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NAVAL DEFENCE

"No policy will be satisfactory to the people of British Columbia which does not include a substantial and prompt contribution and THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FLEET UNIT ON THE PACIFIC COAST."

THE NAVAL POLICY—The oracle has spoken. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has delivered his counterblast to the naval proposal of the Government. From the stand-point of his party the speech is undoubtedly one of the ablest he has ever delivered. It shows a grasp of the subject; a capacity to comprehend every detail; a consecutiveness; a mental alertness and a skill in selecting salient features for emphasis, which can alone be exhibited by a really great orator. But having said this and paid a willing tribute to the magnificent ability of the speech, it is impossible not to regard it as the "tour de force" of a political leader rather than as the pronouncement of a statesman. It is true that Mr. Borden has played into the hands of Sir Wilfrid by complicating the issues. The strongest weapon which the Leader of the Opposition uses is placed in his hands by the Leader of the Government. It is a weapon forged out of the complication of what should have been distinct issues. The sole ground of Sir Wilfrid's criticism is directed against the Government proposals as a naval policy. Such a criticism would not have been possible if Mr. Borden had adhered to his original intention of making a "free and unconditional gift," unhampered and uncomplicated by any reference to a permanent policy. Suppose he had appeared before the House and said in effect: "I have consulted with the British Government and have been furnished by them with a Memorandum which declares that an emergency exists; it will take several years to elaborate a permanent naval policy, meanwhile I desire that Canada should contribute something in the moment of emergency, not so much because England needs a few million dollars as because it is Canada's duty and privilege to make a stand in the defence of the Empire and to show that she belongs to its solidarity. I therefore propose an immediate unconditional gift of $35,000,000 to build three Dreadnoughts; I propose that this sum should be handed to the British Government without any stipulations and merely as a tangible expression of our good will. Later on I will be prepared to submit a permanent naval policy to the House and the country." This would have been the course of simplicity, of frankness, of loyalty and of honour, and it will forever remain a mystery to Mr. Borden's admirers why he did not adopt it. Perhaps it would be idle to speculate on his reasons, although it is impossible to resist the conclusion that he must have yielded to pressure in order to pacify some of his followers who might not otherwise have supported the Resolutions. But once Mr. Borden yielded to such importunity, he opened the door to endless trouble. By combining some of the principles which are inseparably connected with a permanent naval policy with his present proposals, he altered their character altogether. The first result was to alienate Mr. Monk; not that that is in itself a very serious matter, but, unfortunately, the proposals as now submitted to the House, show that the French-Canadian Minister had at least a reasonable pretext for his action. But the really serious result is that Mr. Borden has furnished his most formidable opponent, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, with a pretext for attacking the present proposals as if they were part of the permanent naval policy. It has enabled him to rake up all the old controversies about the Canadian Navy, built in Canada, owned by Canada, manned by Canadians, and controlled by Canada, and to make an appeal to the people upon Canadian patriotic grounds. These are strong grounds and although Mr. Borden can very properly retort that the present resolutions look forward to a Canadian Navy in the future, he has placed Sir Wilfrid in the position to reply: "But I propose a Canadian Navy in the present." The adroitness of the Leader of the Opposition is well exhibited in his remarks on the emergency phase of the question, when he said that if the First Minister had come down to the House, declared an emergency and asked for a money grant to help to meet that emergency he would have received the unanimous support of that House for a gift even four times as large as that now proposed. It is not necessary to accept this statement without a grain of salt. It savours a little too much of the heroic declaration of Sir Wilfrid on the floor of the House when he said that if England were in danger he would stump every platform in Canada in support of aid from Canada. All the same, it is to be regretted that Mr. Borden should have adopted a line of policy which makes such criticism possible. It was like asking for trouble when the way was clear to reach the goal without any trouble, and, at any rate, to put all protests of loyalty to a practical test. It is impossible to read Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech, which will have to be discussed in greater detail in future, without again commenting on the subtlety and skill with which he handles his case. Surely it is not merely sophistry but casuistry, which leads him to attempt to explain away his historic statement that "when England was at war Canada need not necessarily be at war." Such a declaration went as far as anything else to defeat Sir Wilfrid when he last appealed to the country. It was a factor together with the Reciprocity proposals in convincing the majority of the electorate that the brilliant Prime Minister was not sound in his British policy. How correctly the country appraised the value of his protestations is revealed by the way in which in his speech on Thursday night he tried to reinstate himself in the good graces of the country. He now says that England's wars are our wars, but that Canada can be at war "without fighting." This is one of those subtle distinctions which reminds one of the verbal fallacies of Mr. Gladstone. No one knows better than Sir Wilfrid Laurier that while a Canadian Navy must be the ultimate goal of Canadian policy, it will take many years to develop the ship-building industry to such an extent that a vessel can be built in Canadian yards. Nobody knows better than he that it will take just as long to establish and train the recruits for a Canadian Navy and that meanwhile, unless we are to disbelieve the solemn declaration of such men as the First Lord of the Admiralty, Lord Charles Beresford, Lord Roberts, Lord Rosebery, Mr. Arthur Balfour, Sir Edward Grey, and many others who might be mentioned, there is a real emergency to be met and one which Canada cannot afford to disregard for the years which would have to elapse before the formation of an effective Canadian Navy. This is the weakness of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's position; he is advocating a good thing, which is not presently available; he is opposing an immediate contribution, the moral effect of which will be immense both from a National and Imperial stand-point; and the pity of it all is that whatever strength there is in his opposition is due to the tactical error of hampering a simple proposition with complicated conditions.

CIVIC AFFAIRS—Mayor Beckwith resumed a time-honoured practice when he assembled his fellow-aldermen at the festal board and had a Round Table talk on the business of the City, dealing especially with the history of his own administration. Whatever criticism may be offered on the work of the past year, it is only fair to give the Mayor and Council credit for the good they have done, and undoubtedly his Worship was justified in emphasizing the reorganization of the Engineering Department as the most important item. At the present time we have a capable head in the City Engineer. The Department has been pretty well cleaned out and put into working shape. The recent change by which the Water Commissionship was also placed in the hands of Mr. Rust has met with general approval. Whilst it is hardly possible to feel the same satisfaction in the appointment of "Mr. Thomson of Seattle" to prepare plans and supervise the repair work of Smith's Hill Reservoir, one must at least give credit for the proper execution of the work, although at a fabulous cost. The Week believes that Mayor Beckwith has assumed the right position on the subject of Government by Commission and that he correctly interprets public opinion when he says that there is no demand for it. The idea has fallen into general disfavour during the past twelve months; cities which contemplated it have abandoned their intention and the net result of the campaign in its favour has been to set it back. It is gratifying to be able to join with Mayor Beckwith in commenting favourably on the appointment of Mr. Robertson, the City Solicitor, although, fortunately, in this case the comment does not involve any reflection on his predecessor. There may be differences of opinion on the manner in which the Council has handled the Sooke contract. It cannot be denied that in their dealings with the contractors there has been a good deal of "backing and filling"; but after all is said and done the one thing which the City requires is water, and anything which will facilitate its early delivery will be regarded as a boon. Viewed from this stand-point The Week believes that the decision of the Council to accept a bond and liberate the bulk of the hold-back to the contractors is justified by the circumstances, assuming always that the bond is good. It will have the effect of expediting the work, of greasing the financial wheels and, let us hope, of removing a constant cause of friction. The figures which his Worship was able to quote as showing the development of the City and the relation of taxation and debt to assessed values are extremely interesting. We all know that there is a big over-draft at the bank and that the liabilities of the city are heavy, but the subject of liability is a relative one, and while we have had difficulties to contend with and while The Week still believes that it would have been possible to devise a better scheme for handling all the financial business of the City, it cannot but regard with satisfaction the statement that the assessed values have increased in much greater ratio than the indebtedness, and that the figures quoted show that whereas a decade ago the general debt was eleven per cent. of the total assessable values, this year it is barely five per cent. The magnitude of the improvement work done this year is hardly realised by the ratepayers and it may be instructive to quote the figures given by the Mayor, which show that during 1912 twenty-four miles of paving have been done at a cost of $1,160,000; twenty and one-half miles of sidewalks at a cost of $191,000; thirteen miles of sewers at a cost of $354,000, and thirty-three miles of sewer and surface drain laterals at a cost of $115,000. The programme which his Worship outlined for the future, while not as ambitious as that of the past year, indicates what is required to meet the growth of the City; sewer construction calling for $700,000; a gaol building; extensive expenditures on parks, playgrounds and school-buildings and better provision for the Children's Aid and Friendly Help Societies. Altogether the record of the past year is a creditable one and the programme for the future reasonable, and that the property owners of the City are satisfied with the administration is best evidenced by the practical unanimity with which they have this week voted the money required under the Hospital and Ross Bay Seawall By-laws. This may be regarded as a practical endorsement of a satisfactory administration.

LATTER DAY SAINTS (?)—Victoria has suffered from many invasions, from the I. W. W. down, but undoubtedly the most pernicious and detestable is the one now upon us. There is a delegation of Mormon Apostles quietly and patiently canvassing the ladies of Victoria, who may be considered as possibly amenable to their blandishments. How many there are The Week does not know, for they do not advertise, and they work so quietly that unless some lady who has been insulted volunteers the information, their whereabouts is not likely to be heard of. There are some classes of offence which even in a liberty-loving country can best be dealt with on the spur of the moment, and without recourse even to the Courts. We may not be prepared to follow the lead of England in everything, although we might do worse, but for fifty years every Mormon apostle who has gone to England on a proselytizing mission has had to encounter a fist, a horse-whip or feathers and tar. All are useful in their way and more or less effective and unless some better substitute can be suggested might well be tried in Victoria. We have troubles enough of another kind. If our daughters are to be molested, while the men of the household are away at business, by the advances and suggestions of these professional "procureurs," there does not seem to be any valid reason why the citizens should not take matters into their own hands. Here, as elsewhere, the police are powerless because it is doubtful whether the offence is a breach of the law. Still the law has been strained at times, as for instance when a criminal is allowed twenty-four hours to get out of the city; surely, it would be justifiable to adopt the same method with snakes.

DEBT COLLECTING AGENCIES—The Debt Collecting Agency is one of those delightful American institutions which have been grafted on Canadian soil. Until a year or two ago Victoria knew it not, and managed to wriggle along somehow with a fairly good reputation for paying its debts. But lately the virus of dunning has been introduced and many cases have come to the notice of The Week which, if they were published, would place certain impecunious tradesmen in a very bad light. The latest occurred this week, when the Canadian Collection Company of 307 Fort Street wrote a peremptory letter to one of our most respected and prominent citizens demanding payment of a trivial amount and threatening action unless the money was paid immediately. The facts are that the liability was incurred only last month and that the account had never been rendered. These facts were admitted by the firm who instructed the Canadian Collection Agency to dun a respectable and fairly wealthy citizen.

It has long been a matter for lamentation among the sons of men, and among the daughters of men too, that they come into this world without any consent of their own and have to tread their weary way amid all the trials and tribulations which beset them until the grave receives their corporeal bodies in its kind embrace. However bored we may become with our lives, there always remains the kindly solace of the tomb, and men and women have died in the past knowing full well that within a suitable period they will be conveyed to their last resting-place either at private or public expense. But the present council of Victoria has prepared a new terror for mortals and since the passing of a recent By-law it is incumbent on a would-be corpse to time the hour of his death so that his funeral shall not necessitate the use of the cemetery on Sunday. Fortunately we do not live in a tropical climate, and it is to be presumed that an odd day or so will not make any sanitary difference to the community at large, but it seems to me that there are other aspects of the case which need consideration.

