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ONSERVATIVE CONVENTION

—The Conservative Convention held

in New Westminster last week was

largest representative political gatherever held in British Columbia. It ived its importance from the fact that ry constituency in the Province was resented by a full delegation, that Resoons outlining new planks in the party form were unanimously adopted and Premier McBride made important anncements as to the future policy of his vernment. The Resolutions which were sed numbered about twenty and advod the appointment of a Federal Minof Mines, the creation of a new Proial Portfolio of Immigration and the enditure of an adequate sum by the eral Government upon the docks and pours of the Pacific Coast to prepare Coast cities for the large influx of trade ch will follow the opening of the Pana-Canal. The subject of immigration was much to the fore throughout the Conion, as it was last year at Nelson. There been a very widespread feeling that the has arrived for the Government to definite steps towards assisting land ement. It is desired that British Cola shall be peopled with men and women ir own race; if so, British settlers must ecured and British agricultural labour be imported. The Dominion Governhas appointed a special Immigration nissioner, and while he will study the ion as it applies to the Dominion as a e, it is not a little significant that his official visit should have been to British nbia for a conference with Premier ride. Whether the Provincial Governwill accede to the wishes of the Conon and establish an Immigration Denent is not yet known, but that Pre-McBride and his colleagues are keenly to the necessities of the case is evied by their sympathetic reception of the lution and by the semi-official ancement that a Royal Commission will y be appointed to investigate the conof settlement and immigration gen-The proposed heavy expenditures harbours of the Coast will hardly jected to in any quarter, and no ion Government can afford to ignore aims of British Columbia in this re-Indeed, with the opening of the na Canal and the phenomenal develt of Oriental trade it is by no means bable that within a few decades the ing trade of the Pacific will far exhat of the Atlantic. The building of irs, docks and shipping facilities genis a national work. Eastern Canada e to the requirements of its great British Columbia is waking up to a of her own responsibilities and her possibilities and there is little doubt ne case for the Pacific Coast is so that the next estimates will include ntial appropriations for the purpose ted. The significant feature of the ntion, however, was Premier Mcs speech. Everyone who heard it d that it was an historic utterance. delivered without passion in a calm of fact manner. It dealt first of all he recent visit of the Premier and his rues to Ottawa when momentous matere discussed. Mr. McBride did not e to say that their reception had been and he anticipated the most satisresult. With respect to "Better " while it was true that Mr. Borden ree years ago promised a Commission, ald not be surprised if the case which ovincial Ministers had put forward net with a direct offer, thus obviating ecessity for protracted negotiations. ther matters of the lands in the Rail-Belt, Fishery Protection and Water

Powers would be dealt with favourably to the wishes of the Provincial Government. The most important part, however, of Mr. McBride's speech was the announcement of what might be expected in the way of new legislation at the next session of the local Parliament, and in this statement interest centred around the wonderful and suggestive promises the Premier made in respect of railway construction. He spoke of a programme which would outvie that which he laid before the electorate two years ago; a policy so extensive that it staggered the Liberal party and they have never since recovered. Mr. McBride spoke in the most optimistic terms, not only of the extent of the railway building contemplated, but of the certainty that it would be financed and constructed within the specified time. With his experience of the Canadian Northern before him he had ample grounds to justify his prediction, and whatever his political detractors may say, and there are only two in the House, and a handful in the country, one cannot help being amazed at the remarkable courage of Mr. McBride in tackling another big railway scheme with his last but half completed, and doing so with the determination and conviction which is as infectious as it is stimulating. It seems to The Week that, more and more, the political aspect of the Provincial Government is being subordinated to the business interests of the Province, and that the Administration is bent upon giving the best of all government, that which makes for the greatest good of the greatest number.

Bogus Townsites—British Columbia has had just about bogus townsites and bogus townsite companies, but judging from advertisements now running in the Vancouver papers, it looks as if we shall have to tolerate a little more of this kind of thing. Everyone remembers the lamentable dispute and loss of money occasioned by conflicting townsite interests at Fort George. Now the same thing is happening with respect to Hazelton. A Vancouver firm advertising themselves as Clements & Heyward, advertise New Hazelton as the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company's townsite; the "real" townsite. They put forward a plan in support of their claims certified by Mr. E. J. Chamberlin, Vice-President and General Manager, and B. B. Kelliher, Chief Engineer. On this plan is plainly shown the station grounds of the G. T. P. and the Lot Number, 882. They print in their advertisement a letter dated Nov. 17th, 1910, and signed by Charles H. Manser, Assistant Solicitor. Yet upon the same advertisement appears a letter signed by G. U. Ryley, Land Commissioner, dated Nov. 6th, 1911, stating that the Grand Trunk Pacific townsite on Hazelton is situate on Lot 851. Now Lot 851 is a mile and a half south-west of the old town of Hazelton; whilst Lot 882 is at least three miles north-east. Moreover, in the same issue of the Vancouver papers appears an advertisement of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company, signed by Mr. G. U. Ryley, their Land Commissioner, announcing that the Company's official townsite is at South Hazelton on Lot 851 and that an auction sale of the lots will shortly take place. Following this the Provincial Government has officially announced that such sale will take place in December, when the Government lots as well as the Grand Trunk lots will be sold by public auction in Victoria and Vancouver. This undoubtedly clinches the matter, vet the firm of Clements & Heyward continue to represent Lot 882 as the official townsite, well knowing that it is not so and knowing also that the attempt to foist this onto the public is being engineered in the interests of Mr. Bob Kelly, who is the

principal owner of the lot. Now the principal partner in the firm of Clements & Heyward is Mr. H. C. Clements, Member for Comox-Atlin. He cannot have any knowledge of what is being done by his firm, because he is too honourable a man to tolerate it for a moment, but by this time he has probably been made acquainted with the circumstances by many of his irate constituents, and in the interests of public decency it is to be hoped that he has taken steps to withdraw the objectionable and misleading advertisement.

ACERDOTALISM—In an address recently delivered at Stoke-on-Trent the Bishop of London made some remarks which have received, as they deserve, wide attention. He touched upon the perennial topic of the diminishing influence of the Church and attributed this largely to "lack of adaptation." He was addressing English hearers and it is probable that the thought of Canadian conditions never entered his mind, yet his wise words are very apposite in Canadian Church circles at the present time. The Anglican Church has not attained that position in the Dominion to which her faithful sons believe she is entitled. There are many reasons for this, some of which need not now be canvassed, but there is one outstanding from the others and that is the absolute intolerance of Canadian people with any form of Sacerdotalism. A man may be a High Churchman without being either a Ritualist or a Sacerdotalist, but it is doubtful whether one can say the same of a clergyman or a bishop, and yet nothing is more certain than that the average Canadian churchman will have none of it, and will resent any attempt to foist it on an unwilling congregation. Wherever it has been attempted the experiment has spelt failure and a diminution of efficiency for the Church organizations involved. We have High Churchmen who have been wise enough and broad enough to subordinate their own inclinations in this regard. The late Bishop Perrin was a notable instance, with the result that he dignified an honoured position for nearly twenty years and earned the esteem and affection not only of the members of his own diocese but of the community at large. As a matter of fact the average man who wishes to prostrate himself at the shrine of Sacerdotalism is both logical enough and consistent enough to seek it in the Roman Catholic Church.

R. NORTON GRIFFITHS—Mr. J. Norton Griffiths, M.P. for Wednesbury, is an Englishman and a gentleman; he is also a man of wealth, influence and position, and a large investor in British Columbia enterprises. He is a man of considerable strength of character, force and aggressiveness; he has made a name for himself in the Old Country and has a splendid opportunity of raising his reputation in Canada. He has formed a large construction company which is taking contracts right and left and building a number of handsome blocks in Victoria and Vancouver. But The Week would respectfully suggest to Mr. Norton Griffiths that there are matters which might fairly claim his attention now that he is once more in British Columbia. His Land Company has been represented by a manager who has conducted their business, to say the least of it, in a very remarkable manner. He has broken faith with men who trusted him, to their very serious detriment and loss, and he has caused a number of important transactions which meant much to those who had worked upon them, to fall through. Now this manager was given "carte blanche" by his Company and therefore was trusted just as the principals

would have been. It is a simple act of justice that, while he is here, Mr. Griffiths should investigate these matters in person and see that substantial justice is done to those who have been so badly treated by his accredited representative.

HE PUBLIC LIBRARY—Alderman Langley and Mr. Scholefield have stood by their guns and the Mayor is still minus two Library Commissioners. He met them half-way by offering to pay the debts of the Library and provide sufficient funds for immediate requirements. But this is no time for half measures and, moreover, the Council refused to implement his promise, so that it was impossible for any self-respecting Commissioner to remain in office. The Week applauds the decision of the two Commissioners and hopes they will insist on their demands being granted, because in no other way can the Library be made efficient. Dr. Hands should see that in the public interest his resignation is demanded. He should be willing to make way for a more up-to-date, competent librarian. The Council should devise means to meet the financial requirements; as Ald. Langley very properly said, "Running the Library has been just a little bit worse than making bricks without straw." Either the Library should be put on a sound financial basis with an assured income, or the donor should be asked to take it back and so relieve the city from the burden of a white elephant. The action of Prince Rupert in the matter of the threatened Carnegie Library is both significant and instructive. The citizens are unwilling to accept favours with blood-money, and The Week sympathises with their stand.

RITISH PREFERENCE - The Week believes it has been consistent in its stand on the subject of British Preference. It maintains that Canadians as a whole intend the Preference to be effective; it has repeatedly stated that it is not nearly as effective as is generally supposed, and that when we talk glibly of maintaining a preference of thirty-three and a third per cent. in favour of British goods, we are in reality juggling the schedules so as to prevent this preference being effective in the main. The Week does not obtain its information from any political sheet-Liberal or Conservative, but from the Report of Mr. Richard Grigg, Dominion Trade Commissioner, published as a Blue Book by the late Liberal Government. This Report shows that the average duty paid on British goods imported into Canada greater than that paid on American goods. When the Times can prove Mr. Grigg to be incorrect, it can afford to twit 'The Week, but not before.

T. ANDREW'S DAY—The two Scottish Societies of Victoria held their annual reunions on Thursday night. The Caledonian Society at the Empress Hotel and the St. Andrew's Society at the Songhees Grill. Both functions were largely attended and managed to secure an attractive list of speakers. At the former the most important address was by Dr. Young, Provincial Secretary, who spoke at length upon the growing importance of the Pacific Coast and the effect of the opening of the Panama Canal. At the latter Mr. de Salis delivered an admirable address upon the subject of Naval Defence, with special reference to our own Province. One speaker urged his hearers to impress their national character on Young Canada; judging from the popularity and enthusiasm of these annual festivals and noting the important part which Scotsmen play in the affairs of the Dominion one would think that the lesson had already been well learned.



and clamoured for proper consideration of shop assistants during the apfestival which is such a delight to public are delighted with attractive shop windows; the ears of the public are entranced with the words of Christmas cheer, which still have the power to create a feeling of genial good-will, and the luxurious habits of the public are catered for, not to say pandered to, by the multitude of good and delivery vans to those people who things which are all in evidence at are getting off or on a street car. It this Feast, which, more than any other, has fastened on the imagination of the Anglo-Saxon. But all down past the post-office and my inthese joys are procured at the cost of blood and tears shed by the employees in the stores which cater to the public. And it but needs a little thoughtfulness on the part of shoppers to make Christmas a season which will street cars often have to stop to let be "merry" to sellers, as well as to

'Not only can consideration be shown by purchasing Christmas presents early, instead of waiting till the Saturday preceding, but also by remembering that mistakes are easily made in the rush and bustle of unprecedented business, and by making process of stopping. Some day there due allowance for such errors. err is human; to forgive, divine." So many shoppers fail to realise that the Christmas which we celebrate is of divine origin and, as such, deserving of more than ordinary considerateness, when over-worked shop employees make a mistake in an order Rather do they act as though celebrating the Roman Lupercalia, the foulest orgy of all the pagan feasts, which took place at the same time of the year, thus enabling the early Christians to celebrate their own festival without attracting undue attention at a time when attention was the last thing sought. So please remember that to shop early is a better evidence of Christianity than to make large purchases at the last minute.

