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Indian woman was found lying on the bank of the Fraser river near New Westminster. No inquest was deemed necessary by the coroner, as it was evident that the deceased had come to her death through excessive indulgence in alcoholic liquors. Now there is a law in this province making it illegal to sell or supply spirituous liquors to Indians and this law is supposed to be enforced. That some one supplied the liquor to the squaw who died from its results is not to be denied and indirectly that person is responsible for the death of the woman. In such a case it should plainly be the duty of the police to investigate the case and bring the guilty party to justice, and the action of the coroner in deciding to hold no inquest or inquiry is to be severely condemned.

Mr. J. E. Bird, the well-known Vancouver solicitor, was an aspirant for aldermanic honors last week, but Mr. Bird has found that he has to take a back seat and sit down, as he is disqualified owing to some technicality. Were no qualifications required there would be dozens of candidates where there is now one.

THREE TELEGRAMS.

(From Toronto Saturday Night.)

To the Editor of the Bues, Toronto:

Tottawa, Dec. Something, 1905.

The newspaper Le Prevaricateur of your country has transgressed all laws of journalistic etiquette and has said the thing that is not. Besides, no reporter of that paper could have heard what I said, as the keyhole was stuffed. What was told him has been horribly changed, so that no truthful interviewer could recognize it. I deny most hytserically and categorically and dogmatically certain expressions contained in that journal, and above all the general lack of sense.

Herewith the telegram I received from the Autonomy Artist who leads your country:

To Sarah the Sublime, Tottawa:

Je regrette, Madame, many things more than I am able to say, especially the acts of violence dont vous et votre compagnie avez ete victimes upon the occasion of your leaving Juebec. I hasten to tell you of the regret universelle caused by conduct so unlike the chivalry of an ancient capital remarkably careful of its reputation for courtesy and other things. It always gives the tourist a gentle touch. As to what —— says, n'en ayez aucun souci. C'est un journal qui pour moi ne compte pas. In other words, as the Anglo-Saxon would crudely remark, I have no use for the bloomin' rag. Parlez-vous francais? Au revoir.

BILFRID.

I thank you, Monsieur, and I repeat once more, encore again, that I had no talk with a representative of that paper which has caused me such misery. I said Canada had become a wonderful financial success, that she was "doing" all she could and that agriculture is grand, sublime, magnifique. But I did not see a great artist, a sculptor superb nor a litterateur illustrious. I have since learned of the Canadian Society of Authors, and desolate myself. Most noble and gentle politician, do not doubt that the students who endeavored to assassinate me were "egged" on by fanaticism that has nothing in common with a pride in their great and plus belle country. I shake you at the hand. Also I say *The Maple Leaf for Never and God Save the King* if he comts to your stronghold of chivalry. Adieu a thousand times.

SARAH.

Arthur V. Watts, editor of The Week, and one of its founders, has resigned in order to take up work elsewhere. He will be succeeded in the editorial chair by Mr. William Blakemore, lately editor of the Nelson Tribune.

Jerome K. Jerome, the well-known writer of humorous books, will lecture in Victoria on the 16th inst.

LAW AND THE DEBTOR

A Series of Articles in Favor of Reform in the Treatment of Debtors—Written for The Week by "Reformer."

The Business Failure.

Scientists say that except for the capacity of the human body for pain life would be impossible. In the business world success cannot exist without failure. It sometimes happens that the success of one firm actually necessitates the ruin of another. but outside of exceptional cases of that sort, it can easily be demonstrated that success and failure must exist side by side in every business community. It is impossible to imagine a city in which every man engaged in business is successful. The difficulties resulting from competition, injudicious management and bad debts result in failures from time to time. Social reformers who base their views on the doctrine that everyone is entitled to a livelihood attribute the necessity of failure to the falsity of the existing capitalist system. But it seems to me, judging from such records as we have of the earliest forms of civilization—long before money was invested with its modern earning capacity—that merchants failed very much in the same way as they fail today; their ships were wrecked; their merchandise found an overstocked market, or their friends failed to meet their engagements. So that we seem justified in supposing that success and failure have always existed along with individual enterprise, and we have as little right to punish the man who fails as we have the man who suffers from rheumatism. It may be that in each case the unfortunate is in some degree responsible, but it would be quite impossible for the wisest judge to assess and allot the responsibility—he would be lost in a maze of vague theories as to human character and the laws of nature. In any event the man who has contracted rheumatism, let us say, through careless disregard of the dangers of wet feet, is sufficiently punished for his carelessness, and the man who loses his business, his credit and his money through any cause directly attributable to himself pays the price of lack of business qualities. There is no reason why the laws of the country should increase his punishment, but that is just what the laws of Canada do today.

Two Cases in Point.

I have in my mind two cases of failure which illustrate the unwise operation of the law very clearly. One case was that of a real estate agent who some eight years ago "came a cropper." His failure meant serious loss to a number of people, and he was soon given to understand that it would be quite useless for him to attempt to start over again. He went to the United States—a fugitive not from justice, but from his creditors—and remained in that country until such time as the statute of limitations came into effect in his case. He then returned to British Columbia, re-entered his old business, and is today one of the most prosperous men in his city. Whether he is paying up any of his old debts I do not know. At all events it is quite clear that it would have been better for all concerned if that man could have secured relief from a bankruptcy court and continued to work in the city than that he should have been driven out of the country. The other case is that of a man who for up wards of twenty years has been directing a small retail business. At no time was it very profitable, and in order to support his family in greater comfort the proprietor left the business largely in the care of his children and worked outside at a trade. Bad times came along; patronage of the store fell off, and the business got into difficulties. Fearful that some other creditor might "get in first" the firm to whom most money was owing took possession of the

store, ran it unsuccessfully for a couple of weeks, and then closed it up. As a result none of the creditors got their claims settled; the tradesman lost his business and will remain, probably, for the rest of his days, the prey of duns, and the landlord lost his rent for the shop, which remains closed. Anyone can see that the proceedings of the principal creditor were disadvantageous to everyone interested, and to the community at large. Had the storekeeper been given more time to tide over a bad season it is more than probable that he would have got over his difficulties and continued in business; or had he been able to go to the bankruptcy court his assets would have been equitably distributed among all his creditors, and friends very likely would have come to his assistance and enabled him to make another start.

A Clear Gain.

The point I wish to make in presenting these cases is that the power of the bankruptcy law to give a man who fails a "clean sheet" and the opportunity to make a new start in life is a distinct gain to the community. The existing law in regard to "assignments" is a makeshift and unsatisfactory. The debtor must secure the assent of his creditors to his assignment; he is in their hands, and creditors are not always "friendly disposed" toward their debtors. There should be no question of good will or ill will in the proposition. If a man fails through flagrant violation of the principles of the business world, the bankruptcy court can punish him by postponing his release from his embarrassments, and his creditors can appear in court and urge their reasons for the refusal of his application—but the business is done in the light of day by a competent judge; there are no "hole and corner" proceedings, as in many cases of assignment.

I think everyone will admit my proposition, that failures must occur in every business community, and if that is admitted, surely it is our duty, as reasonable people, to so adjust our laws as to relieve as much as possible the suffering that results from failure. Who would be so heartless as to argue that as sickness is the result of sin or ignorance sick people should not be cared for and their sufferings alleviated? And why should not the sick people in the struggle for existence also be entitled to our sympathy and the assistance of our laws? I do not think that any intelligent person can urge any good reason for the absence of proper bankruptcy laws in this country. I have met people who are opposed to the introduction of bankruptcy laws, but they have no reason to advance for their attitude. They say "the country is too young," "we have not reached the stage at which a bankruptcy law is desirable," and so forth, vaguely. And, of course, such remarks are palpably absurd. Either legal provision for the release of debtors from liabilities they cannot meet is wise and just, or it is not. If it is wise, then it is just as wise in Canada as in any other part of the civilized world. I quite fail to believe that experience has not demonstrated the wisdom and justice of the bankruptcy law, and I fail to understand why, in so important a matter, Canada remains so far behind the times.

REFORMER.

Mr. Frederick Buscombe, when he took office as chief magistrate of the Terminal City, announced his intention of devoting the mayoral salary of $2,000 per year to the good of the city and not for his personal uses. As a result Mr. Buscombe will be out of pocket several hundred dollars in return for the honor of being mayor, for, instead of charging up to the city, like his predecessors have done, all accounts for entertaining distinguished visitors, trips to Ottawa and Victoria, charity, etc., Mr. Buscombe has paid it out of his salary and has "dug down" for much more out of his own pockets. Were he to take a little more of a grip on the city's business and not trust it so much to the department heads, Mr. Buscombe would be an ideal mayor.

