representative a gathering paid a last tribute to the memory of a judge as that which assembled on Monday, December 4th, in the Temple Church at the memorial service to the late Sir William Grantham.

Fourteen judges were present, and for over half an hour there was a constant stream of benchers and barristers, solicitors and law students.

The brief service was conducted by the Master of the Temple (Dr. Woods). The anthem "Blest are the departed" and the hymn "Now the labourer's task is o'er" were sung, and at the close the funeral march was played.

The service synchronised with the funeral at Barcombe, Sussex. The coffin was conveyed on an open hearse from the house in Eaton-square to Victoria Station early in the afternoon, and wreaths had been sent in such numbers that these were taken to the station in a coach, which made a number of special journeys for the purpose.

At the head of the coffin was placed a wreath of laurels, tied with the Union Jack, from the Westminster

Division of the National Reserve, inscribed: "To our comrade of fifty-two years' service."

Death of Sir George Lewis

Sir George Lewis, the famous solicitor, died on Thursday morning, December 7th, at Portlandplace, at the age of seventy-eight.

No man of his time was the repository of so many secrets connected with distinguished families. But he was the personification of discreetness, and was never known to betray a confidence.

All documents connected with confidential cases he kept in a special room, and some time ago he burnt many of them.

He was practically the only solicitor who never kept a diary. Secrets which were entrusted to him were locked up in his mind, and now that he is dead those who trusted him may rest assured that those secrets have died with him.

Mr. Bottomley

The Central News says an application in the Bankruptcy Court for a receiving order was granted against Mr. Bottomley on his own petition. In making the application, Mr. Bottomley said he had been harassed by litigation arising out of affairs of certain companies with which he was connected several years ago. He wished to protect his assets and put an end to all pending litigation by means of a receiving order with a view to submitting a scheme for payment of all just debts.

New Bishop

Canon James Denton Thompson has been appointed Bishop of Sodor and Man. The canon has been rector of Birmingham since 1905, and is the second clergyman in succession holding that position who has been elevated to the Episcopal Bench, Dr. Diggle, his predecessor, having been made Bishop of Carlisle in 1905.

Canon Thompson was born in 1856 at Liverpool. He obtained his first

curacy at Didsbury, Manchester, at the age of twenty-six. From there he went to St. Saviour's, Liverpool, and became Vicar of St. Leonard's, Bootle, in 1889. Prior to his appointment to the rectory of Birmingham he was rector of North Meols, Southport.

Mr. Fred Terry's Illness

Mr. Fred Terry, who has been in bad health since September, suffering from nervous breakdown and slight heart trouble, has had a relapse, and is again confined to his room under the care of a nurse.

A few weeks ago arrangements were made for him to spend a few weeks at Crowborough, but as he was not strong enough to undertake the journey these had to be cancelled.

Lincoln Headmaster

The Rev. Reginald Stewart Moxon, of King's School, Canterbury, has been appointed headmaster of Lincoln Grammar School.

The Value of the Sea

The value of sea-fish caught and landed in Canada during the six months ended September 30th last was over \$11,500,000.



SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Armoury, Fernie, B.C." will be received at this office until 4.00 p.m., on Wednesday, January 24, 1912, for the work mentioned.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department on application to the Caretaker of Dominion Public Building, Fernie, B.C., and at the office of Mr. Wm. Henderson, Resident Architect, Victoria, B.C.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures, stating their occupations and places of residence. In the case of firms, the actual signature, the nature of the occupation, and place of residence of each member of the firm must be given.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent. (10 p.c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

R. C. DESROCHERS,

Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, December 26, 1911.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Renfrew

TAKE notice that I, R. Carmichael Bamford, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation, dentist, intend to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the south-east corner and marked R. C. B. S.E. Cor., located about 20 chains west and 6 chains south of the south-east corner of Lot 650, Renfrew District, and also about one and three-fourths miles south and two and a quarter miles west of mile post 43 on the boundary line of the E. & N. R.R. grant; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Located December 9th, 1911.
R. CARMICHAEL BAMFORD,
Per D. J. O'Brien, Agent.
dec. 23 jan. 20

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Renfrew

TAKE notice that I, D. J. O'Brien, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation, cruiser, intend to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-west corner and marked D. J. O'Brien, Cor., located about 20 chains west and 6 chains south of the south-east corner of Lot 650, Renfrew District, and also about one and three-fourths miles south and two and a quarter miles west of mile post 43 on the boundary line of the E. & N. R.R. grant; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Located December 9th, 1911.
D. J. O'BRIEN.
dec. 23 jan. 20

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Renfrew

TAKE notice that I, J. M. Linton, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation, cruiser, intend to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-east corner and marked J. M. L. N. E. Cor., located about 20 chains west and 6 chains south of the south-east corner of Lot 650, Renfrew District, and also about one and three-fourths miles south and two and a quarter miles west of mile post 43 on the boundary line of the E. & N. R.R. grant; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Located December 9th, 1911.
J. M. LINTON.
dec. 23 jan. 20

Young lady would like place as lady help on ranch or farm, well domesticated, musical, age 22; also similar place for lady friend. Write Miss C. Jessop, White Hart Hotel, Margate, Kent, England.



CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve established by notice bearing date June 30th, 1908, and published in the British Columbia Gazette on July 2nd, 1908, over certain lands in the Districts of Cariboo and Lillooet in the vicinity of the 52nd parallel of North latitude, is cancelled in so far as the same relates to the lands surveyed as Sections 12, 13, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36, Township 46, Lillooet District; Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, Township 52, Lillooet District; Sections 1, 2, 4, 9, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 23, 26, 35, and 36, Township 54, Lillooet District; Sections 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33, Township 84, Lillooet District; Sections 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36, Township 86, Lillooet District; Sections 34, 35 and 36, Township 88, Lillooet District; Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 15, and 16, Township 47, Cariboo District; Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21 and 22, Township 49, Cariboo District; and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Township 51, Cariboo District, and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 18 and 20, Township 53, Cariboo District.

R. A. RENWICK,

Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.

11th October, 1911.

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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Coast, Range III

TAKE notice that Albert Edward Christie of Victoria, B.C., occupation Banker, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-west corner of Lot 140, Dean Channel, thence east twenty chains; thence north ten chains more or less to the south bank of the Salmon River; thence following the south bank of the Salmon River in a south-westerly direction twenty chains more or less, thence south to point of commencement, and containing ten acres more or less.

Dated October 21st, 1911.

ALBERT EDWARD CHRISTIE.

A. K. Stuart, Agent.

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NOTICE

PRIVATE BILLS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Petitions for Private Bills must be presented to the Legislative Assembly not later than Monday, the 22nd day of January, 1912.

Private Bills must be presented and introduced to the House not later than the 1st day of February, 1912.

Private Bills must be reported to the House by the Committee considering same not later than the 8th day of February, 1912.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1911.

THORNTON FELL,

Clerk Legislative Assembly.

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"WATER ACT, 1909."

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the Wellington Colliery Company, Limited, holder of Water Licences Nos. 1919 and 1920, granted by the Water Commissioner for the Victoria Water District, for the diversion of 1,000 cubic feet per second of water from the Puntledge River, a tributary of Courtenay River, has submitted to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council a map or plan of the works by which it intends to divert the said water and conduct it to the place where it shall be used for generating electric power as described in the said Licences.

That the undertaking of the said Wellington Colliery Company, Limited, as set out in the said plans is hereby approved, and the said Company is hereby authorized to construct and execute the following works in accordance with the plans and specifications submitted and filed in the office of the Chief Water Commissioner at Victoria, viz.:

- A. An impounding dam near the outlet of Comox Lake.
- B. Lowering the bed of Puntledge River and the hereinafter described diversion dam to an increased depth of five feet or less.
- C. A diversion dam on Puntledge River about 2,800 feet below the impounding dam above described.
- D. The works necessary for the transmission of the power generated under the above Licences on and in the vicinity of lands belonging to the said Company.

That the Company may exercise its powers within the Comox and Nelson Land Districts.

That no capital be required beyond that already subscribed and paid up.

That the works shall be begun on or before the first day of May next, and shall be completed and in actual operation on or before the 31st December, 1913.

With the proviso that during the construction of the said works any engineer appointed by the Minister of Lands for that purpose shall have free access to all parts of the works for the purpose of inspecting the same and of ascertaining that the construction thereof is in accordance with the plans and specifications herein referred to, and that the cost of such inspection shall be paid by the Company.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1911.

A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,

Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council.



CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserves established over vacant Crown Lands in Ranges 4 and 5, Coast District, by notice bearing dates respectively of December 17th, 1908, May 5th, 1910, and May 25th, 1910, which were published in the British Columbia Gazette in the issues of December 17th, 1908, May 12th, 1910, and May 26th, 1910, are cancelled in so far as the same relates to the lands surveyed as Lots 387, 388, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 1111, 1112, 1113, 1114, 1115, 1116, 1117, 1118, 1119, 1120, 1121, and 1122, all in Range 4, Coast District; and Lots 4028, 4029, 4030, 4031, 3022A, 3030, 3031A, 3043, 3044, 3594A, 4933, and 4934, all in Range 5, Coast District.

R. A. RENWICK,

Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.

11th October, 1911.

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act granting to The Victoria Harbour Railway Company an extension of time within which to commence and continuously and effectually proceed with the construction of its railway, and also an extension of time within which to spend fifteen per cent. of its authorised capital upon the construction of its railway.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 4th day of December, 1911.

ROBERTSON & HEISTERMAN,

Solicitors for the Applicants.

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Jordan River

TAKE notice that I, Netta B. Moore, of Victoria, occupation Married Woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted sixty chains distant in a westerly direction from the north-east corner of Lot 3, Renfrew District, being Netta B. Moore, S. E. Corner; thence north 40 chains; thence west 34 chains; thence south 18.6 chains; thence east 10 chains; thence south 21.4 chains; thence east 24 chains to place of commencement, and containing one hundred and fourteen and six-tenths acres, more or less.

Dated November 28th, 1911.

NETTA B. MOORE.

By William W. Steinmetz, Agent.

dec. 3

"LAND REGISTRY ACT"

In the matter of an application for a fresh Certificate of Title to Lots 1769 and 1799 and parts of Lots 1768 and 1800, Victoria City, British Columbia.

NOTICE is hereby given of my intention at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof to issue a fresh Certificate of Title in lieu of the Certificate of Title issued to William Brooke Naylor on the 17th of July, 1890 and numbered 10180A which has been destroyed.

Dated at Land Registry Office, Victoria, B.C., this 1st day of December, A.D. 1911.

S. Y. WOOLTON,

Registrar-General of Titles.

dec. 9

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Malahat

TAKE NOTICE that I, Frederick Adolphus Futcher, of Victoria, B.C., occupation Merchant, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at high water mark on the north bank of Arbutus Creek at its mouth, Saanich Arm, on Lot 120, Malahat District; thence east ten chains; thence north to low water mark; thence following low water mark in a westerly and northerly direction to a point due east of the north-east corner of Lot 120, Malahat District; thence west to high water mark; thence in a southerly direction following high water mark to point of commencement.