Of course, it is easy for me to talk like this. I am a bachelor with no not help wondering what it will be large concourse of nephews and like when the real Christmas rush nieces, such as the bachelors who al- comes. We were all glad to see that ways figure in Christmas story-books Messrs. Hibben & Bone were given possess. It makes Christmas very permission to raise a temporary store much simpler, as all I have to do is on the burnt area to compensate to wander round with my nose rub- them in some smal way for the bing against the shop windows, won- loss which the fire caused them, dering what I would buy if I were and the still bigger loss it would have the father of a family. In this way I caused them, had they been unable to get a vast amount of pleasure, of a erect some place where they sort, and practise an economy which dispose of their Christmas wares, but makes Christmas sound like Lent. I what if Spencer's made an analogous notice the same under-strain pervad- request and obtained permission from ing many of the editorials I have the Mayor and Council to "corral" read in recent Exchanges, which have Broad Street! In view of the indifdealt with this same subject of early ferent eye with which the said Mayor shopping. One editor was honest and Council regard their perpetual the people would follow his recom- as it is, it is not beyond the bounds ing all London twice a day. mendations but concluded by stating of possibility that such a request that the press of the country was full might be granted. of the most eloquent appeals written by men who would inevitably delay their own shopping till the minute before final closing-time. Fortunately have a vast superfluity of wealth available for Christmas presents, so perhaps their own dilatoriness does not make much difference.

I have carefully refrained from saying anything for a long time about the streets of Victoria. Many people have asked me to "pitch into the Council," but what's the use? The Councilmen know as well as I do that the streets are in a bad way, and they have said that it is the fault of the weather. I had meant to continue my present policy of silence till the

It is high time that I added my weather had given us a chance, but I feeble voice to the general cry rising am compelled to say something when from the press of the entire country, I read in the paper on Wednesday morning that the Kingston street fire engine was "mired to the hubs at the proaching Christmas holidays. The corner of Superior and St. Lawrence Streets" and that the Fire Chief also children, for whose sake we love to had to leave his car and pursue his keep it with mirth and laughter, is a way on foot. It is perfectly intolerseason usually connected with all that able that the streets should at any is most loathsome in a none too fas- time be in such a disgraceful state cinating profession. The eyes of the that the fire engines cannot reach the scene of conflagration, and all owing to lack of system in arranging street

> I have been asked to say a few words about the lack of consideration shown by drivers of express waggons would appear that this carelessness is mostly in evidence on the hill leading formant told me that he had witnessed time and again the narrowest escapes from accident, caused by drivers coming down the hill at full speed, although they were aware that the down passengers at the corners of Courtney, Broughton and Humboldt streets. It is true that the cautious passenger takes a careful survey of the landscape before alighting, but cars cannot wait indefinitely and it is the business of a driver to slacken his speed if he sees that a car is in will be a serious accident occasioned by this thoughtlessness, and some driver will get it badly "in the neck." But this will not bring back to life his victim who will probably have 'got his in the neck also"; literally, in the neck.

> I am rather wondering whether Spencer's will apply to the City Council for permission to close up Broad Street between Fort and View, during the coming Christmas season. I have not said much lately about the perpetual nuisance which this firm commits by blocking up the sidewalk on this busy thoroughfare, but I am filled with nervous anticipation for the future. When one considers how impassible Broad Street is when any shipment arrives for this emporium, provided that the day is fine, one can-

Has an express waggon driver the right deliberately to run over two men who may have stopped for a minute for the shop assistants, the men who in the street? Of course the sidefor the shop assistants, the men who in the street? Of course the side-write for newspapers do not as a rule walk is the place for them but the kinimmaculate!"

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move-on "bobby" will not let them stand there even long enough to say 'Good morning." Equally of course they should move off the street when politely (?) requested to do so by the driver-but the question I am asking is if they do not instantly move has the driver an absolute right to run them down?

It was Henry Wykeham, Bishop of Winchester and founder of the college of that name, who casually remarked that "manners makyth manne." I feel inclined, having a special object in view, to go further and say that polished manners make the policeman, for there can be no doubt, of course, that the word "policeman" is a corruption of "polishman." my surmise is correct, I am afraid that the tall C. P. R. constable, stationed at the foot of the gangway on the wharf, must make a very poor policeman, as he is distinctly lacking in the essential "manners." Last week he vouchsafed no word to a civil question put to him by a passenger as to whether the boat was going to Seattle or Vancouver, and he could not have pleaded that he had not heard the question, as he favoured (or otherwise) the interrogator with a surly stare. Evidently he considers that his duty is merely to watch the gangway for suspects and undesirables, and that everyday politeness comes not within his province at all. I would like to recommend the constable to buy a copy of Addison's works and if he peruses them diligently he will find one little sentence which it would be well for him to engrave on his memory. Addison says "Politeness is like an air-cushion; there is nothing in it, but it eases the joints wonder-The Victoria Theatre management

s to be congratulated on the strict enforcement of the rule not to seat late-comers during the progress of an Act, a rule which has been favourably commented on at the street corner on many occasions lately. Having thus prefaced my paragraph with a piece of sugar I make bold to ask whether the opening of the side-doors might not be delayed till the final fall of the curtain. One night recently these doors were thrown open during the close of the last Act. I admit that the curtain fell within five minutes of their opening, but the fact remains that even so short a time as five minutes is quite sufficient to give a severe chill to ladies who are clad in evening costume and whose necks are left bare to the attacks of every draught. There is no need for the opening of the side exits till the play is actually over. We don't have to rush for the last train to the suburbs, and when the curtain falls people still have to don their wraps before leaving the house. If Mr. Denham will give this matter his consideration he will earn the gratitude both of the

dounger.

Mr. Charles Urban wears the cheeriest smile in London-and well he may! His really beautiful coloured cinematograph-or kinemacolor-pictures have drawn ences from the beginning, but since he was honoured by Oueen Alexandra with a "command" to go to Sandringham and let her shopping. One editor was honest and Council regard their perpetual see the Coronation pageants in all their enough to say that he hoped that encroachment on the public domain glories, the Scala Theatre has been draw-

A rather nervous lady come up to the box office of the Scala one day.

"These kinemacolor pictures," she said agitatedly, "are they—er—some of those other cinematograph shows are not quite-well-I mean, are these kinemacolor pictures quite suitable for the young person, or are they An expressive pause.

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If people had but realised the nd "The Travelling Salesman" by ing and amusing films. ne same author, which came to Vicoria a short time ago, there would ertainly have been a larger attend-"The Commuters" is the most nusing play which has appeared ere in the shape of a farcical comedy r a very long time and the company opearing in it was an excellent one. r. Harry Davenport as the principal median, Sammy Fletcher, afforded e principal amusement of the eveng; his comedy was inimitable and laugh highly infectious. Miss orence Malone, the demure suburn wife who pays her husband out his own coin thereby bringing a st of unworthy suspicions on her vn head, played her part to perfecn, whilst Miss Amy Lesser acted e typical suburban maid to the life. short, "The Commuters," as playlast Monday was a great success d pleased everyone who saw it.

#### Arion Club Concert

The first concert of the twentieth son was given by the Arion Club 30th November at the Victoria eatre and proved to be quite up to high standard of its many preessors. There was a large audie and judging by the numerous ores this latest effort of the club thoroughly appreciated, as indeed eserved to be.

he choir was assisted by two solo-, Mr. Charles Derbyshire of Tana and Mr. H. J. Cave of Vancouwith Miss Miles as pianist.

'he various numbers of the promme rendered by the choir were well sung, reflecting credit on the ducting of Mr. E. H. Russell, parilarly "In Picardie" (Osgood). It s rather a pity that among so many positions of merit A. J. Caldi-"Spider and the Fly" should been included; this was hardly th the time and effort spent on it. Ir. Derbyshire's fine baritone was d to great advantage in Mas-"Vision Fugitive" and his singof "Dear Hand Close Held in (Salter), was particularly

r. Cave seemed nervous in his song "Che Gelida Manina" ccini), and his singing lacked conice, but he did himself justice in other numbers and was heartily

iss Miles as pianist assisted very erially in making the concert a

#### The Empress Theatre

ilmos Westony, the Wagerian ist, who was in Victoria some few iths ago, has been playing a reengagement at the Empress this k and has been as popular as he on his previous appearance. M. tony is an artist to his finger-tips. ivan & Pasquelena put on a ch entitled "A C. O. D. Package,"

of which he plays with consumskill. A first-class acrobat turn youngest member of the troupe nent equal to any that have been ided at the Empress this season.

#### Romano's Theatre

orbes' amusing play, "The Commu- cure exactitude in every detail. Ro- success of the recital to be given at mano's is still supplying a never-end- the Victoria Theatre Wednesday, Deifference between this production ing stream of patrons with interest-

#### The Crystal Theatre

A fascinating film dealing with the great Daniel Boone was the piece de resistance at the Crystal in the middle of the week and it was full if Indian stories and Indian adventures. Wednesday night, which is always amateur night at the Broad Street house, was productive of much entertainment and continues to prove one of the most popular features of the

#### The Majestic Theatre

The Majestic Theatre continues to be a magnet which draws; the other evening the writer was unable to get a set further away from the screen than the fifth row and even at that there were people waiting outside. One of the most attractive features of the Majestic is the organ which accompanies some of the more romantic pictures and is much appreciated by the audience.

#### Actress' Little Dog Fishes

Miss Gertrude Hutcheson, prima donna of "Three Twins," tells a story of the doings of her Boston Terrier which shares with her the comforts of travel. If the rather prejudicial view of Miss Gertrude Hutcheson of 'Three Twins," can be accepted, she has in "Dollars" one of the most remarkable of canines. Somehow one would find her story hard to believe if it were not for the fact that she proves its trustworthiness so conclu-"While I was abroad," she says, "I visited one of the English summer resorts and took "Dollars" with me. 'Dollars,' you know, is my dog-pretty name-don't you think? There was a trout stream near by and every day 'Dollars' would start for the stream, at exactly II o'clock in the morning-after staying away for an hour or so, he would return licking his chops and invariably refuse the dinner which I offered him. After this had been going on for almost a week, I was greatly mystified and decided to follow 'Dollars' to see what he was doing. So one morning after breakfast I shadowed him to the trout stream and what do you think, Dollars' sneaked up on a rock and poised for a dive. For about ten minutes he lay still as a cat, then splash-he dove into the stream, and when he arose to the surface he had a trout a foot long in his mouth which he calmly devoured after swimming ashore. If you don't believe this," concluded Miss Hutcheson, "I'll show you the dog."

At the Victoria Theatre Tuesday, December 5th.

#### Winchell Smith, Author of "The Fortune Hunter"

Winchell Smith, who wrote "The Fortune Hunter," which will appear at the Victoria Theatre on Monday, th is full of humour and is a wel- December 4, was born in Hartford, e change from the average short Conn., April 5th, 1872. He is the son Art Adair is a comical fellow of Virginia (Thrall) and William B. an assortment of instruments, Smith. His professional education was gained by active work in the theatres. He made his first appearatured by the Roderiguez Family ance as an actor as Lieutenant Foray, are contortionists extraordinary, the telegraph operator, in "Secret Service," with William Gillette, 1896. iding a little comedy on the side. He gained his first business experilips & Merritt contribute the only ence as manager to Arnold Daly, ocre item on the programme; His first experience as a playwright profess to characterize foreign was a dramatization of "Brewster's but their interpretation is too Millions," in collaboration with Byron e for the average play-goer. The Ongley. He is also the author (with e comprise an evening's enter- Paul Armstrong) of 'Via Wireless."