Summoned for not sending her child to school, the wife of a laborer at Bray (England) stated that she had had twenty-seven children, of whom one had died and nine had married, so that she had to support seventeen out of her husband's scanty earnings.

IN WEST KOOTENAY.

Nelson's Prosperous Year and Bright Prospects—Interesting Political Rumors—Municipal Elections.

Nelson, Jan. 1.

For the past week Nelson has been giving itself up to holiday making in celebration of the best year it has had up to the present. Politics have stirred faintly, but there is not yet an overwhelming interest being taken in the municipal elections. There is practically no issue. Ald. Malone, on the one side, and Ald. Gillett, on the other, are both in favor of the speedy completion of the municipal power plant. The former is a Progressive and maintains that it was his party that was the originator of the municipal ownership of the light and power. The latter denies this, practically, saying that he is as much in favor of the plant as is the other side. As long as the people can be convinced of the truth of the utterances of the acting mayor, Ald. Gillett, the chances would seem to be in favor of his election. However, the other side is very confident. The full aldermanic ticket is not out as yet for either side. Ineed the Progressives made a proposal that there should be no election of aldermen, but to arrange that their personnel should be decided by a joint meeting of the executive of both sides. This, however, was not agreed to.

The elections have one good result, from the point of view of the municpal revenues, because no one is allowed to vote unless the taxes are paid up. Now there is one tax, a direct one, which is hard to collect as a rule. It is curious that although the reformer always believes in direct taxation—and theoretically direct taxation is the fairest—yet when it comes to the placing of one's hand in one's pocket and producing a couple of dollars for road tax there is a big kick coming. But the public will pay four prices for coal and never a whimper is heard. Russian oil could probably be laid down at the coast for less than seven cents a gallon, but the householder pays fifty cents and says nothing. However, the road tax is always paid, if not by the voter by the campaign committee, if the vote is wanted badly enough. Come to think of it, $2 a vote is cheap enough. Of course the voter always repays his kind political friends. And the road tax is so useful in this province; there is a ready fund for the laying of sidewalks—in friendly wards.

The festivities here have taken the form of dances and entertainments, principally for children, as far as the latter amusements are concerned. The first hockey match of the season between Rossland and Nelson was played in the latter city on New Year's Day, resulting, after a hard game, in a tie, six goals all. There will be more zest to the next match. Curling is now all the rage, the bonspiel coming off in Rossland towards the end of the current month. The big dance of the holidays was that of the Rocky Mountain Rangers, and about all Nelson was there that evening. The Rangers have lately done wonderfully well and the corps is getting to be extremely popular.

It is whispered up here that J. A. Macdonald, of Rossland, the leader of the opposition in the province of British Columbia, is about to be offered a judgeship. Mr. Macdonald is a good lawyer, has an excellent practice, and should make a name upon the bench, where, often enough, politcal services rather than legal acumen seem to be the qualification. When will Canada be large enough to make such an appointment as the Tories did in the Old Country some years ago, when Sir Charles Russell, a political opponent, a defeater of the government in the famous Parnell trial, was made Lord Russell of Killowen and Lord Chief Justice of England? But if all the judges are to be Liberals coincidently with the Liberal ministry at Ottawa, then a good lawyer, such as Mr. Macdonald, should be welcomed. The appointment would be popular enough in Kootenay. It is also stated that Smith Curtis is about to enter the realms of politics. He has been making money in the mining business and some of his ventures in the Boundary and elsewhere are said to be likely to turn up trumps. Smith Curtis is one of the ablest men—perhaps the very ablest—the Liberal party is possessed of, and is popular enough in the upper country, especially in the mining districts; with the men because of his broad views, and with the owners because of his record of business when he had charge of the portfolio of mines during the brief administration of Joseph Martin. Talking of politics, it is to be noted that A. S. Goodeve, perhaps the best speaker that the Liberal-Conservative party possesses in the interior, who unsuccessfully contested Rossland against J. A. Macdonald, has given up his venture in the drug business and is starting a real estate office in Rossland. Real estate is not picking up in Rossland itself, but there are many deals consummated almost weekly in the lands which are available for fruit farming. Many of the sheltered mountain valleys are peculiarly suitable for fruit growing and it is probable that much of these areas will be taken up by settlers during the coming season. The fruit industry is advancing rapidly and the output for 1906 is likely to double that of 1905. Here, of course, special reference is made to the small fruits. Plenty of fruit trees have been planted and thousands more were put in during the late fall, but these will not bear for some years to come. The object lesson of British Columbia fruit in London in December and the silver medal won by this district has attracted much attention in the Old Country. In consequence there have been received here shoals of letters from would-be settlers, even when warned that the district requires a settler who has $5,000 to invest, and who, moreover, is willing and able to wait five years for his returns, after the planting of his orchard.

Nor is it alone in fruit that Nelson has been successful during the year that is past. Lumber has also done very well and is likely to do much better in the year before the millmen. This is especially the case in Cranbrook and in East Kootenay generally; but there is an air of solid prosperity in most of the lumber camps. Salmo does not seem to be satisfied with its attempt to domicile the Chinese and the Jap as lumbermen, and the experiment, it is again declared, will not be repeated this year. On which resolution the Salmo lumber people are to be congratulated.

But the mining industry has made enormous strides. The Daily News, in a carefully prepared report of the mining doings of last year, estimates the output as having a value of $21,000,000, as against $19,000,000 for 1904 and $17,500,000 for the two years previous. But the big rise in production is to come this year. The rise in metals, the successful experiments in the separation of lead and zinc, and the lessening of the freight rates came too late last year to permit of the results being immediately seen. Those results, which are now being worked for, will figure in the output of the year 1906. The total amount of ore shipped throughout the year was about 1,300,000 tons, of which the Boundary contributed nearly a million tons. Next year the output will be over a million and a half, and as soon as the Similkameen, Okanagan, Lardeau and Windermere districts get going, through the provision of transportation, there will be another big jump. All this activity in mining, lumber and fruit has meant much to the wholesalers, and the merchants of Nelson in particular have been doing a thriving business, the best on record. Minor things, therefore, whether Tweedledum or Tweedledee is to be mayor of—any Kootenay city that may be named—matter but little.

Every Monday the number of Vancouver hotels and saloons to be reported for breaking the law between Saturday night and Monday morning is getting less. This week but three were reported, and these may be prosecuted for selling liquor on Sundays—not in the bar but in the boxes. The writer made a tour of the city last Sunday evening to see how the hotels were observing the law. In three places no lights were lit to show the interior of the bar, and in two others it required no Sherlock Holmes to detect the selling of liquor. The police made a "grand stand play" for a few weeks, and now they seem to have sl[illegible]kened off, for it is quite possible to secu[illegible] all the booze wanted on Sundays, and the "dry" Sunday seems to be but a sad memory now.

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Dated at Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, October 23rd, 1905.

ELLA M. MORROW,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

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Per Percy Harrison, Agent.

"FRACTION AND "GOLCONDA" FRACTIONAL MINERA[illegible] CLAIMS.

Situate in the Skeena M[illegible]
Where Located—A[illegible]tsala Canyon, Near Ske[illegible] River.

TAKE notice that I, Patrick Hickey, Free Miner's Certificate No. B 93906, for myself, and as Agent for H. Flewin, Free Miner's Certificate No. B65493, and D. A. Robertson, Free Miner's Certificate No. B65484, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 26th day of October, A.D. 1905.

RE: CHARLES STOUGHTON, DECEASED.

TAKE NOTICE that all persons having claims against the estate of Charles Stoughton are requested to forward them to Wesley Hodgson, the executor of the said estate, on or before [illegible], the 2nd day of January, [illegible] which date the said executor [illegible] ceed to distribute the s[illegible] among the parties thereto, [illegible] rd [illegible] to the claims of wh[illegible] have had notice.

BODWELL & [illegible]

Dated 30th day of Novem[illegible]

"Copper is likely to remain stiff," is a recent headline in a Vancouver daily. Mining men will be glad to know that there is not much danger of a serious change in the condition of the metal.

"We are not the Police Gazette, nor yet the Pink 'un," laments the Okanagan, "although appearances are against us. Our consignment of paper must have gone to some sporting journal and theirs to us."The Okanagan was printed on pretty pink paper.

Theodore Watts-Dunton, the well-known English literateur, and Charles Algernon Swinburne, the poet, no longer keep bachelor's hall at "The Pines," Putney. Mr. Watts-Dunton, at the age of three-score, has married a pretty girl of twenty-one. The girl has been an ex-officio member of the household for some little time past, having been employed as secretary by Mr. Watts-Dunton. The marriage does not involve any change in the relations of Watts-Dunton and Swinburne, and they will now have a charming young lady to pour out their coffee for them.