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First of all, Sunday is to many people a far more convenient day on which to attend a funeral. Final obsequies are not things to be hurried over, and Sunday, which is pre-eminently the Day of Rest, would seem to the average man the ideal day on which to perform the last rites over a departed friend or relative. Personally, if I die on dry land instead of at sea, which I should prefer, I should rather like to be buried on a Sunday. I think that the corpse ought to be allowed to have its own way in this matter. It is no good saying "De mortuis nil nisi bonum," if even such a small wish as that pertaining to the day of his own interment is to be denied a dying man. Again, the excuse offered that the cemetery officials need Sunday for their day of rest seems to me to be rather futile. It reminds me of the grave-digger, who, after twenty years, took a holiday and journeyed to the next parish to see how they dug graves there. If a cemetery official requires one day off in the week, it is only reasonable to suppose that he would prefer to have it when he can find some recreation with which to refresh his worn out system. I am inclined to think that the By-law is merely due to the fact that in Victoria we have got into the habit of Sunday closing. Sunday closing of the Post-office, attempted Sunday closing of tobacconists' stores, suggested Sunday closing of half-a-dozen things and now the actual Sunday closing of the grave. I do trust, however, that the Council will be consistent and inaugurate Sunday closing of weddings and christenings. It seems to me that it would not be entirely illogical if they were to enforce Sunday closing of churches on the ground that the parson needs his day off.

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I would utter a word of warning to the fair ladies of Victoria. I understand that sundry members of the Apostles of Latter Day Saints are now in the city with a view of conducting a proselytizing campaign among the fair sex. In other words, the Mormons are upon us. They are making calls from house to house, handing in their pernicious literature wherever it will be received. A lady of my acquaintance interviewed one of these precious apostles on the door-step the other day. He announced himself by his high-sounding title, for there is no doubt that the style of "Apostle of the Latter Day Saints" sounds infinitely more attractive than does the mere word "Mormon." However, he confessed to the latter appellation and was left contemplating the uncharitableness of an unmormonized world on the wrong side of a heavy front door. If all women could be trusted to deal with these missionaries in like manner, all would be well. But it is an unfortunate fact that many are persuaded by the honied words of their callers and leave their homes for a life of misery in Salt Lake City. I trust that the proper authorities will see their way to hound these fellows out of town with all the expedition at their command. In the meantime, ladies, keep them on the door-step and they'll soon get cold feet.

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I should like to find someone who will tell me the best way in which to get thick, heavy oil from barrels into cellars. The way which is being at present employed is for the dirty barrel to be placed on the sidewalk and left there, while the oil takes its time about running down a pipe line into the cellar below. Examples of this method are being daily furnished on View street, outside the Union Bank building. I have tried to make it a principle never to make a "kick" unless I have a satisfactory suggestion to offer. I try to live up to a constructive policy as opposed to a destructive one, but in this case, though I can see the countless reasons why the oil should not be transmitted in this manner, I cannot suggest any other. The barrels are greasy and well calculated to spoil the dresses of the ladies and the trouser-ends of the gentlemen who happen by ill chance to brush up against them. Will some kind reader bring his intellect to bear on this vexed question and advise me how I may best provide a remedy for this nuisance?

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I have recently come across one of the most fascinating hand-books I have yet seen dealing with the ever-interesting subject of Victoria and her Hinterland. Messrs. Tracksell-Douglas & Co., who are responsible for getting out this work of art, have certainly made a first-class job of it. The book, which is handsomely bound in royal blue, is full of excellent illustrations of the city and its environs, showing some of the principal buildings and residences in the city proper, and typical views of scenes in the country lying to the north. Accompanying the illustrations is a very readable letterpress tracing the history of Vancouver Island and Victoria City, and pointing out the marvelous development which has taken place during late years. The whole offering is gotten up in a manner which reflects the greatest credit on the enterprising firm mentioned.

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There are few places which show more clearly the imperative need we have in Victoria for a new post-office than the office where money-orders are issued and cashed. More particularly at this time of the year the crowd waiting round the wickets reminds one of a bargain counter at a dry-goods sale. A very few years ago this portion of the post-office was usually deserted; at the present day I defy any person to buy a money-order within ten minutes of his entering the door, and if he gets it as quickly as that he is wonderfully lucky. I suppose that this is a most satisfactory state of affairs; it shows the enormous increase in population of late years; it also shows that there is plenty of money flying around. But one forgets these feelings of pride in the annoyance which is caused by having to wait so long in the crowd. However, we are reasonably certain of a new building in good time and one which will be worthy of the city it graces.

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It is a curious thing that in a town like Victoria many of the inhabitants should have lived so long without knowing that there is one place where good water can be obtained. Those in the know have been in the habit of drawing their supply of drinking water from the spring which wells up on Richardson street, but it is only comparatively lately that this has been made a source of income to some enterprising persons, and now-a-days quite a number of Victorians are in the habit of buying pure water for their houses. Many of the restaurants have fallen in line also and their patrons are enabled to quaff liquid which is not guaranteed to fill them with germs, more or less harmless. This shows a solicitude for the health of the citizens which has been always lacking from the minds of the City Council, when discussing water problems, and shows a spirit of enterprise which deserves well of the public. It is at one of these restaurants that one can always find the

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"A Romance of the Underworld."

I went to the Victoria theatre on Wednesday evening prepared to be thrilled by drama, melodrama perhaps; I sat through a most enjoyable performance and came to the conclusion that I had been seeing farce comedy. I do not remember any play where tragedy and comedy are so inextricably mixed as they are in "The Romance of the Underworld." The first act opens with a burlesque of a New York court of general sessions. The second act continues the burlesque in a scene from The Tombs, where a warder straight from pantomine, a comic pickpocket, and a most melodramatic villain in the form of a detective force the audience to believe that the play is roaring comedy. The third act brings the actoin back to the court and here comedy takes the second place and a little drama is seen, growing into melodrama towards the conclusion and finding its way back into burlesque. The last act is a happy mixture of everything except burlesque, and it is here that the one serious note is openly struck, when attention is drawn to the difficulty of an ex-convict getting a square deal from the police.

It must not be imagined from the above, however, that "A Romance of the Underworld" is not a successful play. Probably from the very fact that it is such a strange conglomeration it exercises a fascination. There is an under-current of seriousness running through it and one feels that its conception was inspired by such events as led up to the late deplorable climax in the city of New York, where the action of the play is laid. The dividing line between comedy and tragedy is but carelesly drawn in real life and the burlesque which appears so frequently in the play seen here last Wednesday is merely a vehicle to convey the lesson which the playwright probably had in mind, viz: the prostitution of the law to politics and plutocracy.

Two characters in the cast stand out pre-eminently, those of "Tom McDermott," played by Mr. Holbrook Blinn, and "Podesta," played by Benjamin Piazza. Mr. Blinn is seen in a role which suits him admirably and he combines with excellent effect the jauntiness of the ex-newspaperman with the seriousness of the newly fledged lawyer on the threshold of his career. Mr. Piazza as the excitable Italian gang boss was perfectly at home in the part and provided much of the humour of the evening. The remaining parts were all well taken.

Princess Theatre

"What Every Woman Knows" is an artistic as well as a financial success at the Princess this week. And the staging of it would do credit to any high priced attraction, as not one detail that could add to the play is lacking. The play suited the company admirably.

Next week they put on "A Runaway Match," and that means a laughing week, for though there is a splendid plot to it there is also much comedy. The story hinges on a widow and her daughter, who both elope with a father and son. The widow, strange to say, choosing the son, the daughter the father. A breakdown of the different vehicles in which they are running away, causes them to meet at an out of the way hotel, and the complications that ensue are very laughable.

For the benefit of our readers we publish the terms of the Princess theatre Christmas Present. Deposit a slip of paper with your name written on it, in a box provided for the purpose. Christmas Eve three names will be drawn from the box; the first name will receive a present of $25.00, the second $10.00 and the third $5.00.

The Empress Theatre

There is nothing very startling to chronicle at the local vaudeville house this week, but there is a well-balanced bill, all the performers in which are up to a very fair standard. Jacob's Dogs are clever animals, who do all the usual stunts of their kind with a few additions, and do them well. Don Carney proves to be quite an amusing entertainer who combines an aptitude on the piano with a ready flow of comedy, and his songs are laughable enough. The playlet, "The Girl With a Taking Way," is too far-fetched and has little to recommend it. Miss Virginia Grant, however, is a very fascinating damsel with a pleasing voice and a good repertoire. Her first night audience gave her an enthusiastic encore which was well deserved. The opening turn by De Vere & Lewis is an instrumental duologue well rendered.

The Crystal Theatre

Few vaudeville turns are as popular as those which entail the use of roller skates and the "Bruces" at the beginning of the week delighted the patrons of the Crystal theatre with their really clever work in this department. McGrevy & Davis, who undertook the other act showed themselves experts in the slack wire business. A picture unreeled this week came at a most appropriate moment, seeing that recently the local branch of the life-saving associatoin have held their annual meeting, and was entitled "Swimming and Life-Saving." Perhaps the feats therein depicted may stir up a spirit of emulation in the minds of some of those who saw them.

Romano's Theatre

A modern version of Robinson Crusoe, with a change of sex and a slightly different setting provided a good deal of entertainment this week at Romano's. One could not help feeling sorry for the poor cannibals who had really behaved very nicely and deserved a better fate than they encountered, but the film was a good double one and was certainly most original.

The Majestic Theatre

"The Daughter of the Spy" was a most dramatic episode told in picture form, which really held the crowded houses at the Majestic theatre spellbound while they waited for the denouement. This was one of the most powerful and realistic films which has been seen for some time in Victoria and well sustained the reputation which the management of the Yates street house has gained for itself.

"The House That Jack Built"

On Friday and Saturday next, December 20th and 21st, the Victoria theatre will be occupied by the Victoria Amateur Dramatic Society, who will present an original play entitled "The House that Jack Built." This is the product of a local pen and will represent the state of affairs in the purely mythical city of Vantoria, B. C. (which, of course, means that the action took place before the beginning of the Christian era). Just exactly what happened in Vantoria is a secret which has been well maintained, a marvellous thing when it is remembered that rehearsals have been going on for the last two months, but it is anticipated that a resemblance will be traced to the conditions which prevail in modern Western cities in the year of grace, 1912. The fact that the City of Vantoria will be represented as in the throes of a municipal election arouses the expectation that many points of resemblance to our own city will be seen, and if this is the case the author has doubtless provided many a quip at the expense of some we wot of. But this is mere speculation. The surest way, however, to gain a just insight into our own qualities is to see ourselves as others see us, and if there is the slightest chance of the mirror being held up to our own Victoria on Friday and Saturday next, it is the duty of every citizen to take a good look at the reflection. The Victoria Amateur Dramatic Society has done good work in the past and deserves every encouragement. Those who attend the performances will be glad they went; those who stay away will be sorry that they did so.

"The Kiss Waltz"

At the Victoria theatre on Thursday, December 26th, Valeska Suratt, heralded as the reigning queen of art models, will appear in the celebrated New York Casino year-and-a-half musical success, "The Kiss Waltz." Ziehrer, composer of Fritzi Scheff's popular piece, "Mlle. Mischief," composed the work and though he finished in in a year's time, it must be the result of true inspiration, for the New York, Boston and Chicago reviewers proclaim it fully equal to the best melody of the sweetest Gilbert and Sullivan scores. Also the critics who have seen Miss Suratt in the operetta this season say the new work is more suited to her peculiar art and personal charms than anything the noted beauty has previously appeared in. There are two acts in the new opera, each depicting polite gaiety in the Viennese capital. Miss Suratt interprets a fascinating flirt of historical reputation and she is surrounded by a brilliant gathering of men and women of fashion, artists, military officers, et al. The star and others in the cast and chorus of alluring feminine character are said to disport in the latest fashions in London and Paris gowns, and the management promises an exceptionally augmented orchestra and the most extravagant scenic display ever attempted in operetta. Miss Suratt's supporting company is made up of a host of well known Broadway singers and comedians and a chorus of feminine beauty rarely seen outside of the most extravagant musical comedy idea. Edgar Smith wrote the story of the operetta, Matthew Woodward is credited with most of the lyrical numbers, J. C. Huffman and William J. Wilson did the staging, and Melville Ellis designed the fashionable feminine frocks. The music, dancing and gownings are the main features of the operetta. Ziehrer, who is one of the best of the younger composers of the continent, has done nothing better, not even excepting his latest work, "Love in Pawn." There are so many pretty numbers described in the programme, that it is difficult to single out any one or two. That which takes first on account of its relation to the story is, of course, "The Kiss Waltz," which is sung and danced by the two principal characters, Guido Spini, a musician and Nella, the Baroness von Barnau (Miss Suratt), with whom he falls in love. In point of attractiveness, the most striking number is said to be that called "Good-bye, Little Girl." This is rendered by the chorus and one of the male principals. The operetta abounds in charming duets and ensembles, as was the case with "The Chocolate Soldier." Other popular numbers are: "Love is Like a Little Rubber Band," "Love is Making Sport of Me," "Fan Me With a Movement Slow," "Woe Betide," "Jealousy," "Help, I Implore" and "Fishing."