#### Mark Hambourg

Seldom is an opportunity afforded us to hear the works of the great unusual Pathe release dealing composers interpreted in our city by conspiracy and sudden death in so eminent a master as Mr. Mark eastern harem was exhibited at Hambourg. We trust, therefore, that

On Monday night last there was chiefly interesting as exemplifying the trict, will show their appreciation on at a scanty house assembled in the vast amount of trouble taken by the this rare occasion by giving substanlictoria Theatre to laugh at James modern picture-manufacturer to se- tial support to assure the financial

Mark Hambourg, though only thirty years of age, has already achieved world-wide fame and has won so high a place among modern pianists that he is called the "Napoleon of the Piano," and during his recent Canadian tour the critics spoke of him

as a formidable rival to Paderewski Born in Bogutchar in the Province of Voronezh, Southern Russia, Mr. Hambourg developed talent at such an early age that his father, who, by the way, is now a resident of Toronto, personally undertook his musical education and brought him out as a prodigy in 1889. In 1891 he left London, whither the family had migrated, and went to Vienna, to study under Leschetizky, and remained three years, after winning the Liszt Scholarship. In addition to having made three tours of Australia, he has been twice to South Africa; three times to America, and this season will make his second Canadian tour from the Atlantic to the Pacific Coast.

#### Memorial to Sir Redvers Buller

In Winchester Cathedral on Saturday afternoon, October 28, Lord Grenfell, an old comrade of the late general, unveiled a memorial to Sir Redvers Buller. The memorial consists of a tomb with a recumbent figure of the great soldier, depicting him sleeping in bivouac on a blanket with his knapsack for a pillow. The memorial has been erected by old comrades of the King's Royal Rifles and by other friends and admirers Lady Audrey Buller and Miss Buller were present at the unveiling, many distinguished members of Sir Redver' old regiment, representatives of each regiment that fought in the Natal Army under the late general, several grey-headed Chelsea pensioners, and 200 veterans in mufti.

#### Homing Instincts of the Crab

Some interesting experiments recently conducted by the Eastern Sea Fisheries Commission would go to prove that crabs are possessed of the homing instinct. Over two thousand crabs were captured, labelled, and returned to the sea. Several hundred of these have been retaken, and some valuable information as to their movements has been compiled. The investigations show that crabs keep to their own locality, and if taken a distance away it is their instinct to re-

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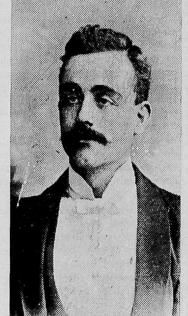
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#### Sir. James Douglas K.C.B.

The Early History of Vancouver Island

Written Specially for the Week by Gilbert Malcolm Sproat

In the newspaper notices of our late Governor-General, I do not remember any mention of the fact that many of his forebears had more or less experience in Colonial Government. Among these was the 3rd Earl Grey, the most notable statesman of the 19th century, in relation to the Colonies. He was Colonial Secretary from 1846 to 1852, when, largely under his auspices, a new system of freer colonial administration was devised. He was, therefore, in office when the extraordinary grant of Vancouver Island was made to the Hudson's Bay Company, and it was he who formed the Colony, and appointed Blanshard and Douglas to their governorships, permitting the latter to retain his office under the Com-

Of this strange action on the part of a wide-minded, sympathetic statesman, engaged as he was, at the time, in bettering colonial conditions and administrative, generally, elsewhere, I have not been able to find any satisfactory explanation. Probably it was tentative, as to a newly acquired, very remote dominion, the real circumstances of which, in the then imperfect communications with the Mother Country, were not realised. The looming of the great Company made the view indistinct, and the Company, then, was influential in Parliament. True, Grey's official instructions to Douglas were on the line of preparation for the freer Colonial system he favoured, but, evidently, small appreciation existed as to the real difficulties that were imposed on Douglas, representing two masters, with diverse interests, in a thinly peopled settlement without taxable resources. In these circumstances, so far as I can judge, it would be unfair to criticise, severely, the general conduct of Douglas in this initial period of his service under the Crown. The blame, properly, should rest with those who created the situation.

In such cases, as a rule, and, indeed, in most historical events, the opinion of a single observer, however competent and honest, cannot be accepted as decisive, though the opinion may be more or less helpful, particularly if the observer is acute, unprejudiced and speaks of which he has us, who were here, in the time immediately after Douglas became Governor, say about 1852, whose reticence, as to matters requiring elucifor obvious reasons of a social, or family, nature. This does not apply to the letter which you published, 15 on the Island and its Government,"observer, friendly to Douglas. Supplying a long-felt want, there is nothing more valuable in our archives. With your permission, I will summarise, here, what the writer states, ap-

this station, showed his son's letter to the Colonial Secretary, privately, do not know: it is not improbable that he did, as the latter, at that time, desired information about the new colony, but, as far as the writer was concerned, the letter, as I have said, was a purely private one to his father. Thanks are due to the present Admiral Moresby for permitting its recent publication:

"Many excellent traits in the Governor's character \* \* \* kind, generous, and, to a certain extent, well-informed \* \* \* never abuses other people (rare virtue on the Island) \* great drawback is his long absence from England, spent among Indians, and persons governed by himself, or others, in a most absolute manner; this makes him (what he is not, naturally) despotic \* \* \* No reference against his will \* \* \* forgets he must be governed by British laws \* \* \* thinks settlers should be able to rough it as he had to \* \* \* the annual ship, arriving with 156 immigrants including some women and children, landed on a wet day, no one to receive them or tell them where to go \* \* whole truth is, Douglas has too much to do, with his small staff; besides, no man living could truly do the diametrically opposite duties of Chief Factor and Governor \* \* \* it is known that great discontent prevails \* \* \* Company servants have told me that the whole work is too much for even Douglas to carry out, satisfactorily \* \* \* whole state of affairs must be changed, if England wishes to secure a rich colony."

In the V. I. colony of the fifties, as in all governments, the administration of justice was the most important concern. I have referred to that, generally, without comment, in a previous article. The next, in the order of date, is the initial period of Douglas' governorship, herein dealt with. There remain two outstanding events that cannot be passed without notice, namely, the establishment of representative government in the Island, and the Report of the Select Parliamentary Committee, at home, as to Hudson's Bay Company's affairs (1857). These I will refer to in my next, taking the reader to the genesis of the idea of the extension of Colonial Dominion to the mainland, which some do not seem to know preceded the discovery of gold there.

# Pioneer Days in Kootenay

By Bohemian

I was vividly reminded this week of my pioneer days in South-east Kootenay. The reminder came in the form of a very welcome visit from my old friend, D. J. Elmer, who was opening of the "Crow" line in 1898.

M. J. Haney had just completed one of the most rapid pieces of construction in the history of railway buildseen. There are a few, still among ing, and had flung the line of steel across the Alberta prairies, over the Crow's Nest summit, through the heart of the primeval woods on the bank of Elk River and out by way or dation, is justifiable, on their part, Sirdar and Creston to Kootenay Landing.

Some of us were then very busy carving pioneer cities in the Koo-July last, with the permission of the tenay forests. The first to appear market, which of course raised anwriter, Lieutenant John Moresby on the map was Wardner, the phe-(now Admiral on the retired list), an nomenal creation of the celebrated officer of distinction who was here Jim Wardner, who was able to get think there are many indications that on the "Thetis," 1851-3. It was writ- ahead of the railway by a piece of ten to his father, 4th February, 1853, reckless navigation on Kootenay without any idea of publication, and River. The navigation was conductcontains, in one part, "a few words ed under the management of one of the most energetic and capable busithe estimate of an acute, independent ness men in the West, J. D. Farrell, in Victoria, and lots of men with now a multi-millionaire and railway magnate.

I well remember a day in the sum- name them all I know I should miss mer of 1898 when I was down at out some, though not intentionally. positely, on certain interesting per- companied by his wife and some men Kootenay is taking a bigger sonal, and general, matters, the ap- friends, drifted helplessly back from hand in developing Victoria today human suffering, wherein as through preciation of which may be a link be- an unsuccessful attempt to nego- than any other outside district, not a glass darkly we may behold hortween what the Colonial Office was tiate the rocks and rapids of the even excluding the great North-west. doing at home, and what it afterwards Kootenay River. The boat was bad- Kootenay men are keen, businessdid here. Whether the recipient of ly battered and the wheel nearly torn like, energetic and I do not think the letter, Admiral Sir Fairfax Mor- away, and for that time at least the there is one freak or crank among

But the irrepressible Jim Wardner of home-seekers to the new townsite named after him. They used to arwomen and children with household lowed Jim in Idaho. They followed alas, to little purpose.

I never knew a townsite so well advertised. There were thousands of notices scattered through the woods, wherever a road or a trail went within a radius of a hundred miles, and they all read "This way to Wardner," and as you got nearer, it would be varied to "Wardner, one mile." Long before there was anything else doing in the Kootenay, and long before the railway reached Wardner, there were several thousand people gathered there, who built homes, stores, hotels, offices and all the other equipment of a new city.

Wardner's cry was that as soon as 'steel" reached the city there would be a terrific boom; as a matter of fact the railway killed the place, because at that time there was nothing behind it, and everybody went away within a few months, until, when I visited the place a year later, there were whole streets of abandoned and half-wrecked buildings.

Wardner has "come back." It is now a busy little town of perhaps 1500 people, with several large lumber mills in the neighbourhood, and it has at last redeemed its right to a place on the map.

The larger permanent cities created by the railway were Fernie and Cranbrook, the former legitimately entitled "the coal city," and the latter, the lumber city. Both are supported by prosperous, profitable and permanent industries. They are still growing, and while they may never attain to the population of some Coast cities, they are quite likely within a decade or two to reach the size of

There is a fine breezy atmosphere about these Kootenay towns and the men are like the climate; they are invigorating. Lots of the old pioneers, for it is fifteen years since the events do business along the Crow. Lots of them have reaped the rewards of industry and perseverance. Fire cannot burn, or water drown them. From each holocaust or flood they new stores, new lumber mills, or to distribute new samples.

When Dave Elmer came to my office I found that he had developed into a cigar magnate; that he represented one of the best houses in the Dominion, which eschews (this is no pun) a cheap line of goods, and carries nothing but one high grade.

that this is a Western condition, but need not be enlarged upon. it appears that shortage of labour and

facture in the West for the Western other question and one which will yet story enacted in the cottage in the ever fathomed the why and wh have to be considered. In fact, I cigars are not the only goods bearing not easy to make selections which a heavy freight rate which can be will do it justice, for there are many manufactured more cheaply in British epigrammatic sentences, but there Columbia than in Ontario.

There are lots of old Kootenay men whom I rubbed shoulders in con-

the name of the boat was "The North they do it is both a long pull and a thirty years has managed Indian afstrong pull. A Kootenay man could fairs with the utmost tact and skill have been Mayor two years ago if he and has richly earned any preferhad already conveyed some hundreds had played his cards aright. A Koo- ment which it is in the power of the tenay man is the strongest person- Government to bestow, Mr. R. L. T ality among our present Aldermen Galbraith, and that other still rive, a boat load at the time, men, and will yet be Mayor, and who older and more venerable Kootenay among the coterie of Ministers who pioneer, whose name will for ever be impedimenta. All these people were are helping Mr. McBride to forge associated with the biggest coal min-Americans, who had known and fol- British Columbia into a magnificent ing enterprise in the West and who Province, is doing better work or him to the Kootenay Wardner, but, more fully justifying his appointment in respected retirement at Victoria. than the brilliant young Member for refer of course to Mr. William Fernie. Fernie, who presides over the Department of Public Lands?