Being interested in flower and vegetable culture, our sporting editor is brimming over with delight at the thought of being able to purchase Sutton's famous Reading (England) seeds at first hand in Victoria and Vancouver, owing to the Royal Seed House having appointed Messrs Brackman-Ker Milling Company as agents for British Columbia, to whom they have already dispatched a large and varied selection of seeds for spring plainting. Our sporting editor is already heavily backing his sweet peas and common or garden peas for this season's handicap.

Those who are interested in Mumm's Champagne, Johnnie Walker's Kilmarnock Scotch whiskey, Lemp's beer, White Rock and other high class wines and spirits, also high class Havana cigars, will be glad to know that Messrs. Pither & Leiser, the well-known wholesale agents for these celebrated thirst quenchers, are now located in their new Vancouver office and warehouse on Water street. The increased size speaks volumes for the progress and popularity of Messrs. Pither & Leiser and the goods they represent

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WM. BRODRICK.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I beg to announce that I will be a candidate alderman for the above ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence

W. H. SMITH.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRE WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for alderman in Centre Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

L. G. QUAGLIOTTI.

January p, 1906.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I would respectfully ask your vote and influence at the forthcoming election.

H. E. LEVY.

FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

To the Electors of the City of Victoria:

Ladies and Gentlemen I beg to announce that I will be a candidate for School Trustee at the forthcoming election and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

A. B. McNEILL.

For Mayor

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Having, in response to numerous requests, consented to accept nomination for mayor at the approaching election, I hereby respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

If you honor me by election I will earnestly endeavor to continue the progressive policy of my previous term of office and will do all in my power to promote the prosperity and well-being of the City of Victoria.

CHAS. HAYWARD

For Mayor

To the Electors of Victoria.—

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—Being requested by a number of citizens to accept nomination for Mayor, I feel in duty bound to offer my services, and do so the more willingly, believing the people are weary of the insidious influences exercised by corporate companies over city affairs:

That they are prepared for municipal contral and gradual ownership of public utilities:

For the replacing of the present high rates for light with the minimum for good service;

For a square deal on the water question, believing that the present trumped up suit is a menace to the reputed rights of the city;

For a more efficient and economical service of the department of works;

For the safeguarding of the city's interest in the disposition of the Songhees Reserve;

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Notice is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands, situate on the Skeena river, two miles below Skeena Canyon and adjoining S. B. Johnson's property, and beginning at a post planted and marked J. T. Phelan's initial post, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to the place of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated 8th December, 1905.

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Hazelton, B. C., Dec. 8, 1905.

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Oct. 15, 1905.

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MUSIC AND THE STAGE

The Juvenile Bostonians, in charge of Mr. E. A. Wolff, passed through Victoria on New Year's Eve on their way to Seattle, where they intend playing for a short time preparatory to starting on another extended tour. Mr. Ernest Wolff is well known in this city as an exceedingly clever musician and one well adapted for the training of children in operatic business. He has brought his present company to such a state of perfection that is is already recognized as being easily the equal of the Pollard's Juvenile Operatic Company. He has been touring the States for the past ten months, playing to good houses and receiving the most enthusiastic attention everywhere. While playing in Vancouver the company stayed at the Badminton Hotel, and on Christmas Eve the guests made a voluntary collection amongst themselves and furnished a Christmas tree for the children with suitable gifts for every one of them. Mr. Wolff has been fortunate in his selection of little ones, the youngest of whom is 4 and the eldest 13 years of age. Their voices, both individually and collectively, are far above any other juvenile company at present in this country, while their histrionic ability is also very marked. It is to be regretted that their engagement at the Victoria theatre had to be cancelled owing to the extensive alterations and repairs being made in that building, and it is hoped they will visit us again in the near future and give the music loving Victorians a chance of hearing this talented little company.

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The bill at the Watson theatre this week was changed, "The Parish Priest" being substituted for "British Born." "The Parish Priest"is a well-known "Irish drama and is excellently performed by the Watson company. Mr Watson does some very effective work as "Father Whalen," and Miss Mae Keane is charming as "Helen Durkin." Harry Pollard acquits himself well as "James Welsh."

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Alice Wildermere, well-known on the Savoy stage, and at present appearing at the Grand, has signed a more enduring and certainly a more pleasing contract with Mr. Boyd, the orchestral conductor at the Savoy, to whom she was joined in wedlock last Saturday.

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Good business has been the rule at the Watson theatre this week, the holiday patronage on Monday taxing the capacity of the house to the limit. "A Runaway Match," a farcical comedy that is full of real mirth, was staged for the first half of the week and proved a great success. All the parts were well filled. Mr. Watson's performance as "Solomon" was especially delectable. Next week's bill will consist of "Passion's Slave" and "Hazel Kirke."

The Victoria theatre has been much improved by Manager Ricketts and patrons have discovered that they can now attend performances at the old house in comparative comfort. There still are improvements needed, notably in regard to the seating arrangements in the dress circle. Some of the seats in this part of the house are so placed as to be useless for those who wish to see as well as hear. The new regime came into effect on Monday, when "Buster Brown," the "cartoon" musical comedy, was produced. This proved to be an entertaining show, with some excellent ballets and other features.

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With the close of the present week Victoria admirers of real art in vaudeville entertainment will sacrifice their last opportunity of witnessing at the Grand the remarkable one-act play by Mr. and Mrs. Robyns, wherewith Manager Jamieson has more than redeemed the promise that the slight increase in prices would be accompanied by more than a corresponding improvement in the quality of the fare. "The Counsel for the Defense" is a most convincing, powerfully portrayed character study, and in itself would be accepted by critical playgoers as large value for the top prices prevailing at the popular Johnson street house. In addition there is a well diversified bill of singing, dancing, athletic feats, motion pictures, and excellent music, making up as strong a show as as the house has ever offered. Those who have not as yet seen the New Year's week programme should take the advice of blase theatre-goers—and go today. In order to maintain the entertainment next week at the high standard set Manager Jamieson has been keeping the wires hot for several days in an effort to secure some pre-eminent features. In this he has been successful and he takes pride in announcing that as the topliner for next week's programme he will have three Liliputians of world-wide fame. They are Mrs. Tom Thumb, wife of the noted midget "General," who will appear with Count and Baron Magri, two noted Italian little people, in a clever society comedietta, "Two Strings to Her Bow." This trio comprises one of the most notable parties of Liliputians ever visiting the coast. The late "General" Tom Thumb was perhaps better known than any other midget who has ever lived. His tiny and talented wife is also well known in every civilized land. Since her widowhood Mrs. Thumb has lived in complete retirement, from which she but recently emerged to join the Magris in their distinctly clever creation. They have been greeted by crowds and enthusiastic houses everywhere, and their stage receptions have been as much a joy and a delight (especially to the children) as their capable performances. In addition to this crowning feature next week the management introduces the celebrated Lynn Welcher, direct from the San Francisco Orpheum, in a great and original monologistic act. Johnstone and Cooke provide a high-class comedy playlette, "A Shave for a Wife," and Fyne and Dandy are seen in comedy acrobatics. Miss Wildermere's illustrated song will be the dear old melodious "Way Down Yander in de Co'nfield," and the motion pictures are illustrative of "Modern Brigandage" and the tribulations of "A Hen-pecked Husband." There will be no matinee Monday, but afternoon performanecs all the other days of the week, in addition to the usual shows.

Mrs. (General) Tom Thumb and Count and Baron Magri at Grand next week.

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The children of the Protestant Orphans' Home were given a big treat on Friday by Manager Jamieson of the Grand theatre, who very kindly invited them all to an afternoon performance. The orphans, needless to say, thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment provided.

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Forthcoming attractions at the Victoria theatre are: Madame Modjeska tonight in "Much Ado About Nothing," and "When Johnny Comes Marching Home" on Tuesday next. Madame Modjeska is sure of a splendid reception on this, her last appearance in Victoria.

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Albert J. Watson is as much at home in a "serious " part as he is in low comedy. His performance of Father Whelan in "The Parish Priest" is a very clever piece of work.

THAT RAILWAY POLICY.