"The Quaker Girl"

The story of "The Quaker Girl," the great musical success which comes to the Victoria theatre on January 7th and 8th, centres around the adventures and love affairs of a Quaker girl after she has left the restrictions and conventionalities of her own people and gone to Paris to see the world. Her innocence and ingenuous ignorance combined with her loveliness and charm attract the attention of those in high places and win for her the love of Tony Chute, the hero of the play, and the admiration of a prince and a minister of state. She becomes a model in a famous dressmaking establishment and handles and displays many gorgeously beautiful gowns, to the delectation of the audience. She takes lessons in dancing and love-making from Tony Chute and goes to a grand ball as the guest of a prince which brings on a quarrel with her sweetheart, which is followed by a delightful reconciliation and a heart song which is touching and tuneful. Victor Morley takes the role of Tony Chute and romps away with the honours of the production.

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Concerning Demand *and* Supply

By Bohemian

It is becoming increasingly difficult, as the ages roll by, to distinguish between the operative values of the laws regulating Demand and Supply. When civilization was young in the world we know that Demand created the Supply and as the centuries took their course the very fulfilment of this natural law brought about the civilization which we enjoy at the present time. But it is a question whether the relations existing between Demand and Supply have not changed of late, so that Supply creates Demand. It is a modern version of the old problem put before aspirants in the Schools of Logic, the same problem which has kept awake the intellect of the owl, who ponders day and night on the vexed question as to whether the egg or the chicken was created first.

In the abstract it might seem absurd to think that there is any difficulty in deciding whether Demand or Supply takes the prior place in the modern order of things. The public demand caviare, and to meet their wishes, inexhaustible supplies are forthcoming, base imitation usually taking the place of the genuine article, so that there shall be no breaking of the natural law. The conquest of the air has been demanded since the time that Daedalus made his daring flight from Crete, and to meet the demand lives have been sacrificed wholesale, until today we see the victory won. Earnest desire is for the most part but the prelude to acquirement, and what a man wants with all his heart with that will he be supplied.

In the same way, however, that draughts of alcohol stimulate the thirst, the fulfilment of desire but whets the appetite for more, and the accumulation of supplies increases the demand. It is not so long ago that the general public began to get tired of reading solid literature. Essays and philosophical treatises became ill-suited to men who spent their days in heavy brain work and required mental recreation. There arose, therefore, an army of novelists to meet the demand for their works and now-a-days the output of novels is so large that no one man can keep pace with it. But his desire to keep abreast of the times is keen and he has acquired the taste for novels and thus it is that the ever-increasing supply of light literature is met by an ever-increasing horde of eager readers. It is as much a necessity for an educated person to keep in touch with the leading novelists of the day as it is for him to speak familiarly of the works of the departed giants of their craft. The supply in this instance has surely retaliated and created the demand.

Year by year we see that the luxuries of the last generation have become the necessities of this. Now that we have found out how pleasant life can become under certain conditions, we not merely ask for these conditions but we insist upon them. Because things are easily obtainable we find ourselves unable to do without them. Five hundred years ago most people of gentle birth used their fingers as a vehicle for food; now the meanest household can supply a fork, and as the scale of social standing ascends, more forks, of different shapes and sizes, are "de rigueur," the supply being so great that the demand is created.

It is hard to see where the ending will be. Mankind is wearing itself out in strenuous efforts to attain the unattainable, not for the sake of the object when gained, but merely to exhibit the genius with which humanity is endowed, and to have a vantage place whence those who can avail themselves of new privileges can survey with contemptuous scorn the others who feebly follow in their wake. When Supply becomes so great that it satisfies Demand, then it automatically creates the demand for something fresh. And thus we have the anomaly of Supply creating a demand for something that it not yet in existence. It is thus that civilization progresses.

It is many years since the storied magician patrolled the streets of the Eastern city crying his wares and offering new lamps for old. But the spirit of the magician is abroad today, and everywhere men and women are standing at the doors of their houses eagerly bartering the prized possessions of yesterday for the untried novelties which the great Magician, Time, brings with him on his diurnal course. And yet we prate of the cost of living! How can living fail to be costly when every business and profession requires such close adherence to the scale adopted by its wealthiest members? Not long ago I was talking to a real estate agent who bemoaned his fate because of the recent rise in the price of gasoline. He protested that an automobile was an actual necessity for a man in his profession, and as all his colleagues say the same thing, I suppose it is. But our fathers were prosperous real estate agents before automobiles were invented. It will not be many years before the motor-car is discarded for the aeroplane and that will mean the added burden of extra accident insurance policies. Already the automobile is being regarded as too much the property of the multitude; no longer does its possession signify an advanced position in the social or financial scale, and for that reason it is doomed to follow the bicycle, which, in its turn, took the place of the velocipede.

What will follow the aeroplane no man can say as yet, but we may rest assured that as soon as the demand for vessels of the air has been amply satisfied by an inordinate supply, a corresponding craving will arise for a supply of something not yet dreamed of in man's philosophy.

Bohemian.

Psychical Cases

Written specially for The Week by J. Arthur Hill

In a recent article, I promised a small selection of cases in support of the scientific belief in the survival of human personality past the crisis of bodily death. These I now proceed to give. It must be understood that these are only a few samples of a very large mass of evidence. I select one of each of several types, for the sake of variety.

A Mind's-Eye Vision

"I was attending a young man who was dying of consumption at an outlying farm. One day, on my way thither, but quite five minutes before I came in sight of the house, I had a sudden mind's-eye vision. I saw the room, the young man lying on the bed, dead; his mother, weeping, his father, and a brother; also Miss Grant"—(a church district visitor, known to me. J. A. H.)—"reading from the Bible. When I reached the farm, a younger brother—not the one seen in the vision—came to the door and took me to the bedroom. Everything was as I had seen it. Each person was exactly in the position, attitude, and occupation, as I had seen. It gave me a shock which I remember vividly.

"Of course I knew the young man would die before long, and it was natural to expect to see his father, mother and brother in the room; but I had never seen Miss Grant in the house before, did not expect to see her, and was not thinking about her. And the fact of their positions, etc., corresponding to the vision, was very striking to me."

[Note by J. A. H.—The foregoing acount is from a friend of mine whom I have known for twenty years. He is not a spiritualist, does not believe in "that sort of thing," and this one experience is the only event of its kind that has ever happened to him. As to the explanation, we may either suppose that one of the survivors in the bedroom sent the telepathic message, unconsciously, or that the just-released spirit of the young man went to meet the coming visitor and flashed a picture on the latter's mind informing him of how matters stood. For various reasons, too long to detail here, I regard the latter as the more probable supposition. But, of course, I do not regard this case as a "proof," or even as particularly good evidence; the alternative hypothesis of telepathy from the living, or even of chance coincidence, is possible, though I think either of these explanations would be unsatisfactory and certainly not demonstrable.]

In the foregoing case it was a mind's-eye vision; but the intimation often takes the form of a definite apparition. For example, Lord Brougham, while taking a warm bath in Sweden, saw an apparition of a school friend whom he had not seen for many years, but with whom he had long ago "committed the folly of drawing up an agreement written with our blood, to the effect that whichever of us died first should appear to the other, and thus solve any doubts we had entertained of the life after death." Lord Brougham afterwards found that his friend had died in India on the day of the apparition—exact time not known.

The well-known traveller, Mrs. Bishop—then Miss Bird—had a somewhat similar experience. She happened to have established a great influence over a half-caste Indian named "Mountain Jim"; and at their last parting he vowed that he would see her again when he died. Later on, when in Switzerland, she saw his phantasm. It turned out that he had died at the time, in Colorado.

These cases in which a promise or arrangement is made, are called "compact cases." The following is a specially interesting example, on account of the details which render a subjective-hallucination theory untenable. I give it in the words of the narrator, Captain G. F. Russell Colt.

Ghost From the Crimea

"I was at home for my holidays, and residing with my father and mother, at Inveresk House, Midlothian. My bedroom was a curious old room, long and narrow, with a window at one end and a door at the other. My bed was on the right of the window, looking towards the door. I had a very dear brother (my eldest brother) Oliver, lieutenant in the 7th Royal Fusiliers. He was about nineteen years old, and had at that time been some months before Sebastopol. I corresponded frequently with him; and once when he wrote in low spirits, not being well, I said in answer that he was to cheer up, but that if anything did happen to him, he must let me know by appearing to me in my room, where we had often as boys together sat at nigiht and indulged in a surreptitious pipe and chat. This letter (I found subsequently) he received as he was starting to receive the Sacrament from a clergyman who has since related the fact to me. Having done this, he went to the entrenchments and never returned, as in a few hours afterwards the storming of the Redan commenced. He ,on the captain of his company falling, took his place, and led his men bravely on. He had just led them within the walls, though already wounded in several places, when a bullet struck him on the right temple, and he fell amongst heaps of others, where he was found in a sort of kneeling posture (being propped up by other dead bodies) thirty-six hours afterwards. His death took place, or rather he fell, though he may not have died immediately, on the 8th of September, 1855.

"That night I awoke suddenly, and saw facing the window of my room, by my bedside, surrounded by a light sort of phosphorescent mist, as it were, my brother kneeling. I tried to speak but could not. I buried my head in the bed-clothes, not at all afraid (because we had been brought up not to believe in ghosts or apparitions) but simply to collect my ideas, because I had not been thinking of him, and, indeed, had forgotten all about what I had written to him a fortnight before. I decided that it must be fancy, and the moonlight playing on a towel, or something out of place. But on looking up, there he was again, looking lovingly, imploringly and sadly at me. I tried again to speak, but found myself tongue-tied. I sprang out of bed, glanced through the window, and saw that there was no moon, but it was very dark and raining hard, by the sound against the panes. I turned, and still saw poor Oliver. I shut my eyes, walked through it, and reached the door of the room. As I turned the handle, I looked once more back. The apparition turned round his head slowly and again looked anxiously and lovingly at me and I saw then for the first time a wound on the right temple with a red stream from it. His face was of a waxy pale tint, but transparent-looknig. I left the room and went into a friend's room and lay on a sofa the rest of the night. I told him why. I told others in the house, but when I told my father he ordered me not to repeat such nonsense, and especially not to let my mother know.

"When the news came, later, both the colonel of the regiment and one or two officers, who saw the body confirmed the fact that the appearance was much according to my description, and the death-wound was exactly where I had seen it." (F. W. H. Myers, Human Personality and Its Survival of Bodily Death, ii, p. 349.)

We have collected many thousand cases of this kind, varying greatly, of course, in their evidential quality. If the percipient happens to know that the person whose phantasm appears is ill, the evidence is weakened, for the apparition may then be due to expectancy, and may be only subjective—i.e., a hallucination, with no real connection with the distant event. Turning from these phenomena to another branch of the subject, we find very good evidence sometimes given by means of automatic writing. Some people can write with a pencil in the ordinary way, letting it rest on a sheet of paper, and making the mind as passive as possible. Most people, however, require some device such as planchette, which is a heart shaped piece of board with wheels at two corners and a perpendicular pencil at the other. Two people rest their finger-tips on the board, which presently begins to move about, the pencil thereby writing words or sentences without the conscious volition of those touching the apparatus. The explanation is, generally, that the operators are doing it, but doing it subconsciously: the agent at work is the dream-stratum of the mind.