> I cannot close without mentioning the one Kootenay pioneer who still holds his own in Fort Steele, who for

is spending the evening of his days

Bokeman.

## THE BROAD HIGHWAY

Book Notes by W. B.

The Broad Highway. By Jeffrey and iron-lipped, grinds the nation

The Broad Highway is a book of some distinction. It was first published in February, 1911, and has run through four editions. It is a book which can be unreservedly recomwere not ten people left, but there mended, possessing as it does, many unique features. It is the work of a literary craftsman, entirely free from any striving after effect and yet with a style of its own which inevitably reminds one of Richard Le Gallienne. Indeed, the whole book may have been inspired by that eccentric writer's masterpiece, "The Quest of the Golden Girl."

> It tells of a young man of aristocratic family, who inherited the ible, yet stronger than death." younger son's usual portion and being too independent to accept favours went out into the world to seek his fortune. His ideas did not run in the direction of making money; he craved the simple life, the consorting with humble fellows and the studying of human nature under the safe shelter of an "incog."

In pursuit of this programme he naturally met with many adventures and fraternised with many strange characters. Such as a peddler, rejoicing in the cognomen of "Gabbing of which I am speaking occurred, still Dick"; a literary tinker. Tom Crabbe the pugilist, a bagman, a one-legged soldier, a gentleman in a battered hat, a ploughman, an ancient, a blacksmith and, of course, the inevitable comes another cove-a strange comes woman. With all these he chopped come back fresh and smiling to build logic and philosophy and some of takin' ways-'e talks wi' 'erthem are made to say things worth noting, of which more hereafter.

He worked as blacksmith's assistant for two years, distinguished himself by "knocking out" the pugilist and all the time lived in a haunted cottage in the woods, which half the along which we must all of us time he shared with the most charming and elfish woman. Just how But even a successful cigar merch- this was managed without outraging and cruel in the going, and beset one of the first men I met after the ant has his troubles, and Elmer's chief the proprieties or shocking the conmany hardships, sometimes deso trouble was that for every cigar ventionalities the reader must find which his firm could produce, he out for himself. But the author suc- must its aspect, sooner or could sell about ten, and he pitifully ceeds just as cleverly as did Richard change for the better, and, the s explained to me that they could Le Gallienne under somewhat similar track overpast, the choking heat neither get labour to handle the to- circumstances. Of course, in the end dust left behind, we may reach s bacco, nor boxes in which to pack it. the mysterious woman turns out to green, refreshing haven shaded We have been accustomed to think be an aristocrat also and the sequel trees, and full of the cool sweet so

The story is charming. Quite immaterial may be found even in the probable as a narrative but delight-East, although not generally known. fully entertaining as a romance, and I asked him why they did not manu- it is difficult to say whether the curately gauged, and who of all the author excels most in his character wise ones who have written hithe sketches or in the delightful love woods.

In a book so full of philosophy it is are a few paragraphs here and there which well illustrate both the style and the ability of Mr. Farnol.

Take the following:-"There is struction days. If I were to try and a great and awful book whose leaves are countless, yet every leaf of which is smirched with blood and Bonner's Ferry, and Mr. Farrell, ac- I venture to say that through these fouled with nameless sins, a record, howsoever brief and inadequate, of rors unimaginable; where murder stalks, and rampant lust; where treachery creeps with curving back, smiling youth, and sudden deadly esby, K.C.B., who had commanded on attempt had to be abandoned. I think them. They pull together and when hands; where tyranny, fierce-eyed,

Farnol. Little, Brown & Co., beneath a bloody heel. Truly ma Boston. \$1.50. On sale by the hath no enemy like man. And Chris Standard Stationery Co., 1220 is there, and Socrates, and Savanor Government Street, Victoria. Agony, a bowl of hemlock, and a cor suming fire."

> "Riches, genius, power-all are fa things; yet riches is never satisfie power is ever upon the wing, an when was genius ever happy? But for this divine gift of simpleness heart, who shall say it is not the be

"Roof and walls, be they cottage mansion, do not make home, rather it the atmosphere of mutual love, t intimacies of thought, the joys a sorrows endured together, and t never-failing sympathy-that invi

"'I suppose,' said Charmian, 'I su oose, you cannot understand a wom hating and loving a man, admiri and despising him, both at the sa time? Can you understand one glo ing in the tempest that may destr her, riding a fierce horse that n crush her, or being attracted by a strong and masterful, before whi all must yield or break?""

"'What do you mean-How has life been ruined?'

"'Oh! The usual way of it; Geor loves a gell-gell loves George-su ain't sweeter-very well then. Alc -a cove wi' nice soft 'ands an' walks wi' 'er-smiles at 'er-an' George ain't nowheers-pore Geor cake is dough-an' doughy dough

"As this life is a broad high whether we will or no; as it thoroughfare sometimes very and hatefully monotonous, so, of running waters."

"What rule has ever been dev whereby a woman's mind may be poets, romancists, or historiansfore of a mind feminine?"

"'That would be very immod said I; 'besides, no woman can n a man love her."

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#### CANADA IS POTENTIAL MARKET

Figures respecting British machinery exports, compiled by a writer the London Times, show that in 1909, the value sent to Canada was 339,593 or 11d. (about 22c) per head. Commenting upon these and ther statistics it is contended that they are suggestive alike to the conomist and to the British manufacturing engineer, for they indicate nmense potential markets for machinery in many portions of the "Undoubtedly the most remarkable of them are those which elate to Canada. That country, the oldest of the great dominions, as an enormous extent of territory, 3,730,000 square miles, and her amerous and growing industries, and the development of her varied nd immense natural resources, call for nearly every variety of achinery. She is, moreover, the most populous of the British-peopled ominions (nearly 7,500,000 of inhabitants) and her people are at once nergetic and enterprising, and sincerely and loyally attached to the other Country. Nevertheless, her purchases of British machinery in 2009 amounted to the relatively paltry sum of £340,000, or less than s. per head of her population.

#### Worth Less Than Burma

"As a market for British machinery, she is worth less than Burma, e Cape, the Transvaal, or Natal, and just about one-third as much as ew South Wales. There are, at least, a dozen foreign countries each which is worth more than she is as a buyer of British machinery, is not, of course, that she does not want machinery. Although she now an important manufacturer, and even exporter, of machinery—nding in fact to this country nearly one-third as much as it sends to c—it is probable that she absorbs per capita more machinery of home il outside production than any other British country oversea, apart om small and accidental cases, such as that of the Falkland Islands, if she imported machinery, in the year in question, to the value of 661,731, or rather more than 7s. per head. Of that total, the United inglom supplied a trifle over 12 per cent.

"The average British manufacturer when faced with a lost or dening market suspects Germany. The suspicion would be quite unstifiable in the present instance. Germany's exports of machinery Canada amount to a few thousand pounds only; and the offender is United States, which supplied over 85 per cent. of all the machinery nada imported—more than seven times as much as the United Kingm supplied, and practically all that the latter did not send.

#### Supplies All This Machinery

"From the reports it appears that the United States supplies all the chinery of the following classes which Canada obtains from outside: engines, steam shovels, railway and tractor motors, typewriting chines and cash registers; among agricultural machinery, all the eshing machines and parts, weeders, seed drills, harrows, self-bind-harvesters, horse rakes, manure spreaders, and mowing machines; lalso practically all the railway locomotives, gasoline engines, beetar machinery, combined portable and traction engines and boilers, nting presses and bookbinders' machinery, and electric motors and lerators. Even of steam engines and boilers, coal mining and some er mining and smelting plant, sewing machines and parts, and windls, where the record of the United Kingdom is a little better, the ited States supplied over 80 per cent.

"No consolation for British machinery makers is to be found in an imination of the proportions which the United Kingdom supplies of er Canadian imports—rather the contrary. Of the import trade of nada as a whole, the United Kingdom provides nearly 24 per cent., inst 61 per cent. by the United States; and if the large amount of de or raw materials which Canada naturally obtains from her nextor neighbour—materials which the United Kingdom could not expect supply—is excluded from consideration, and the examination is fined to manufactured goods only, the proportion which the United agdom supplies is very much larger than 24 per cent. Even in iron 1 steel, and manufactures of iron and steel generally, apart from chinery, the United Kingdom supplies over 20 per cent. of the whole, tinst 76 per cent. supplied by the United States.

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#### Was a Relapse Last Year

"The classification adopted in the reports on trade and commerce issued by the Canadian government omits, under the influence of the tariff arrangements, from the normal 'Machines and Machinery' a number of items which are certainly machinery; and hence it is not always easy to arrive at the totals desired. This circumstance, however, will hardly affect, to any material extent, the ratios between the proportions of the machinery imports into Canada supplied by the two chief purveyors. From the Canadian figures it appears that while in 1906 and 1907, of the total 'machines and machinery' supplied by the United Kingdom and the United States, this country provided a little over 5 per cent. only, in 1908 the proportion rose to 9.5 per cent., and in 1909 to 12 per cent. But after so great an improvement, there was a relapse last year, and the proportion fell to only 7.6 per cent. Still it seems that things are really getting better, and that the preference has had an appreciable effect; and while this country cannot now hope to displace the United States as the principal purveyor of machinery to Canada, only a sustained and systematic effort on the part of British machinery makers is required in order to make up a good deal more of the leeway."-The Monetary Times.

#### INSURANCE REPORT

The annual report of the superintendent of insurance on companies other than life, shows that during the year 1910 the business of fire insurance was carried on by 60 companies. The cash received for premiums during the year amounted to \$1,676,067, and the amount paid for losses was \$10,292,393, which is greater than that paid in 1909 by \$1,645,567. The gross amount of policies renewed during the year by

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fire companies was \$1,817,055,685, which is greater by \$237,079,818 than the amount taken in 1909. Premium charges thereon amounted in 1910 to \$24,684,296.40, being \$2,390,663.15 greater than the amount charged the previous year. Automobile insurance was carried on by seven companies, three Canadian, four American. The premiums received amounted to \$80,446 and losses paid to \$28,372.

Tornado insurance to a very limited extent, was carried on by three American companies, the total premium received being \$58,000 with no losses. Hail insurance was carried on by a Canadian company, the Hudson Bay Insurance Company, the premiums received being \$226,861, and the losses paid \$73,362. The total premiums received for this class of risk was \$1,644,252 and losses paid amounted to \$714,977. All accident companies transacted personal accident business. The total premiums were \$1,815,571, insuring an amount of \$296,236,458. Claims paid amounted to \$603,331.

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#### COMMERCIAL ART

Among the various features which characterise a progressive city, perhaps the sign boards, public hoardings, and window displays, pronounce in the strongest language to the visitor, the outlook and estimate of its citizens, just as a neat suit of clothes will brand the individual. It Mr. Percy Manser, of 1408 Broad St. Victoria can boast of a high-grade artist in the realm of commercial art A large percentage of the elaborate signs which now decorate our city are the handiwork of Mr. Manser No small part of his work has lain in the direction of window decorations for realty offices, etc., and curtain

A visit to the Manser Sign Work is on a busy day-which means an day-a revelation, one is surprise in discovering the size of the quan ters, as well as the variety and qual ity of work being done for busines firms in the city, who have come t realise the value of such work augmenting trade. Visitors are a ways cordially received by Mr. Mar ser, whether they art bent on an in mediate purchase or prompted by natural curiosity.

STATUES NOT NEEDING WORDS At the Art Museum the sign "Hands Of vas conspicuously displayed before the stat of Venus de Milo.

A small child looked from the sign

"Anybody could see that," she said, dryly.

#### AN APPETIZER

"I'm afraid you may think we're givi you a lot of fish this week, old man," sa the genial host, as they sat down to dinn "The fact is, my wife has got hold of wi sounds like a really capital device for rem ing a fish-bone stuck in the throat, and want to see if it works.'