The Greenwood Times, Duncan Ross, M. P., proprietor, accepting as gospel truth a paragraph in the Province to the effect that Premier McBride had formulated a railway policy, goes to the length of instructing its readers what the policy is. There was no truth in the paragraph and Mr. McBride has clearly stated that he never made the statement attributed to him, and that he has no "railway policy" to announce to the legislature. The Times' satement as to what that policy consists in is therefore sufficiently amusing to be quoted in part:

"According to the premier's own statements the situation is alarming. He goes east without a railway policy; he returns with one. He goes east without his colleagues having any knowledge of any railway policy to which his government is committed, and returns with a policy so new that his colleagues know nothing about it and must be consulted before any announcement is made. Whence comes this new railway policy? The premier's mind was a blank on the question of transportation before going east, as it generally is on all questions affecting the best interests of the province. But he saw Shaughnessy and Hill and Hays and Morse and Mackenzie & Mann and he returns with a railway policy. Who filled the vacuum, or in other words who contributed the campaign fund? How much of the public land is to be alienated? To what extent is the public treasury to be depleted in order that the McBride government may have $25,000 or $50,000 to corrupt the electoate of the province? . . . The Boundary Creek Times will even go further and state that the railway policy so sacredly guarded by Premier McBride contains nothing that those who have been watching events were not cognizant of before Mr. McBride went East. It is a policy in the interests of the Canadian Pacific railway. It is a policy to confirm that corporation in an enormous land grant in express violation of the act passed by the Legislature, and it is a policy to bonus the Canadian Pacific to build a railway which it is forced to build by the enterprise of its competing road without money or lands. It is a policy that has for its object the securing of a campaign fund; it is a policy such as would natwould naturally be expected from Premier McBride and his fidus achates, the Hon. Robt. Green."

Of course the above statements made by Mr. Duncan Ross are purely imaginings, and prompted by the intense hatred for McBride common to Ottawa clique in the British Columbia Liberal party. Mr. McBride declined to allow this province to be held up by the Grand Trunk Pacific—the pet of the Grits—and there is no forgiveness for him. But is it not rather insulting to the people of British Columbia to imply that the whole electorate may be "corrupted" with "$25,000 or $50,000"?

Another and a sane view on the subject of the railway question is advanced by the Ymir Herald: "The Herald does not see any great necessity for a vigorous railway policy on the part of the government, as at the present time there is more railway construction going on in the province than at any time since the building of the main line of the C. P. R. The only railway policy desired by the people as a whole is for the government to refuse to give any more subsidies, either in cash or land grants.

At The Street Corner

By THE LOUNGER

The state of the roads is something disgraceful. I know that I mentioned this the other day, but this is the column for public grievances as well as private ones. It is a scandal that in the Capital City it should be impossible to cross from one side of the street to the other without getting filthy; at night particularly, when the walker has to depend on the abominable species of electric light with which we are cursed, the inconvenience is magnified. What on earth is the good of having well-laid sidewalks if the crossings are to have no attention? I have heard occasionally that there are men in Victoria who want to work, and would be glad to work; there are some nicely unemployed gentlemen at present residing in the neighborhood of Topaz avenue. Why are they not put to work on the streets? Every ratepayer who intends voting at the municipal election should make a stipulation that his candidate promises to make reforms in this line.

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The main topic of conversation just at present is the Cameron case; it is amusing to flit to and fro and hear the different opinions which are being expressed. There has been some rather curious evidence in court; I thought that the gentleman who gave it as his opinion that children were not supposed to have ideas was giving voice to a very conservative maxim which had long since been exploded. Here, in this country especially, it had always seemed to me that the habit in the schools was to encourage the belief that children had ideas. They are not taught in the good old-fashioned way, as though they could not possibly think at all for themselves. However, Mr. Blair is an expert and doubtless knows what he is talking about. At any rate it was the Blair system which was in question, and the author thereof may be trusted to know exactly how it is supposed to work. It was well worth while to attend the sessions of the court during the expert evidence; we all had nice drawing lessons free of charge. Fortunately, the learned judge is not an expert and had to be told many things about the mysteries of the system, and everyone else benefited. But why everyone laughed when the witness asked for a glass of water I cannot imagine. It was rather pointed, to say the least of it.

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The rejoicings and feastings attendant upon the celebration of Christmas and New Year's Day are over, and I am able, once more, to resume my meditations upon the street corner without being disturbed by many invitations to drink to prosperity in 1906. This is good. Holidays are necessary evils and I am no kicker, but—the man who says he is "no kicker" usually follows the announcement with a "but"—I do object to the Chinese method, adopted by the young people, of celebrating. It is just crackers; and crackers make a sudden and unexpected sort of noise very trying to one's nerves. In the Old Country Christmas is celebrated by musical bell-ringers and carol singers; in British Columbia Chinese firecrackers fill the bill. I confess to a prejudice in favor of the old style—I prefer music to nise. This opens up a new field for the opponents of Oriental immigration, because it is clear that our our rising generation is contracting Mongolian habits.

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A conversation on the subject of recent novels which took place at a house I was visiting the other day showed that Canadian publishers do not know how to look after their interests. Some half dozen recent novels that have achieved some sort of fame were mentioned and the conversation showed clearly enough that even their titles were not at all generally known. The reason for this state of affairs in Victoria is the absence of reliable reviews in the press, for which the Toronto publishers are responsible. The Week has been requested time and again by readers to introduce a literary review department, but I understand that as the publishers of books do not send them to the Week for review the department would be much too expensive, as the books would have to be purchased. There is a good deal of the "penny wise, pound foolish" policy in the eastern houses.

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A young English lady called my attention recently to the absurdity of the often-heard phrase, "the English accent." People in Canada and America frequently speak of "the English accent," meaning thereby the English method of speaking English. Of course this is absurd, and I take the opportunity of making public the lady's protest. Nobody would say that a Frenchman spoke French with a French accent, so why should English people be said to speak English with an English accent? There may be an American, a Canadian or an Australian accent, but surely not an "English accent.'

The Wilmer Outcrop takes up the advocacy by The Week of the establishment of government agricultural schools, in which boys can be fitted for successful careers on the land and the girls taught housekeeping, dairying and other work of the kind. The Outcrop suggests that Wilmer would be a suitable place for a school of this description, and advances some good reasons for its suggestion. So far as the parents of children in Victoria and Vancouver are concerned, the situation of the school would not be of very much importance, and perhaps they would feel that the further it was situated from those cities the more successful its work would be. The Week suggests that, in the blessed intervals that occassionally occur in Mr. John Oliver's fierce and futile assaults upon the Government, the member for the -Delta might devote some of his remaining energy to advocating this project. It would be useful work.

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TAKING CHANCES.

By L. McLeod Gould.

The Boy hated cards; he had always done so. His sister hated them likewise; consequently it was always a trial to them to follow their father and brother into the library after dinner at night and sit down to play whist. But there was no choice; filial affection led them both to sacrifice their own inclinations and to pretend an enjoyment which they never felt rather than to break up the four. Had the father realized the end which was coming he would never have had a card in his house.

So The Boy learnt cards, and as he was naturally quick at picking up things he soon become a proficient player; in fact he was the best of the four, though he had too much sense not to take the rebukes which came to him for mistakes really incurred by his partner, without a murmur.

A few years later The Bay was visiting an aunt in the suburbs of London and cards were produced. There was no idea of gambling in this model household, but to give the game a little more excitement, as though money was on the table, the custom was to play for matches; and the boy could not help but notice how rapacious these aunts and other relations of his were to gain all the matches they could; how they would count them and gloat over them; and gradually The Boy came to look on the matches as the end and object of the game. On the last night of the holidays somebody suggested a game of vingt-et-un—for matches only, of course—and The Boy became fascinated with the game. As is often the case with beginners he won largely, as did one of the model aunts, and when the game was over they were equal. She it was who proposed that they should cut the cards to se ewho should be the winner for the night, and The Boy lost. He always remembered the keen delight of the aunt and his own inexplicable annoyance at having lost, though some instinct led him to show no signs of his chagrin, while it made him disgusted with the evident delight of his aunt. And the matches were put away in the box and The Boy thought what fools they were to take so much trouble and to show so much excitement in the winning of matches, which would be used in the morning for lighting the fires.

That night a new spirit was born into The Boy—the spirit of the gambler. The next day he went to school again. The new spirit grew and was fostered by the influence of others who also had come under the fascination of it. One enterprising genius improved on the old-fashioned way of losing money by "pitch-and-toss" with an improvised roulette board made up of a drawing-board and a pair of compasses stretched out lengthways and fastened by means of a stout pin run through the joint. The board was marked out in correct fashion, and there The Boy both won and lost large sums of money; large, that is, for a school boy. And the spirit grew upon him, and then came Fear. The Housemaster was walking down the corridor one evening when he became conscious that all was not right in one of the studies; however, being a gentleman, he did not burst in to see for himself, but sent for the responsible persons and converswith them on the sins and attendant evils of gambling, and in the meantime The Boy, with others, was shivering with fear, for had not over twenty boys from another school been expelled within the last six months for just such an offence? And in his fear The Boy vowed that he would never gamble again.