Sometimes, however, this explanation does not cover the facts; as, e.g., when something is written which the operators probably could not have known. For example, in one case known to me, a looker-on said to two planchettists: "Write the name I am thinking of," and the name was written—evidently a case of thought-transference. In some other cases—rather rare ones—the results seem inexplicable by thought transference, and the agency of a departed human being is indicated. During the last few years, this kind of evidence has been increasing. We have received the same messages—or mutually confirmatory ones—from an alleged spirit, through several different and widely-separated non-professional mediums, one of them a classical lecturer at Cambridge university, and all of them people of unquestioned integrity. This evidence is too complex for summarizing here; but it can at least be said, as indication of its cogency, that it has converted several of the most vigorous sceptics of the Society of Psychical Research—converted them to the opinion that at last the hypothesis of the survival of human personality past the crisis of bodily death, is scientifically justified by sheer weight of evidential facts. We are proceeding further with these investigations, and hope to raise the "hypothesis" to something approaching the dignity of an established and proven fact in nature.

The British Columbia Coast Line

--*Its Protection*

Written Specially for The Week by C. B. S.

Boating and amateur yachting and seafaring generally are popular amusements in British Columbia and more especially about Vancouver Island; with proper encouragement these attractive pastimes could be put to efficient use in assisting towards the protection of the coasts. If a meeting were called of representative officials of all maritime sports clubs with a view to encouraging coast boat-racing adaptable to all sorts of craft—sail, steam, motor;even hydroplanes—programmes of meetings could be arranged and regattas held, the ultimate object of which would be to create a class of amateur pilotage and gain a better knowledge of the recesses and harbours with which the coasts of this province abound.

Though the contests would be chiefly for Canadian and British subjects, international events could also be arranged for—there would be risks connected with these races involving danger to individuals, and possible loss of life, but the knowledge of seamanship and coast locality acquired would be a valuable asset to assisting those who might be burdened with the defence of the country in time of need. We cannot make omelets without breaking eggs—nor can we make war safe.

A maritime sports club with headquarters at or in the vicinity of Victoria, the aims and objects of which would be those roughly outlined above, would be well placed from a geographical point of view and might even give a lead to more important results in the way of encouraging the shipbuilding trade. A feature of the club should be to keep a log in which would be recorded brief accounts of cruising trips from which information likely to be of use for defence purposes could be extracted. The adventures and misadventures of daring and enterprising spirits when placed on record would encourage further hazardous trips, and in this way something material will show itself in the training of personnel, which at present is so conspicuous by its absence.

This suggestion is in no way intended to blanket the efforts of the Navy League or other volunteer, or amateur movements, which require and deserve every encouragement, but, whereas the tone of most volunteer recruiting takes the form of an appeal to the better feelings of the individual and some even suggest an acknowledgment of shame at not having trained earlier, which idea is not naturally attractive, it seems that fresh ground can be opened up.

From recent correspondence in the daily press it would appear that the Borden Naval Programme does not seem to coincide with the hard and fast policy of the local Navy League. Naturally the Dominion Government has acted in the interests of the Empire and Canada generally and beyond perhaps accepting the reliance of the provincial branches has not been able to accept their suggestions "in toto."

If the fleet unit on the Pacific has pro tem not been mentioned it does not mean that it is not provided for in the general scheme. The suggestion outlined above, if only acted on, would largely help towards the creation of the fleet unit required and a B. C. Maritime Sports Club would become an efficient "kindergarten" for the object in view.

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CONTROL OF COMPANIES

Jurisdiction of Dominion and Provinces Over Incorporation and Regulation of Commercial Companies

The following is a statement of the facts in the case of the John Deere Plow Company, Limited, versus Agnew, together with the text of the judgment of Mr. Justice Murphy, dismissing action. This case raises in an acute form one phase of the general issue which is now before the Supreme Court in the form of a reference as to the jurisdiction of the Dominion and the provinces over incorporation and control of commercial companies, states Mr. F. W. Wegenast, secretary of the legal department of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

The John Deere Plow Company is operating under a Dominion charter, with head office at Winnipeg. The company applied for a license but was refused because there was already an American company of the same name registered in the province and under a provision of the act the registrar of companies was forbidden to register two companies of the same name. The company was, therefore, if the act is valid, completely shut out of British Columbia, though it had a charter from the Dominion entitling it to carry on business throughout Canada.

WILL AFFECT STATUS OF COMPANIES

The company sued on a number of notes which it held against a merchant in the province taken for goods sold and delivered to him. The merchant sets up no defence on the merits but relies entirely on the provision declaring the company in the absence of a license incapable of taking any proceedings in the courts of the provinces. The company pleads that the act is so far as it purports to apply to Dominion companies is invalid and unconstitutional as beyond the powers of the provincial legislature under the British North America Act.

If the contention of the plaintiff is upheld it will affect the status of Dominion companies under the extra provincial licensing and foreign companies acts in the other provinces as well and will render it unnecessary for Dominion companies to comply with these acts. The case has been set down in the Supreme Court for hearing at the present sittings.

The plaintiff is a company incorporated under the Companies Act of Canada under a charter authorizing it amongst other things to carry on throughout Canada the business of dealers in agricultural implements, carriages and wagons, machinery and a general agency, commission and mercantile business.

The defendant is a merchant residing and carrying on business at Elko, British Columbia.

TRANSACTIONS UNDER AGREEMENT

The plaintiff and defendant entered into an agreement at Winnipeg, Manitoba, under which the company agreed to give him the exclusive right within a certain territory of selling the company's goods.

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The company agreed to mail to a list (to be supplied by the defendant), of persons within this territory, a newspaper published by the plaintiffs in which a full-page advertisement was to appear of the defendant as dealer in the plaintiff's goods. The defendant agreed to deal exclusively in the company's good in certain specified lines, and not to sell these goods below certain specified prices. The contract contained a list of prices at which the goods ordered by the defendant would be paid. The property and the title to all goods shipped was to remain in the company adn not to pass from it until all the obligations given in respect of them were satisfied. Moneys received by the defendant on account of goods supplied by the company were to be held by the defendant in trust for the company. It was further agreed that whenever requested by the company the defendant would obtain as security for goods sold to customers lien notes or other securities payable by the customers direct to the company.

Under this agreement the defendant ordered at various times certain goods to be shipped by the plaintiff f.o.b. Calgary, Alberta, consigned to the defendant at Elko. Part of the goods were ordered by the defendant personally at Winnipeg and part were ordered by letters posted by the defendant at Elko directed to the plaintiff at Winnipeg and fulfilled by the plaintiff by shipping the goods to Elko.

QUESTIONS OF LAW ARISING

In respect of the goods shipped by the plaintiff to the defendant the defendant gave to the plaintiff four promissory notes. All these notes were dated at Winnipeg and payable at Elko, but two of the notes were in fact signed at Elko.

The plaintiff had not complied with Part VI. of the Companies Act of British Columbia, requiring companies incorporated otherwise than under the authority of the legislature of British Columbia to become licensed before carrying on any part of their business in British Columbia.

The parties to the case agreed to a statement of facts and concurred in stating the question of law arising upon the facts for the consideration of the Court.

The questions submitted for the opinion of the court were as follows:

First:—Whether the plaintiff is in the absence of a license under Part VI. of the Companies Act of British Columbia (10 Edw. VII. c. 7), precluded from carrying on business in British Columbia or from maintaining action in respect of any of the claims or notes aforesaid.

Second:—Whether the provisions of the said Part VI. of the Companies Act are, in so far as they purport to prohibit the plaintiff from carrying on business in the Province of British Columbia and to maintain actions in the courts of the said province, intra vires of the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia.

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VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE NOTICE that I, Archibald Paterson, *of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Gentleman*, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about two miles west from the western extremity of Nahlouza Lake, marked S. E. Corner, thence north 80 chains; west 80 chains; south 80 chains; east 80 chains; to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 13th October, 1912.

ARCHIBALD PATERSON.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, John Friers, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Baker, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 5 miles distant and in a north-westerly direction from the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. *corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains,* south 80 chains, west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 21st August, 1912.

JOHN FRIERS.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Albert Boyce, of Nanaimo, B.C., occupation Rancher, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about six miles in a westerly direction from the western extremity of Kwalcho Lake, marked N. E. corner, thence south 40 chains, west 80 chains, north 40 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 320 acres, more or less.

Dated 25th August, 1912.

ALBERT BOYCE,
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 11

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Thomas Bone of Luton, England, occupation Postmaster, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile east from the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 40 chains, south 80 chains, west 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 320 acres, more or less.

Dated 12th October, 1912.

THOMAS BONE,
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Alfred Hills, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile west and one mile north from the western extremity of Nahlouza Lake, marked S. W. corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 13th October, 1912.

ALFRED HILLS,
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Hubert Lee Harris, of Bella Coola, B.C., occupation prospector, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about three miles distant and in a north-westerly direction from the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked South-west Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 20th August, 1912.

HUBERT LEE HARRIS,
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Manley E. Marsh, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation Mason, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about two miles distant and in a westerly direction from the Western extremity of Kwalcho Lake, marked N. W. Corner, thence south 80 chains, east 80 chains, *north 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of* commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 25th August, 1912.

MANLEY E. MARSH.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Charley Don, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Labourer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Comemncing at a post planted about 7 miles in a westerly direction from the western extremity of Kwalcho Lake, marked N. E. Corner, thence south 80 chains, west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 27th August, 1912.

CHARLEY DON,
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Annie Charlotte Gadsden, of Bella Coola, B.C., occupation Housewife, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted one mile distant and in a north-westerly direction from the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 20th August, 1912.

ANNIE CHARLOTTE GADSDEN.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Robert Boyce, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Rancher, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 6 miles distant and in a north-westerly direction from the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 21st August, 1912.

ROBERT BOYCE.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, George Brinkley, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Bricklayer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the western extremity of Nahlouza Lake, marked N. E. Corner, thence south 80 chains, west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 12th October, 1912.

GEORGE BRINKLEY,
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Robert Beveridge, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Miner, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the western extremity of Nahlouza Lake, marked S. E. Corner, thence north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 12th October, 1912.

ROBERT BEVERIDGE,
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Edward Smith, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the north shore of Nahlouza Lake, marked S. E. Corner, thence north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 12th October, 1912.

EDWARD SMITH.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Frederick Dodds, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 8 miles in a westerly direction from the western extremity of Kwalcho Lake, marked N. E. corner, thence south 40 chains, west 80 chains, north 40 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 320 acres, more or less.

Dated 27th August, 1912.

FREDERICK DODDS,
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 11

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Robert J. Baxter, of Vancouver, B. C., occupation Gentleman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted two miles west from the *western extremity of Nahlouza Lake, marked* N. E. corner, thence south 80 chains, west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 13th October, 1912.

ROBERT J. BAXTER.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 jan. 4

LIQUOR ACT, 1910
(Section 42.)

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the first day of December next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for renewal of the hotel licence to sell liquor by retail in the hotel known as the Parsons Bridge Hotel, situate at Parsons Bridge, Esquimalt District, in the Province of British Columbia.

Dated this 25th day of October, 1912.

RICHARD PRICE, Applicant.

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Have YOU Thought of It?

