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CONCERNING ST. ANDREW.

Some Selected Verses and Some Wise Comments Made For The Week.

By C. E. FLORAX.

By all accounts George, the patron saint of England, was an enterprising and romantic personage, who bested at least one dragon in a duel. Irish St. Patrick is supposed to have been a kindly soul and a renowned snake-charmer. Of St. Andrew we know but little. He seems to have been a quiet, decent man who got himself crucified in novel fashion—the wood of his cross forming not "+" but "X"—and, so crucified, drifted ashore on the coast of Fifeshire, Scotland. Hence St. Andrew's cross, St. Andrew's Day and St. Andrew's associations.

St. Andrew's Day has come round again. It is a high day for Scotsmen—like New eYar's Day, it is a season for looking backward for looking forward; a season of mental stock-taking. In the matter of Scottish "speechifying" it probably ranks next to the 25th of January. On St. Andrew's Day Scotsmen at home and, more especially, Scotsmen abroad—in India, Africa, Australia, Canada—are wont to assemble just for the sake of "Auld Lang Syne" because "blood is thicker than water." It is easy, of course, to praise Athens to the Athenians. So the speechifying is apt to degenerate into mutual admiration and self-glorification. But, when all is said, allowing for a little exuberance and perhaps a little drivel, such racial gatherings are justifiable and of benefit. Cosmopolitanism is good, and nowadays we are learning to understand and to appreciate the inhabitants of foreign countries. Imperialism is good, and we by no means wish to exalt any one part of the greatest empire that ever was, at the expense of any other part. Canadian, Australian, Indian, South African and Old Countryman—"we are a' Jack Tamson's bairns." Still he is a cold-blooded fellow, or not worth much who does not love his own country best of all:—

"Breathed there a man with a soul so dead
Who never to himself hath said
This is my own, my native land?
Whose heart has ne'er within him burned
As home his footsteps he hath turned
From wandering on a foreign strand?"
—*Scott.*

"Deep in Canadian woods we've met,
From one bright island flown.
Great is the land we tread ,but yet
Our hearts are with our own."
—*Sullivan.*

Where they ought to be!

We Scotsmen are quite aware of our little fads and failings, bless you. Naturally, we can't se ea joke, without that "surgical operation." We are a tight-fisted, grasping set and shudder when "bang goes sixpence." We have a barbaric fondness for brilliant colors and love to sport the varigated tartan. Roses and golden lilies are all very well for other people, but *our* flower is the heather. "If I didn't see the heather once a year I'd die." Roast beef is wholesome eating and moose-flesh palatable, but what food of them all would dare to stand on the same table with Himself, "great chieftain o' the puddin 'race," The Haggis? And, though we may pass time listening to the tones of organ or of violin, the only music that makes us thrill is the music of the pipes.

"But hark, what strains are these salute the ear
Fitful and weird and wild and piercing clear?
As when a prisoned polecat, furious still
To miss the accustomed freedom of the hill,
Whene'er he views his captor near the cage
Snarls his defiance, howls his futile rage,
So seem the sounds; and yet again the strain,
Wails like a woman o'er her husband slain,
Melts like a maiden listening 'neath the stars,
Or swells victorious as the voice of Mars.
It is the Northern war-pipe, and is tones
The warrior hears; he rushes on the foe,
Presaging victory, but if hostile blow
Outstretch him, as inanimate he lies
For the dear little land content he dies."

Lastly, we would sooner drink barley bree than Bovril, lemonade or ditch water. In fact we like our dram. Well, other peoples are ready to imitate us in this, as they are ready to follow us in eating porridge and in playing golf. And on St. Andrew's Day surely even the "Unco Guid" among us will not begrudge us "a wee drappie o't." Indeed, whether they begrudge it us or not, we are going to take it.

"From the dim shieling on the misty island
Mountains divide us and a world of seas,
But still our hearts are true, our hearts are Highland,
And we in dreams behold the Hebridees."

Fellow countrymen, a bumper, and no heeltaps! For the toast is: "Scotland yet!"

G. E. FLORAX.

John de Fontaine, a Spruce creek (Atlin) miner, recently was robbed of 14 ounces of gold, value $285, which he left in his cabin for just 30 minutes.

It is entertaining to note the superior manner in which the News-Advertiser and The Province write on the subject of the "superfluous newspaper." The object of these superior writings is clear enough. Any newspaper which endeavors to secure a share of public patronage in the field in which the News-Advertiser and The Province are growing fat and futile, is "superfluous" so far as The News-Advertiser and The Province are concerned. As a matter of fact the News-Advertiser always has been handsomely hated in Vancouver, but being the only morning paper was bound to secure support; and the Province, as the organ of the C.P.R., has never been trusted. Newspaper business is like any other kind of business—every man has a right to try and the best man wins.

Shortly after 9 o'clock on Sunday night a large meteor passed clear over Vancouver, leaving a blazing trail of sparks behind it, finally burying itself in the vicinity of Vancouver mountain. It looked like a gigantic fireball, and was one of the finest terrestrial visitors ever seen in this part of the world.

As things stand at present in Vancouver, unless one belongs to a club, it is impossible to quench one's thirst on Sundays with anything more interesting than aqua pura. The average working man cannot afford to belong to a club, and as the licensed houses are closed, he has to go dry. It may be that the council imagines that the toiler is something like the camel and can store up enough liquid during the six days to last over the seventh. But why should any distinction be made between the unlicensed club and the licensed bar? Is there any reason why the humble toiler should not have his social recreation on Sunday any more than his wealthier neighbor? It is not necessary to go into the question of the harmful effects of drink. When it comes to that it might easily be proved that unlicensed clubs have ruined more men than licensed bars. It is merely a question as to whether it is right to enforce this kind of class legislation.

Sun-day is now known as dry-day in Vancouver. The cry of the shipwrecked mariner, "Water, water everywhere, but not a drop to drink," is reversed on Sundays here to "saloons and policemen everywhere and not a drop to drink." By the appearance of the disconsolate-looking ones standing around the notels they evidently dislike the new order of tnings. The number of inebriates to be met with on the streets, however, shows the farcical side of the new regime. Let Vancouver beware of following the example of hypocritical Toronto.

According to report Mayor Keary of New Westminster is likely to be reelected by acclamation. This will be his fourth or fifth term of office. Mr. Keary makes a good mayor in many ways and has always commanded strong support in the Royal City except on one occasion, when he was impelled into provincial politics and had the unwisdom to oppose Tom Gifford and the government of "Dick" McBride. Then the free and independents did things to him. However, report said at the time that Mr. Keary would have been just as well pleased to have had the Conservative as the Liberal nomination for that election. All he wanted was to get into politics—and he got it, over his head.

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THE PASSING SHOW.

A Review of Local and Foreign Events and Topics of the Week.

The march of events in Russia has been swift of late, and there appears to have been a regular battle fought at Sebastopol between mutineers and loyalists on sea and land. Several warships appear to have been seized by the rebels and these were engaged by Vice-Admiral Chouknin. On land the loyal troops were led by Baron Meller-Gakomelskie. Telegraphic communication between St. Petersburg and other parts of Russia has been almost completely broken, with the result that reliable news as to the outcome of the fighting at Sebastopol is not yet obtainable. The Novosti says that the rebels were routed and that the leaders already have been executed, and adds that over 5,000 men were killed in the battle. St. Petersburg is full of rumors, but even the government has little reliable information. Among the stories current is one that two cruisers were sunk at Sebastopol. Count Witte's administration is still in the saddle, but whether it will long continue in even nominal control of the country is doubtful. From all parts of Russia come disquieting reports, and the whole country may yet be involved in open revolution.

British Politics.

All sorts of reports of the critical condition of affairs in Downing street have been cabled out during the past week or so, and there is a possibility that Mr. Balfour's cabinet may resign. The acceptance by Sir William Campbell-Bannerman of the Irish Home Rule plank has been followed by a declaration to the contrary effect by Lord Rosebery, who is considered by many Liberals in the Old Country as a more real leader of the party than Sir William. This means a decided break in the Liberal ranks. Lord Rosebery, by the way, once actually introduced an Irish Home Rule bill into the House of Lords, if we are not mistaken. But his speech in support of it was not very convincing. If the Liberals decide to go to the country on the Home Rule issue they stand an excellent chance of defeat.

The School Controversy.

In response to the request of the Victoria board of school trustees, the council of public instruction has directed that a royal commission inquire into the action of Miss Deans Cameron, of the department and of the school board in the matter of certain drawings made in a recent examination by scholars of the South Park school. The inquiry is to be confined strictly to that issue, which is fortunate if it is desired that the inquiry be terminated before the commencement of the tourist season. The Week is glad that this decision has been arrived at because it will put a stop to the publication of petitions and of correspondence in the Times from alleged "fathers of families," "lovers of justice," "fairplays," and other futile ink-slingers and also because it is possible that, by this means, that most timid thing in Victoria—the truth—may come out of hiding. The Times says that the department has decided that the King "should take a hand in it" and seems worried that His Majesty should be troubled about the matter. The Week does not think the King will ever hear of this particular royal commission. In these matters the King is a sort of providence—in whom we put trust when there is no other help available. Judge Lampman is to be the royal commissioner.