The Boy ceased to be a boy and became a man. He went to the university and started to work in earnest. He had a great friend, a member of the religious society of the university, and destined for the church, into which he was received later. One night this friend took The Man to the rooms of another, who, like himself, was being prepared for holy orders. In the rooms was a Planchette. Planchette is a heart-shaped piece of wood with two wheels at the thick end and a hole through which a pencil passes at the apex. It is a "spiritualistic" tool. The operators sit opposite each other and lay their hands lightly on the machine. When they ask a question the machine begins to run on the paper, making marks with the pencil, which can be read afterwards. The Man had never seen one, and, being skeptical, was invited to try for himself. This he did with one of the others, and the usual absurd questions about love and marriage having been answered in the usual absurd manner, he suggested that a more practical question be asked. "What horse is going to win the Oaks?" he asked, and the machine began its tortuous course, and when the paper was scrutinized it was clearly evident to all that the answer was "Airs and Graces." A paper was consulted and it was found that a horse of that name was running. Then all the old gambling spirit rushed back upon The Man. He went out and the next day laid a large sum of money on "Airs and Graces." And the horse won. With a wild plunge The Man entered into the dismal pleasures of horse-racing and lost heavily. The spirit once more aroused refused to be quieted, and now the rooms whichhad been devoted to work were nightly the scenes of card-playing and drinking. Vingt-et-un, poker, euchre, Newmarket and other games were always to be had for the asking, provided sufficient players arrived to make it safe to take the bank; and so on. Freshmen were initiated into the mysteries; elder men were seduced from their studies to join in the mad gambling which prevailed three times a week. And then the end came. University men are not in a position as a rule to lose much money, and on one eventful evening the man found that he had signed I. O. U.'s for over $350, besides having paid out in cash nearly $100. It was his last term. The notes were met and another paving-stone was sent to the infernal regions.

The Man started to earn his living. He obtained a good position where he could have put money aside each year without giving up any of the luxuries which he had been accustomed to enjoy. There was a wealthy man living in the neighborhood whose entertainments were noted in the district for their general luxuriousness without ostentation. The best of everything was to be had; there was every convenience for the guest to enjoy himself. By day there was the finest tennis court in seven counties to play on, by night a magnificent billiard table was at his disposal; also, there was a cosy card-room, where poker was the order of the night, varied occasionally by roulette. The Man was introduced and invited up to dinner. He returned home a winner by about $70.

What is the good of continuing? The end is obvious; heavy losses and slight winnings will bring any man to the verge of ruin, and The Man was no exception.

The scene changes to British Columbia. There amidst new faces and new surroundings, with none of the old lot to tempt, surely The Man will be able to give up this curse. Yes. No more cards are played, unless such little peccadilloes as poker at half a cent a chip are counted. No more cards. But what is that rattle which is so often to be heard? What is that voice? It sounds familiar. "Horse and horse," it says. "You lucky beggar, that's the third time you've beaten me. Now look here, I'll shake you for five dollars a side, the best out of three." The voice is silent, but presently the door opens and there comes out a man, no The Man, softly cursing to himself, and amidst the other words we hear him say, "That's the last cent."

Some day there will, perhaps be a body found in the sea, or in the woods; it may be that of the Man.

Meantime the father and the brother still play whist; the aunt still plays for matches; the university friends have been made parsons and preach against the sin of gambling; the rich man still has his house with the nice little card room, and the dice still rattle in the saloons. What's the odds, anyhow? He was only taking chances—and lost!

L. McLEOD GOULD.

An exciting election campaign is being fought in South Vancouver. The principal interest is in the contest for reeve. Mr. C. F. Foreman is opposing the return of Reeve Rae and Mr. Foreman is bringing many charges against the administration. At his suggestion one of the ratepayers, on behalf of all the ratepayers, has brought suit against Reeve Rae for some thousands of dollars for penalties for alleged illegal and irregular actions. The suit is based on the receipt of Reeve Rae of $75 and $100 from the council in 1904 and 1905 respectively for services rendered. Mr. Joyce is the ratepayer who takes the case to the courts.

EASTERN SPORTING NEWS.

Editor, The Week: In a recent issue of The Week it was stated a sporting department will in future be a feature of your paper May I inquire of your sporting editor why the daily papers of Victoria and Vancouver very rarely, if ever, contain the results of the principal sporting contests in Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Winnipeg and other eastern Canadian cities? I mean lacrosse, football, hockey, etc. There are many residents here who formerly lived in the east and who are more interested in these events than in the six-column articles regarding the doings of the mob in Russia or how Teddy Roosevelt has decided to spend the next Fourth of July. But they nevertheless have to wait and get their news from their eastern papers, which do not come to hand until a week after these events have become matters of history. Would it not be possible for the Victoria papers to become a little more up-to-date *news* papers and give us some Canadian news—sporting and general— and cut out the rehashed stuff, in which no one is interested even when it is fresh?

—CANADIAN.

THE BANKRUPTCY LAW.

Editor, The Week:—I read with much interest an article in your last week's paper on "The Law and the Debtor," emanating from the brain of "Reformer." I may say that I thoroughly agree with every opinion expressed in that article, and at the same time would like to put things a little stronger. In the first place, I think that the real reason there is no bankruptcy act in British Columbia is because there are too many lawyers in the Legislature. It would not be policy for them to introduce any measure that would tend to curtail the income of most of the young "briefless barristers" who come out from the East and other places to try and work up a practice in this country. "Birds of a feather flock together," and naturally the lawyers who are at present enjoying all the good things that are going do not want to hurt the chances of the young fledglings that are coming on. And again, it would not be professional etiquette. There are plenty of young "briefless barristers" around that city who are only too glad to collect small bills for tradesmen, even as small as one dollar, and so long as they get their percentage do not care one rap to what extremities they push the unfortunate debtor. The only way out that I can see at present is either to make a proper "bankruptcy act" or give these young "briefless barristers" something better to do in the shape of fat government positions, which most of them seem to be looking for. For the last few years Seattle has been gradually filling up with "shyster lawyers" until that city is a bye-word all over the coast, and now it looks as if Victoria is to win the same reputation. If the wage-earner is to have any protection at all from these "blood-suckers" we must either have a "bankruptcy act" or an act limiting the power of these legal parasites.

—MICAWBER.

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A Lady's Letter

By BABETTE.

Dear Madge: We have had so much New Year's rejoicings, festivities, etc., this week that I believe I am actually tired, but not too tired to write you. Three New Year's dinners, a wedding and a dance in one week will, you must own, make anyone feel tired and a little dissipated, especially one who is such a quiet "home bird" like myself. I was just preparing for another little "gay flutter" in the shape of a tea party today when the telephone rang and the person at the other end reminded me to be sure to write you—you dear old thing—as if I could possibly forget our weekly little gossip! Certainly not, even if there was a dance every night and a "tea" every day! And now, Madge, if you really want to have your own way with John be nice to him and smile on him your sweetest. A smile wins its way to the citadel of a man's heart when nothing else will—a beaming, appealing flash of sympathy, an artless, innocent, joyous smile, in which the eyes do more than the lips. Yes, a smile *is* powerful, but who can weigh a kiss? With discrimination, Madge, and a kiss you can get half his kingdom, or the whole of it. Husbands can be so easily managed if one goes the right way about it. Another tip is to never forget that a little stock of "soft sawder" never comes amiss in the household menage. In spite of all the dictums about flattery a man likes to be told that his head is all right, that he carries his clothes well, and that he is a fine specimen of masculinity. They say that a woman who won't flatter is like a piano that won't play. It may be an impospiece of furniture, but it isn't a piano.

Mentioning "piano" reminds me to tell you of tne present, in the shape of a beautiful piano that I wheedled out of my good man after much coaxing, many smiles, etc. It is a Gerhardt Heintzman and he got it at Fletcher Bros. on the instalment plan. To say that I am the happiest of women in consequence is putting it mild.

The excitement among the gentler sex at present is the great annual sale at Spencer's Arcade, and for real comfort and pleasure combined I recommend my sex at large to possess themselves at once of a catalogue and con it over at leisure beside their own firesides. Up to date and smart the firm is always, but I never get over a pleasant little thrill of surprise to find how moderate the prices are. And strong is the temptation at these sales to adventure all that I possess, and I try so hard to restrict myself to what I really want and start out as a rule with a long list and a righteous determination to adhere strictly to it. But alas, before I have been five minutes in the store I have wandered out of the "straight and narrow path" and find myself surreptitiously plucking flowers elsewhere, or, to be more explicit, laying in a stock of remnants, fascinating odds and ends of trimmings, laces, ribbons, etc. There are so many things that one can buy with the utmost advantage to ourselves, and with the saving of at least 50 per cent. There are blouses, skirts, jackets, the fashions of which are safe for at least three years, and there are under linen and table damask—two items the necessity for the reduction of which I can never understand. Again, there are gloves, hosiery, as well as silk petticoats and dressing gowns, all of which, if only I was possessed of a "frugal mind" like Mrs. Gilpin, I should never buy except during Spencer's sale time.