Dated November 2nd, 1911.

FREDERICK ADOLPHUS FUTCHER,

Per William Meyerstein, Agent.

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COAST LAND DISTRICT

Range I

TAKE notice that Archibald Dunbar Taylor, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Barrister, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the east shore of Cardero Channel and about thirty chains north of Henry Point; thence east 45 chains; thence north 30 chains to the south-west corner of Lot 91; thence north 40 chains along the line of Limit 91 and thence west 45 chains more or less to the shore of Cardero Channel; thence south along the shore of Cardero Channel to point of commencement.

Dated November 17th, 1911.

ARCHIBALD DUNBAR TAYLOR.

Geo. Y. Hibberd, Agent.

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EXTENSION OF TIME

The time for receiving tenders for the construction of a Jetty at mouth of the Fraser River at Steveston, B.C., is hereby extended to Friday, January 19, 1912.

By order,

R. C. DESROCHERS,

Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, December 20, 1911.

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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Renfrew

TAKE notice that I, H. L. Bunnell, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Cruiser, intend to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the south-west corner and marked H. L. B. S.W. Cor., located about 20 chains west and 6 chains south of the south-east corner of Lot 650, Renfrew District, and also about one and three-fourths miles south and two and a quarter miles west of mile post 43 on the boundary line of the E. & N. R.R. grant; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Located December 9th, 1911.

H. L. BUNNELL.

dec. 23

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Athletic Notes

By *Umpire*

Rugby

Three cheers for Capt. Newcombe, the pluckiest skipper in Coast Rugby, and three more for his bonnie men, who romped over the visiting Berkeley team and won a decisive victory on New Year's Day. For their success they have received so much praise that they may be in danger of getting "swelled heads." Still, the fruits of victory are sweet and to a true sport nothing is sweeter than genuine praise. The odds were all against the Victoria team; it was short of practice; it was practically a scratch team, and it was experimenting with at least two new men. The local boys had their hardest tussle in the opening match on Christmas Day, when they managed to hold down the game to a point-less draw. After that it was all one way. The practice of the first match helped them wonderfully. The weak players were weeded out; the strength of the opposing team had been tested and a score of 6-3 in the second match and 8-0 in the third fairly reflects the play.

The outstanding feature of the contest was the brilliant play of Ronald Gillespie, who was easily the star of the series. It is impossible to speak too highly of his magnificent kick in the last match, which gave his side the only converted try of the game. The angle could not have been more difficult; the distance was considerable, and the ball was as accurately placed as if it had been a round 'Soccer bay and not an elliptical Rugby. Both the Gillespie boys were conspicuous in all the games; indeed, they were the life and soul of the forward pack. This is not to depreciate the splendid work of the pack as a whole, and especially of Carstairs and Heineke, for when all is said and done, it was a forward game. The next credit goes to Williams, who, at full-back, proved himself to be a player of very high class. He was sure, steady, cool and clever, taking kicks which a less experienced player would undoubtedly have missed, and finding "touch" time and again from difficult positions. In the final game the three-quarter line showed what they might accomplish with more practice. There were several good "passing" runs which compared not unfavourably with the work of the Berkeley men.

Speaking of the visitors, it is pleasing to be able to note that they learnt their lesson last year and did not attempt to resort to the foul practices which brought down upon them such severe condemnation. Two men only transgressed and Capt. Stroud had the manliness to inform the referee that he himself would send them off the field if they did not desist. The Berkeley boys are a clever, plucky lot; their three-quarter line being particularly good, but they have much to learn about the rules of the game and they would be well advised to get an old Rugby player from England as a coach. They will never learn the fine points of the game from American coaches who are only theoretical players.

If Victoria can repeat the game they played on New Year's day they may safely count on securing possession of the Cooper-Keith and the Keelnie Cup during the ensuing year.

Ice Hockey

I think the readers of The Week who helped that two thousand audience at the Arena on Tuesday night will admit that I did not say one word too much about the fascination of Ice Hockey. I think it is a fair computation that two-thirds of the audience had never seen a championship match before. I gathered this from remarks heard on every hand; most of them ejaculations of admiration and surprise. The swiftness, skill and accuracy of the play baffled description. The puck travelled from one end of the vast Arena to the other and back again in a few seconds, and the flyers on skates kept pace with the puck. It was a marvel to the onlookers who were novices that the men did not bang into each other at every stride. They had to

wind their way through the intricacies of a maze at lightning speed, and yet there were no collision except intentional checks. Most people sympathise with the goal-keeper in a football match, but what about the goal-keeper in an Ice Hockey match, with a rubber puck flying for his head like a bullet from a rifle? Before the game began it looked as if the net space was so small that the puck could never find its way in past the goal-keeper; after the first goal had been scored the onlookers realised that Ernie Johnson, or Lester Patrick could place that puck through an opening about four inches square with the accuracy of a rifle shot, and therein lies the fascination of Ice Hockey. Absolute accuracy of aim and the possibility of scoring if there is an opening as large as a pocket-handkerchief.

I am filled with admiration for the splendid building and its appointments; it will be a success, not only because the plucky promoters deserve success, but chiefly because the fascination of Ice Rinking and Ice Hockey will transcend every other sporting attraction and ensure a steady stream of pleasure-seekers from the city to the Arena.

UMPIRE.