What Halse Did to Vancouver.

What about Vancouver's coming civic elections? Who are to be the candidates for the mayoralty? The present chief magistrate has just decided to run for re-election. Mr. T. McGregor is mentioned, and Neelands, whose political aspirations have caused him to be Conservative and Liberal alternately in such a way as to entitle him to be called a "quick change artist," would like the salary again. Mr. Buscombe has been a fairly good mayor, and his mistakes are entirely due to his allowing Alderman Halse to run him on occasions. Alderman Halse after all is a marvellous figure in civic politics. Last year when candidates were being looked for and the future seemed somewhat dark, a small voice, no one has discovered whose, said, "Why not get Halse?" When all were pretending to be wise, it did not do to ask "Who is Halse?" That might have argued ignorance. So Halse's name got passed around. "Just the man we want." "Great experience in the Northwest." "Thoroughly understands what he is about"—such remarks were common, but from whence they originated no one guessed. Perhaps if the question were put, the echo might answer: "From Halse." However, Halse, like a knight of old, stepped into the breach and brought his battle-axe, not to have it ground—far from it. The axe was bright and sharp. It didn't need grinding. It was merely to cut off people's heads, to destroy anything an inexperienced mayor would let him. So off went the engineer's head. The condition of the streets and the heavier taxes bear witness as to the wonderful result. Off went the city clerk's head, and a new style of official was created. Then the axe worked at everything but building up, till the city is like the man in the song—"He dunno' where he are." And what about Halse?

The Times' Prophetic Soul.

The Times is in a prophetic mood. So long as British Columbia has a Conservative government—or any other government that is not tied to the Laurier apron strongs—the Times knows no peace. If something destructive does not hit the McBride administration shortly the paper will become a sort of daily shriek, and get on peoples' nerves. Just now it is prophesying an early dissolution and appeal to the country. It says the House will meet early in January when Mr. Tatlow, having had the audacity to make those who owe taxes pay them, will be able to declare a surplus. This is too bad of Mr. Tatlow. The reason why the Times anticipates that the government is to hurry on general elections a year or two before they are due are that John Houston is out of the country and that a new daily paper is to be started in Nelson! But is it not extraordinary that the Times, whch is for ever declaring that the country will down the government so soon as it gets the chance, and that Mr. McBride and his colleagues care only for the "spoils of office, should now prophesy that the government of its own free

The Passing Show

will is to offer its neck to the axe held by an outraged public two years before its term is up?

Doing Up the Farmer.

Everyone in British Columbia knows, or has heard, what a rich farming country there is on the islands forming the Delta of the Fraser river. With the land properly dyked and drained it raises the heaviest crops in British Columbia, and should be an ideal dairying centre. Yet, strange to say, the farmers cannot make dairying pay, and some of them are actually getting rid of their cows because of their inability to make money out of them. The cause is not so had to find. One farmer, who is working 110 acres, is milking 18 cows, for the whole product of which he only received $47 as his monthly cheque. Another farmer is milking 16 cows, and his monthly cheque does not exceed $45. There are several other farmers in just the same fix, but these two will do to illustrate the situation. They are being paid at the rate of six cents per gallon, and it would be strange if they could make dairying pay at such a low rate. It costs at least $45 per month, board and wages, for a man to look after the cows, and then there is the feed to be taken into consideration. On the face of it, how is the farmer to make anything? They are supplying the milk to an institution in Vancouver, the same milk, minus the cream, being retailed at 10 cents per quart. It would be interesting to know into whose pockets the profits are going, for there is a wide margin between 6 cents and 40 cents. Anyway, neither the farmer nor the consumer is a participant in the spoils.

Vancouver's "Sign" Law.

Recently an order was given by the Vancouver City Council that all projecting street signs over a certain length were to be removed. The size was limited to two feet long and the sign had to be placed at least 10 feet high above the sidewalk. The order was rigidly enforced on all the smaller business men, but it is easy to see that the larger ones have paid no attention to the demand, and some of their signs project over the sidewalk ten, twelve or fourteen feet. Perhaps, after all, it is only natural that the bigger stores should want larger signs, but why not allow the smaller stores to also gratify their advertising ambitions in the same way? It may be that the City Council is trying to elongate the citizens' necks in endeavoring to decipher the small signs placed ten feet high above the sidewalks. It certainly does give one a "crick" in the jugular to look at some of them—but what is the sense of making people's necks longer and then—closing the saloons on Sunday?

Gregory's Band has been the chief attraction at the Grand theatre, Victoria, during the week, and a very excellent musical performance was given each evening. The week closes with two matinees to-day for children, for whom only 5 cents admission is charged, and with the performances to-night, commencing at 7.30. The first afternoon performance commences at 2.30 o'clock.

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APPLICATIONS FOR TIMBER LICENCES.

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

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

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

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E. C. COLLISON,
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, Massett Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands. Commencing at a stake marked Ella M. Morrow's S.E. corner; thence running 40 chains west; thence 160 chains north; thence east 40 chains; thence south 160 chains to point of commencement.

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

ELLA M. 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.

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.

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

L. MORROW,
Per Percy Harrison,
Agent.

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Per Percy Harrison,
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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.

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Per Percy Harrison,
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The Week in West Kootenay.

Nelson Politics and Some Law Suits--A Fierce Joke on the Editor of the Rossland Miner.

Nelson, November 28.

Nothing further has been done about the reconciling measures in the Conservative ranks of this city, as the president, R. S. Lennie, has been absent in Victoria on legal business. It is probable, however, on his return that matters will be amicably arranged and for the first time for some years there will be a united Conservative party in Nelson to give combat to their opponents, the Grits. There is one thing which must be noted with regard to politics in this city, and the same applies to Nelson and to other portions of the Kootenay, where the chief influx of population has not been overwhelmingly "Eastern Canadian," and, namely, that the parties do not by any means reckon up in their organizations anything like the full voting strength of the city. There are many of Conservative and of Grit leanings who, when it comes down to a vote, do not vote with their party, but with the man. Hence is seen the anomaly of Nelson returning a Conservative to the Provincial Legislature and a Liberal to that of the Dominion. This is partly explained, of course, by the prevalent system of loaves and fishes. It may not be true that Premier McBride or Premier Laurier will refuse to a Liberal or to a Conservative respectively what either would not refuse to a Conservative or a Liberal, but, however impeachable in this regard those statesmen may be, the constituency thinks it well to be on the safe side. Apart from this feeling, none too noble nor patriotic, there is a large independent vote.

The situation in Nelson, municipally, has become somewhat complicated by the postponing of the hearing of the case between the West Kootenay Power & Light Company and the city until January next. Furthermore, those in the direction of the city's affairs have had a laurel added unto them by the outcome of the recent hearing in this matter at Victoria. The city was permitted to put in further evidence, along the line asked for by the trial judge, Mr. Justice Irving. This strengthens their case so strongly as to probably compel the adverse side to alter their tactics and rest their case on other than the grounds originally put into the forefront. Furthermore the power company have not seen fit to press their case for contempt of court and consequent imprisonment of the contractors and sequestration of the revenues of the municipality of Nelson. Yet more, the judge's injunction, which was so badly worded that it might have meant the stoppage of all work upon the city, has been explained as to its action, and the city has been shown how it can be complied with. That is by building a certain cribbing. This, by the way, the city has already declared itself willing to do, but the power company refused to accept. Hence there is a triple victory on behalf of the municipality. Had the preliminary skirmish gone the other way there is little doubt but that there would have been a demand for the return of Houston. That gentleman may yet return. Indeed, it is definitely stated that he will do so on December 15, but the way is not so clear before him if he wishes to run again for mayor. Mr. Justice Irving lately volunteered the statement that the city of Nelson had been highhanded in the manner in which it had treated his injunction. As the injunction, no matter how favorable may be the result of the present law proceedings, will have cost the city thousands of dollars in the loss of income and the prevention of the establishment of small industries, there can be little surprise at the hostility with which it regards the court order which has done this. In some plainer spoken parts of the Empire than British Columbia probably Mr. Justice Irving might have had real cause to complain of the treatment of his injunction.