Have you thought that one of the best Christmas Presents you could make a lady who has not got one would be an—

ELECTRIC IRON

B. C. Electric Railway Company, Ltd.

Light and Power Department Telephone 1609

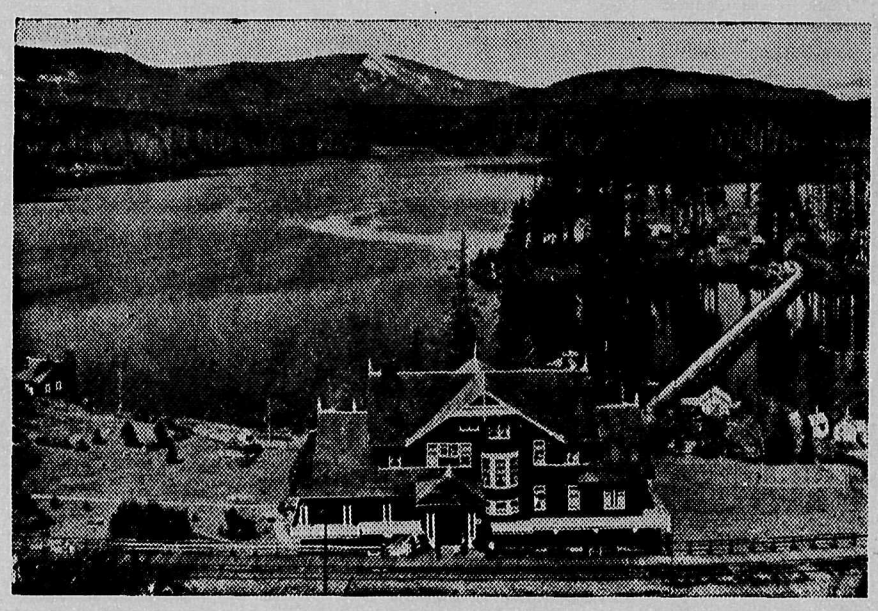
Mount Pleasant Subdivision

Shawnigan Lake

Are you acquainted with the fact that there is a Development League being organized for the advertising of this most Beautiful Summer Resort all over the world? Do you know what this means to this property? The C. N. R. are now grading within a few feet of these Lots, and it is certain that when the C. N. R. are running an up-to-date service, which will be no doubt in the coming year, these Lots will double. Why not get in on the ground floor and secure your Lot before the increase?

Each lot is 55 x 132, making a splendid large lot. A week or two at this resort means a renewal of health and strength. The price of each lot is within the reach of every person, being only $125 each, with a small cash payment of $25, and the balance only $5 per month.

Any lots left after January 1st will be increased in price to $150 per lot.



This Sub-division is situated almost opposite the beautiful Strathcona Hotel, and commands a beautiful view of the Lake, where excellent boating and fishing can be enjoyed.

Any lots left after January 1st will be increased in price to $150 per lot.

Price $125 per Lot—Terms $25 Cash, Balance $5 per Month

W. CROW & COMPANY,

Real Estate Brokers
Financial Agents

732 YATES STREET Phone 975 P. O. Box 1109 VICTORIA, B. C.

Six Cardinal Rules

The foresters in charge of the national forest of Arizona have printed a placard as follows:

The six rules for care with fire in the mountains:

If every member of the public strictly observes these simple rules the great annual loss by forest fires will be reduced to a minimum.

1. Be sure your match is out before you throw it away.

2. Knock out your pipe ashes or throw your cigar or cigarette stump where there is nothing to catch fire.

3. Don't build a campfire any larger than is absolutely necessary. Never leave it, even for a short time, without putting it out with water or earth.

4. Don't build a campfire against a tree or log. Build a small one where you can scrape away the needles, leaves or grass from all sides of it.

5. Don't build bonfires. The wind may come up at any time and start a fire which you cannot control.

6. If you discover a fire, put it out if possible; if you can't, get word of it to the nearest United States forest ranger or State fire warden as quickly as you possibly can.

MENTAL PILLS

"It may be clever to say sharp things, but it is often more clever not to say them."

"Many people take no care of their money till they have come nearly to an end of it, and others do just the same with their time."

"Men show their character in nothing more clearly than by what they think laughable."

"An obstinate man does not hold opinions—they hold him."

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

North Saanich School

Cowichan School

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for North Saanich School," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to noon of Friday, the 27th day of December, 1912, for the erection and completion of a large one-room frame school building on concrete foundations at North Saanich, in the Islands Electoral District.

Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 12th day of December, 1912, at the office of F. W. Anderson, Secretary of the School Board, Sidney, B.C., and the Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equal to 10 per cent. of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer.

Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B.C., December 10th, 1912.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for Cowichan School," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to noon of Friday, the 27th day of December, 1912, for the erection and completion of a two-room frame school building on concrete foundations at Cowichan, in the Cowichan Electoral District, B. C.

Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 12th day of December, 1912, at the office of F. W. Anderson, Secretary of the School Board, Sidney, B.C., and the Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equal to 10 per cent. of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

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The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer.

Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B.C., December 10th, 1912.

dec. 14 — dec. 21

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Annie Peterson, of Bella Coola, B.C., occupation Housewife, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about three miles distant and in a westerly direction from the western extremity of Kwalcho Lake, marked N. E. Corner, thence south 40 chains, west 80 chains, north 40 chains, east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 320 acres, more or less.

Dated 25th August, 1912.

ANNIE PETERSON.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Margaret Harris, of Bella Coola, B.C., occupation Housewife, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 20th August, 1912.

MARGARET HARRIS.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Motor Launches

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for Motor Launches," will be received by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works up to and including 23rd day of December, 1912, for the construction of two 55-foot and four 36-foot motor launches.

Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen at the offices of the Government Agents at Vancouver and New Westminster, and the Department of Public Works, Victoria.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equivalent to ten per cent of the amount of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed by the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer.

Public Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 29th November, 1912.

dec. 7 — dec. 21

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Motor Launches

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for Motor Launches," will be received by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon of Monday, 23rd day of December, 1912, for the construction of two 25-foot motor launches.

Intending bidders will give full description of the hull, engine, etc.

Delivery: One launch at Arrowhead; the other at Nelson.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equivalent to ten per cent of the amount of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed by the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished.

Forms of tender can be obtained from the Government Agents at Vancouver, New Westminster, Revelstoke, and Nelson, and the Department of Public Works, Victoria.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer.

Public Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 29th November, 1912.

dec. 7 — dec. 21

VICTORIA (RENFREW) LAND DISTRICT

TAKE NOTICE that Caroline Hemington Muir, of Victoria, B. C., occupation Married Woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the east boundary of Lot 50, Renfrew District, about 20 chains north of the S. E. corner of the said Lot 50; thence east 80 chains; thence north 20 chains, more or less, to the south boundary of T. L. 1728; thence west along the south boundaries of T L.'s 1728 and 1727 to the east boundary of said Lot 50, a distance of 80 chains, more or less; thence south 20 chains to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or less.

Dated November 6th, 1912.

CAROLINE HEMINGTON MUIR.
Harold W. Duckitt, Agent.

nov. 30 — jan. 25

"LAND REGISTRY ACT"

In the Matter of an application for a fresh Certificate of Title to Part 111 feet 6 inches by 50 feet of Lot 33, Block 4, Map 132, Hillside Extension, of the Work Estate, Victoria City.

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 Charles Nelson Brown on the 2nd May, 1910, and numbered 22991 C, which has been lost.

Dated at Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 21st day of November, 1912.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

dec. 14 — jan. 11

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Order-in-Council, approved August 17th, 1895, reserving and setting apart for the sole use of Her Majesty's Government for military and naval purposes that portion of the Sand Spit at the Lagoon, Esquimalt, which is the property of the Province, is rescinded; and that the lands described in the aforesaid Order-in-Council are reserved for Government purposes.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.,
29th October, 1912.

nov. 2 — feb. 2

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Ralph Sweet, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Carpenter, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about four miles distant and in a north-westerly direction from the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 21st August, 1912.

RALPH SWEET.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that George E. Hartshorn, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Logger, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted one mile west and one mile north from the western extremity of Nahlouza Lake, marked S. E. Corner, thence north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 13th October, 1912.

GEORGE E. HARTSHORN.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, William A. Walton, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile distant and in a westerly direction from the western extremity of Nahlouza Lake, marked S. E. Corner, thence north 80 chains, west 80 chains, south 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 13th October, 1912.

WILLIAM A. WALTON.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Percy Gadsden, of Bella Coola, B.C., occupation Farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about two miles distant and in a north-westerly direction from the north-westerly extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 20th August, 1912.

PERCY GADSDEN.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

VICTORIA (RENFREW) LAND DISTRICT

TAKE NOTICE that Hanna Mary Green, of Victoria, B.C., occupation Spinster, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the north boundary of the Carmanah I. R., about 15 chains east of the N. W. corner of the Carmanah I. R.; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated November 5th, 1912

HANNA MARY GREEN.
Harold W. Duckitt, Agent.

nov. 30 — jan. 25

"LAND REGISTRY ACT"

In the Matter of an application for a fresh Certificate of Title to Lot 1874, Victoria Town (now City).

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 Edward Truran on the 8th day of September, 1863, and numbered 1345, which has been lost.

Dated at Land Registry Office, Victoria, British Columbia, this 13th day of November, 1912.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

nov. 16 — dec. 14

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Mark Smith, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the north shore of Nahlouza Lake, marked S. W. Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 12th August, 1912.

MARK SMITH.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that I, Edith Bone, of Luton, England, occupation Married Woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile east and two miles north from the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 20th August, 1912.

EDITH BONE.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

COMPANIES' ACT

TAKE NOTICE that the Grand Trunk Pacific Land Company, an extra Provincial Company, registered under the laws of the Province of British Columbia, whose registered office is situate at 918 Government Street, in the City of Victoria, B.C., intends on the 17th day of December, 1912, to apply to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for the change of the name of the said Company to "Canadian Land and Securities Corporation, Ltd."

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 8th day of November, 1912.

BODWELL & LAWSON,
Solicitors for the Company.

nov. 16 — dec. 14

SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Applications for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior.

N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reserve existing over the lands included within Special Timber Licences Nos. 39318 and 39319, situated on the North Thompson River in the Kamloops Division of Yale District, by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazette on December 27th, 1907, is cancelled and that the said lands will be open for entry by pre-emption on Thursday, December 19th, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.,
10th September, 1912.

sept. 14 — dec. 14

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing upon Crown lands in the Kootenay District, formerly held under Special Timber Licences numbered 4481, 5255, 5256, 5832, 8534, 9081, 9082, 10259, 10260, 10261, 10262, 10499, 10500, 11249, 11347, 13824, 16727, 21907, 22661, 23116, 24432, 26737, 26926, 28182, 28183, 28184, 30358, 31180, 31184, 31185, 31201, 31208, 31212, 31213, 31308, 31330, 31481, 32022, 32654, 32655, 32711, 33406, 33411, 33449, 33459, 33460, 34221, 34273, 34310, 34311, 34386, 35631, 36502, 36553, 36554, 37580, 37993, 37994, 39011, 39202, 39359, 40406, 41078, 41344, 41426 and 43176, by reason of the notice published in the British *Columbia Gazette on December 27th, 1907,* is cancelled for the purpose of offering the said lands for sale at public auction.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.,
10th October, 1912.

oct. 19 — jan. 18

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE notice that Thomas J. Williams, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Laborer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile distant and in a westerly direction from the western extremity of Nahlouza Lake, marked N. E. Corner, thence south 80 chains, west 80 chains, north 80 chains, east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 13th October, 1912.

THOMAS J. WILLIAMS.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

WATER NOTICE

I, Samuel McCullough of Royal Oak, South Saanich, in the Province of British Columbia, give notice that on the 18th day of December, 1912, I intend to apply to the Water Commissioner at his office in Victoria, for a licence to take and use four cubic feet of water per second from springs on Section 87, Block 1, Lot 8, on Section 86, Block 2, Lot 20, on Section 86, Block 3, Lot 4, all of Range I East, Lake District, Province of British Columbia, Plan No. 1373, and to form a reservoir for storage from said springs on that portion *of Lot 11, lying within Section 86, Block 2,* Range I East, aforesaid.

The water is to be taken from said reservoir and is to be used on Section 87, Block I, Lot 4, Lake District aforesaid, for domestic purposes and also to irrigate land in the above mentioned Sections 86 and 87.

Dated and posted this 16th day of November, 1912.