Gossip from the Stalls

(Continued from Page 3)

sophy of Kipling's poem, "The Vampire." This had its inspiration in Sir Philip Burne-Jones' painting which startled all London when first publicly displayed. A modern American play has been built upon the theme of painter and poet. The story reverses the familiar triangle of two men and a woman and gathers its force from the struggle of two women and a man. The latter is a polished typical New Yorker, who stands very high in the financial, social and diplomatic worlds. His charming home life at his villa in Larchmont upon the eve of his departure for Europe, where he goes to undertake an important mission for the government, is pictured. The action quickly changes to the deck of a big ocean liner about to sail. Here the strong dramatic interest begins when he meets the vampire woman, a seductive and fascinating creature of alluring charms for whom a distracted lad has killed himself five minutes before. Although the big man of the story is a well-seasoned citizen of the world, he instantly falls under the woman's spell. His mission in London is neglected for wild days and nights in Venice and Paris. The climax comes in the library of the house where he is living in wretched solitude. He has abandoned wife and child and in dull self-reproach has taken to brandy. His friends have forsaken him and he has fallen very low from high estate. The surroundings are dust-covered and neglected; furniture, mirror and bric-a-brac have been smashed in his drunken fury; even his one faithful servant has left him. Then comes the supreme struggle between the opposing forces of good and evil, the final result of which cannot be foretold until the instant the final curtain falls. It is a play of symbolism and striking contrasts.

The Girl of the Golden West

"What do you think of an entire train load of grand opera?" said W. H. Wright, general representative of Henry W. Savage, the New York producer, who paid a flying visit to the city this week in the interest of the production of "The Girl of the Golden West," which will be seen at Victoria Theatre, on Friday, January 26th. "You are to have this train load of grand opera here, for the last and greatest work of the world's most famous living composer will be brought here by Mr. Savage. Yes, this organization consists of an entire train load of singers, musicians, chorus-people, scenery, electrical effects and the paraphernalia necessary for the production on a huge scale of a grand opera. This is the colossal undertaking upon which Mr. Savage has expended a year and more of time and enough capital to launch a score of ordinary sized productions. This grand opera train, which con-

sists of ten cars, left New York on October 27th on a transcontinental trip of over ten thousand miles, during which each and every large city will be visited and a performance given. The most of the big cities will get but one or two performances, and the interest in the enterprise is astonishing. Never before has anything been attempted upon such an enormous scale."

"An idea of the size of the production can be gained from the fact that this grand opera train carries five prima donnas, six tenors and five baritones. There are, you see, five complete casts of principals. The performance can be given five successive nights in the week without it being necessary for one of the leading principals to appear twice. Their names? I would give you the list if you would print it, but it would require half a column of your paper. They are of all nationalities—Americans, English, French, Italians, German, and Scandinavian, but of course all sing in the English language. These singers were collected by Mr. Savage and his agents after critically inspecting the performances in the leading opera houses of continental Europe. He raked the whole field where available talent could be secured with a fine-tooth comb and the public are the gainers by his conscientious efforts.

"Mr. Savage, as is well known to music-lovers, has been absent from the ranks of the producers of grand opera for several seasons. Himself the pioneer in the field of grand opera representations in English—of which the public retain such delightful memories, as witness his production of Parsifal, Madam Butterfly and Die Walkure he felt that after the sensational success of "The Girl of the Golden West" in New York last winter that it would be even a greater triumph if rendered in the English tongue. The story, the characters, the atmosphere, is American, and to truly interpret the wonderful score and preserve its dramatic values, the English text must be used.

"The production is made upon an enormous scale. Nothing as massive has ever before been taken on tour. There is a grand opera orchestra of fifty pieces under the direction of Giorgio Polacco, of Venice and Milan, a friend and co-worker of the great Puccini. Polacco is known to the musical cult in all parts of the world. It was he who discovered Tetrazzini when she was singing in an obscure opera company, trained her, became her conductor, travelled with her for two seasons in that capacity, and made her known to the musical world. Polacco is the master spirit of the entire production. He has two assistants, Dimboni and Sodero."

"Not the least attractive feature of this train load of grand opera is the chorus—a chorus which can really sing, selected with great care from musical colleges and conservatories in all parts of America? The gold-miners are represented by sixty big, broad-shouldered, deep-chested men whose full rich voices blended together lend a peculiar charm to the atmosphere of the golden state so faithfully portrayed.

"Every detail of this wonderful production has been wrought out with the same faithfulness and disregard of expense which has characterized Mr. Savage's other productions of a musical nature. He has really reproduced the atmosphere of the days of '49 in California in grand opera just as David Belasco succeeded in doing in drama. The expense of the organization is so great that if every seat is sold for every performance he is little more than cleared. Grand opera at best is rarely a paying speculation for an investor, but the public appreciate good things and Mr. Savage is a manager in whom they have faith. He has never fostered a spurious article, and those who enjoyed Madam Butterfly will be charmed by this production. Only through some manager of large resources such as Mr. Savage possesses would it be possible to present 'The Girl of the Golden West' on tour. On account of the enormous expense involved this is the only production ever likely to be toured.

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Society

Mr. H. Godfrey, Victoria spent the holidays visiting friends in Vancouver.

Mr. A. Bland is the guest of friends in Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. E. R. Moore from Winnipeg is stopping at the Westholme Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Gourlay, Toronto, are visiting friends in this city.

Miss Violet Hickey, Vancouver, is the guest of Mrs. A. S. Gore, Cook street.

The Misses Duke from Vancouver were guests in Victoria during the week.

Capt. and Mrs. W. S. Weeks of Edmonton, are registered at the Empress Hotel.

J. E. Merryfield from Prince Rupert, spent a few days in the city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carew Gibson of Vancouver, were registered at the Empress during the week.