During the week three legal matters of some importance to the mining industry have been more or less settled. The first was the long standing case between the Slocan Star and the Star Mining Company. This was a case of a lead being followed by the former through the ground of the latter back into their own property. The Slocan Star was located in the old days when claims were staked with extra lateral rights. The contention was that the lead followed was not a continuous one, and Chief Hunter has decided that this contention is erroneous. The case is appealed to the Full Court. The second case was that of the location of certain mineral claims. E. A. Dockstedder located a claim called the Colonial over the Cody fraction in 1901. In 1903 W. G. Clark relocated the Cody fraction on the expiry of its term as the Wild Rose fraction. Clark claimed that the Colonial had its discovery stake on another man's property, that the location line ran over two other mineral claims, and that the claim was located on one side instead of both sides of the location line. Dockstedder maintained that the location line even under these circumstances was valid and therefore the Colonial was a true claim. He also declared that as the location line of the Cody fraction, over which he had located, was more than 90 degrees off the direction in which it purported to be, that the Cody fraction was not properly located, and therefore the ground was open to the location of the Colonial. Dockstedder has been upheld on all points. The third case is that between the Centre Star and the Nickle Plate mine, both of Rossland. In the old days when the Nickle Plate was lower in its workings than the Centre Star, immediately contiguous to it, all the water made in the Centre Star percolated to the Nickle Plate ground. After a while the Nickle Plate stopped working and the Centre Star continued on down and the reverse happened. The real reason of this was a natural watercourse along a fault common to both properties. The matter was complicated by the Nickle Plate entering the ground of the Centre Star at the sixth level and removing some ore which was afterwards discovered to be too low grade to permit of shipment at the then smelting rates. When the manager of the Nickle Plate discovered that the Centre Star was working in the vicinity of the trespass he acquainted the management of the latter with the circumstances. The Nickle Plate was then full of water, and if the men had holed through, ignorant of the presence of the trespass workings, there would have been a catastrophe and possibly half a hundred men drowned. The Centre Star then wanted the Nickle Plate pumped out and a wall erected at the side line keeping the water in the Nickle Plate. This was useless, as the water was entering along the fault at the upper levels as well as at this, and ran into the Centre Star at an angle. However, the request was complied with, but then the Centre Star, then under the management of litigous Mr. Kirby, insisted on the Nickle Plate being kept dry all the time. This was refused, as the Nickle Plate was shut down and on the grounds that the water came in a natural manner and not because of the workings in the Nickle Plate. Then came the long law suit, which finally went up to the Privy Council, and now has been withdrawn in all its ramifications and cross-suits at the instance of James Cronin, who wants to mine and not to be in hot water with his neighbors even if they cast cold water on his projects. The only regrettable point about this case is that no decision has been come to on a point which may seriously affect the working expenses of a mining company.

A good story came from Rossland this week. Last Sunday morning, after the members of the editorial staff of the Miner had retired to their couches the forme was pulled and a scurrilous libel was inserted on a well known hotelman, Nels Burritt. A few copies were run off by the mischievous linotype operator for private circulation and Nels got a copy. He did not particularly mind, as the libel was so rank as to be a joke, but forthwith threatened Billy Esling, the editor, with criminal libel. Up went the new editor into the air several hundred yards and swore out a warrant, notwithstanding the pleadings of the apparently offended Nels, and got after that erring printer, who has struck the trail for the States. Rossland wants to know whether the joke is on the printer, on the editor or on the hotelman!

A "POPULAR" ENGINE.

Messrs. Rochussen & Collis, of this city, have secured the agency for the new coal oil engines built by Messrs. Mietz & Weiss, of New York. These engines are built for marine and stationary purposes, and combine extreme simplicity with effective and economical operation. Crude coal oil may be used. These engines are well adapted for launches as they never "go wrong" in the way of the gasoline engines. The cost of running them is estimated at 40 per cent. less than the cost of any other engine. These engines will be found most convenient for farmers and miners requiring power. Full particulars can be obtained by writing to Messrs. Rochussen & Collis, who have already placed several in the province.

A travelling eye specialist, Dr. King, was actually arrested in Birtle, Man., the other day for kissing a Mrs. Hartley, and fined $20 and costs. The "doc" snatched a kiss while gazing into the lady's eyes in his consultation room. Unprofessional, very, but the temptation may have been great. Beastly cold place, Manitoba, anyhow, and Mrs. Hartley must be heartless!

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Mrs. Jiggson—The bull pup does not like mother; he growls at her.

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Howell—Don't you wish you could live your life over again?

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The staff of The Week is tired of paying 50c. and 60c. per dozen for eggs and in order to increase the supply, will encourage the proper care of chickens by giving away free from now until Christmas day "The Pacific Poultryman" for one year to any man, woman or child who pays a dollar fr a year's subscription to The Week. Renewals will count. The Pacific Poultryman is a very useful and interesting paper published in Tacoma.

Mr. R. L. Borden, leader of the Conservative party, has announced that he is in favor of a reconsideration of the indemnity act of last session. Better late than never. Politics is too much of a "profession" in Canada already; indeed judging by some transactions on the part of the Sleepy Seven in the constituency of Alberni, politics is not much better than a trade.

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"ALBERNI" STILL RANKLES.

"If the manner in which victory was secured in Alberni were inquired into by the courts, the result might not be altogether creditable to the government."—Victoria Times, November 28.

If the manner in which a certain M. P. endeavored to purchase votes and influence in Alberni for the Ottawa machine were inquired into, the result would be altogether discreditable to the Laurier-Templeman outfit.

But this is the "tu quoque" argument and is advanced only because the Times, terrified lest the machinations of certain of the sordid seven in Alberni should be disclosed when the result of that bye-election proved so different to the anticipations and hopes of the Ittawa Liberals, hastened to draw stinking fish across the trail by manufacturing and publishing charges of curruption against the provincial government.

The Week is in receipt of certain information from Alberni concerning that bye-election. One voter, who also was a man of influence, was offered $1,000 and a government "job" to work his particular polling place. He was a Liberal—one of the old sort—and he declined the bribe.

The attempt to buy up Alberni failed, but that does not make the crime less serious. This is not a matter of "party politics" at all. So far as The Week can see, the present day Liberal party has no policy. It has adopted the Conservative platform on the fiscal question—the only real issue that ever existed between the two parties in Canada—and it has followed also the former policy of the Conservative party of bonusing big railway corporations with the people's money. This policy, excusable and perhaps even desirable under one set of conditions, is inexcusable under a different set of conditions. So far as the Grand Trunk scheme is concerned—the bonusing of a railway to build into the now flourishing Northwest provinces—that policy is unnecessary and bad.

There is to-day only one real plank in the Liberal platform and that plank is "stick in office and hang on to the patronage." The Grand Trunk scheme not only provides an immense corruption fund—politely called campaign fund—but also, a large crop of well-paid position for supporters of the Liberal machine. The Grand Trunk scheme, for that reason, looked good to the Grits.

The government of British Columbia has no campaign fund. It has not sold itself to any corporation and for that very simple reason, charges of corruption against the government fall to the ground. Supposing that the majority of electors of Alberni were purchasable—a supposition that would be entirely false—it would have taken a lot of money to have purchased that handsome vote accorded Mr. Manson against the nominee of the Ottawa machine. The present government of British Columbia never had enough money to do it with, and all the corruption practiced in Alberni was done with money from the bulging sack at Ottawa, and the purchased votes were accorded Mr. Aitken.

WHAT HAULTAIN IS UP AGAINST.

The following are the grievances set out in the letter written from the bishop's palace at St. Boniface to the clergy of the diocese regarding Mr. Haultain, and which has already been read in many of the churches:

1. "He has taken away from us the control of our schools through the Catholic section which he has abolished in 1892.

2. He has taken away from us our Catholic books.

3. He has refused positively to appoint a Catholic inspector, notwithstanding the earnest request by the Venerable Bishop of St. Boniface, seconded by the Venerable Bishop of St. Albert and of Prince Albert.

4. He has been most exacting and unfair towards Catholic teachers coming from England or different parts of Canada; the result was that in several Catholic centres the children do not know how to read or write.

5. He has opposed publicly the continuation of the actual separate school system when there was the question of the organization of the new provinces and he has declared that his first action, if he should come back to power would be to abolish the clause in the law conserving a system of Separate Neutral Schools in the two new provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta. We also know the fiery speeches he has made in Ontario appealing to the worst prejudices of race and creed, denouncing His Excellency, the Apostolic Delegate in awful terms, and boasting consequently, if anything remains to Catholics as far as separate schools are concerned, it is against his formal will.

In view of these facts how could Catholics give reasonable and in conscience their vote in favor of Haultain and of candidates who recognize him as their chief and their leader whom they are bound to follow and obey?

The Catholics should then unite and vote for those who are in favor of the actual system of separate schools, though these schools are neutral because it is a partial recognition of their rights as free citizens of this country.

Now is the time to show that we are a factor in public affairs. Let us unite then and cast our votes for the leaders who favor separate schools and their followers."

ADELARD LANGEVIN,
Archbishop.

PROSPERITY IN ATHALMER.