SAMUEL McCULLOUGH.

nov. 23 — dec. 14

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve covering the parcel of land formerly held under Timber Licence No. 40026, situated on the Columbia River in the vicinity of Arrow Park, by reason of the notice published in the British Columbia Gazette on the 27th December, 1907, is cancelled; and that the vacant lands formerly covered by the before mentioned *licence will be open to pre-emption* only on and after the 28th day of December, 1912.

R. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.,
24th September, 1912.

sept. 28 — dec. 28

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing over the lands included in Special Timber Licence No. 14830, situated on Upper Rendezvous Island, Sayward District, by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazetter on the 27th of December, 1907, *is cancelled, and that the said lands will be* open for entry by pre-emption on January 15th, 1913, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department,
Victoria, B. C.,
25th September, 1912.

oct. 5 — jan. 4

"LAND REGISTRY ACT"

IN the Matter of an application for a fresh Certificate of Title to Lots Nos. 182A, 182G and 1294, Victoria City. Also part of Section XIX, Esquimalt District, 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 Donald Fraser on the 6th day of December, 1872 and numbered 698A, which has been lost.

Dated at Land Registry Office, Victoria, British Columbia, this 28th day of June, 1912.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

nov. 16 — dec. 14

VANCOUVER LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3

TAKE *notice* that I, Hannah Jane Gadsden, of Luton, England, occupation Married Woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile east and one mile north from the north-western extremity of Sigutla Lake, marked S. W. Corner, thence north 80 chains, east 80 chains, south 80 chains, west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 20th August, 1912.

HANNAH JANE GADSDEN.
Percy Gadsden, Agent.

nov. 9 — jan. 4

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Minister of Lands not later than noon on the 3rd day of March, 1913, for the purchase of Licence No. X9 to cut 45,300,000 feet of timber and 4,000 cedar poles standing on Lot 671, Malaspina Strait, New Westminster District.

Particulars of Chief Forester, Victoria, B. C.

nov. 30 — mar. 1

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing on Lot 10, Group I, Kootenay District, by reason of a notice bearing date March 26th, 1888, and published in the B. C. Gazette under date of March 31st, 1888, is cancelled for the purpose of offering the said land for sale at public auction.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

nov. 30 — mar. 1

WATER ACT

Notice of Application for the Approval of Works

TAKE notice that the Sidney Water and Power Company, Limited, will apply to the Comptroller of Water Rights for the approval *of the plans of the works to be constructed* for the utilization of the water from a well on Section 5, Range 2 E., North Saanich, which the applicant is, by Water Licence No. 30, authorized to take, store, and use for municipal purposes.

The plans and particulars required by sub-section (1) of section 70 of the "Water Act" as amended have been filed with the Comptroller of Water Rights at Victoria and with the Water Recorder at Victoria, B.C.

Objections to the application may be filed with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 2nd day of December, 1912.

BERT D. WHITE,
Agent of the Applicant.

dec. 7 — jan. 3

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THE DEBATE *on the* ADDRESS

The Member for Victoria Speaks on the Bribing of Constituencies

On Wednesday, November 27th, the Debate on the Address was resumed and below will be found the verbatim report of the speech delivered by Mr. G. H. Barnard, member for Victoria City:

Mr. Speaker, I had not intended to intervene in this debate had it not been for some words which fell from the lips of the right hon. the Leader of the Opposition in the course of his remark on Monday. Before dealing with those particular remarks. I wish to say that I am sure it is a source of gratification to every member of this House, irrespective of party, to hear that the prosperity of the country is so great. So far as the constituency which I have the honour to represent is concerned, never in its history has it been as prosperous, and all indications are that this prosperity will continue and constantly increase. The post office returns and the customs returns are increasing at an unpre-

Bank clearing are increasing tremendously; the tonnage of the ocean-going and coasting trade is increasing to such an extent that the docks and harbours of the Pacific coast province are in danger of being seriously overtaxed. In view of the coming completion of the Panama canal, scarcely a week passes that we do not see representatives of the great European shipping companies spying out the land, and making arrangements for carrying on their trade as soon as the canal is opened; and I am glad to say that the present Government has shown its appreciation of the importance of the harbours upon that coast, and a disposition to assist in the necessary development of the ports of the province.

Coming as I do from the province of British Columbia, I need scarcely say that it was with great pleasure that I heard the reference in the Speech from the Throne to the question of naval defence. I do not propose today to go into that question, because I hope to have an early opportunity to try and put before the members of this House the views of my constituents upon it. But I can assure the right hon. Leader of the Government that, so far as the people of the province of British Columbia are concerned, he need have no fear of erring on the side of generosity. He cannot do too much to please the people of the Pacific province. With regard to the land defences of that province, I am sorry to say that matters are not in a satisfactory condition. The land defences of the province have not, for some years past, received the attention they should have received at the hands of the different governments in power at Ottawa. Since the Imperial troops were taken away from Esquimalt, and since this Government undertook to control the land defences, the forces have been reduced from 500 or 600, under the Imperial authorities, to barely 100. Now, I am perfectly willing to admit that a Canadian soldier is just as good as, and probably a little bit better than an English soldier, but it is stretching my admiration a little too far to suggest that the proportion is one to five. Esquimalt, where the fortifications are, lies within two or three miles of the capital city of British Columbia. In that city are stored public documents of untold value. Esquimalt is fortified. I have always been under the impression that it is a rule of international law that a fortified city may be bombarded by a foreign force, but that it is contrary to the usages of international law to bombard an unfortified city. If that be so, the capital city of British Columbia, which is my constituency, labours under the disadvantage of having just enough fortifications to be called a defended and fortified place, and yet it has not the means whereby to defend itself. For these reasons, I would submit to the Minister of Militia that his fortifications are a menace rather than a protection, and I would ask him to lose no time in strengthening the land defences at that point.

I wish to deal, just for a moment, with the statements made by the right hon. the Leader of the Opposition, with reference to an occurrence during the bye-election in the county of Richelieu a few weeks ago. The right hon. the Leader of the Opposition, in somewhat melodramatic language, accused the Minister of Public Works of having endeavoured to bribe the constituency by a promise of certain public works. I assume that the right hon. the Leader of the Opposition was quarreling more with the words in which the promise was made, than with the substance of the promise, or its effect; and I am inclined to think, judging from some remarks made by that right hon. gentleman at previous elections in this country, that if my friend the Minister of Public Works had couched his promise in scriptural language, the Leader of the Opposition might have found less objection to it. For I find, in the 'Canadian Annual Review' for 1911, at page 163, an account by Mr. Castell Hopkins of the recent general election, and the following reference to a speech made by the late Prime Minister at Ste. Julienne in the province of Quebec:

The speech was notable for one of the Premier's Scriptural references: the Liberal Government is like the Kingdom of Heaven, "Ask and you will receive." When St. Donat asked for a railway extension from Rawdon, I say, "ask and you will receive." This railway should be constructed to put Montreal in communication with the Transcontinental.

So that it would appear that if my friend the Minister of Public Works had promised his marine railway in the language of Scripture, in all probability the Leader of the Opposition would have made little objection. I must say that upon hearing the remarks and the tones—I was almost going to say the anguish, but I shall say the tones of indignation—in which he condemned the Minister of Public Works for promising a marine railway at Richelieu, I could hardly believe my ears. I could hardly think it was the leader of the Liberal party who was so righteously indignant in a matter of this kind. The hon. the Leader of the Opposition charged bribery, or an attempt to bribe the constituency, and claimed that his candidate had not received fair play. He arraigned the Minister of Public Works in the following words:

I charge the Minister of Public Works, and arraign him before Parliament, with having tried to bribe the electors of Richelieu.

Well, I am only a humble member of this House, and a follower of the Leader of the Government. I do not know just what effect an arraignment of that kind has, but if it is a very terrible thing. I just wish to say, in his own language, I arraign the right hon. the Leader of the Opposition before Parliament with having in a general election in 1911 tried to bribe the electors of the city of Victoria. He proceeds:

I call as witness a member of this House, the hon. member for Charlevoix.

Well, I call as a witness a member of this House, the hon. member for St. John, the Minister of Public Works in the late administration. I also call as a witness the Hon. Mr. Templeman, now, alas! no longer a member of this House. He cites in support of his contention a quotation from "La Patrie," which he says is a Government paper. I quote, in support of my arraignment, the Victoria "Daily Times," the personal organ of the Hon. Mr. Templeman, and the Liberal organ in the city of Victoria. What were the facts? Just before the general election of 1911, as a matter of fact on nomination day, the 14th of September, 1911, there appeared in the Victoria "Daily Times," the newspaper of the Hon. William Templeman, candidate for the Liberal party in Victoria, the folowing telegram:

Victoria, B.C., Sept. 9. 1911.
Hon. W. Pugsley, St. John, N.B.

I propose issuing an address to the electors in which I will state that the Government will make Victoria a port of first class by building breakwaters and deepening outer and inner harbours to adequate depth to accommodate all shipping. The cost, on Keefer's estimates, will be about $2,000,000 for breakwater, and about $1,000,000 for deepening harbour, annual expenditure to be about $500,000. These proposed works have been approved of for years, and the harbour work that has been carried out for the last eight years has been with the definite object of securing the results contemplated in above project. At the present rate of progress it will take twenty or thirty years to do what should be done in at the most three or four years. The opening of the Panama canal three years hence makes this work a national necessity. I will be pleased to have your approval of above.

WM. TEMPLEMAN.

Mr. PUGSLEY: I am glad to know the work is going on now.

Mr. BARNARD: It ought to have been done several years before. But it is somewhat peculiar that it was not until nomination day that its urgency occurred to the Hon. Mr. Templeman. In reply the following telegram was received from the Hon. William Pugsley, then Minister of Public Works:

Montreal, Que., Sept. 10, 1911.
Hon. Wm. Templeman, Victoria, B.C.

Your telegram of the 9th inst. re harbour improvements Victoria received. When I was in your city—

By the way that was two years before this telegram was written:

When I was in your city I looked thoroughly into the situation and was impressed with the urgent necessity of the improvements now recommended by you,and will heartily endorse your proposals as contained in said telegram.

WILLIAM PUGSLEY.

Mr. PUGSLEY: Will my hon. friend allow me to ask him a question?

Mr. BARNARD: Certainly.

Mr. PUGSLEY: Is there anywhere in that telegram the statement made that the carrying on of the public improvements in Victoria was conditional on the electors supporting the Government?

Mr. BARNARD: No, but we have the facts before us, and it is very easy to deduce a meaning from them. We have the fact that this telegram was published on nomination day, we have the fact that the Hon. Mr. Templeman announced to the Hon. Mr. Pugsley one week before the election, that he proposed issuing an address to the electors and asking that these works be carried on. I do not know whether the Hon. Mr. Templeman had some experience which he did not like as regards the promises of the then Minister of Public Works, but apparentliy there was some dissatisfaction in his mind. At any rate Mr. Templeman may not have been quite satisfied with this endorsement of the then Minister of Public Works, possibly the then Minister of Public Works had the idea that his promises would not be quite satisfactory to the electors of the city of Victoria, or possibly the Hon. Mr. Pugsley and the Hon. Mr. Templeman combined thought that the promise of the Minister of Public Works was not calculated to carry great weight with the electors. At any rate, on the 12th of September two days after this, another telegram was sent by Hon. Mr. Pugsley, reading as follows:

St. John, N.B., Sept. 12, 1911.
W. Templeman, Victoria, B. C.

My wire was sent after I had seen Sir Wilfrid.

W. PUGSLEY.

Mr. PUGSLEY: Hear, hear—a statement of the policy of the Government, that is entirely different from the Richelieu affair.