Miss McAllister from Nelson, B.C., has arrived in this city to take up her residence for the future.

Mrs. G. Lloyd Hall of 437 Simcoe street, is visiting Mrs. Reid of Vancouver for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. N. Shaw, Nanaimo, B.C., are guests at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Price Ellison will receive every Wednesday at "West Bay," Dunsmuir Road.

Capt. and Mrs. Davidson are leaving today on the Sadu Maru for Hong Kong where they will pay an extended visit.

Mr. G. K. Gillespie, who has been spending the holidays in the city, returned on Tuesday last to his home at Cowichan Lake.

Mrs. Tate Robertson of Vancouver is spending a few days in the capital as the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Herman Robertson.

Mr. Richard McCallum, on the staff of the Bank of Montreal, left during the week for Alberni, B.C., where he will join the bank there.

Miss Margaret Ley, who has been visiting at "Wulfruna," Rockland Ave., has returned to her home in New Westminster.

Miss K. Palmer, Victoria, was the guest of Mrs. R. H. Rourke, Trafalgar Road, Vancouver, during the holidays.

Mr. Koop, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon and Mrs. Richardson of Vancouver spent a few days in Victoria in the early part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Linton entertained a few of their friends at their home, "Dorothea," Fell Street, at a New Year's dinner on Tuesday, after which the evening was spent in games and music.

The home of Mrs. R. M. Sanburn, "Shirlea," Fell Street, was the scene of a merry gathering on Thursday evening, when her sister, Miss Olive Hays, entertained a number of friends at five hundred and dancing. Those present were: Misses Sheldon, Rolfe, Jackson, M. Middleton, J. Middleton, Noble, Inches, Fulton and Lillian Hayes (Regina); Messrs. Walker, Fulton, Warnicker, Spragge, F. Middleton, A. Middleton, R. Beckwith, L. Beckwith and C. Tuohy.

One of the smartest New Year teas was given by Mrs. P. de Noe Walker at her charming residence "Phoenix," Dallas Road, on Tuesday, in honour of her guest, Miss Margery Clayton of Bella Coola. The decorations in asparagus fern and red and pink carnations were very effective. Mrs. Walker was assisted by Mrs. T. W. Patterson and Mrs. D. B. McLaren. Among those present were Miss Mildred Gibson of Bella Coola, Miss Violet Goodwin, Miss Long, L.A.R.M., Miss Dickson, Miss Eva Ross, Miss Carlin, Miss Burrell, Miss Baugh-Allen, the Misses Monteith, Miss Scott, Miss Collins, Miss Brown and Miss Russell.

The marriage of Miss Marjory Clouston, daughter of Sir Edward Seaborne Clouston, to Dr. John Todd of McGill University, was celebrated very quietly in Paris a few days ago. The civil ceremony was performed at noon at the British consulate by Mr. Percy Inglis, Consul-General, and a few minutes later Bishop Ormsby officiated at the religious ceremony in the presence of members of the family and some intimate friends, no invitations having been issued. The bride wore her travelling costume, and there were no attendants. A wedding breakfast was served at the Hotel Bristol, and Dr. and Mrs. Todd started almost immediately on their honeymoon in an automobile, for the South of France, and later on they will return to Montreal. Dr. Todd has a great many friends in this city, being very well known here.

A pretty house wedding was solemnized on New Year's day at 2547 Blanchard avenue, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Robertson when their only daughter, Miss Clifford Pearl Robertson, was united in marriage to Mr. Henry Marr, of Aberdeen, Scotland. The Rev. Dr. Campbell officiated at the ceremony which was held in the drawing-room—being prettily decorated for the occasion. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a dress of heavy white satin with a tunic and corsage trimming of embroidered net. The bridesmaid, Miss A. John, of Sidney, B.C., wore a smart costume. Mr. Alex. Robertson of Esquimalt acted as best man. At the conclusion of the ceremony a collation was served. Later the happy couple left for Vancouver and the Sound cities, the bride travelling in a smart costume of blue serge with hat to match.

Among those who were present at the Empress ball on New Year's night were Captain and Mrs. Troupe, Miss Troupe, Mr. and Mrs. John Arbuthnot, Mr. and Mrs. Carew Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. P. de Noe Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Roberts, Mr. J. Gray, Miss Gray, Mr. and Mrs. D. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Leeming, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gore, Mr. W. Blakemore, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Harvey, Mrs. H. Pooley, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Mattison, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rant, Mr. Fall, Miss Mason, Miss Monteith, Miss Rome, Mr. Morton Mason, Mr. Darcy Martin, Mrs. Archer Martin, Mr. J. Bridgman, Miss Finlayson, Mr. Holt, Mrs. Roper, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. E. Austin, Mr. A. T. Goward, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Innes, Mr. Hughes, Mr. B. J. Prior, Mr. D. Bullen, Mr. and Mrs. R. Troupe, Miss Haggerty, Miss Leary, Mr. and Mrs. S. Child, Mr. O'Grady, Miss Battle, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Goddard, Mr. L. V. Cuppage, Mr. Marshal, Mr. Bromley, Misses Blackwood, Mr. Payne, Mr. Jephson, Mr. Mason, Mr. Weston and many others.