An ozonogram says Athalmer is all right, all right, and occasionally $1,000 is seen on the "table."—Wilmer Outcrop.

NORTHWEST'S UNLUCKY HERITAGE.

State interference in the domain of religion will inevitably tend to the weakening of true religious spirit, and to the impairment of true education, and many of those who supported the Autonomy Bill know that these things are true.—Grand Forks Gazette.

THE CURSE OF JOURNALISM.

While waiting for the boom that is coming in the spring with the K. C. R., the Outcrop would like to take in the several hundred dollars due this office. Divided up, this amounts to very little individually, but, oh! how much they mean to the editor who is endeavoring to keep the sheriff at a respectable distance.—Wilmer Outcrop.

A VIRILE ADMINISTRATION.

The visit of Premier McBride and the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to Similkameen marks an important event. That the whole district impressed them most favorably is evident from the views which they expressed thereon. Neither were these views given as reluctant admissions, but expressed with a warmth and enthusiasm that argued positive conviction. Visits of this kind are always productive of good. Not only does it enable the ministers to get a proper understanding of the needs and resources of the district, but it gives the people an opportunity to size up those to whom they have intrusted the conduct of their public affairs. Now the people of Similkameen have heard Premier McBride's straight-forward statement, and have had an opporunity to verify most of what he told them and the general verdict is that it was genuine. From the narrowness of its majority the government has been described by a certain section of the press as a weak government, but judged by its acts it has shown the courage and virility of a strong government.—Hedley Gazette.

CONCERNING THE WEEK.

A New Dress.

The Week will shortly be published in a new dress, the proprietor having installed a Lanston Monotype machine for the purpose of improving his facilities. It is the first type-setting machine of its kind to be set up west of Toronto and is very different from the usual Linotype or Typograph.—Kamloops Standard.

Says We Are Radical.

The Victoria Week will in the future issue a Vancouver edition. If The Week could cut out its radicalism in politics, and publish an independent paper, it would grow into a big success in this province. But so long as it goes on the theory that any one party whose cause it espouses can do no wrong, just so long must it accept the name of being narrow and contracted. The Week has ability back of it and there is a field if the proper course is pursued.—Cranbrook Herald.

"Pronounced Tory Tendencies."

The Victoria Week, despite pronounced Tory tendencies, is usually sane in its comments on current affairs, but when it allows its party feelings to lead it into declaring that the Ottawa Liberals "bought up the voters of Alberta" it discloses a weakness not heretofore suspected. There may have been corruption in the Alberta elections, of that we know nothing, but we have no hesitancy in describing as arrant nonsense the charge that the sweping Liberal victory was in any appreciable measure due to briberwy of the electorate. To believe anything of the sort is to confess to a very poor opinion of the people of Alberta.—Daily News, Nelson.

Cranbrook has had its first municipal elections. Mr. G. T. Rogers won the mayoralty with 114 votes as against 57 accorded his opponent, Mr. A. Moffat. The aldermen elected were:—P. Fink, D. E. Murphy, J. Greer, H. Hickenbotham, G. P. Tisdale and G. Jackson. May the first city fathers prove worthy of the thriving little city! It is six years since the writer was in Cranbrook and no doubt many changes—and all for the better—have taken place since then, but he has a lively recollection of the hospitality of the Cranbrook people and of the charming country surrounding it

The Week is informed by a new breed of canary bird that the alliance between J. D. Taylor, editor of the New Westminster Columbian, and "Doc." Sawyer, advertising genius, is about to be dissolved, and that Mr. Sawyer contemplates starting a second paper in the Royal City. If he is wise, he won't. Starting a new paper is like unto bucking a roulette wheel. The money goes so fast that you can hardly see it go.

H. H. Cassell, a youth of New Westminster, in the employ of the C. P. R., recently gallivanted off to Seattle with some of his employers' money and a Vancouver girl. He is now doing time, not in the pen, but on his honeymoon. Friends came up with the stuff and the C.P.R. called off the blood hounds. 'Tis often thus in British Columbia.

Turkey seems to worry about the seizure of Mytilene mighty little.

Judge Lampman, of the Victoria County court, is to be the commissioner who is to enquire into the South Park schol riot. The Week does not envy him his job. It will be worse than deciding on the amount a printer overcharges or on any other of the stiff problems presented in his court.

Misguided Victorians still find time to "write to the Times" on the subject of the municipal water question. The Times publishes more drivel in its correspondence column than any other daily in Canada.

Mrs. Maud Haywood has tripped down Government street and is now making up tempting "Nemo" dishes at the Windsor grocer. That food is all right, all right, as Maud mixes it, but why, oh why, is it called "Nemo"? Reversed the name would be "Omen," not a bad name. Better still, another transposition of letters would turn it into "On-me." Just now it is a case, for customers of the Windsor, of eating one "on Maud."

So "Sol" Oppenheimer did not commit contempt of court after all. Still it certainly maue good copy. "Sol" is so well known in Vancouver, and the idea of his being guilty of contempt of anything but politics, was a sensation for the city. 'Sol' on being interviewed, describes his sensations on arriving in this city from Seattle. Everyone looked upon him as if he was a curiosity, a new midget or fat man, for the vaudeville theatres. He felt that if his departure had not been solaced with an ovation of the leading citizens, at least he had reached that pinnacle of greatness on his return that is accorded to men that have made their mark. He soon realized, however, when he met his intimates, that the glory of Solomon had departed and that he was simply a well nourished joke.

Premier McBride and the Hon. R. G. Tatlow, Minister of Finance, have left for Ottawa on government business. This is sad news for the Victoria Times, its editor's idea of the duties of ministers being that they should sit in their departmental office chairs all the year round and listen to applicants for government jobs. Ministers who tried to carry on the administration of the affairs of British Columbia while holding down mahogany in Victoria would do about as much good as a life insurance man who never moved from his desk. The Times has a thoroughly Victorian idea of doing business—go to sleep and wake up when business comes to you.

In the window of one of the most enterprising tobacconists of Victoria among the Christmas novelties there is a small obscene statue of a boy seated in a manner that is not usually exhibited to the public gaze. This kind of thing is all very well in France, but British Columbia likes it not.

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A Lady's Letter

By BABETTE.

Dear Madge:—The number of superfluous women in the world, whom nobody seems to want and who are always wanting "something to do," is, unhappy, not decreasing. Women are increasing in numbers, if we are to pin our faith to statistics, while "mere man" does not exhibit a growing fondness for what have been described with some truth as the bonds of matrimony. So the surplus of eternal feminine is eternally evident wherever one goes. The ordinary channels of employment are full to overflowing with self-supporting members of the gentler sex, and, though the governess is less frequent than of yore, we have women in a dozen other industrial guises and disguises, until it would seem as if the Roman Emperor's drastic method of suppressing undesirables remains the only hope for outrivalled man. If some enterprising financier would build one of the Garden Cities we hear so much of and colonise it with the disagreeable ancients of both sixes the project might pay. The clubs, at all events, might not be unresponsive over the removal of that particular variety of "old warrior" who appropriates all the best armchairs, sits on all the newspapers he is unable to read, and eternally anathematises the food, the charges, and the management. And the long-talked-of club ball might actually take place before we get to passe to enjoy them. Seriously, though, there is a pleasant and very profitable opportunity for the energetic and unemployed young omen of the moment in the character of a decorator. There are many of those who entertain a great deal that would be only too glad to know of a reliable decorator to "do" the dinner table, tea table, or drawing room, as the case may be, not to mention the reception room and hall, on the occasion of a wedding. Besides, there are the shop windows to dress. Here is a splendid opportunity for an artistic young woman to establish her reputation as a decorator, because she has all the very best materials to work with, so to speak. Discussing the subject of decorations at this time of the year, naturally leads one to think of appropriate dressings for the Xmas dinner table. And apropos, Challoner & Mitchell are showing this week a window full of the daintiest candle and electric light shades at half price that are so suitable for table and dining room light fixtures. Some are made in quaint shapes and oı the palest pink silk, while others represent huge red and yellow tulips; these are most effective when shading a light. Nothing is more cheerful at Xmas time than to have one's dining table and surroundings bright with pretty lights. I may say it is also a time when one's silverware, glass, etc., is most in evidence. The time when liqueur sets, punch bowls, decanters, etc., are much in use, and the hearty "cheer, oh," is heard most frequently in every well regulated household. Hence could there be a more appropriate or useful gift than one of the above mentioned? Then go to Challoner & Mitchell, Madge, to select your present for John; they have a splendid variety of articles of this kind from which to choose. And remember that in presenting him with a gift of this kind you are at the same time adding to the furnishings of your dining room. And now it has come to my mind to be sure and tell you to choose a good wine for your Xmas turkey. I know of none better than Mumm's Extra Dry. This champagne has been vouched over and over again as the best on the market, and after all, Xmas comes but once a year, and why should we not have the best cheer?