# Tungsten Lamp Talks to Business People

Good Store Illumination does'nt mean light "in bunches," nor does it mean bare lamps that hang low enough to glare in people's eyes.

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# The Mars Civil Service

By Arthur Fellows

of British Columbia is stated to have place they started from, and if, as is adopted the principle, said to have usually the case, there has been been so long in force in the Old "nothin' doing" meanwhile, they at Country, of "promotion by merit"; but while this setting aside of 'seniority" seems most excellent on paper, its value in practice entirely depends on the character and capacity of those who apply it. "Like begets like," and "you cannot make a silk purse out of a sow's ear"; while "a pig in a poke," or more unfitly, in office, will never see or acknowledge any "merit" in a different kind of

The writer is of course without knowledge of such Old Country affairs as those alluded to, but his astronomical interests have led him to a study, not only of the canals of Mars, but of her Civil Service and other matters. Before touching on these, however, he would observe that as no date is given above to show when British "promotion by merit" started, in speculating on the same, he came across the following reference to a former most exalted Civil Service Chief, to whom is doubtless due its origin. In a recent article on Marlborough, we are somewhat rudey told, in reference to that great extraordinary gifts, that 'these would have carried him to the op in any field of action and kept Whatever "great Anna's" as made far more impression on all ucceeding generations, than has that oubt whatever" as to her capacity her, and since "votes for women" ive so extended female opportunity, ervice has been entirely under, ther her direct sway, or that of er appointed lieutenants, whose

nerits" almost equal her own. Dickens' works are unfortunately ot to hand, but the following decription of H. M.'s brilliantly conicted Circumlocution Department in e Mars Somerset House, shows here its origin was derived. On the blic side of an extensive counter in e of the offices, an enormous and ach-pressed-for-time crowd is obved impatiently awaiting attention, ile on the other hand a considere staff is doing its utmost to facilie business. The members of it, untunately "born-tired" and obviousoverworked, are vigorously begino arrived half-an-hour before, havst carefully brushing his hat, in der not to delay the going-away er. Two others, with backs to the unter, who "had the day" yestery to go shooting, are now, busierin bees, cleaning up a gun between em; while half-a-dozen more, as a rt of jury, are gathered around em, to finally decide from the eviice how many birds exactly fell the vious afternoon. Some very omintaps and unappreciative remarks, e for considerable time past been rd from the public, but not offilly; at length, however, someone, er some unusually awful threats, lly has to be attended to, so Mr. A. leputed for the job. After more or s listening in most bored manner the applicant before him, he prods to explain that matters of this ticular kind are always dealt with Mr. B., but this latter gentleman er hearing the story all over again, orms the client that though this is tainly the right department to ne to, the application is "special" t, and can only be attended to by C., who never arrives till the af-

rk to clerk, and office to office, the

In a recent issue the Province customers generally arrive back at the least know where to begin again from on the morrow.

> The Mars Civil Service is undoubtedly conducted, in the main, in a fair and able manner, but as rare and grotesque exceptions are always more striking than mere jog-trot ability and competence, only some of these former will be touched on now.

The chief office,-the ladies' department, from which the circumlocution, and all others take their cue,-is under the joint principalship of "Mrs. Freeman" and "Mrs. Morley," her remarkably frank grace of Marlborough and H. M. having decided on these names for business purposes. The rapid and able manner in which these two ladies transact business, especially when differing together, is too well known for further mention here, but it must be confessed that some of their clients are little behind them, in the very high standard set. Thus one lady correspondent, whose signature did not appear to "Mrs. Freeman" to agree with that on a former letter, indignantly wrote later that the second one was certainly hers because being ill at the time she had asked her daughter to write the letter for her, and had seen her do it, while im there had he served any sover- in another instance, where the surign but the stupidest woman in name was not the same as previously, the possessor of both, a milliner, spepowers however, they were at least cially interviewed "Mrs. Morley" to qual to the task of making "two request that no alteration be made vorlds obey," and the requirements and to explain in crisp business manf the highest office of her day, while ner that though married since her ler Majesty's ever lamented decease first epistle, she "still wished to carry on as before.'

To recruit the service, and add furf any other monarch. Like Enoch, ther lustre and ability, "Mrs. Morley" owever, she is understood to have had originated the excellent plan of een merely "translated," and the drifting into it all the butlers, grooms riter, an unbending Church and and gardeners of such ex-Ministers, ate Tory, entertains "no possible who having lost their salaries, desired to cut down their establishments. adorn any new position now open Like their great chief, gentlemen were equally competent to conduct any office, if only high enough, and if the is said the Mars Old Country Civil heavy circumlocution duties, save the gun-cleaning, were of somewhat too novel a nature, or, like those at dances who "don't waltz," they 'didn't do no figurin'," or perhaps write, they could always be made a principal, and superintend these operations. The work never went so well as when they were asleep in their official sanctums, as there could at least then be no misdirection, and D. would not be told off to impede matters by getting in E's way; while when awake, all that was necessary was to carefully avoid touching or, by "mark" or otherwise, signing anything not previously prepared by someone else, who could be dropped on later if anything went wrong with it. To bawl out something occasiong to get ready, one gentleman, ally which neither public nor staff took any notice of, and periodically already got a glove off, while a prepare the official "characters" of npanion who came with him, is these last, so that all should be ready when "Mrs. Morley" was considering her next "promotions by merit," about completed the requirements.

The general idea outside was that only those who had been to the leading public schools or other refining institutions were admitted to a service evidently requiring the highest qualifications in the land; but to the surprise of the more scholarly public who entered the establishment for the first time, say for the purpose of "changing an address," they were they were generally greeted by the genial redfaced principal, who presided over this particular department, with such cheery comments as, "so you've left the old 'ome 'ave yer?"

Space, however, forbids further reference to the Mars Civil Service, and also to her law; over which last H. M. appears to exert an even greater originality and genius.

#### THE RISE IN TEA PRICES

Mr. W. A. W. Melville, the chief representative of Thomas J. Lipton for Canada and the United States, noon. At the "early closing" of when asked for the cause of the ininess, after being passed from crease in the price of Tea, said:-

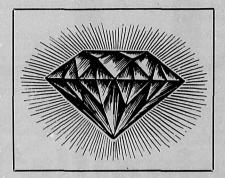
"The day of good Tea at a cheap house is "The Prince George."

# 23 Days to Christmas

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price has passed-more particularly of British grown teas-their increasing popularity having created a greater demand than the supply. Russia and Australia are buying tremendously of these instead of China teas, and the consumption in Great Britain is larger than ever. shutting out of over 15 million pounds of coloured China Green tea by the United States, and the increased use of tea due to high coffee prices - this with greater acreage given to rubber in Ceylon, the shortage in the Japan tea crop this year, and the labour problem in tea growing countries are all factors which account for the much higher primary markets. The present revolution in China may mean smaller Chinese crops next year. These conditions either mean lower quality at the same prices or the same quality at higher prices. Our experience shows the public prefer the latter. The future indications are for still higher prices. Yet even with the advance in prices, tea will still be by far the cheapest popular beverage.

#### ANOTHER MODERN NEW HOTEL

Unless something unforseen occurs there will shortly be opened another new and modern hotel in Victoria. Mr. Iason Graham, long and favourably known to Victorians and northern people, will be "mine host." The new hotel, situated on the corner of Douglas and Pandora streets, is an imposing five-story brick building with facade of terra cotta colour pressed brick and ornamental marble and tile. There are two stores on the Pandora street side, while the main lobby faces Douglas. One hundred and twenty rooms, a spacious dining-room, large double lobby, numerous baths and a handsome buffet comprise the house's accommodation. The bar is situated on the corner and is a marvel of the cabinet-maker's art. Mission or fumed oak, and leaded glass make a happy combination. The dispensing of "liquid joy" will be under the supervision of a well known man, and Mr. Graham's own connections ensure the new house a good business. Formal announcement of opening will be made in these colmuns. The name of the new

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#### Rules for Limerick Competitors

- In order to win a Limerick Prize it is only necessary to cut out Coupon below, and to add a line to the verse which accompanies the Coupon. This last line must rhyme with the first two lines, but neither of the last two words terminating the first two lines may be
- 2. All who desire to compete for the prizes offered by "The Week" for Limericks must enclose the Coupon below, together with 50 cents and forward same not later than December 9th, addressed Limerick Editor, The Week, Victoria, B.C. All letters sent after that date will be disqualified.
- 3. Competitors may submit two or more Limericks if desired—but each attempt must be accompanied by separate coupon, and additional entrance fee. Competitors sending more than one Limerick may enclose one money order or cheque for the full amount covering the number of their coupons. The Editor undertakes that every Limerick shall receive careful consideration, but he will not hold himself responsible for coupons lost or mislaid.
- 4. The decision of the Editor on all matters relating to this competition must be accepted as final, and acceptance of this rule is an express condition of entry.
- 5. The result of each competition will be duly announced in the next issue of "The Week," following the closing date for entries. The names of the prize-winners, together with their addresses, will be published with the winning lines.
- 6. The total amount of the money received will be distributed amongst the winners who will be graded in order of merit, less 10 per cent. for various objects of general public interest, and 10 per cent. for expenses. The 10 per cent. this month will be paid to the Public Library for the purpose of adding new books to the Library. (We should be happy to receive any suggestions as regards the books most in request by readers). Next month the amount set aside for public purposes will be given to the Jubilee Hospital.

#### "THE WEEK" LIMERICK COMPETITION

COUPON NO. 2

They say there's a man in the Moon, Who at Aeroplanes winks, crying "Soon "If they're out for a race "They may pass me in space

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## Dominion and Provincial News

Seek Dominion Charter

the Cedars, Cascades and Coleau, are to be developed for power purposes by an English syndicate. The promoters will capitalize at \$100,000,000 with a charter from the Dominion government.

A Civic Realty Co.

The City Council of St. John is consuburbs, in two hundred or more lots, men on easy terms, the men binding themselves to erect homes and live there. The plan is favoured by representatives of labour unions, but many citizens contend that as the city owns lands in various parts of would apply to all.

#### Cold Storage

west are said to be foreshadowed by son, chairman. the present official survey being made by Mr. J. A. Ruddick, the Dominion's dairy and cold storage commissioner. He will enquire into several cold storage proposals, and look over various lines of work in connection with the dairying and fruit growing industries, which are carried on by the branch of the department ity is better now than at any time of agriculture, over which he has

#### Canada's Place

oat-growing countries of the world. the United States is second with 792,-000,000. Canada's crop this year is estimated at 368,000,000. Canada stands fifth among wheat-growing countries.

#### Prince Rupert Waterworks

having been spent during 1911 out of Port Arthur and Guelph.

Three rapids in the St. Lawrence being spent this year on sewer system river, entirely on Canadian territory, and a like sum on rock cutting and street grading.

#### Railroads' Remuneration

The application of the railroads for more remuneration for carrying the mails has been adjourned till Jan. 23 by the railway commission. The railways represented that the companies are getting no more now than when By order of the British Columbia sidering a proposition to lay out a the contracts were first entered upon, section of land which it owns in the as far back as 1868, when the mails were very light. The railway com-50x300 feet, to be sold to working mission and post office department will fix rates which are now said to be in some cases twelve hundred per cent. lower than in the United States.

#### No Profit in This

The operation of the Manitoba the city it should adopt a scheme that Government telephone system for the year 1911 will show a loss of nearly \$150,000. This is the substance of a statement made by the telephone com-Cold storage developments for the missioners through Mr. F. C. Patter-

#### A Heavy Bag

A grizzly bear weighing 1,500 pounds, was recently shot at Ramsay Arm by a hunter from Vancouver.