Among the New Year's day weddings solemnized in Victoria was that of Mr. D. S. Tait, of the firm of Brandon & Tait, barristers, who was married to Emily Margaret, daughter of the late William and Mrs. Johnston. The marriage took place at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, the Rev. Robert Connell officiating at the ceremony. Mr. Robert G. Johnston, brother of the bride, gave her away, and the Misses Sarah and Effie Johnston acted as bridesmaids. Mr. Frank Tait undertook the duties of best man. Miss O. Baillie made a charming flower girl. The ceremony took place in the prettily decorated church, directly beneath a bridal bell of white carnations. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to the future home of the bride and groom, Foul Bay Road, where a reception was held. Later the young couple left for Vancouver en route for the South, where they will spend the honeymoon. A great many very handsome and costly gifts were received. The bridegroom is the second son of Mr. Leonard Tait of this city. Mrs. Morris played the wedding march and later sang a solo at the reception.

The marriage took place on January 2nd, at the home of Mr. W. A. Dier, Dallas Avenue, of his daughter, Miss Agnes Etoile Dier and Dr. Stanley Cameron McEwen of Fort Hammond, son of the Rev. P. H. McEwen, of New Westminster, who assisted at the marriage ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. W. E. Stevenson. The bride wore a beautiful Empire gown of white charmeuse satin with overdress of white ninon trimmed with point d'Italien

lace with crystal and pearl trimmings. A dainty drapery of lace was held in place on the bodice with knots of orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses, and lilies of the valley with asparagus fern, fastened with white tulle. Miss Pope, who made a charming bridesmaid, wore a smart dress of soft cream satin with a tunic of chiffon in the same colour effectively trimmed with heavy cream silk fringe and Flemish lace. Mr. Leon Ladner of Vancouver acted as groomsman. The bride travelled in a smart tailored dress with hat en suite. The honeymoon will be spent in visiting the Sound cities.

The Cinderella dance given under the auspices of the Daughters of Pity in aid of the children's ward of the Royal Jubilee Hospital, was held last Friday week, December 29th, at the Alexandra Club, and proved to be a most successful and brilliant affair. Dancing commenced for the younger children at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and a great many little people were present, some very pretty and quaint costumes being worn. In the evening the floor was given over to the larger children and adults. The supper-room was tastefully adorned with ponsetias and greenery, tinsel and scarlet tissue paper forming a centre-piece. Among the many guests present were: The Misses Lugin, the Misses Bagshawe, Mrs. Cowley, Miss Rochfort, Miss E. Gibson, Mrs. Musgrave, Miss Haggerty, the Misses Creig, Miss Kerr, Miss Bannister, Miss Mary Boggs, Miss Maud Scott, Miss Norma Jones, the Misses Rant, Miss Duncalf, Miss Olive Duncalf, Miss Eileen Taylor, the Misses Rickaby, Miss McB. Smith, Miss Blanche Smith, Miss Baby Rhodes, Miss Ethel Rhodes, Miss Dorothy Edwards, Miss Ermine Bass, Miss Holden, Miss Lillian Holden, Miss Kirk, Miss Hazel Kirk, Miss Hazel Shakespeare, Miss Burrell, Miss E. Floyd, Miss Morton, and the Messrs. Eric Bolton, Gerald Bolton, Fuller, Duncan, T. W. Buss, B. Buss, Wm. Barton, Walter Barton, Tom Brown, C. Brown, Picken, W. B. Monteith, Cox, R. Taylor, Gerald Clute, Bob Scott, Jack and Turner Matson, J. Bridgman, E. P. Colley, A. White, Wheatley, Spencer and many others.

BOOK NOTES

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these sick waifs he tarried to heal, for whose sake he put off love itself, like the stones of his little house, were but offerings of love to her,—the ritual of his worship to that Divine One he had made and set up, idly, in his heart. For the man is the poet, dreamer ever, half god, half beast,—ready to worship or wallow, transfiguring the human woman, like this girl, into the divinity of his dream. While he cured the sick woman and adored the image he had made for himself, the girl was putting on a new gown of dazzling fashion."

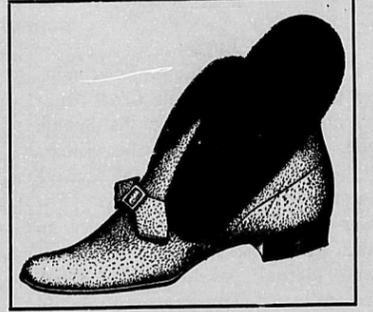
Of love he says, "If he loves her 'tis the love we women dream of and never find,—worship, adoration, reverence,—not desire! Love of that temper makes us women feel our power over the brute in you man."

Again he says: "It was given to the human heart, the woman heart, to desire an experience and then to sigh for what had been. At least, she comforted herself, the life they now led was more normal. Strange paradox of the woman nature—to seek the normal and sigh for the supernal, to lap herself in comfort and dream of the stars."

Here is another striking paragraph: "Change, always change in the restless dance of will and desire,—it is the abiding condition of being. Change, endless, eternal, superficial, yet cataclysmically rending of souls. Change from the budding tree to the fading leaf, from the freezing water to the rotten ice, from the fluid charm of youth with its dream to the fixed habit of maturity with its real-

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ity, life itself is but the flux of change."

His attitude towards conventional marriage is illustrated in the following: "For some minutes she knelt there staring into the flames, as if fascinated by their fiery fervour. Then drawn by his shining eyes she looked up at him, and with a little cry of joy slipped into his arms. Their trembling lips met. This she knew was the sacrament he had willed for them, on the altar of their new hearth, not that other affair of mumbled words in the minister's parlour."

This is, alas, only too true in many a life. "And that is fate for one woman! An accident throws her up against a certain man. Something happens between them—we call it love for short, or nature—or fate! And then the world is turned upside down, for the woman at least."