Recent revelations as to the horrors of adulterated food have so alarmed the astonished public that "the simple life" and "back to the land" appeal more than ever to the victim of the rapacious and peccant tradesman. For the comfort of those with a sweet tooth and otherwise, it may, however, be confided that a really reliable grocer is Dixi H. Ross. For dainty Xmas sweets as well as spicy and delicious viands, I know of no other grocer in town that has so tempting and pure a stock. During my last week's shopping cruise I happened in on Finch & Finch in search of a suitable necktie for an absent brother. Here I beheld a splendid display, and my fancy prompted me to choose one of dark green silk with the tiniest red flake. In the same store I came across boxes and boxes of the prettiest Irish linen handkerchiefs, some were beautifully embroidered, while others were daintily hemstitched and edged with the best vallenciennes lace. Surely a gift of a half dozen or so of these dear "mouchoirs" would gladden the heart of any woman. In Weiler Bros. I was fairly overcome with delight, for I beheld, from an unobserved corner of the store, a dear friend purchasing a lovely vase of that beautiful Doulton ware of which they possess such a choice assortment. Of course it was quite by accident that I overheard her giving my address, and rejoice with me; it is to be sent up on Xmas eve! I really felt like rushing forward and caressing her on the spot. But I must say it is not a difficult task to select Xmas gifts in this delightful store; because they have undoubtedly most things under the sun in the line of artistic pottery, Libbey's beautiful cut-glass, Oriental goods, brass, copper, besides the daintiest of French china. To particularise the temptations set so engagingly before one is a difficult task, but, if one note of admiration be more underlined than another it would be in noticing the elegance of design which characterises their new stock decorative china plates, also the lovely fish, game, and fruit services which they are at present displaying in the windows.

Personally I think most women covet attractive toilet specialties on sight and dainty as the various packages of the Dehess toilet soap appear externally the inside is even better. The purity, excellence, and delicacy of perfume recommending it to the connoisseur as well as the practical every-day lady who likes a soap at once lasting and inexpensive. This soap produces a very soft, creamy lather, and is delightful for general use, being specially good for delicate skins. Some especial process of manufacture keeps it from wasting as some kinds will. Terry & Marett's, I believe, is the only drug store in town that sells this exquisite toilet soap.

Colored shoes and stockings are decidedly increasing in favor, and there is no doubt that the feeling for shorter dancing frocks will give an impetus to this pretty fashion. Of course there will always remain a considerable proportion of my sex for whom discretion in this particular will ever remain the better part of valor. For them black and bronze shoes with plain silk stockings spell wisdom. The Patterson Shoe Company have all the popular shades of the moment and I have a particular longing to possess a dainty pair of pearl-grey shoes that I saw perched up in their window the other day.

The Hinton Company's showing of electrical fixtures is fairly bewildering. For no sooner has one made a suitable choice in the way of an artistic bracket or lamp, as the case may be, than another apparently more attractive looking fitting looms up. And so I found one might go on all day, picking up one fixture, only to discard it in a few minutes for another. However, I kept in view two wrought-iron fixtures that enslaved my affections from the start, and finally decided upon these, which have since been hung in my hall with the desired effect. They consist of two drop lamps, or lanterns, in square shapes with scrolls of wrought-iron decorating them in artistic designs. I find these the most suitable fittings I have yet seen for a hall. I should heartily advise you not to forget to take a look at this company's stock when you are in town. BABETTE.

THE WEEK'S ORE MOVEMENTS.

Nelson, November 24.

The returns of ore shipments and smelter receipts for the week ending November 24 from the various mines of Kootenay and Yale are not altogether comprehensive as there is no system at present for gathering them in a weekly form though the majority of the mines and smelters have promised to help out the public in this regard. Much of the information presented below has been gathered through the courtesy of the management of the Trail smelter, and of other concerns.

The Trail smelter has in operation just now four copper furnaces and one lead furnace and as soon as the St. Eugene resumes shipments it is probable that yet another furnace will have to be added to the lead side. The same remark applies to the Hall Mines smelter at Nelson. The Granby smelter has seven furnaces in operation; the B. C. Copper smelter two, and the Marysville one. No report is presented this week of the return of the Hall Mines and Marysville smelter but the information can be promised for the former of the two at a later date.

Boundary Ore Shipments.

Granby	15,696
Mother Lode	3,328
Rawhide	150
Providence	30
Total	19204

Total for year, 810,324.

Rossland Ore Shipments

Le Roi	1,712
Centre Star	1,593
War Eagle	1,003
Le Roi No. 2	289
Jumbo	100
Total	4,697

Total for year, 298,003.

Slocan and E. Kootenay Ore Shipments

Iron Mask	137
Monitor and Ajax	93
Lone Bachelor	20
Sally	18
Other mines	400
Total	668

Ore Receipts—Trail.

Le Roi	1,712
Centre Star	1,593
War Eagle	1,003
Le Roi No. 2	289
Iron Mask	137
Monitor and Ajax	93
Providence	30
Lone Bachelor	20
Sally	18
Total	4,895

Ore Receipts—Granby.

Granby	15,696
Jumbo	100
Total	16,796

Ore Receipts—B. C. Copper Co.

Mother Lode	3,328
Rawhide	150
Total	3,478

On Friday, December 8th, F. W. Wade, K.C., is going to lecture the young Liberals of Vancouver on the reasons which should impel young men to become Liberals. This no doubt will be fruitful of Yukon experiences.

Wallace Bros., of Essington, have an order for 1,000,000 pounds of halibut for England.

It is reported that the Dominion parliament will meet about the middle of January and that all matters of tariff revision will be postponed until the following year.

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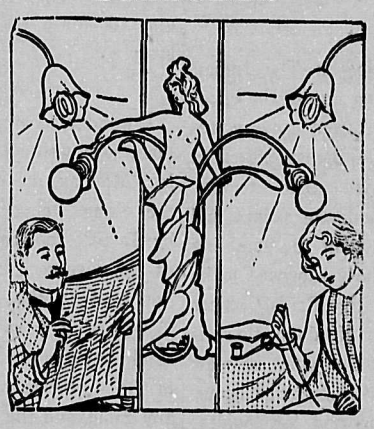

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At The Street Corner

By THE LOUNGER

"Let there be light!" Light is the first requirement of human creatures; heat is the second. In the South Park School controversy the usual order of thngs has been reversed; the heat has already had its turn and now we are to have light. Most appropriately the authorities have chosen as the man most capable of throwing light on the discussion Judge Lampman, who has been appointed Royal Commissioner. There is therefore every likelihood of this unfortunate controversy soon coming to and end.

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There is something else in Victoria which needs light; and that is the quarter of the city which lies over James Bay. Nobody will deny that the City Councillors have done yeoman work this year in the laying down of concrete sidewalks as far as funds would allow, and lighting is expensive. But I would like to call their attention to the neglected lighting of the streets which branch off Superior street, where it is hard to find any particular house unless the seeker is intimately acquainted with the neighbourhood. When sufficient money is available an expenditure in this direction would be one to benefit a very large number of inhabitants whose homes are situated there and an equally large number whose visits at present are often conducted under difficulties.

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There was a notice in The Indian Church News not long ago to the effect that "bridge' had exerted a very reforming effect on the British officer in India. It contended that regular bridge playing at moderate points had checked to a large extent the gambling spirit which is popularly supposed to be a *sine qua non* of the British officer abroad and at home. No doubt there is much to be said for this point of view provided that both contingencies occur, viz., frequent playing and low points; but it is rather a change from the articles which used to flood the press when bridge first became the rage. Then it was pointed out that owing to the incessant bridge playing which was the prevailing custom, it became impossible for ladies who moved in good society to continue there unless their purses were commensurate with that of Fortunatus. The heroine of the society novelist was also in perpetual difficulties owing to her habitual bridge playing at moderate points. Here in Victoria the bridge players have their troubles though they are of rather a different type. There are many ladies who make a point of playing bridge on certain afternoons every week and in some of the sets it appears, from what I have gathered, that it is extremely difficult for a bridge afternoon to end harmoniously. Disputes are of frequent occurrence and quarrels are not unknown. It seems a pity that a good clean game like bridge should be spoilt in this fashion. Good temper is the hall-mark of good breeding and in card-playing almost more than in anything else it is an absolute necessity. There is no one who is more disliked than the bad loser; the boastfully triumphant winner is objectionable, but in a different way. For a sketch of the ideal card-player I would recommend my readers to a book by A. E. Benson entitled—"The Princess Sophia."