Mr. BARNARD: So much for the consistency of the right hon. the Leader of the Opposition, and his sincerity in attacking the Minister of Public Works (Mr. Rogers) with regard to this Richelieu election. Apparently it is a highly meritorious thing for the Liberal Government to promise a public work just before an election, but it is a political crime of the worst kind if a Conservative government should make a like promise. According to the ethics of the right hon. the Leader of the Opposition, when a Conservative does such a thing it is bribery, but when done by a Liberal it is simply good policy. These gentlemen opposite say when a Conservative makes a promise of that kind, that it is trying to steal the elections, but when exactly the same thing is done by a Liberal Government they think it is good ball and the fairest kind of play. Now, Mr. Speaker, if, as is alleged by the right hon. the Leader of the Opposition, constituencies in Canada have been debauched, then I say that the blame does not lies at the doors of the Conservative party. We have not to go back very far to find instances of glaring impropriety perpetrated by the Liberal party and without going into details there naturally flashes across one's mind the Newmarket canal and the sawdust wharf. Do hon. gentlemen opposite say that these transactions were good public policy. I have not much use for the tu quoque argument, and I am absolutely opposed to anythings savouring of debauching the constituencies, but I do say that if in the course of his peregrinations around this vale of tears the devil occasionally finds he is fought by fire, complaint does not lie in the mouth of His Satanic Majesty.

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Society

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Palmer, of Kamloops, are staying at the Empress hotel.

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Miss Perry French, Vancouver, is among the guests at the Empress hotel.

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Mrs. G. A. Henderson, who has been enjoying a holiday in Victoria, has left for her home in Vernon, B.C.

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Mr. Arthur Miller, of Nelson, is on a short visit to Victoria.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Vernon and family have left on a visit to England.

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Mr. C. C. Wheeler, of Duncan, was registered at the Dominion hotel during the week.

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Mr. G. A. Smith, Alberni, has been a guest at the Empress hotel.

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Mrs. Alfred Green, from Cowichan Lake, is making a short stay with relatives in Victoria.

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Mr. Thomas Meredith is registered at the Empress hotel from Vancouver.

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Mr. J. A. Gibson, of Nelson, is spending a few days in town on business.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilson are in the city from Merritt and are staying at the Empress hotel.

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Mr. J. S. Matterson, who has been on an extended trip to the Old Country, has returned to Victoria.

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Miss Moore, of Vancouver, registered at the Empress hotel during the week.

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Mr. T. C. Boulton, from Cowichan, spent a few days in town during the past week.

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Mr. J. Leslie Bell, of Calgary, has arrived in town and is staying at the Empress hotel.

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Mr. S. Long, of Saanich, B. C., has been enjoying a short visit to the city.

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Mrs. W. C. Crane, accompanied by her two sons, left town last week, for San Diego, where they will spend the winter months.

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Mr. A. M. Knox is paying a short visit to the city from Duncan and is registered at the King Edward hotel.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Munn and family left on Monday last for California. Mr. Munn will join Mr. R. T. Elliott, of this city, at San Francisco, who will accompany him on a trip to Australia.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jones, "Brierley," Head Street, left on Wednesday last on a visit to the South, where they will spend about a couple of months touring the Southern States.

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A quiet but pretty wedding was celebrated at St. Barnabas' church on Wednesday, the 4th, when the Rev. E. G. Miller united in marriage Mr. Stanley Russell Anderson, fourth son of Mr. J. A. Anderson, auditor-general, and Florence Stephanie Walker, daughter of Mrs. W. J. Walker, of Saanichton, B. C. The bride, who looked charming in her wedding costume, was given away by her father, while the groom was supported by Mr. A. Douglas Anderson. Only the immediate relatives of the bride and bridegroom were present at the ceremony. Later in the afternoon the happy couple left on the 4.30 boat for Seattle, where the honeymoon will be spent. On their return they will take up their residence in Victoria.

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Mrs. Bullen, Esquimalt Road, was among last week's hostesses and entertained a number of her friends at Bridge and Five Hundred. Among the guests were: Mrs. Dupont, Mrs. D. Hunter, Mrs. Butchart, Miss McNaughton Jones, Mrs. Musgrave, Mrs. Wasson, Mrs. Tuck, Mrs. Troup, Mrs. Chas. Todd, Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. Fleet Robertson, Mrs. Payne, Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Phipps, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. McCallum, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Geo. Matthews, Mrs. A. Jones, Mrs. Heyland, Mrs. J. Hunter, Mrs. R. W. Gibson, Mrs. T. S. Gore, Mrs. Flummerfelt, Mrs. Dunsmuir, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Coles, Mrs. Charles, Mrs. Bowser, Mrs. Butchart, Mrs. Berkeley, Mrs. E. V. Bodwell, Mrs. F. S. Barnard, Mrs. Blaiklock and others. Mrs. Dupont, Mrs. D. Hunter and Mrs. Butchart were fortunate in winning prizes.

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A large excursion party of some thirty-seven Victorians, under the management of Claude A. Solly, left last week on the Princess Charlotte en route for the Old Country. Mr. Solly accompanied them as far as New York and saw them safely aboard the trans-Atlantic liners. The party consisted of the following: Geo. Buss, C. Matthews, S. J. Cainan, P. Lowther, E. L. Routh, N. Heaton, H. Bendelow, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barnes and son, John Barnes, W. Smith, W. Stanford, Wm. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Beaney, Mrs. W. E. Beaney, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Watkinson, Miss Agnes Watkinson, F. Monk, Miss Hilda Childs, Miss Gertrude Childs, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Findlay, A. Thatcher, Mrs. L. W. Evans, Miss Ellen Robertson, Miss L. Cobold, Miss Elsie Redfern, Miss Elsie Begwood, Chas. H. Foxwell, Mr. and Mrs. Gillis, Al. Baker and James McPhee.

Mrs. R. Ford Verrinder was hostess on Saturday evening last of a very charming dance at which she entertained a number of young people. She was assisted in receiving the guests by Miss Marguerite and Regina Verrinder, who wore dainty dresses of old rose. Some of those present were: Miss Wheatley, Miss V. Lethwaite, Miss E. Floyd, Miss Dora Lauder, Miss Peggy McBride, Miss K. Bradshaw, Miss Tommy Monteith, Miss Ola Balcom, Miss G. Smith, Miss G. Copely, Miss Nora Jones, Miss D. Dunne, Miss Ruth Jones, Miss Florence Miller, Miss Bertha Miller, Miss Hazelteen, Miss E. Miller, Miss G. Wilkes, Miss Margaret Carly, Miss Gertrude Scott and the Messrs. Ryn Lauder, P. Ogden, Joe Shires, M. Scott, R. Day, Geo. Pauline, Vernon Miller, Charley Baxter, Simpson, Harry Yates, D. Wotton, C. Carey, D. McDonald, B. Wilkerson, Ingram, Talbot Wheatley, Dennis Deispecker, Derman Deispecker, Hazelteen, G. Morton and others.

Correspondence

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OWING AND PAYING

Victoria, Dec. 12, 1912.

Editor, The Week:

Dear Sir,—A correspondent ("Cuique") in the Victoria Times agrees with the main contention of Mr. Clive Phillips Wolley that "Canada owes something to England," but churlishly attempts to belittle the obligations by mentioning the comparatively trifling amount Canada has done for England.

He says "Canada's sons have been transported year after year to the lonely prairie to till new land and raise crops to fill the capacious mow of England."

"Cuique" does not mention if those exiled sons of Canada accepted any payment for their lonely job—perhaps the only employment they were fully competent to fill. Taking an unsentimental view of it, and granting there was quid pro quo for the job I fail to comprehend how this necessary raising of crops places England under any obligation, or fill her "capacious mow" one whit more than it does the pockets of those well paid exiles on the "lonely prairie." "Cuique" gives only one more instance worth noticing, of all Canada has done for her Mother Country. He says, "In the late South African War Canada sent several volunteer corps to serve against the Boers." Is he oblivious of the fact that the "boys" who comprised these corps, arrived in Canada barely in time to volunteer for the Boer War; from England, Ireland and Scotland?

Then is Canada to receive all the kudos for the prowess of the boys from the old land who remained for only a few weeks in Canada?

I knew some of the first contingent that left Alberta, who volunteered three days after arriving at their destination in that province!

"CUI BONO."

The New Idea Store

It will be good news to many Victorian shoppers, especially at this present buying season of the year, to learn that Mrs. Elliott, formerly of the "Bon-Ton" store, is acting as manager of a new store located at 648 Johnson street, of which Mrs. Fullerton is the proprietor. As its name indicates, the new store is full of new ideas, and not only of ideas but of the wherewithal with which to satisfy them when once formed. Specialties are made of articles to suit ladies and children, and the opening of this "New Idea" store coincides most appropriately with the advent of Christmas. 648 Johnson street is a good number and street address for Christmas shoppers to remember.

SIGNS

Two eyes were given me,
Life's windows they;
Yet curtained well they be,
Lest light should stray.

A tongue was given me,
Heart's truth to tell;
Yet, lest it gambol free,
'Tis barriered well.
Oh, heart, hid deep within,
A prisoner thou
Lest one thy fortress win—
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—Mary Bell.

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That several towns in the Old Country taught them the lesson that their room was preferable to their company.

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That the sooner they learn the same lesson in Victoria the better.

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That "Hornet" would willingly assist in a "tar and feather" ceremony.

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That next Friday and Saturday will see the production of an original play at the Victoria theatre.

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That as "The House That Jack Built" is the outcome of a local brain and will be played by local talent, the theatre ought to be filled to capacity.

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That in all probability the city of Vantoria will be able to give a few pointers to the city of Victoria.

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That all is not gold that glitters and the Vancouver hold-up man did not appreciate stage-money.

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That the leasing of the Palace corner will cause many heart-burnings among the seafaring fraternity.

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That the Palace Saloon has the reputation of putting out the best schooners in town.

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That the stand which Seattle has taken on the advertising question might well be followed by its neighbours.

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That if Victoria were up-to-date the horror at the corner of Yates and Government street would not be allowed.

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That a "Tornado" sale of boots is no excuse for an "Inferno" of advertising on the corner.

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That those responsible for it ought to be shoo-ed away.

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That the Fifth Regiment once more is entitled to the hearty congratulations of the community.

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That this is a species of monotony which does not pall.

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That the Federal authorities have started well in their treatment of the Fusiliers.

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That it is no wonder that the Australians were favourably impressed with the Vancouver cadets.

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That all things point to the regeneration of Lower Johnson street.

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That some day it will be one of the most important streets in the city.

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That the workmen employed in putting in the switch at the corner of Fort and Douglas street were all British subjects, or looked it.

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That if this were so a most praiseworthy example was set.

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That the plans for the new University provide for a magnificent structure.

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That future generations will live to bless the name of Dr. Young.

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That the Victoria Times seems to be unable to differentiate between a resignation and a dismissal.

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That the best way to make the suffragettes see reason would be to mail them money-orders.

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That they might lack the altruistic sentiments of the scrub-woman.

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That the attention of the City Engineer is directed to the state of the sidewalk on View street, between Broad and Douglas.

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That the inside portion has sunk, leaving the curb as a menace to Christmas shoppers at Spencer's.

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That if you want to be buried in good time, you must do your dying early in the week.

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That " the better the day the better the deed" will not now avail the dead.

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That though one swallow does not make summer, one meeting of the Moral Reform squad in Victoria is a sure sign of an election.

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That though the money was voted for new police headquarters, alterations are now being made for another purpose in the market building.

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That the new Directors of the Provincial Exhibition might well consider the advisability of erecting a manufacturers' building.

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That it is no good following the example of Vancouver and waiting for a population of 150,000 before appreciating the value of industrial concerns.

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That now is the time to induce capital to invest in such things as sugar refineries, which have already been under contemplation.

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That if the merchants would give the City a square deal, the Council would not have to go outside to make their purchases.

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That some men, not content with the substance, try to grab the shadow also.

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That ice hockey will be going strong this season.

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That the formation of three amateur teams in Victoria will make for increased popularity.

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That personally conducted tours from the Equator to the North Pole will shortly be undertaken in Victoria.

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That the expeditions will start from the Post-office and end up at the Land Registry Office.

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That the Seven Sleepers of Broughton street object to dances at the Alexandra Club.

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That they complain that the automobiles in attendance contribute staccato notes to the dance music.