Probably the traditional viewpoint of man on a woman's life must not be taken too seriously; we must remember that in this book at any rate it is the opinion of a mad doctor who says: "We men, I fancy, rarely ever understand women's lives. They are made up of trivial things that seem unimportant to us—and are unimportant. What counts for them is mostly externals,—clothes, position, appearance,—all that. For the girl's sake couldn't you try to give them a little more of what all women want."

Perhaps his closing benediction will appeal to all my readers. "Wild

dreams are beautiful, and lovers' songs, and worship; but a good fire-side, a secure place in the world for themselves and their children, that is the highest wisdom of women."

I am sure all wise women will agree with the following:

"Men really don't know what they want. They think they do when they marry us, but it is our business to show them. I don't mean by lecturing, or managing, but by making them live as we know they should live. We know what is best for ourselves and for our children, and in the end men come to want that too no matter how wild they may be at first. They know that we are right. Women are the force that keeps society together, and makes civilised living possible."

His final verdict on life is: "And I will teach you the great secret," he said to the young man, 'the secret of the Healer, the secret of all humanity, the secret,' he whispered with a wistful smile, 'we often miss upon the way—Courage! The will to give all!—that is the secret!'"

\$40 PRIZE LIMERICK COMPETITION EXTENDED TO JANUARY 13

In response to numerous requests The Week has decided to extend the Forty-Dollar Prize Limerick Competition one week longer. Answers will therefore be received up to Saturday January 13th. After this date the Limerick Competitions will cease.

"Sotto Voce"

The Week's Rumours and Humours

(By The Hornet)

That everything has seemed brighter since Christmas, which proves that the Dickens Christmas has "caught on"

That Robert Herrick may create one "Healer," but after all Time is still the Great Healer.

That the New Year means new hopes—which all may cherish.

That many hearts are waiting—waiting to see what share of happiness 1912 may bring them.

That the Christmas and New Year's festivities were more pronounced than usual and that in consequence a great many celebrators are still "resting up."

That there have been many abuses at the Westholme Hotel, which the new proprietors would do well to remedy.

That licenses have been taken away for far less serious infractions of the law than occurred at this hotel in the early part of December.

That if it is to be the resort of respectable people it will have to be kept respectable.

That there is no reason to doubt that the new proprietors will be fully alive to the importance of such a policy.

That there are so-called hotels in Victoria which are nothing better than houses of assignation, and if the police do not know it, they ought to.

That a hotel into which a stranger can walk and hire a room for an hour without registering is a fit subject for investigation.

That when Victoria undertook to break up the red-light district it expected to scatter, but not to house the denizens.

That under the system which has now developed, the breakers of one law are being protected by another law.

That there must be a lot of easy money in Victoria when an impecunious clerk can pass worthless cheques for more than \$1,000.

That people who recklessly cash such cheques deserve to lose their money, and are at least half as blameworthy as the man who signs them.

That the system is a sure one for helping a young fellow on the downward path.

That most of the money obtained in this way gravitates into the same channel—or cess-pool.

That the municipal campaign has begun in earnest and Mayor Morley is showing up in his true colors.

That it was his native modesty which led him to monopolise the time for which he did not pay at Mr. Beckwith's meeting in the George Jay School.

That the Mayor has a long record of similar meannesses.

That a Victoria audience has a nasty habit of seeing through shams.

That they may be a little slow at first, but in the end they are bound to get there.

That in his time Mayor Morley has posed as the Friend of Labour, the Friend of Reform, the Friend of Women and the Friend of Grass-Widows.

That all have now deserted him except the last.

That as he has abandoned their proposed Pension Bill, even they may turn and rend him.

That after four years' public service it is the record which counts, and it is on his record that the Mayor will be downed.

That opportunity may flourish for a season, but exposure cometh in the morning.

That it is a little bit unreasonable to criticise the Victoria Times for a breach of the canons of good taste in Art—or anything else.

That any misfortune—except the misfortunes of the Liberal Party is a good peg to hang a joke on, but in the latter case the Times has never yet been able to see the joke.

That the attack of the Times on Mr. Beckwith is in its best and most characteristic literary style, and recalls memories of the good old days when it secured the title of "The Muckraker."

That one would think it rather "infra dig." for an ex-Cabinet Minister to spend his time in supervising the manufacture of mud-pies.

That not for the world would the Times support Mayor Morley, but it is doing its best to knife Mr. Beckwith—and there are only two candidates.

That as a mere matter of accident there did not happen to be a single Conservative on the Committee which brought out Mr. Beckwith.

That the Times seems to think that Mr. Beckwith can be "Handled," but Mayor Morley made a poor first of handling him at the meeting on Thursday night.

That it strikes an onlooker that he is about as easy a customer to "Handle" as is a porcupine.

That de Pachmann not only conquered his audience, but made a conquest of many susceptible hearts.

That the little reception in the wings will long be remembered by those who were privileged to participate.

That de Pachmann at any rate will never deny that Victoria ladies can be gracious when they like.

That few men of sixty-three have ever been the recipients of so many "touching" tributes.

That Paderewski and Hoffman have no alternative but to "take to the woods."

That none are so blind as those who will not see.

That if a man will bump his head into a stone wall he must expect a cracked skull.

That Victoria may be shy on milk but after all, it has an abundant supply of the milk of human kindness.

That people who are looking for interested motives and an "arriere pensee" in every act of their acquaintances should live somewhere else.

That the V. A. D. C. starts the New Year with a clean slate

That it is gratifying to learn that the performance of "A Pantomime Rehearsal" cleared all expenses and left a substantial credit balance.

That the next offering of the V. A. D. C., "Lady-Winton's Experiment," will be played for three nights at popular prices.