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Now that we are on the verge of the Christmas season I wish that some genius would invent a new round game —something quiet and simple; not one of those rowdy games after the ping-pong style, which game has, thank heaven! died and been buried; not a game where it is necessary for people to stand up and talk, to be perpetually called on to take their turn, but a new game after the old-fashioned style of "Spoof" where the game is of sufficient interest to keep the attention of the players and yet sufficiently simple to be within the mental capabilities of the weak-minded individuals who always say when asked if they can play such and such a game—"No; and I am sure that I could never learn it; I am so silly at picking up new games." And yet these same people are quite content to keep on sitting down at the table, blocking every suggestion in like manner and preventing others from playing a really intellectual game, until finally the hostess is compelled to propose "Up Jenkins" or "Beggar my Neighbor" or something equally absurd and childish. And these are grown-up people, mind you, not babes and sucklings.

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In the last edition of the "Book Monthly" there was a plea inserted for modern ghost story writers. The writer complained that in order to read a good ghost story it is necessary to turn to the old-fashioned books which alone catered satisfactorily to the young people who love to sit round the fireside with the lights turned low to have their feelings harrowed with the blood-curdling narratives of the headless countess who haunted her faithless lord to his grave. Personally, I rather incline to the belief that ghost stories have gone out of fashion because the modern generation is too practical for them. They have heard so much of modern science and have had so many wonders explained to them that a mere ghost story would be thrown on one side as absurd. I have met many children since I have lived in Victoria and have never heard one ask for a story—let alone a ghost story.

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I wonder what, on earth, the gentleman, who wrote in the Victoria Times last Monday, meant when he said that the "long string of defeats sustained by British foot-ball teams at the feet of the visiting New Zealanders would not tend to the popularity of "mere" Colonials at home." I think we may safely say that there is no better loser in the world than an English team at any game, and the very last thing which would occur as the result of the splendid career of the New Zealanders would be a decrease in their popularity. On the contrary nothing is more likely to foster a greater feeling of regard. The expression in the Times was unfortunate and can hardly be described as "Imperial."

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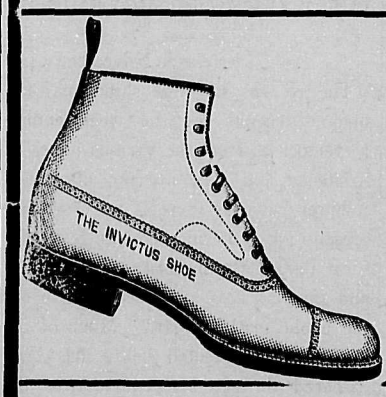
So the streets have at last been renamed. No doubt it was a much needed change but I always feel so sorry for the postmen who have to unlearn all that they have learned before. Of course for new men, especially for those who are newcomers the change is everything. By the way, why didn't the re-naming authorities change the name of "Queer Street" while they were about it? Aaronson Avenue would suit admirably. I am sorry that Bird-cage Walk has lost its distinctive title; it will deprive the old time joker of passing off the old wheeze on the new-comer:—

"Why did Bird-cage walk?"

"Because Pemberton Road."

THE LOUNGER.

New Goods Just Arrived for Christmas



We did more business last month than ever before. The reason is because we give the best value that money can buy.

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30 Pairs Misses' Dong. Kid Blucher, heavy soles, sizes 11 to 2 .. .. .. 1.50
30 Pairs Men's Hip and Thigh Rubber Boots at 5.00
24 Pairs George A. Slater's Invictus Fine Boots at 4.00
12 Pairs Ladies' Dongola Kid, Goodyear welt, at 2.00
15 Pairs Children's Button Boots, sizes 9 to 10½, a little off style, at 50
12 Pairs Youths' Lace Boots, sizes 11 and 1 2.. 50

Look out for our Slippers, now on the way, which will be put on sale next month. The long and short of it is, we want your trade. High quality and low prices should interest you.

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MUSIC AND THE STAGE.

There is to be a boom in musical circles in Victoria next week when the Victoria Musical Festival Society will give two concerts. The first is to take place on Thursday at the Metropolitan church, when Mendelssohn's oratio "Elijah" will be sung, and the second will be a miscellaneous musical performance at the Victoria theatre on Friday. Mr. Watkin Mills, Miss Edith Kirkwood, Miss Gertrude Lonsdale and Mr. Harold Wilde, all well known English singers, will take part, and Mr. Edouard Parlovitz, a noted pianiste, also will perform. Great interest is taken in this enterprise of the festival society and big patronage is assured.

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The event of chief interest to Victoria theatre goers is the announcement that Mr. John Cort, president of the Northwest Theatrical Syndicate—the coast branch of the Klaw & Erlinger trust—has taken a lease of the Victoria theatre for five years. This probably will mean a more intelligent and businesslike direction of the theatre and an improvement in number and class of shows presented. So far as the control of the house goes, from the trust standpoint, Mr. Cort's advent as lessee makes no difference, as the theatre has been under the trust all along.

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Carl Berch's stock company, at the People's theatre, Vancouver, has been playing to good houses. They put up an excellent show and deserve every bit of the patronage received. Berch himself is a tragedian of no mean order, and although he has been away from the stage for years, shows that he has not forgotten his early training on the boards. He has had considerable difficulty with the lease of the theatre, Mr. Lucas claiming prior rights, and the case is at present being tried in court. A climax was nearly reached last week, when Mr. Berch resisted Mr. Lucas' entry to the stage at the point of a gun. However, should the case in court be decided against Mr. Berch he intends building another theatre immediately, on Hastings street, opposite the Province office.

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Manager E. G. Dorr, of the Grand theatre, Vancouver, is to be congratulated on the splendid show he is nightly putting up to crowded houses in his popular place of entertainment. Nothing is too good or too expensive for him to obtain to add to the enjoyment of his patrons. As a first-class variety show the Grand would be hard to beat in any city, and that Mr. Dorr's efforts to amuse Vancouver's pleasure-loving folk are appreciated is evinced by every seat being filled nightly.

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At the Savoy on December 11 there will be a boxing contest for 15 rounds for a decision between Aleck McNamee, late of R.G.A., and Kid Newman (colored) of Australia.

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During the past week the Watson theatre has held most enthusiastic audiences nightly to witness the two plays put on there. The first half of the week was devoted to "East Lynne" and since Thursday night a dramatization of the late George Du Maurier's celebrated novel "Trilby" has held the boards. This latter play has made the biggest kind of a hit and seats have been at a premium. The last performance of "Trilby" will be given tonight. Starting Monday night the big farce comedy success, "The Private Secretary," will be presented and will run the first half of the week. "The Private Secretary" is recognized as one of the best comedies on the English-speaking stage, and it is sure to draw the crowds to Watson's. Starting Thursday night Dion Boucicault's famous Irish comedy, "The Shaughaun" will be staged.

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SOCIAL NEWS

Miss .B Holmes, of Duncans, is a guest of Mrs. Bullen, Esquimalt road.

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Mrs. R. E. Barkley, of Westholme, is visiting Mrs. C. E. Pooley at "Fernhill."

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Miss Dupont entertained at bridge on Monday evening. The house was most tastefully decorated with chrysanthemums, such as "Stadacona" is noted for.

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Dr. and Mrs. Charles Fagan returned from Harrison Hot Springs on Wednesday.

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Captain James Gaudin, accompanied by Mr. J. F. Fraser, of Ottawa, returned on Thursday.

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Mr. F. W. Logan, of the Agricultural Department, Ottawa, visited Duncans this week.

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Mr. Melville Middleton, of Duncans, spent a few days in town this week.

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The engagement is announced of Mr. L. Richardson, of the Royal Bank of Canada, and Miss Trixie Hanington. The wedding is arranged for early in February at Vancouver.

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Mrs. H. P. Bell entertained a number of young people on Monday evening. It was termed "a three-step evening," a new dance which seems to be gaining great popularity.

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Mrs. Gore entertained at bridge on Wednesday afternoon. Amongst those present were Mrs. C. Todd, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Berkley, Mrs. T. Gore, Mrs. King, Mrs. Irving, Mrs. Durand.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Russell, lately of Winnipeg, have taken Mr. Harold Robertson's house on St. Charles street for the winter. Mrs. Robertson is visiting friends in the East and expects to be away for three months.

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Mr. J. S. H. Matson is shortly to erect a handsome residence off the Esquimalt road, for which H. S. Rattenbury has drawn plans.

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The wedding of Miss Katie King and Mr. Keith Wilson, of Salt Spring Island, takes place at Christ Church Cathedral on Wednesday (next), December 6th, at 5 o'clock.

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Mr. H. Ward returned to Goldstream on Monday after a short holiday.

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The wedding of Miss Sophia Tupper and Mr. Merritt, of Vancouver, takes place on Monday, the 4th. A great many people are going over from here to attend.

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Mr. C. E. Pooley is expected back shortly from California, where he has been lately on a business trip.

Miss Georgie Lucas returned to her duties at the Jubilee Hospital after a visit to friends in Vancouver.