#### The Sandon Outlook

The outlook for Sandon and vicinfor years. With a resumption of work at the Slocan Star and Payne, and a continuance of operations at the Hope, Richmond-Eureka, Reco, Canada is now third among the Twilight, Noble Five, Surprise, Sunset, and other properties, the pros-Russia leads with 866,000,000 bushels, pects are favourable for the ensuing

#### Death Overcomes Priest

Within a few hours after he had officiated at a funeral on November 16, death came suddenly to Rev. J. J. Connelly, aged 63. He was one of The waterworks at Prince Rupert the best known Jesuit priests in Caare now nearly completed, \$100,000 nada and had filled the pastorate in

## Prize Award

Owing to the limited number of competitors for the first Limerick it has been decided to divide the prize money between two competitors, the first and second, whose Limericks are published:

#### First Prize

Mr. Joseph Winter, Porter, Union

If you wish to be happy and wise You must first win a Limerick prize. For dollars are things

That seem to have wings, Yet millions are captured by lies.

#### Second Prize

Miss Dorothy Graham, P. O. Box 236. City:

If you wish to be happy and wise You must first win a Limerick prize. For dollars are things That seem to have wings,

Like the money enclosed I surmise.

There were 14 entries yielding \$7, divided as follows:-80 per cent. to the competitors and the small balance set aside until it increases for the Library. It has been decided to award 50 per cent. of the balance to the first prize, amounting \$3.50, and 30 per cent. to the second, amounting to \$2.10. These amounts have been paid in cash. It is hoped there will be a much larger number of competitors for the second Limerick .-



Ed. Week.

# **Auction Sale of** Lots

# a total appropriation of \$555,000 also being spent this year on sewer system In Grand Trunk **Pacific Townsite** of South Hazelton

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MR. HERBERT CUTHBERT, under instructions from the Hon. W. R. Ross, Minister of Lands for the province, and E. I. Chamberlin, Esq., Vice-Pres. of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, will sell by auction, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19th, at the A. O. U. W. Hall, Yates Street, at 11 a.m., 2.30 p.m., and (if necessary) 8 p.m.

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Mr. Phelan is a graduate with honours of Trinity College, Dublin (first gold medallist in Law and Political Science) and a member of the bars of Ireland and England.

The new partnership starts under the happiest auspices with offices in

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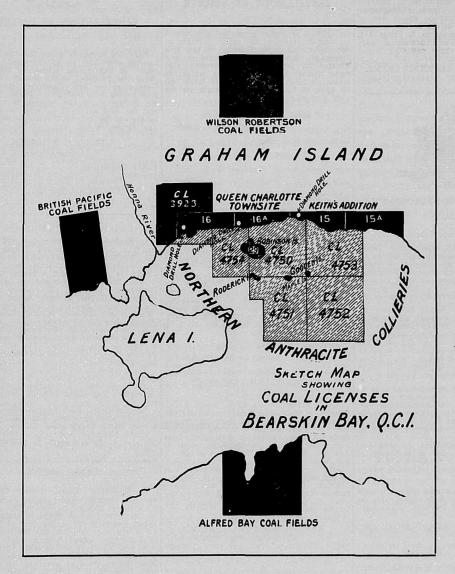
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# Correspondence

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#### SALT SPRING ISLAND

To the Editor of The Week:

Sir,-I noticed a recent article by "Bohemian" in your paper wherein he stated that no money could be made at farming on Salt Spring Island, His itinerary, according to his own statement was merely from Vesuvius to Ganges Harbour, a distance of less than five miles. Now Salt Spring Island is about twenty miles long, and would average between six and seven miles in width, so only a very small fraction of the Island has come under his notice. I am aware that Ganges is the most densely populated part, but this is a more or less moneyed population, consequently they do no more farming than they feel like. Moreover, "Bohemian's" host is one of the best off (and most hospitable) residents in the district, and what he makes or loses on his farm does not worry him much. But Ganges is not Salt Spring Island, but only a settlement in it. Had he followed the road running down the Island and along to Fulford Harbour, at the south end, he would have found working farmers keeping their families and putting by on an average over a hundred dollars per month on land worth from four to six thousand dollars.

But, of course, the future of our Island does not entirely depend on farming, for it is very certain that it, and the south end in particular, is destined to become a noted summer resort for Victoria once the B. C. Electric tramway runs to Deep Cove. Fulford Harbour is an ideal spot for this, as it is a commodious and well sheltered sheet of water, of great scenic beauty, with ample beach accommodation, good and plentiful water supply, and only six miles from Deep Cove, and seven from Sidney.

There is excellent fishing, abundance of clams, crabs, and other seaside luxuries, good wharfage and shelter for launches, with three stores and plentiful game supply. Farm produce and fruits are there in abundance, whilst between it and Burgoyne Bay lies a wide and most fertile valley where farmers are making money and where the present output can easily be trebled.

W. J. L. HAMILTON. South Salt Spring, Nov. 23rd.

#### THE COOK STREET DUMP

The Editor The Week:

Sir,-Some years ago, pending the completion of the sewerage works for ie city, a temporary open dump was established on Cook Street, near the Park Boulevard. This we were promised should be removed long before houses were built around it. It has been now for years a constant daily menace to the health of the neighbourhood. At all times foul and filthy odours almost suffocate those who descend at May Street corner, at the very doors of this receptacle. Several mornings recently, after the night soil had been more freely distributed around the entrance than usual; it has caused positive sickness to those passing along. Last week, the foul excrementitious droppings on the street, for nearly a block, compelled even ladies and children to pass along with their footwear soiled and reeking with human ordure. Doctors spoken to condemn it, and counsel those with children not to build in its vicinity.

Really, sir, has the City Health Officer no power at all, until another epidemic sweeps off our little ones? Can't he make his voice heard amid the futile and childish bickerings and the strident and raucous clamour of the City Hall? If so, let him wipe away, without an hour's delay, this unspeakable sixteenth century nastiness, which no other city on the continent would tolerate.

If not removed, bag and baggage

every foul brick of the evil-smelling structure-we shall be compelled to indict the City for the nuisance, and unwillingly publish far and wide a warning against visiting, investing or even approaching the "Queen City of the Cook Street Dump."

> Yours, FAIRFIELD.

25th November, 1911.



SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Extension to Wharf at Stewart, B.C.," will be received at this office until 4.00 p.m., on Thursday, December 21, 1911, for the construction of an Extension to Wharf at Stewart, Head of Portland Canal, Comox-Atlin, B.C.

Plans, specification and form of contract can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department and at the offices of G. A. Keefer, Esq., District Engineer, New Westminster, B.C., F. W. Aylmer, Esq., District Engineer, Chase, B.C., and on application to the Postmaster at Stewart, Comox-Atlin, B.C.

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

Each tender must be given.

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

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

R. C. DESROCHERS,

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, November 24, 1911.



SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Jetty at Mouth of Fraser River, B.C.," will be received until 4 p.m., on Tuesday, December 19, 1911, for the construction of a Jetty at Mouth of the Fraser River at Steveston, B.C.

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By order,

R. C. DESROCHERS,

Department of Public Works,

Ottawa, November, 18.



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Headquarters School.

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for School-house Headquarters," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon of Wednesday, the 13th day of December, 1911, for the erection and completion of a large one-room frame school-house at Headquarters, in the Comox Electoral District, B.C.

Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 22nd day of November, 1911, at the offices of A. M. Hilton, Esq., Secretary of the School Board, Headquarters, via Comox, B.C.; the Government Agent, Cumberland, B.C.; and the Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings, Victoria.

Buildings, Victoria.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for the sum of \$250, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

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

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. J. E. GRIFFITH. Public Works Engineer. Public Works Department.

Victoria, B.C., November 20th, 1911.



CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserves established over vacant Crown Lands in Ranges 4 and 5, Coast District, by notice bearing dates respectively of December 17th, 1908, May 5th, 1910, and May 25th, 1910, which were published in the British Columbia Gazette in the issues of December 17th, 1908, May 12th, 1910, and May 26th, 1910, are cancelled in so far as the same relates to the lands surveyed as Lots 387, 388, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 536, 537, 538, 539, \$40, \$41, \$111, \$112, \$113, \$1114, \$1115, \$110, \$117, \$118, \$110, \$1120, \$1121, \$and \$1122, \$all in Range 4, Coast District; and Lots 4028, 4029, 4030, 4031, 3022A, 3030, 3031A, 3043, 3044, 3594A, 4933, and 4934, all in Range 5, Coast District.

R. A. RENWICK, Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department,

Victoria, B. C. 11th October, 1911.

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District of Coast
TAKE notice that I, Rebekah Crane, of
Vancouver, B.C., occupation House Wife, intends to apply for permission to purchase
the following described lands:—Commencing
at a post planted about 20 chains west of
the north-west corner of the north-west quarter of Section 22, Township 8, Range III,
Bella Coola Valley, and containing sixty
acres, more or less.
Dated September 20, 1911.

MRS. REBEKAH CRANE.

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

MRS. REBEKAH CRANE.



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

French Creek School.

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for School-house, French Creek," will be received by the Hon. the Minister of Public Works up to 12 o'clock noon of Wednesday, the 6th day of December, 1911, for the erection and completion of a large one-room frame school-house at French Creek, in the Alberni Electoral District, B.C.

Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 15th day of November, 1911, at the offices of J. West, Esg., Secretary of the School Board, Coombs, B.C.; the Government Agent at Alberni, B.C.; the Government Agent at Nanaimo, B.C.; and the Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings, Victoria.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, for the sum of \$350, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

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

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. E. GRIFFITH, Public Works Engineer.

Department of Public Works, Victoria, B.C., November 14th, 1911.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands for a licence to prospect for Coal and Petroleum under the following described submarine areas adjacent to the South-west Coast of Saturna Island, Cowichan District, British Columbia:—Commencing at a post placed about the south-west corner of the north-west quarters of Section 5, Saturna Island, Cowichan District, British Columbia; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains east; thence 50 chains north, more or less to the sea beach at high water mark; thence following the sea beach at high water mark in a westerly direction to the point of commencement. of commencement.

Dated September 18th, 1911.

Locator, W. FLINDELL. Agent, G. F. Payne.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands for a Licence to prospect for Coal and Petroleum under the following described submarine areas adjacent to the south-west Coast of Saturna Island, Cowichan District, British Columbia:—Commencing at a post placed at the south-west corner of Section No. 2, Saturna Island, Cowichan District, British Columbia; thence 62 chains south; thence 80 chains cast; thence 80 chains north, to the sea beach at high water mark in a westerly direction to the point of commencement.

Dated Sentember 18th, 1011.

Dated September 18th, 1911. Locator, E. R. CARTWRIGHT. Agent, G. F. Payne.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands for a Licence to prospect for Coal and Petroleum under the following described submarine areas adjacent to the south-west coast of Saturna Island, Cowichan District, British Columbia:—Commencing at a post placed at the south-east corner of Section No. 4 on Saturna Island, Cowichan District, British Columbia; thence 60 chains south; thence 80 chains west; thence 80 chains to the sea beach at high water mark in an easterly direction to point of commencement.

Dated Sentember 18th, 1011.

Dated September 18th, 1911. Locator, T. D. ROBERTS. Agent, G. F. Payne.



CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing over Crown lands on the Morrice River, Range 5, Coast District, notice of which bearing date of May 5th, 1910, was published in the British Columbia Gazette of May 5th, 1910, is cancelled in so far as it relates to the lands surveyed as Lots 3881, 3883, 3884, 3885, 3886, 3889, 3893, 3894, 3895, 3896, 3897, 3898, 3899, 3900, 3901, 3902, 3903, 3904, 3905, 3906, 3907, 3908, 3909, and 3910.

ROBERT A. RENWICK, Deputy Minister of Lands. Department of Lands. Victoria, B. C.,

September 12, 1911.



CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing by reason of the notice published in the British Columbia Gazette of the 27th December, 1907, covering a parcel of land situated on Redonda Island, formerly held under Timber License No. 44043, which has lapsed, is cancelled, and the said lands will be open to location after midnight on the 14th December, 191\*.