That many things in Victoria are moving slowly, including the elevators.

That the elevator boy, like the parcel delivery boy, likes to wait till he gets a full load.

That this is disconcerting to people whose time is worth money.

That those people who resent the stings of the Hornet must have very thin skins.

That instead of ringing up the editor in order to insult him, they would be better advised to remedy the faults complained of.

That any statement made in these columns is verified before insertion, and the Hornet has no axe to grind.

That people who waste their time in speculating as to the identity of the Hornet might be better employed. After they have finished guessing they will still have another guess coming.

That the Empress Ball on New Year's night surpassed all its predecessors in comfort, convenience and luxury.

That Manager Jackson is to be congratulated on excellent arrangements in every department.

That limiting the tickets to 225 was a wise thought and ensured the success of the function.

That Victoria athletics are conspicuously represented in the new Sergeant-at-Arms and his Deputy.

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<p>To construct the Sooke Lake system the addition to the indebtedness of the city will be TWO MILLION DOLLARS, at the very least.</p>	<p>We want every Taxpayer to consider and analyze figures truly and honestly representing actual conditions and showing in the next seventeen years a saving of almost TWO MILLION DOLLARS to be made by buying water from this company, as against installing the Sooke Lake system.</p>	<p>To construct the Sooke Lake system the addition to the annual tax levy of Victoria City will be \$119,000, at the very least.</p>
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<p>In this statement no provision is made for payment of a Sinking Fund which will cost the ratepayers about \$50,000 per annum more—an exaction from present ratepayers for the benefit of posterity</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COST PER YEAR TO THE TAXPAYERS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For the Water Supply from Sooke Lake:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>(a) Interest and Discount on \$1,700,000 installation cost at 5 per cent per annum</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 85,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(b) Interest and Discount on \$200,000 land purchase cost at 5 per cent per annum</td> <td style="text-align: right;">10,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>(c) Cost of maintenance of system from Sooke Lake to City Limits</td> <td style="text-align: right;">24,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black;">Annual cost</td> <td style="border-top: 1px solid black; text-align: right;">\$ 119,000</td> </tr> </table>	(a) Interest and Discount on \$1,700,000 installation cost at 5 per cent per annum	\$ 85,000	(b) Interest and Discount on \$200,000 land purchase cost at 5 per cent per annum	10,000	(c) Cost of maintenance of system from Sooke Lake to City Limits	24,000	Annual cost	\$ 119,000	<p>In this statement no provision is made for any work costing more than the Engineer's Estimates. In nearly every case the actual cost exceeds the estimate.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">17-YEAR BASIS</p> <p>The fair method of testing a public utility system from the basis of cost to taxpayers is to provide for time of construction and fifteen years' operation. The Engineer fixes 2 years for construction, and adding the first 15 years' operation, we have a period of 17 years affecting present ratepayers.</p>	<p>On this 17-Year Basis, multiplying the yearly cost of \$119,000 by 17, we have \$2,023,000 as the amount in taxes which the present ratepayers will have to pay for the use of Sooke Lake water.</p>	<p>During this 17-year term the city's use of water will raise from the minimum of 3,500,000 gallons per day to a maximum of 10,500,000 gallons per day; giving an average of 7,000,000 gallons per day for the 17-year period</p>
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<p>Under the Sooke Lake project the present ratepayers will have to pay for double the quantity of water which can by any possibility be used, meaning increased taxes and a dead loss.</p>	<p>The estimate of cost prepared by the City's Engineer is \$1,700,000 to complete the Sooke Lake system. This is probably an underestimate, and any figures published to show a contract at a lower figure are false. The contract is being made on a piece-work basis, and not for a lump sum.</p>	<p>The Engineer has definitely decided that no revenue from power can be earned with the Sooke Lake system.</p>
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<p>Esquimalt Waterworks Company guarantees the city a saving of \$100,000 per year for 10 years.</p>	<p>As Against the Sooke Lake cost of not less than \$119,000 per year, and a Sinking Fund cost of \$40,000 per year, the Esquimalt Waterworks Company will sell to the City ten million gallons of water per day for a ten-year term for \$50,000 per year, delivered in the City. This will effect a saving of \$100,000 per year to the Taxpayer when the Sinking Fund is taken into account. It will effect a saving of \$80,000 per year over the lowest figures claimed on behalf of the Sooke Lake system.</p>	<p>Esquimalt Waterworks Company guarantees to reduce taxes \$100,000 per year for 10 years.</p>
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<p>In buying water from the Esquimalt Waterworks Company, the taxpayers have three direct advantages:</p> <p>(a) There is no loss of interest on money during years of construction;</p> <p>(b) The water supply is within the city limits now;</p>	<p>Believing that the taxpayers have never yet understood the enormous increase of taxation into which they are being railroaded by accepting the Sooke Lake scheme, the Esquimalt Waterworks Company is publishing this advertisement.</p> <p>The figures are correct.</p> <p>We invite answer, analysis and criticism, for we are sure that the more publicity is given, the more we will be proved to be absolutely right.</p>	<p>To bring water from Sooke Lake will subject the taxpayers to the following losses:</p> <p>(a) Loss of interest during construction;</p> <p>(b) Cost of operating Elk Lake system during construction;</p> <p>(c) Annual tax loss of \$100,000, at the least;</p> <p>(d) Cost of difficulties of construction discoverable only by actual work.</p>
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We ask the Taxpayers of Victoria to give fair and impartial consideration to the facts above set forth.

Esquimalt Waterworks Company

John R. Saunders, Secretary