Another sale that holds out great bargains to all is that of the Paterson Shoe Company. Here men's, boys', ladies' and little children's boots and shoes are greatly reduced and one is certain of getting the best quality at this well-known footwear emporium.

To say "there's nothing like leather" impresses itself more than ever as a truism in viewing the attractions at Challoner & Mitchell's, where hundreds of dainty purses and pocket books are beautifully rendered in that serviceable stuff. Of course their jewelry is also terribly fascinating, and I fell in love at first sight with a swallow pendant necklet in the finest French enamel with tiny diamonds and a pearl drop, a bauble that any woman of taste might reasonably wish to possess. Then there are some exquisitely fine toilet equipments that will appeal to the connisseur—the new reeded silver, simple in design, but in exceedingly good taste. Chafing dishes in silver, daintily pierced silverware in flower vases, candlesticks, jardinieres, cake baskets and other luxuries of the household inexpressibly elegant. A hundred other "articles de luxe" will arrest the attention and claim the admiration of all who investigate the numberless attractions of this supremely attractive establishment.

To be sure I can recommend you a good gentleman's furnishing house, where you can get the best English knitted waistcoats. Finch & Finch carry the finest stock in this line on the coast. Here one is certain of getting "the real thing," too, as I am always hearing most laudable remarks from the sterner sex in favor of their goods. They have such a fascinating selection of ties, also, ties of the most delightful shades that would lend any amount of "chic" and tone to a ladies' smart outing costume, as well as to the "tailor-made man's." Neckties invariably remind one of other ties, such as household ties, and these ties necessitate frequent visits to Weiler Bros., my pet store. This week I have been replen-

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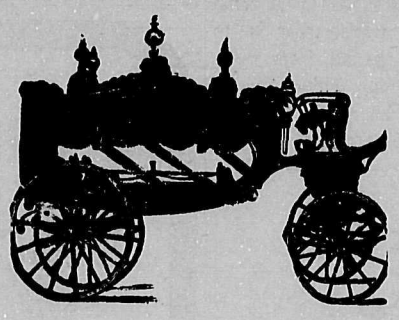

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ishing my glassware, as I found a great shortage in wine glasses, tumblers, etc., after the Xmas and New Year's celebrations. It is really a pleasure to shop in their store, for one is sure to get just what one wants. Everything seems so handy, too, and there is no waiting about (like in some stores), while the clerk disappears to dark regions below in search of the few simple articles one may happen to call for. They have everything "under the sun" in the glassware line, and I was really very much taken with their choice selection of dainty vases for table decorations. I also invested in some kitchen utensils; these things always seem to be needed. My requirements were soon satisfied in this store, and oh, the hundreds of other useful culinary articles I beheld that I should like to have purchased. "Breathes there a woman with soul so dead who never to herself hath said, 'Why have I never gone to Weiler Bros. to refurnish my kitchen?'" If such there be I should like to conduct her gently but firmly to this establishment, where all varieties of such things await her belated but inevitable approval.

T. N. Hibben & Co. have all the latest novels, and those that have interested me lately are some stories by Jack London. "Children of the Frost" I enjoyed immensely, but of course it is really not one of the very latest books. But his stories are far away the best, I think, that have yet been penned of the Eskimos and Indians. The author takes us in fancy to the bad lands of the niggard north, to the deserts of the Arctic circle, the bleak and bitter home of the musk-ox and lean plains wolf, and shows us life as we had not dreamed it. There is blood, action and verility in his work, and an artistic rawness like the rough edge of an "edition de luxe." The themes are suggestive and roughly moulded, but with the moulding that means infinite skill. One hurries over the terse, nervous sentences with an insistent desire to follow the plot to its conclusion, and then go back and carefully pick up each gem. The hot revenge of savagery, the hotter love and the unmitigated tragedy in the lives of the Northlanders linger in one's memory. I should advise you to read this exceptional book.

The death of William Sharp, a well-known man of letters, editor of the "Canterbury Poets" and many other works, has been followed by the announcement that "Fiorna Macleod" (a supposed Irish lady, who achieved fame in the realms of poetry and fiction) was a fictitious person, being in fact a *nom de plume* of Mr. Sharp. The identity of "Fiorna Macleod" has long been one of the mysteries of the English literary world. Though well known as a literateur and the friend of famous men, Mr. Sharp never achieved fame, while "Fiorna Macleod" got there with "her" first book!

The following essay on "The Domestic Cat" was written by a pupil at one of the London County Council schools in the East End: "The cat is a square quadruped, and as is customary with square quadrupeds has its four legs at the corners. If you want to please this animal you must stroke it on the back. If it is very much pleased it sets up its tail quite stiff like a ruler, so that your hand cannot get any further. The cat is said to have nine lives, but in this country it seldom needs them all because of the presence of Christianity."

Editor Jacobs, of the B. C. Mining Record has returned from his annual tour of the mining camps of the upper country, and the result of his travels will appear in the next number of the record in the shape of a review of the industry. Mr. Jacobs reports prosperous conditions in the Boundary and West Kootenay districts, with the exception of Rossland, which at present has a rather dilapidated appearance as a result of the big explosion. The Rosslanders, however, are hopeful of an improvement in the situation.

There is to be no "bar' in connection with the refreshment room in the parliament buildings this session, the Government having decided that it can very well be done away with. Whether this will reform the hon. members or merely increase the business of the city saloons remains to be seen. Anyhow, it is reported that John Houston has "sworn off," and Billy McInnes is no longer a member of the house.

MINING STATISTICS.

Ore Movements of Last Week and Estimated Production for the Year, 1905.

Nelson, Jan. 1.

In the following detail of the week's shipments and receipts the figures giving the totals to date for the year include an estimate for the total production up to midnight, December 31:

Boundary—Granby, 16,818; Mother Lode, 2,522; Brooklyn, 1,271; Sunset, 427; Emma, 198; Skylark, 50; Oro Denero, 13; total, 21,319; estimated total for the year, 930,500.

Rossland—Le Roi, 1,034; Centre Star, 627; War Eagle, 809; Le Roi No. 2, 367; Jumbo, 200; total, 3,037; estimated total for year, 324,000.

Slocan and Kootenay points—St. Eugene, 624; Sullivan, 300; Ferguson Mines, 50; Hunter V., 50; Second Relief, 47; Payne, 43; Eureka, 40; Lone Bachelor, 39; Black Prince, 40; Reco, 30; Kootenay Belle, 24; Ruth, 23; Lorna Doone, 20; Queen, 20; Granite, 20; Arlington (Erie), 20; Ymir, 20; Broadview, 20; American Boy, 20; Majestic, 17; Cork, 14; total, 1,471; estimated total for year, 60,000.

Granby Smelter—Granby, 16,818; Jumbo, 200; Oro Denoro, 33; Skylark, 30; total, 17,081.

B. C. Copper—Mother Lode, 2,522.

Dominion Copper—Brooklyn, 1,271; Sunset, 427; total, 1,698.

Estimated total receipts by three Boundary smelters for the year, 450,000 tons.

Trail Smelter—Le Roi, 1,034; War Eagle, 809; Centre Star, 627; St. Eugene, 369; Le Roi No. 2, 367; Iron Mask, 77; Eureka, 40; Lone Bachelor, 39; Providence, 33; Kootenay Belle, 24; Broadview, 20; American Boy, 20; total, 3,457.

Hall Mines Smelter—St. Eugene, 255; Emma, 90; Ferguson Mines, 50; Hunter V., 50; Second Relief, 47; Payne, 43; Black Prince, 30; Reco, 30; Ruth, 23; Lorna Doone, 20; Skylark, 20; Queen, 20; Granite, 20; Arlington (Erie), 20; Ymir, 20; Majestic, 17; Cork, 14; total, 769.

PRODUCTION OF 1905.

Metals and Values.

Gold, placer, 50,500 oz., $1,110,000; Gold, lode, 224,490 oz, $4,040,000; total, $5,740,000.

Silver, 3,587,719 oz., $2,045,000; copper, 36,200,000 lbs., $5,430,000; lead, 57,200,000 lbs., $2,638,000; zinc, 13,330 tons, $320,000; total metalliferous, $15,913,000.

Coal, 1,030,000 long tons, $3,090,000; coke, 238,426,000 long tons, $1,210,000; building materials,, etc., $750,000; total non-metalliferous, $5,050,000; total production, $20,963,000.

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Dated at Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, October 23rd, 1905.

GEO. W. MORROW,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANIES.

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME.