ROBERT A. PENWICK, Deputy Minister of Lands.

Victoria, B. C.,

September 12, 1911.

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT
District of Malahat
TAKE NOTICE that I, Frederick Adolphus Futcher, of Victoria, B.C., occupation Merchant, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at high water mark on the north bank of Arbutus Creek at its mouth, Saanich Arm, on Lot 120, Malahat District; thence east ten chains; thence north to low water mark; thence following low water mark in a westerly and northerly direction to a point due east of the north-east corner of Lot 120, Malahat District; thence west to high water mark; thence in a southerly direction following high water mark to point of commencement.
Dated November 2nd, 1911.
FREDERICK ADOLPHUS FUTCHER,
Per William Meyerstein, Agent.
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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT District of Malahat

District of Malahat
TAKE notice that we, R. V. Winch & Co.,
Limited, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Commission Agents, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described
lands:—Commencing at a post planted at
high water mark at the north-east corner of
Lot 95, Malahat District; thence east to
low water mark; thence southerly and following low water mark to a point due east
of the south-east corner of Lot 118, Malahat
District; thence west to high water mark;
thence northerly and following high water
mark to the point of commencement, containing ten acres more or less.
Dated October 26th, 1911.

R. V. WINCH & CO., LIMITED.

ed October 26th, 1911.

R. V. WINCH & CO., LIMITED.

By William Meyerstein, Agent.
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CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve established by notice bearing date June 30th, 1008, and published in the British Columbia Gazette on July 2nd, 1908, over certain lands in the Districts of Cariboo and Lillooet in the vicinity of the 52nd parallel of North latitude, is cancelled in so far as the same relates to the lands surveyed as Sections 12, 13, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36, Township 46, Lillooet District; Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, Township 52, Lillooet District; Sections 1, 2, 4, 9, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 23, 26, 35, and 36, Township 54, Lillooet District; Sections 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33, Township 84, Lillooet District; Sections 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36, Township 86, Lillooet District; Sections 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36, Township 86, Lillooet District; Sections 24, 35 and 36, Township 88, Lillooet District; Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 15, and 16, Township 47, Cariboo District; Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Township 51, Cariboo District, and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Township 51, Cariboo District, and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, Township 51, Cariboo District, and Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 18 and 20, Township 53, Cariboo District.

R. A. RENWICK, Deputy Minister of Lands.

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Lands Department, Victoria, B. C.

11th October, 1911. oct. 14

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT
District of Coast, Range 3
TAKE notice that Vincent Clayton, of
Bella Coola, occupation Storekeeper, intends
to apply for permission to purchase the
following described lands:—Commencing at
a post planted 10 chains west of the northwest corner of Lot 126, Bella Coola; thence
south 20 chains; thence west 80 chains;
thence north 10 chains more or less to
south boundary of Lot 3; thence east 50
chains more or less to south-east corner of
Lot 3; thence north 10 chains more or less
to the south-west corner of Lot 2; thence
east 30 chains more or less along south
boundary of Lot 2 to point of commenceeast 30 chains more or less along south boundary of Lot 2 to point of commence-

VINCENT CLAYTON. Dated September 26th, 1911.



CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reserve existing over the foreshore abutting on the East Coast of Vancouver Island from the head of Saanich Inlet to the 50th parallel of north latitude, as well as the reserve of the coal under the sea fronting the said foreshore, notice of which bearing date January 5th, 1910, was published in the British Columbia Gazette on January 6th, 1910, is cancelled, except in so far as the said reserve relates to the foreshore in front of Nelson and Newcastle Districts and to the coal under the sea fronting such foreshore.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,

Deputy Minister of Lands. Lands Department,

August 30th, 1911.



CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserv existing over Lots 31, 32 and 33, North Division of Salt Spring Island, by reason of the notice published in the British Columbi Gazette of the 27th December, 1907, suc land having been held under Timber Licenc No. 14891, which has expired, is cancelle and the said land will be open to locatio by pre-emption only after midnight on Thur day, December 7th, 1911.

ROBT. A. RENWICK, Deputy Minister of Lands.

Lands Department, Victoria, B. C.,

September 2nd, 1911.

WATER NOTICE

I, Frederick A. Futcher, of 508 Dall Road, in the City of Victoria, British Colubia, Merchant, give notice that on the 6 day of December, 1911, at the hour of 2. o'clock in the afternoon, I intend to app to the Water Commissioner at his office Parliament Buildings, Government Stre Victoria, B.C., for a water license to ta and use four cubic feet of water per seco from Arbutus Creek in Malahat Division, Victoria District. The water is to be talfrom the stream about nine and a half cha from its outlet at the sea on the west so f Saanich Arm or Inlet. The water is be used on Lot 120, Malahat District, for dustrial purposes.

The location of the proposed reservoir si are:

are:
No. 1 reservoir, in Arbutus Creek, ab nine and a half chains from its outlet at

sea.
No. 2 reservoir, about fourteen chains nor east of No. 1 reservoir, and east of Vacouver Island Trunk road.
Dated November 2nd, 1911.
FREDERICK A. FUTCHER

WATER NOTICE

I, Vancouver Island Power Compa Limited, of 1016 Langley Street, in the C of Victoria, give notice that on the 5th of December, 1911, I intend to apply to Water Commissioner at the City of Victor a license to take and use four cubic of water per second from a creek flow into Bear Creek in the Malahat Division Victoria Water District, the water to be to from the stream 3500 feet from its junc with Bear Creek and is to be used on area adjacent to the stream on the side thereof and below the point of diver for industrial purposes.

VANCOUVER ISLAND POWER CO., LTD.,
G. W. Tripp, Directo N.B.—(If storage is applied for, desc

G. W. Tripp, Directon N.B.—(If storage is applied for, deso the location of the proposed reservoir reasonable particularity.) It is proposed store water about two miles up stream the junction of the said Creek with Creek, the property to be impounded amount approximately to 25 acre feet and works proposed for penning back of water to be a Log Crib Dam ten feet with gates to regulate the flow.

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Sooke
TAKE notice that Thomas J. Cartwr of East Sooke, occupation Surveyor, int to apply for permission to purchase the lowing described lands:—Commencing post planted at the south-east corner of tion 110, bounded as follows:—Commer at this post; thence south twenty chatched the commercation of the commercati

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT
District of Conet, Range III
TAKE notice that Albert Edward Ch
of Victoria, B.C., occupation Banker, in
to apply for permission to purchase th
lowing described lands:—Commencing
post planted at the north-west corner of
140, Dean Channel, thence east twenty ch
thence north ten chains more or less to
south bank of the Salmon River; thence
lowing the south bank of the Salmon
in a south-westerly direction twenty c
more or less, thence south to point of
mencement, and containing ten acres
or less.

Dated October 21st, 1911.
ALBERT EDWARD CHRIST
A. K. Stuart, Age

COAST LAND DISTRICT
Range I
TAKE notice that Archibald Dunbar
lor, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Bar
intends to apply for permission to put
the following described lands:—Comme
at a post planted on the east shore of
dero Channel and about thirty chains
of Henry Point; thence east 45 chains; t
north 30 chains to the south-west corn
Lot 91; thence north 40 chains along th
of Limit 91 and thence west 45 chains
or less to the shore of Cardero Cha
thence south along the shore of Cardero Cha
thence south along the shore of Ca
Channel to point of commencement.
Dated November 17th, 1911.

ARCHIBALD DUNBAR TAYLE
Geo. Y. Hibberd, Ag

#### The New Westminster Convention

The topics which were discussed at | submitted without discussion. Too sometimes picturesque features is entitled to a column of its own.

This Convention was the largest ever held in the Province; Victoria couver mounted up to 250; New Westminster, with the aid of alternates, had a full delegation of 420, beng ten representatives for each M. P. P. In addition, there were probably twenty ex-officio members.

The gathering took place in St. George's Hall, which was packed to suffocation at every session and was entirely inadequate for the purpose. Mayor Lee was the leading and movng spirit in all the ceremonies; his position as Chief Magistrate of the im there. He had to welcome the ssembly in felicitous terms; he had present them with the key of his omain; he had to tell them that at leven o'clock at night every policean would be in bed and New Westninster would belong to the visitors; e had to announce sundry banquets, eceptions and ceremonies, and finalhad to submit to sufficient praise turn the head of any ordinary man. But Mayor Lee is not an ordinary an; he is a little, compact, eneretic piece of pushfulness, brimming ver with optimism, believing that ew Westminster is going to be the reatest city in the Province, and mly convinced that it possesses naral advantages for harbours and eneral transportation facilities far eyond those of Victoria and Van-

This is the spirit which builds up g cities and fires the whole comunity with enthusiasm. Everyone mired Mayor Lee and everyone s proud of the manner in which conducted himself and discharged e onerous duties devolved upon n. One enthusiastic Victoria delete shouted from the floor of the onvention: "We would like to borw Mayor Lee for the Capital City' is Worship made the lightning rert: "It strikes me you've got Mor-

cts were called out to hear the rense: "A full delegation." Of rse, this had reference to numbers did one good to witness the sponeity with which the services of the ef officers were recognized. The -popular W. B. Mackay, who has

idmirably discharged the duties of Presidential office since Mr. W. Foster became Deputy Minister Works, was elected President with reat shout that would brook no ond nomination. Mr. J. B. Wilison, the hard-working Secretary, presented a most admirable and Report was re-elected Secretary the first Vice-Presidency. The uable services of Mr. L. T. Shatof Penticton who has never first made a member four years well earned the second Vicesidency which was accorded to

nem. con. or the third Vice-Presidency there a warm contest requiring three ots, before a decision was regisd in favour of Mr. Tait of Vica. In recognising the services of officials of the Provincial Assoon by formal resolution, a special d of praise was accorded to the lest but effective Ben Cunliffe, , as Assistant Secretary, has made me for himself which any official

new stars in the political firma- tentiary. as a matter of fact there was project upon the lines suggested.

the New Westminster Convention, much time was taken up with baland which formed the subjects of the lotting and the Convention was kept various Resolutions passed, can be waiting more than a day for the Rebest dealt with in the Editorial port of the Resolutions Committee. columns, but the narrative of the But the Executive has accepted a sug-Convention, with its interesting and gestion and has already outlined a programme for the future which wil strictly limit the time required for balloting and which will place the Resolutions in the hands of the Convenattracted some 200 delegates; Van- tion as soon as it assembles. Premier McBride delivered one of the important speeches of his career during the final morning session. It was a calm, deliberate, profound and weighty utterance. Moreover, it was from hand-writing is a scientific courageous to a degree and outlined a policy which will undoubtedly be received with enthusiasm throughout the Province.

After the Premier's, by far the neatest and most effective speech of the Convention was one of the all too rare addresses of the Hon. W. R. ity placed him at the front and kept Ross. The Minister of Lands is altogether too modest; he apparently does not know that he has all the earmarks of an able platform speaker. He has a happy faculty of going to the kernel of a matter and showing his audience in a few deft sentences the gist of the whole thing. In conciseness, in lucidity and in facility of expression he has no superior in the Government ranks. When he has finished organizing and systematizing it is to be hoped that he will find time for a little more speechifying.

The key-note of the Convention was one of unity and determination and it is an undoubted fact that the Conservative organization was never in as good a state of efficiency and never so united in its efforts to carry out a Conservative policy.

Apart from the proceedings of the Convention there were two items of importance. The first was a really splendid banquet tendered by Mayor Lee and the citizens of New Westminster. This was held in the Royal Cafe on Friday night. Four hundred sat down and were entertained in a manner which would perhaps have been impossible in any other city in the Province. The excellence of the repast was largely due to the fact that New Westminster has an open market which is well supplied with every kind of farm produce.