That motor cars have a knack of making more noise than they ought to.

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That the invitation to deliver the Charter Day Address at the University of California is a compliment and an appreciation of the qualities of British Columbia's Premier.

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That the National Fire Protection Association has issued some seasonable warnings.

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That national rejoicings are often the prelude to local catastrophes.

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That the production of a play like "A Romance from the Underworld" is not calculated to raise the estimation in which American Justice is generally held.

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That like most caricatures it offers a strong criticism.

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That the fulsome courtesies interchanged by the two daily papers are becoming tedious.

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That it is not always so much what you say, but the nasty way in which you say, that matters.

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That "sometimes" is but a little word, but used at the proper moment has great effect.

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That as long as Mr. Green remains in the House no members will be anxious to remain seated during the singing of the National Anthem.

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That from the Liberal point of view Mr. Barnard has a most exasperatingly good memory.

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That it is still inadvisable for people who live in glass houses to indulge in stone-throwing.

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That Vancouver has but two topics of conversation now-a-days.

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That the police say that they have at last put a stopper on the hold-up men, and the citizens fervently hope so.

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That if it had not been for the pluck of a civilian the police wouldn't be so confident.

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That there are many advantages in living on an Island.

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That before a man advertises that he will not be responsible for his wife's debts, he had better made sure who had been paying his own.

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That it must be annoying to have the public informed that the wife carried the bag.

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That at last Victorian property-owners have shown their strength.

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That a hospital worthy of the city is assured.

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That congratulations are in order to the Hospital Board, the ladies and the indefatigable "Harry" Price.

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That the new wing of the Empress Hotel will be at the disposal of members during the coming Session of Parliament.

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That there is only one hotel—the Empress.

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That there is only one hotel-manager—Jackson.

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That today the Empress hotel is the best managed hotel on the C. P. R. system.

A Vienna telegram states that the war may spread to the Poles. Our latest information, however, is to the effect that the North Pole is keeping cool.

A woman wearing a long hatpin may be ejected from a public conveyance in Berlin. In London the rest of the folks have to get out.

If you are Interested in

Victoria Carnival Week

August 1 to 6, 1913

Please send names and present addresses of former residents of Victoria to the Secretary of the Victoria Citizens Committee, P. O. Box 1311.

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Women's Tan Skating Boot, best quality, at $3.35
Women's Best Black Skating Boot, at $2.50
Misses Best Black Skating Boot, at $2.00
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CAPT. VANCOUVER AND CAPT. COOK

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 12, 1912.

To the Editor of The Week:

Sir,—The following letter which I have just received from Arthur Kitson, Esq., of Groombridge, Sussex, England, referring to some of the early history of our patron saint of Vancouver Island, Captain George Vancouver, R.N., will no doubt be of interest to many readers of The Week.

The reference to the cause of the death of Captain Cook, our great circum-navigator, in the letter, is most interesting and amusing. May I state that Mr. Kitson is the author of the latest and most accurate life of Captain Cook ever published. The account of Captain Vancouver was kindly made for me by Mr. Kitson at the "Records Office," in London.

JOHN T. WALBRAN.

Marton,
Croombridge,
Sussex,
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Capt. J. T. Walbran, J. P.:

Dear Sir,—I have turned up the record of George Vancouver in the Muster Rolls of H. M. S. Resolution and find that he was entered on January 17th as No. 117, said to be born in London, but places of birth were often inaccurate, (He was born in King's Lynn, June 22nd, 1757. J. T. W.), aged 15, and was rated as A. B. throughout the whole voyage. On turning to the pay-sheet for the voyage I find that he was paid as A. B.

"Began wages 29th May, 1772.
Ended wages 28th August, 1775."

Paid off that day at Pay Office, Deptford.

The amount of wages £2:2:7—£2:5:0 two months advance—£3:6:1 Slop Chest — making a total of £47:13:8 for three years' pay; not a very munificent sum.

I saw somewhere (but have forgotten where), the other day a letter from a clergyman, giving a new version of the reason of Cook's murder by the Hawaiians, which appears to me as grotesque as most of the missionary yarns from the South Seas. He gravely states that Cook landed smoking a cigar and was therefore taken for the Devil and was incontinently killed. Now the reverend gentleman fails to inform us how these natives had any knowledge of the Old Gentleman (no missionaries had been there to introduce him), nor have we any knowledge that Cook used tobacco, and though some of the men spent what seems a considerable amount, in some cases as much as five or six pounds, yet there is no charge whatever for that item against Cook. Still he might have used a private store, but I have no remembrance of any reference to the fragrant weed from him, any of his officers, or Banks, or Wales.

I think the above will be of interest to you.

Yours truly,
ARTHUR KITSON.

Amateur Ice Hockey

On Friday next, December 20, the first of a series of amateur matches will be played at the Arena. Victoria is now in the envibale position of possessing three amateur teams, viz: the Y. M. C. A. team, the Bell Telephone team and the Victorias. Local interest has been aroused in this sport, which is comparatively new to Western climes and throughout the season matches will be played amongst these teams and against Vancouver. From the ultimate winner will be chosen the team to represent Victoria in the struggle for the Allan Cup, which may be called the "blue riband" of Canadian ice hockey. To a very large extent the success of the local representatives depends on the encouragement meted out to them during the winter months by devotees of the game, and it is hoped that the matches played in the Arena will be well patronized.

The School Magazine

The first number of the second volume of the School Magazine is to hand and presents a most attractive appearance. The opening article, contributed by the editor, Mr. Clive Phillipps-Wolley, deals with the business of our race and draws many valuable lessons from the life of Nelson. The "thoroughness" of the great naval hero is insisted upon and the whole article should be an inspiration to the boys who read it. Mr. J. Herrick McGregor is responsible for a most interesting disquisition on "Big Ships and Little Ships," as well as for an immigration story which is as fascinating as it is simple. A sketch of the career of Admiral Lord Collingwood by Fleet-Surgeon W. E. Hume, R.N., completes the issue.

Modern and Up-to-Date

The newly opened offices of the Northwestern Telegraph Company in the Central Building, 614 View street, represent the fulfilment of a long cherished idea on the part of the management. Everything in connection with the new quarters of the company is modern and up-to-date; even the messenger boys have been put into uniform to consort with the general spick and span appearance of the office fixings. The Great Northwestern Telegraph Company, which connects exclusively with the Western Union Telegraph, guarantees a service in keeping with its first-class appointments.

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"There is no quality in business more dangerous than delicacy."

"Tobacco is the tomb of love."

"There is no fascination so irresistible as the smile of a married woman."

"A majority is always better than the best repartee." "The Pocket Disraeli," compiled by J. B. Linderbaum. Mills and Boon. 1s. net.

Suffragettes have been pouring jam and corrosive acid into the pillar-boxes. Just one more instance of their contempt for His Majestey's males.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint Messrs. W. H. Hayward, of the City of Duncan; Alexander Lucas, of the City of Vancouver; S. Shannon, of Cloverdale; William Duncan, of Comox; J. J. Campbell, of the City of Nelson; Thomas Kidd, of Steveston; and J. Kidston, of the City of Vernon, to be Commissioners under the "Public Inquiries Act," for the purpose of making an enquiry into *and concerning the conditions affecting agri*culture in all its branches throughout the Province.

The Commissioners will hold their first sitting at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday, the 17th day of December instant, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, of which all persons *interested are hereby to take notice and govern* themselves accordingly.

Provincial Secretary's Office,

12th December, 1912.

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WATER NOTICE

For a Licence to Store or Pen Back Water

NOTICE is hereby given that Herbert Cuthbert, of Victoria, B. C., will apply for a licence to store or pen back two acre-feet of water from unnamed creek, a stream flowing in an easterly direction and emptying into Esquimalt Lagoon, near its head. The water will be stored in a reservoir of 90,000 ft. capacity, built or to be built on said property, and will be used for domestic purposes, under a notice of application for a licence to take and use water, posted herewith, on the land described as part of Section 35, Esquimalt District.

This notice was posted on the ground on the 10th day of December, 1912. The application will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Victoria, B. C.

Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

HERBERT CUTHBERT, Applicant.
By R. G. Gilchrist, Agent.

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HIS HONOR the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint Messrs. H. G. Parson, of Golden; A. M. Harper, of the City of Vancouver; J. A. McKelvie, of the City of Vernon; R. A. Stoney, of the City of New Westminster; and John Jardine, of the City of Victoria, to be Commissioners under the "Public Inquiries Act" to enquire generally into labour conditions in the Province, and *particularly the contracts and relations* between employers and employes, the hours of labour, the conditions surrounding the employes during their employment, and the time *and manner of payment* of wages in mines, smelters, canneries, shops, factories, logging and railway construction camps, or in any other work, and on tramways; the working and enforcement of the "Truck Act," the "Master and Servant Act," the "Deceived Workmen Act," the "Woodman's Lien for Wages Act," and any other legislation affecting labour, the precautions taken for the protection of life, the preservation of the health and the prevention of unsanitary conditions.

The Commissioners will hold their first meeting at the Parliament Buildings on Saturday, the 28th day of December instant, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, of which all persons interested are hereby to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Provincial Secretary's Office,

12th December, 1912.

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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of South Saanich

TAKE notice that Henry Puckle, of Victoria, B.C., occupation Fruit Grower, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the southeast corner of Section five; Range six east, South Saanich District, thence west 10 chains; thence north ten chains; thence east 10 chains; thence south 10 chains to point of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.

Dated 26th November, 1912.

HENRY PUCKLE.

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LAND REGISTRY ACT.

IN THE MATTER of an application for a fresh Certificates of Title to Lots 1602 and 1604, Victoria City.

NOTICE is hereby given of my intention at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof to issue fresh Certificates of Title in lieu of the Certificates of Title issued to Bernard Sigismund Heisterman and James Forman on the 25th day of February, 1910, and numbered 22110 C, and to Wesley N. Mitchell and William Nelson Mitchell on the 25th day of February, 1911, and numbered 22547 C, which have been lost or destroyed.

Dated at Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 4th day of December, A. D. 1912.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar General of Titles.

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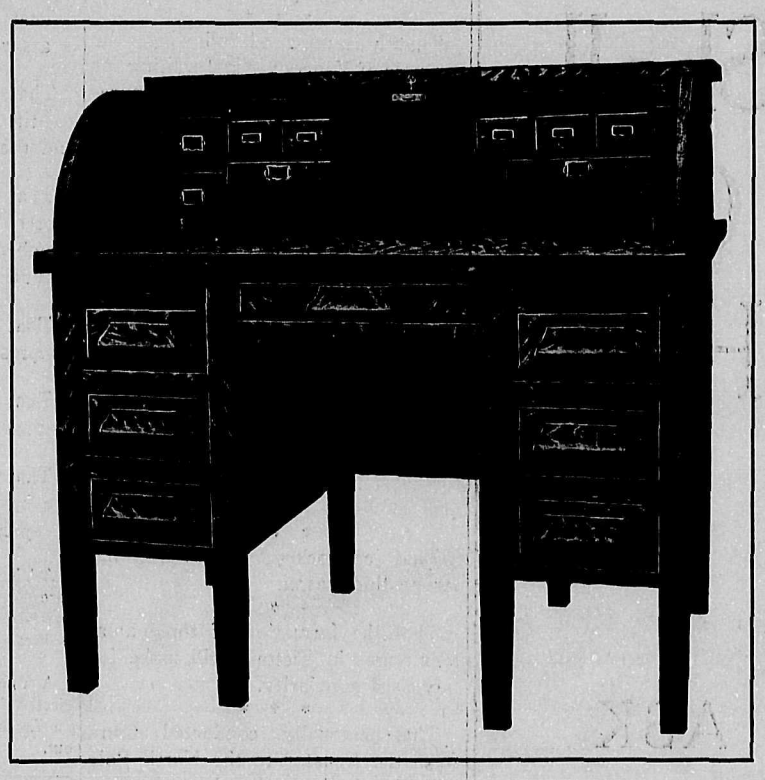

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