NOTICE is hereby given that the name of the "GRIBBLE, SKENE AND BARRETT CO.," which was registered on the 3rd day of June, 1905, as an Extra-Provincial Company has been changed to GRIBBLE AND SKENE CO."

DATED this Twelfth day of December, 1905.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to make application to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following deschibed lands, situated near Quan River, Massett Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands. Commencing at a stake marked L. Morrow's S.E. corner; thence running 40 chains east; thence 160 chains south; thence west 40 chains; thence north 160 chains to point of commencement.

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L. MORROW,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to make application to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated near head of Juskatla, Massett Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands. Commencing at a stake marked H. A. Collison's N.W. corner; thence running 40 chains east; thence 160 chains south; thence west 40 chains; thence north 160 chains to point of commencement.

Dated at Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, October 23rd, 1905.

H. A. COLLISON,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

Legislative Assembly

PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE.

The time limit for the Rules of the House for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on the 22nd day of Janury, 1906.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 1st day of February, 1906.

Reports from Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 8th day of February, 1906.

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THORNTON FELL,
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Dated at Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, October 23rd, 1005.

JOHN R. SCOTT,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to make application to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated in Juskatla, Massett Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands. Commencing at a stake marked J. M. Collison's S.W. corner; thence running 40 chains east; thence 160 chains south; thence west 40 chains; thence north 160 chains to point of commencement.

Dated at Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, October 23rd, 1905.

J. M. COLLISON,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

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Dated at Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, October 23rd, 1905.

E. C. COLLISON,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

NOT E is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to make application to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated opposite Harrison's Island, Juskatla, Massett Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands. Commencing at a stake marked E. C. Collison's N.E. corner; thence running 40 chains east; thence 160 chains south; thence west 40 chains; thence north 160 chains to point of commencement.

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E. C. COLLISON,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

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H. A. COLLISON,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

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Dated at Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, October 23rd, 1905.

L. MORROW,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to make application to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated about centre of Juskatla and known as Harrison's Island, containing 640 acres more or less.

Dated at Massett, Queen Charlotte Islands, Province of British Columbia, October 23rd, 1905.

JOHN R. SCOTT,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to make application to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of L s and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated near Mammon River, Juskatla, Masset Inlet, Queen Charlotte Island. Commencing at a stake marked Percy Harrison's N.W. corner; thence running 40 chains east; thence 160 chains north; thence west 40 chains; thence south 160 chains to point of commencement.

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PERCY HARRISON.

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PERCY HARRISON.

APPLICATIONS FOR TIMBER LICENCES.

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SOCIAL NEWS

VICTORIA.

The Invitation Dancing Club gave a most successful "holly dance' on Friday last at the Assembly hall, the ladies wearing either black, white or red with powdered hair, which, with the men's coats faced with red, presented a very pretty scene and proved to be one of the most enjoyable of this series of dances given by a number of Victoria ladies to their friends. The hall was decorated as for the Tennis dance with the exception of the table, which was the work of the Misses Loewen, and done with white chrysanthemums and hally, intermingled with which were red shaded candelabra. The electric lights also were shaded with red here. A very delicious buffet supper was served. The cosy corners and sitting out places for those not caring to dance were well made up and, I think, well patronized. Miss Thain's orchestra provided the music, but no encores were allowed, which, I think, was the only thing that detracted from the pleasure of the evening. Amongst the many present were Mr. and Mrs. Lampman, Mr. and Mrs. Genge, Capt and Mrs. Parry, Capt. and Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Miss Johnstone, Miss Helen Clute, Mrs. and Miss Newling, Miss Dorothy Sehl, Mrs. and Miss Violet Pooley, Miss N. Dupont, Miss Bryden, Mrs. and Miss Bullen, Mr. W. Bullen, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Tom S. Gore, Miss Mary Arbuckle, Miss Emma Sehl, Mrs. and Miss Butchart, Mrs. and Miss Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Brae, Miss Gertrude Hickey, Miss Viola Hickey, Mr. and Miss K. Gaudin, Miss Potts, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Courtney, Mr. and Mrs. Greer (Vancouver), Mrs Herman Robertson, Mr. Herbert Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Angus, Mr. Arthur Gore, Mr. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. F W Irwin,, Col Prior, Mr. F. Pemberton, Mr. and Mrs. Greasley, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McPhillips, Mrs. Norton, Miss Davie, Mr and Mrs. D. R. Ker, Mr. and Mrs. I. Wilson, Miss Eva Loewen, Mr. Harris, Mr. George Johnston, Mrs. and Miss Cobbett, Dr. Todd, Mr. K. Gillespie, Miss McMillan, Mr. Heyland, Mr. Harry Taylor, Miss K. Devereux, Miss F. Devereux, Dr. G. Watt, Mr. Kerwin, Mr. Harry Ward, Mr. C. Wilson, Mr. James R. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. M. Roberts, Mr. Williams, Mr Logan, Mr. Berkeley, Mr. Elliot, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Willie Irving, Mrs. and Miss Beth Irving, Miss Lyde King, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. L. Foote, Mrs. Griffiths, Mrs. McLean, Miss Terry, Miss Tiny MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Beauchamp Tye, Mr. B. Prior, Mrs. Hood, Miss Bell.

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Mrs. Butler of South Saanich is spending a few days with friends in town.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. Butchart left on Monday for Toronto, intending to be away a couple of months visiting different eastern towns. Mrs. Butchart's mother is visiting here and will remain at Ballahinch during their absence.

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Mrs. Hinton of Cadboro Bay road entertained on Wednesday evening at bridge, winding up with a dance.

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The marriage of Mr. Henry Downey and Miss Marion Camp was solemnized at St. Stephen's church on Wednesday, the 3rd inst. The ceremony was very quiet, owing to the recent death of the bride's father. After a short honeymon to the coast cities Mr. and Mrs. Downey will live in North Saanich.

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Mr. Herbert Robertson of Vancouver was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Robertson last week.

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Mr. Logan left for Vancouver on Tuesday evening.

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Mrs. A. F. Griffiths entertained at tea on Tuesday in honor of her guest, Mrs. McLean of Vancouver.

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Miss Edwards of Portland is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Moresby of Cook street.

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Miss Ida Foot gave a most enjoyable dance on Tuesday evening, about thirty couples being present.

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The married ladies gave a most enjoyable dance on Tuesday evening in the Assembly rooms. This dance was one of a series given by this club, which issued many more invitations. The floor was excellent and the hall and supper room most tastefully decorated. Owing to the illness of Miss Thain the music was supplied by Messrs. L. Ellis, F. Homan and H. Leiser. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Boggs, Mr. and Mrs. John Langley, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Munro, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Goward, Mr. and Mrs. Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dier, Mr. and Mrs. Brenchley, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Allan, Mr and Mrs. Harry Currie, Mr. and Mrs. W G Cameron, Mrs. Simpson, Capt. and Mrs. Curry, Mrs. Kilpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Cameron, Misses Bone, Newby, Corley, Cameron, Fawcett, Camsusa, Langley, Webster, Brown, M A. Cameron, Mrs. Winter, Mrs. E. McQuade, Mrs. Wm. Ewing, Messrs. D. McConnan, Boyd, R. George, R. Smith, C. Wales, G. Simpson, G. Brown, Dodds, S Langley, S. Child, L. Finch, F. Bone, Virtue, Promise, H. Allan, E. McQuade.

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Mrs. Powell has returned from Vancouver, where she has been visiting Mrs. Fordham, her daughter.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Flummerfelt and Miss Gertrude Flummerfelt have returned from a year's trip to Europe, Miss Norma remaining in London for the winter months.

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Mrs. Tilton returned on Tuesday from a visit to friends up the E. & N. line.

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There are rumors of a Bachelor ball in the near future. The Invitation Club also has two or three more dances arranged before Lent.

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At Christ Church cathedral, by the Rev. Canon Beanlands, on Wednesday afternoon, Miss Gladys Annie Mona Baiss, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Baiss, of Cook street, was united in marriage to Mr. Willis J. Langley, son of the late Mr. A. J. Langley, of Victoria. The bride wore a beautiful gown of white duchess satin, trimmed with Brussels lace, and veil of the same lovely lace combined with tulle. She carried a bouquet of white roses and maiden hair fern. The bridesmaids were Miss Amy Angus and Miss May Bulwer of Vancouver. They wore dainty gowns of cream cloth with hat to match and carried showed bouquets of cream chrysanthemums.