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Mrs. F. Barnard entertained at bridge on Friday afternoon, the third of a series of bridge parties given by her lately.

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Miss L. Wark is visiting Mrs. Gaudin, "Isla Villa," Craigflower road.

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The wedding of Rev. Mr. Underhill and Miss Helen Ross, daughter of Mr. H. G. Ross, of Vancouver, takes place early in December. Miss Ross is a neice of Mrs. E .Crow Baker of "Sessinghurst."

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Mrs. P. and Miss Clapham are visiting friends in Vancouver.

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The many friends of Mrs. J. Hirsh will be glad to know she is recovering after a very serious illness of some weeks.

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Mrs. Charles, we are happy to say, is able to be about again after severely spraining her ankle.

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Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cotton (nee Finlayson) leave shortly for their home in Southern California.

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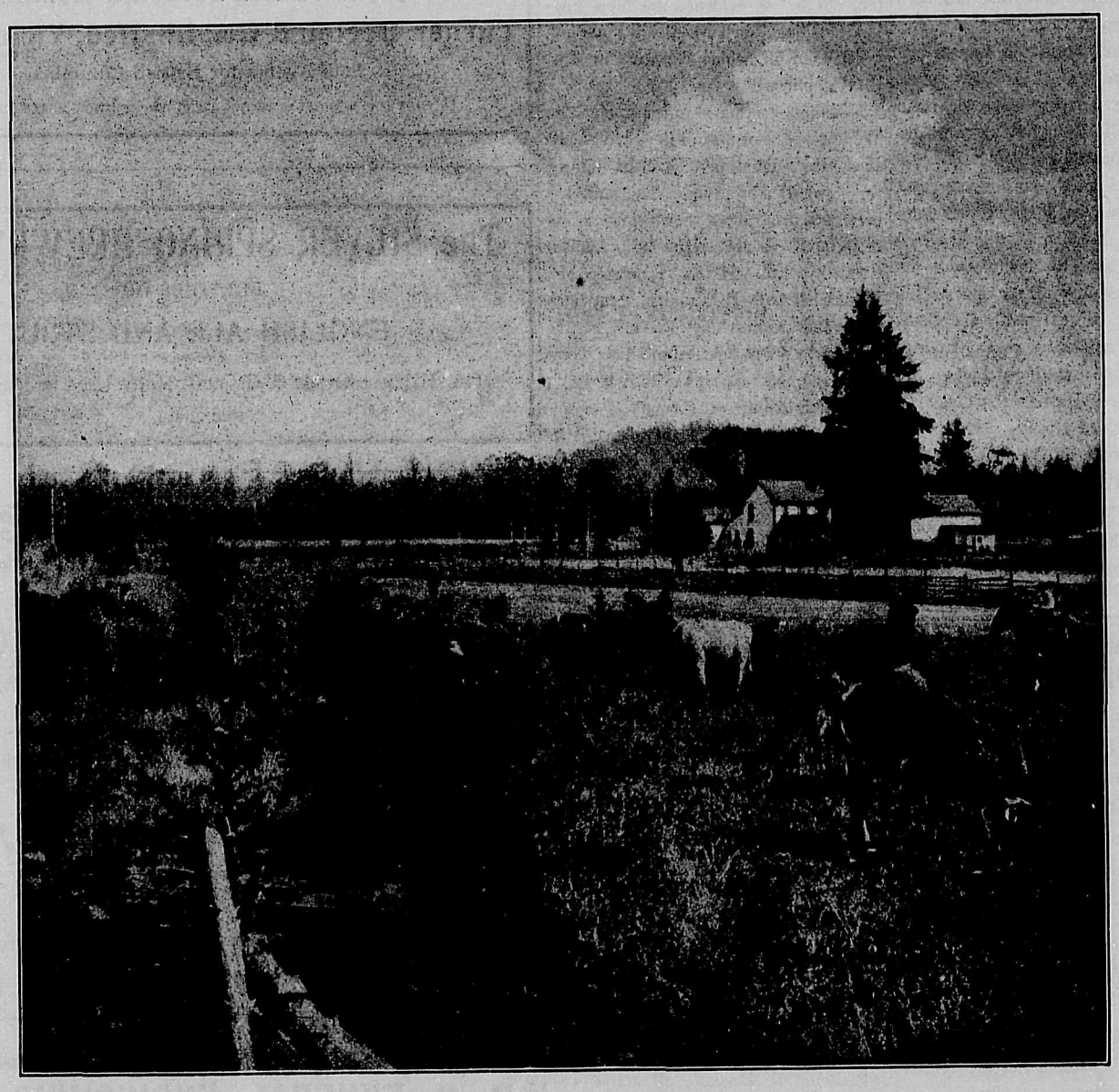
The Invitation Dance Club gave a most enjoyable masque and domino dance on Wednesday evening at the A.O.U.W. hall, Yates street, which was prettily decorated for the occasion with flags and evergreens, which, with softly shaded lights blended with the Oriental hangings of the room. The stage, on which the musicians were placed, was most effectively arranged with flags, ferns and white chrysanthemums. The hall was a most weird scene with this whirling mass of maskers, none being very beautiful. The masks were lifted at 11 o'clock amid much laughter. The supper room, which was in charge of Miss Pooley and Miss Bullen, was a scene of beauty, decorated with white chrysanthemums, yellow tulle and yellow shaded candles. Amongst those present were noticed Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Garnet, Mr. P. Garuet, Br. and Mrs. Bullen, Mr. D. and Miss Bullen, Miss Holmes, Mrs. and Miss Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Hollyer, Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, Miss Creighton, Mr. and Mrs. D. Rogers, Mrs. Croft, Miss Brydon, Mr. H. P. and Misses Bell, Mr. B. Bell, Mr. Foll, Capt. P. and Mrs. Troup, Mr R. Troup, Miss Gladys Perry, Mrs. Newling, Mr. Hopkins, Miss Pitts, Mr. Pitts, Mr. B. Prior, Misses Sehl, Canon and Miss Beanlands, Mrs. H. Barnard, Mr. H. Robertson, G. A. Kirk, Miss Fell, Miss Lugrin, Mr. and Mrs. Smart Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Gibb, Misses Pooley, Capt. and Mrs. Parry, Mr. Tinsen, Mrs. and Miss Reid, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. and Miss Butchart, Miss Mara, Miss Todd, Mr. Todd, Miss, Wrigley, Mr. and Mrs. Browne, Mrs. Griffiths, Mrs. and Misses Monteith, Mr. Williams, Mrs. and Miss Eberts, Miss Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Holt, the Misses Hickey, Mr. P. S. and Mrs. Lampman, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lamb, Miss Mutter, Miss Newling, Mr. R. Monteith, Mr. Allan Janion, Mr. Keefer, Mr. Arthur Gore, Mr. Angus, Miss Dupont, Mr. Langley, Mr. Harris, Mr. Lowenberg, Mrs. and Miss Langley, Mr. Jack Rithet, Miss Irving, Mr. Willie Irving, Mr. Harry Taylor, Mr. Cornwall, Mr. J. Cambie, Mr. and Mrs. Dockerill, Misses Devereux, Capt. Martin, Mr. D. Martin, Mr. M .Middleton, Miss Tilton, Mrs. Few, Mrs. and Miss Tuck, Mr. Bridgeman, Miss Newcombe, Mr. P. and Miss Cobblett, Mrs. Barkley, Mrs. W. Scott, Mrs. Frank Scott, Mr. Mutter, Mr. Ellerton, Capt. Elliston, Misses McKay, Mr. A. Gillespie, Mr. Yates, Mr. T. Harvey, Miss Violet Powell, Miss Eva Loewen, Mr. Ward, Dr. Scrammell, Mr. Willis, D. E. Tomlinson, Mr. Babcock, Mr. Musgrave, Mr. K. Scholefield.



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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.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

COAST DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that the reservation, notice of which was published in the B. G. Gazette, and dated 9th August, 1901, covering a belt of land extending back a distance of ten miles on each side of the Skeena river between Kilsilas Canyon and Hazelton, is cancelled.

Notice is also given that that portion of the reservation, notice of which was published in the B. C. Gazette and dated 27th December, 1899, covering a belt of land extending between the mouth of Kitimat River and Kitsilas Canyon, is rescinded in so far as it covers land lying between Kitsilas Canyon and a point in the Kitimat Valley, distant ten miles in a northerly direction from the mouth of Kitimat River, and that Crown lands thereon will be open to sale, pre-emption and other disposition under the provisions of the Land Act, on and after the eighth (8th) day of December next: Provided that the right of way of any railroad shall not be included in any lands so acquired.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works,
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 31st August, 1905.

RE JOSEPH MELLON, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that all persons having claims against the estate of Joseph Mellon are required to forward them to Elizabeth J. Mellon, the executrix of the said estate on or before Friday the 1st day of December, 1905, after which date the said executrix will proceed to distribute the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have had notice.