The groom was supported by Capt. Richard Angus, of the Fifth regiment, C. A., and Mr. C. A. Staklschmidt. The church was beautifully decorated by friends of the bride, and the beauty of the scene was enhanced by the presence of officers and men of the Fifth regiment, who lined the aisles, crossing swords as the happy young couple came out of the church. Mrs. Baiss, mother of the bride, wore a very handsome black silk gown with lovely old lace and a black hat, while her sister, Mrs. T. Pemberton, looked very sweet in a handsome gown of cream cloth trimmed with broiderie anglaise, with sable muff and stole and white velvet hat trimmed with sable.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's mother. Cook street, which was decorated with a profusion of lovely flowers, the dining room and table being done in red carnations tied with red ribbon, and red shaded candles were very effectively placed.

The cake was decorated in the usual fashion of wedding cakes, but had also the regimental coat of arms. After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Langley left for their honeymoon, which will be spent in San Francisco. The bride's going away dress was of grey cloth with hat to match.

Amongst those present were: Mrs. Pemberton, Mrs. Hugo Beaven, Mrs. F. Pemberton, Canon, Mrs. and Miss Beanlands, Mrs. H. Langton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Langley, Miss Drake, Mr. and Mrs. A. Crease, Mrs. Bridgman, the Misses Angus, Bishop and Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. Holt, the Misses Hickey, Mrs. Garnet, officers of the Fifth regiment, Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie, Miss Brown, the Misses Crease, Mr. Lindley Crease, Mr. and Mrs. Burton, Mr. Stuart Williams and others.

Mr. Fitzherbert Buullen paid a visit to Seattle on business this week.

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Mr. Langworthy left on Thursday for England, expecting to be absent about three months.

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The wedding took place on Wednesday at the residence of Mr. J. White, Sidney, of Miss Ethel St. John Robertson to Mr. Robert Forston of Quesnelle. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Reid, LL.D. The bride, who was given away by Mr. White, wore a costume of cream voile over taffeta, with bouquet of white carnations and maiden hair fern, and was attended by her two sisters, the Misses Jessie and Jeannette Robertson, who wore sweet gowns of ponge silk and carried bouquets of pink carnations. The groom's gift to the bride was a very handsome gold watch and to the bridesmaids nugget brooches. After the ceremony the wedding party drove to the Sidney pavilion, where the wedding breakfast had been prepared, and was served from daintily decorated tables, after which the bride and groom received their many friends and dancing was kept up till they left for Victoria, en route to Quesnelle, B. C., amid rice and good wishes. The bride wore a traveling dress of green cloth with toque to match.

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Mrs. George Taylor entertained at bridge on Friday in honor of her guest, Mrs. Irwin of Vancouver.

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We are glad to hear Mr. Wm. Taylor has got the agency of the White Pass & Yukon at Dawson and will leave next month for his new field of labor. Mr. Taylor and his charming wife will be greatly missed by their wide circle of friends in White Horse, where they have been for some time.

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The many friends of Mrs. (Major) Snyder will be glad to hear she has almost recovered from her recent serious illness in the Jubilee hospital, and hopes soon to be able to join her husband at White Horse, where he is in charge of the R. N. W. M. P.

Mrs. Fowler, who has been spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Matthews of Lampson street, leaves this week for her home in New Westminster.

VANCOUVER.

Socially the past week has been a very busy one in the Terminal City. With the opening of the new year the social whirl seems to have begun in earnest, and there are numerous luncheons, dinners, teas, parties, etc., to amuse the social set. Cupid seems to have been extremely busy during the closing months of the old year and there have been many marriages in the past fortnight. Chief among the marriages was that on Wednesday week, when Rev. H. J. Underhill, rector of St. James' church, was wedded in the new edifice to Miss Helena, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Ross. The church was crowded with friends of the contracting parties and the ceremony was performed by Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath, assisted by Rev. H. Chapham of Tacoma. Handsomely gowned in ivory chiffon satin, trimmed with honiton and Point de Venice lace, and carrying a shower bouquet of white roses, the bride was given away by her father. She was attended by her four sisters, Misses Leonora, Irene, Jean and Marion Ross, and Misses Muriel and Sybil Underhill, nieces of the groom. Mr. H. J. S. Muskett of Victoria acted as gromsman.

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Mr. W. C. MacBeth and Miss Beatrice S. Hamilton were the contracting parties of a pretty wedding on New Year's Day, performed at the residence of the bride by Rev. H. W. Fraser, D. D.

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Rev. Dr. Fraser performed the marriage nuptials on Monday evening of Mr. Samuel Keeland and Miss Gertrude Helen Howich, both of Vancouver.

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On New Year's Day Miss Rose Sheppard, late of Great Falls, Mont., became the bride of Mr. W. W. Ellis of Vancouver, the ceremony being performed in the Terminal City by Rev. W. E. Pescott. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis are spending the honeymoon in Victoria.

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Rev. W. E. Pescott was the officiating minister at the ceremony on Thursday evening which made Mr. Fred A. Temple Cliff of New Westminster and Miss Ethel J. Blanchard of Athens, Ont., man and wife. The ceremony took place at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Bolton. The groom's brother, Mr. Ronald Cliff, acted as gromsman, while the bride was attended by her niece, Miss Isabel Bolton. Mr. and Mrs. Cliff will reside in Burnaby.

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Capt. and Mrs. Macpherson entertained a large number of friends on Christmas night with an old time Scottish concert which was greatly enjoyed.

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Miss McPhillips, of Winnipeg was the guest of honor at a delightful dance given by her host, Mrs. L. G. McPhillips, on Tuesday evening.

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On Tuesday evening Mr. William Blair and Miss Campbell, both of Vancouver were quietly wedded and left for the Sound on their honeymoon.

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Mrs. W. A. Allan proved a delightful hostess at a party on Friday evening in honor of her friend, Mrs. Ella B. Vaines of Tacoma. Whist and music were the order of the evening.

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Mr. George H. Karn and bride of Seattle spent last week visiting friends here.

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Owing to the recent death of the groom's mother, the marriage of Mr. W. A. Blair of the customs service to Miss Mildred Campbell in Christ church on Wednesday morning was of a very quiet nature, only a few intimate friends being present. Rev. C. C. Owen officiated.

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Mrs. De Wolfe of Georgia street entertained a number of friends on New Year's night with games and dancing.

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Mrs. W. O'Laughlan was the hostess of a delightful euchre party at the Georgia house on Tuesday evening.

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On New Year's night the members of the Vancouver Club entertained their young friends at a delightful juvenile party. The club's annual ball was held on Friday evening last and was a great success.

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The annual New Year's masquerade ball in Pender hall was a grand success, over one hundred couples being present. Some extremely unique costumes were noticed, but, sad to say, the men far outshone the ladies. A delightful supper was served at the Palms at midnight.

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The Benedicts' ball in O'Brien's hall on Monday night was well attended and proved a most enjoyable event.

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Mrs. H. Trorey entertained at her Richards street home on New Year's night with dancing, cards and games, all present spending a most pleasant evening.

The Institutions of the National Sanitarium Association, including the Muskoka Cottage Sanatorium and the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives, are under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada, and Countess Grey.

¶ Readers of this announcement will be glad to know that there has been an encouraging response to our request for help for the ——

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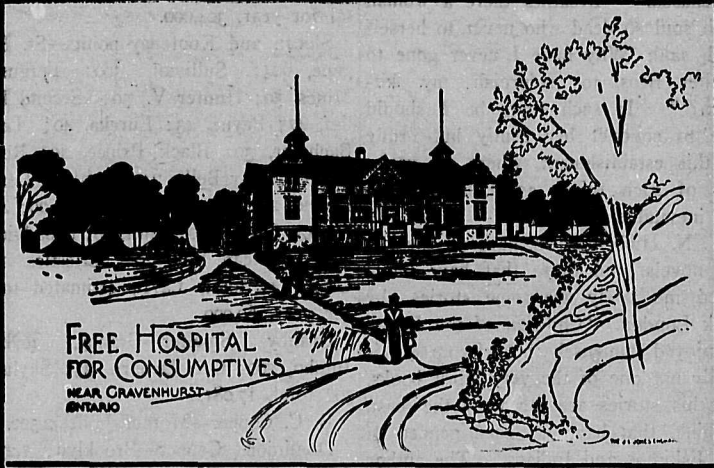

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——Not a single applicant has ever ——been refused admission to the ——Muskoka Free Hospital for Con- ——sumptives because of his or ——her poverty.

¶ Our plea for help is that the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives cares for patients that all other hospitals refuse. If the needed money is forthcoming, this dread disease might be stamped out.

—Dr. T. G. Roddick, an eminent physician of Montreal, ex-president of the Canadian Medical Association, and ex-president of the British Medical Association, stated at a meeting of the Montreal League for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, his firm belief that in twenty-five years, provided proper means are adopted, a case of consumption would be a curiosity.

¶ Within the month the accommodation has been increased by twenty-five beds, adding to the burdens of maintenance, but in the faith that a generous public will come to the aid of the trustees.

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