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Squabbling Over A Small Office.

Vernon Liberals and the Local Postmastersh p —Development of British Empire Mines---Okanagan Notes.

Vernon, November 28.

The visit of the Premier and his colleague, Hon. R. F. Green, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, has given those gentlemen an opportunity of personally becoming acquainted with the principal characteristics of the district, its prospects and possibilities which cannot but be of the greatest value to them in the future. However ready the opposition press may be to stigmatize such systematic trips of investigation as "jaunts at the public expense," it cannot but be evident to the fair-minded that they serve a very useful purpose, and should be encouraged rather than condemned. It is to be regretted that time could not be found to hold a public meeting at Vernon, as planned. The banquet at Enderby, however, was a great success in every way, and furnished a most instructive example of the possibility of losing sight of political differences in the effort to give the government due credit for what it has accomplished.

Local Liberal circles are somewhat disturbed just now over the question iof the appointment ,of a successor to Mr. H. R. Parke as postmaster of Vernon. Some few weeks ago Mr. Parke resigned his position on account of ill-health, and simultaneously with the announcement of his resignation Mr. C. B. L. Lefroy, the present incumbent, took charge of the office. It transpired that the appointment had been at the suggestion of one or two prominent members of the party, without consulting the majority or obtaining their endorsement, and ever since there has been "the devil to pay" in the Liberal ranks. Hot indignation meetings have been held and the strongest resolutions have been passed, even going so far, it is said, as to call for the dismissal of the present incumbent. Not that there is any objection to Mr. Lefroy, who has been a strong party-worker, and is otherwise well qualified to fill the position. But the ruffled dignity of those who were ignored in so cavalier a fashion, will not readily be soothed and they insist upon redress. The outcome of the "squabble" is awaited with much interest.

Contemplated changes in the staff of the Vernon branch of the hospital for the insane will scarcely prove popular in the district. The appointment of Mr. Thomas Mayes, formerly chief attendant at the New Westminster asylum, as warden of the institution, puts an end to hopes that were entertained that a local man might receive the appointment, and is certain to be strongly resented. It is understood that the staff will be reduced by one and that the branch will, hereafter, be much more directly under Dr. Doherty, superintendent of the New Westminster institution, than in the past.

The Okanagan is not pre-eminently a mining country. S ofar it has been known chiefly as an agricultural and fruit-growing district. Indications are not wanting, however, that some considerable part of the vast mineral resources for which British Columbia is so remarkable, may yet be found in this favored valley. Development has been proceeding in connection with the Enderby mines, and the promoters of the enterprise have every hope that the Okanagan industries of the future may be built up on Okanagan coal. In gold mining, the British Empire mines, on the shores of Okanagan lake, some four miles from Vernon, are now promising very well, some ores carrying splendid values having recently been obtained. D. R. Young, well-known as a mining promoter, is the owner of the mine.

The reputation of the Okanagan as a fruit growing country is growing rapidly, and it must now be known over the greater part of the Northwest and Manitoba, as a district so favored by nature in regard to climatic, soil and scenic conditions as to offer an ideal home for the man of quiet tastes, who is content to earn himself a competence on a ten or twenty-acre fruit farm in an occupation that is never without interest, but produces good returns without demanding the severest forms of labor.

The large influx of people into the valley in the past two years has given a great impetus to the intensive system of horticulture and the immense amount of orchard land that has been set out in trees gives promise of a tremendous expansion in the industry in the near future. The figures representing returns actually received, which are made public from time to time are decidedly encouraging. Some time ago the provincial press chronicled, with wondering comment, the fact that John Summan, of Peachland, had received over $300 an acre for his peaches, the purchaser, picking and packing at his own expense. More recently the Coldstream ranch announces that a twenty-acre orchard of Northern Spies has given them net returns of about $11,000, while Mr. J. W. Sterling, of Kelowna, reports $5,000 from a 16-acres orchard of apples, pears and plums. When results such as these become widely known as possible in the Okanagan, there will be no trouble in finding settlers for the valley.

Politics in The Fishing Business.

Sensational Evidence Before Commission in Nanaimo--Renewed Activity in the Coal City.

Nanaimo, November 29.

Quite the most important event of the week for Nanaimo was the holding of the fisheries commission. A large number of fishermen were in attendance at every sitting and there was no lack of men to give testimony. The exporting of fresh herring to Seattle, the invasions by Yankee steamers into Canadian fishing waters and the alleged crooked work of some fishing inspectors in the granting of licences were the important features of the two days' sessions here. Some of the witnesses claimed that one had to be in the political ring before they could get a favorable licence and one, Doris Kennedy, of Vancouver, said that he had been asked by Fishing Inspector Williams to promise to give him (Williams) so much a fish for all he caught on condition of which witness was to get a certain licence. There were more or less general charges made by other witnesses along similar lines about other figures in the fishing industry in British Columbia, so that it would appear that the granting of licences as carried on in this province should be very carefully looked into. Of course it is recognizable that much of the evidence would not count for much if given under oath and examination by lawyers, but still enough was said to give the impression that there is a "nigger in the fence" somewhere. Nearly all of the "company" men were in favor of prohibiting the exporting of fresh herring to United States points, while the individual fishermen just as strenuously opposed any restitution on what, to them, just now proves a rather profitable avenue of trade. It is the opinion of the commissioners though and people here, not even excluding the fishermen themselves, that a prohibition will ultimately be placed on the export. Just how soon though that this will take place no one has the courage to state. This is one of the most troublesome issues, as Rev. G. W. Taylor stated to the Free Press, that the commission has met. And locally you may be sure from the newspapers down everyone is handling it with gloves. The testimony with reference to the American bottom boats fishing in Canadian waters was decidedly unsatisfactory. Everyone who is familiar with the case is morally certain that Yankee steamers have been guilty of illegal fishing within the Canadian three-mile limit. With the exception of one or two witnesses, who stated positively that they knew such to be the case, none of the others would commit themselves. A whole lot of the evidence with regard to the New England Fishing Company smacked too much of the New England Fishing Company. What connection the witnesses had with the New England Fishing Company one could not tell, but by the evidence the New England Fishing Company was the par excellence of all fishing concerns in British Columbia.

Nanaimo continues to pick up. On Wednesday morning, after lying idle since the disastrous Haslam failure, the sawmill started up. The mill has been acquired by a new concern incorporated as the Nanaimo Lumber Company, Ltd. H. S. Emerson, H. Munsie and J. H. Coburn, gentlemen well and successfully known in the lumber business, are in the new company, and they expect the mill to be in full operation the year round.

The ladies' hockey team played Victoria on the home grounds last Saturday, the game resulting in a draw. The match was the best one ever seen here. The Nanaimo girls were much smaller than their opponents and feel quite puffed up over holding them down to a draw game. It looks now as if Nanaimo would not be represented on the football field this season. Most of the enthusiasts have gone elsewhere, and while the very best of material is here, they are lacking in a leader. Basketball will flourish and the athletic club has a team ready to give battle to the best of them at any time.

What should have been the most interesting event of the week was allowed to pass unnoted, the anniversary of the landing of Nanaimo's first settlers here fifty-one years ago last Monday. Of the sixty persons who arrived here on the 27th of November, 19 are still living in Nanaimo, all active and taking part in the affairs of the city. Probably had it not been for deaths the great majority of the 60 would still be here. Nanaimo, in the fact that a great percentage of those born here, live and die in the city, is one of the most unique towns in Canada. No place in British Columbia has so many and interesting historical events connected with it as Nanaimo. The wonder is that there is not a flourishing historical society in the city.

It was a most successful and charming ball that was held at the Vancouver hotel the other night, and all was going smoothly as the proverbial marriage bell. Unfortunately, in the "we sma' hours," at a time when everybody is supposed by Vancouver statute to be in bed, the police spoilt the harmony by stepping in and commencing to take the names of those present. At once the worthy mayor stepped into the breach and commanded them to desist from such unseemly behavior. "We have a permit," said His Worship, "to keep open till 3 o'clock." Naturally, after such a strong admonition from such a source, the police retired crestfallen. But how was it they did not know about that "permit"? And was that "permit" given before or after the event, and why was it given at all?

After all the blow and bluster Mr. W. H. Cushing only won Calgary against Mr. R. B. Bennet, leader of the opposition, by 37 votes out of 2,430 cast in the election!

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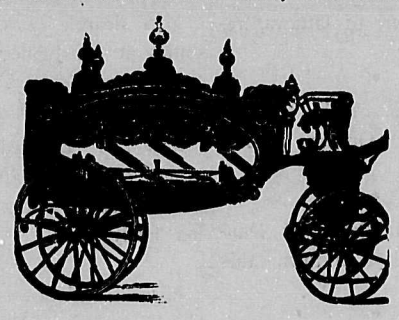

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