The other item is of infinitely greater importance and would require many columns to do it justice. I refer to the visit of the delegates to the Asylum and Experimental Farm at Coquitlam. If the Provincial University were not developing into such magnificent proportions, the Hon. Dr. Young might well be content to allow the Coquitlam enterprise to stand as the monument of his career.

There is nothing like it in the world; it is conceived on broad, equipped and developed in a manner which is bound to attract world-wide attention. Instead of cooping up the unfortunate patients in padded rooms Edmonds, the popular New West- aged to live and work in the open. or behind iron bars, they are encourster barrister, was re-elected They cultivate the land, tend the asurer. Mayor Lee was promoted cattle, attend to the dairying and practically do all the work about the farm. But, in addition, they have ac- application, original and of literary habits. tually created the farm itself. They Affectionate, and a good friend. Not over sed an executive meeting since he have erected modern buildings which precise, and pursues the main idea to the exare full of prize cattle and horses; they have painted and decorated; they have made furniture; indeed they done about the place, and, what is more important than all, they have furnished Dr. Young with an opportunity of demonstrating the new, humane system of treating deranged patients.

No wonder that the Convention was aroused to enthusiasm as it contemplated this great work, and no wonder that the Mayor of Kamloops in speaking to the toast of "The Provincial Government," urged the adopnmediately on my return I was tion of similar humane principles in is more sullen than hasty. Neither very d: "Did the Convention discover dealing with the inmates of the Peni-

t?" I do not think so, although it | In the last moments Hon. Thomas nly fair to say that excellent Taylor delivered a model speech and ches were made by Herbert Cuth- incidentally stated that his colleague, of Victoria and Pat Maitland. Mr. Bowser, had already outlined a

of the Resolutions had to be gates returned from Coquitlam and artistic tastes but is not an artist in any way, inclined to big ideas and extravagance.

disbanded in the Royal City. They had crowded as much business and observation into two days as was possible and the opinion was unanimous that we are indeed living in stirring times, that everything is on the move, that the governing of the Province is a big business and that it is being carried on in a business-like manner.

#### Character by Handwriting

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

#### RULES

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

2. Each specimen of hand-writing must be accompanied by a P. O. for 50 cents or stamps for the same amount, and the outside of the envelope should be indited "Hand-writing." Absolute privacy is guaranteed.

#### REPLIES

A 2-According to the ethics accepted by most women "A 2" should be distinctly truthful. There is nothing about her which would indicate in any degrees a deceitful character. When once her affections are fixed it would be very hard to move them. I should say that 2" would not hasten about giving them and would not be averse to a flirtation of two before settling down. The sense of right and wrong is very clearly expressed. heart will sway "A 2" throughout her life, put she has so much common sense that it should always balance the dictates of her heart. In this connection she would probably choose a good husband if left to herself. Inconsistency runs as a thread throughout the character and makes "A 2" a person who is liable statesmanlike lines; it is being to do the unexpected. In truth, "A 2" is an interesting character to diagnose, not at all an easy one.

"Bruce"-This hand-writing is interesting as, apart from other characteristics it denotes one who, given a great opportunity, would seize it. Not artistic, fond of outdoor life, should be a good shot and tennis player. An independent, decided character, candid to the verge of tactless, not unreserved but on the whole pessimistic. Generous, not moneygrubbing. Straightforward, good powers of clusion of side issues. Keen sense of wit and humour.

H. C. B .- A bright, breezy, open nature; they have made furniture; indeed they artistic, rather fond of approbation, and a have done everything that has been little self-conscious. Enthusiastic, sanguine Enthusiastic, sanguine and ambitious. Affectionate and attracted by the opposite sex. Generous, not wasteful, not very methodical. Impulsive and apt to slur over matters. Imagination with a fair willwell marked. A good deal of energy, little reserve and a quick, but not violent, temper. Critical, but with a sense of humour. Should be a good card player. Not very precise nor always candid.

> W. R.-A contradictory character. Fair sense of humour, artistic taste not pro-nounced but what there is is musical. Fond of nature, flowers and gardening or agriculture. Will-power not well developed, temper methodical nor mathematical; fond of talking, and inclined to be assertive and selfopinionated. Commonsense is good, fairly neat but not a precise person in anything. clined to cultivate the good opinion of others rather than holding to principles. than cautious. Apt to be inconsistent.

G. M .- A good manager. Impulsive, dent and very affectionate to those she likes. little time for speechifying and On Saturday afternoon the dele- Fond of galety and social life. Has good

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Little Chipmunk-Should be good at drawyour outlook.



# Society

Mrs. Scroggie, Montreal, has been staying at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. Richard Mainguy, from Che-

Miss Fawcett, "Dingley Dell," has returned from a visit to the Main-

Mrs. E. G. Prior was hostess on Wednesday afternoon of last week of a smart and most enjoyable tea. The house was prettily and daintily decorated for the occasion with quantities of flowers and trailing greenery. Among the guests present were: Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. McGuire, Mrs. Heisterman, Mrs. Heisterman, Mrs. Linderson, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Pigott, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Solly, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Bodwell, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Wilby and others.

Helmcken, Mrs. Heisterman, Mrs. Linderson, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. McBride, Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Solly, Mrs. Were above men's comprehension, or who were remarkable for any singularity of action were immediately others.

\* \* \* Mr. Richard Mainguy, from Chemainus, was in the city during the week.

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Mr. J. R. Anderson, who has been visiting in the Old Country, is again in the city.

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Miss Fawcett, "Dingley Dell," has returned from a visit to the Mainland.

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Mr. Roderick Horsfield, from Manchester, Eng., is a recent arrival in the city and is registered at the Dominion Hotel.

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Dominion Hotel.

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Nouse was prettily and daintily decorated for the occasion with quantities of flowers and trailing greenery. Among the guests present were: Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. McGuire, Mrs. Harold Robertson, Mrs. Bodwell, Mrs. George Johnston, Mrs. Herman Robertson, Mrs. Matterson, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. A. S. Gore, Mrs. Arthur Jones, Mrs. Mils, Miss Jones, Miss Combe, Miss Mason, Miss Genevieve Irving, Miss Woods, Miss Butchart, Miss Evans, Miss Gormully, Miss Pooley, Miss Helen Peters and others.

FREE

Mrs. Charles Spratt, "Stoney Hurst," was hostess on Tuesday last of a smart tea given as a farewell, in honour of Mrs. Molly Smith, who has been a guest in the city from the South. Mrs. Spratt wore a handsome steel gray toilet, with trimmings of sequins of the same shade. Mrs. Smith was gowned in a very dainty takes, but he will frequently attain to A marriage was solemnized at Christ Church Cathedral on the 25th on the 23rd for the Old Country, where they will take up their residence for the future.

Mrs. John Hope left Vancouver last week for the East, where she will join her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Dunsmuir, and her sisters in New York, and will sail with them for Europe where they will spend some months travelling.

Mrs. Abrahame E Santa farewell, in as a farewell, in the city from the South. Mrs. Spratt wore a hand some steel gray toilet, with trimmings of sequins of the same shade. Mrs. Smith was gowned in a very dainty white lace dress. The tea-table which inst. between Gladys Blanche, second daughter of E. F. Hill of Victoria and grand-daughter of Capt. Henry Worsdaughter of Capt. 

Prior, Mrs. G. Hughes, Mrs. John Hirsch, the Misses Devereaux, Mrs. Rickart, Miss Pooley, Mrs. Bernard Heisterman, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. A. Gillespie, Mrs. J. H. Todd, Mrs. T. O. Mackay, Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Herrick McGregor, Mrs. R. S. Day, Miss K. Gaudin, Mrs. Adrian Fletcher, Miss Mara and others.

THE BROAD HIGHWAY

(Continued from Page 4)

"Disdainful pride is an attribute of eauty, ever was and ever will be."

truth when he shrouded himself in

takes, but he will frequently attain to higher things, and be much better loved by his fellows than the colder, more calculating logician who rarely makes a blunder."

the dross becomes pure gold, and she believes and believes until-one day her heart breaks."

W. B.

#### Walfisch Bay Award

Acting on behalf of the King o. Spain Senor Joaquin Fernandez Prida, Senator and Master of International Law of the Madrid University, has issued his award in the arbitration between Great Britain and Germany as to the southern limits of Walfisch Bay. The King of Spain was asked in 1909 to appoint an arbitrator. His decision confirms the deified. Pythagoras recognised this British claim to the boundary fixed by the survey of Mr. Wrey in 1885.

#### Lord Strathcona

Lord Strathcona has been gazetted Honorary Colonel of the Royal Canadians, the permanent Cavalry Corps of Canada named some years ago the Strathcona Horse, as a compliment to the High Commissioner for his pa triotic services during the South Af

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# "Sotto Voce"

The Week's Rumours and Humours

(By The Hornet)

That the Ross Bay sea-wall is finished and the interred can now "requiescant in pace."

That the Fifth Regiment has just passed through a course of instruction in shooting with rifles that had no "sights."

That this is another item which Lieut.-Colonel Currie is anxious that The Week should not overlook.

That if figures talk the Fifth Regi-

That whatever the short-comings of the Commanding Officer may be, he is not afflicted with an air of "resigna- cattle.

That the suggestion of the Colonist to add to the title of the Duke of dearth of "grass widows." Connaught opens up a great vista of possibilities.

That the Earl of Ulster and India would sound just as well as the Duke of Connaught and Canada.

That Stella Carrol is still at liberty, and an offer of \$50 for her arrest has not been effective.

That at least half-a-dozen city poice officers know that she has been several weeks, but the warrant is not thirty than forty. theirs to execute.

ting tired of the "red tape" which angels."

seems to hedge about a notorious \* \* \*

That the following is taken verbatim from the last issue of the Over-Seas Mail: "Stella Carrol makes her concert debut on the evening of November 13 at the Queen's Hall. She will sing Bishop's "Lo! Here the fairly good representation of "The Gentle Lark'."

That this is either a remarkable coincidence or a case of a "double."

That there will soon be a notable addition to the hotels of the city when the Prince George opens for Christ-

That good apartment suites are at a premium and furnished rooms at a

That Col. Prior's new residence on ment must be getting smaller and St. Charles Street will be one of the most artistic in the city.

> That the high price of milk is the direct result of "race suicide" among

> That this is the first time British Columbia has suffered through a

That Victoria is not hankering after any Toronto Reform; not even in the matter of its sweepstakes.

That the Industrial Workers have struck a "snag" in Aberdeen, Wash., but, contrary to announcement, have not yet re-appeared in Victoria.

That they are welcome to come at any time; the hose is ready.

That there are some people who domiciled on Fisguard Street for think the "Dangerous Age" is nearer

That the sequel to this remarkable book proves that Karin Michaelis was That law-abiding citizens are get-created a great deal "lower than the price of milk is a "fait accompli"-

That Marcel Prevost should be more careful how he endorses neurasthenic, hysterical diarists, who have no mission, even if they have a vogue.

That the management of the Empress Theatre has not yet solved the musical problem, but has provided a Village Orchestra.'

That the Times has been barking up the wrong tree in twitting Mr. Arthur Hawkes about his "alias." He is a Swede by birth and "Hawkes' not "Borne" is the alias.

That the old proverb, "Put a beggar on horseback and he will ride to the devil," has had another notable exemplification in the late manager of the Canadian Homesteads.

That if he ever shows his face in Victoria again he will get something more than a Roland for his Oliver,

That there are no fools like "sold"

That the high-school girls still perambulate the streets after school hours, and some of them do not go

That Mrs. Granat's request for a strict enforcement of the Curfew Law would be granted without delay by a real Reform Mayor.

That if elections are not won by prayers, why so much praying about the election of the Bishop?

That the local candidates for this high office manifested retiring modesty at the eleventh hour.

That the predicted advance in the

That the Hibben temporary store is and never appeared to have been in well placed to play the part of mag liner mental and physical fettle." net" to the Spencer emporium.

That in consideration of this the ground rent has been remitted.

That Mayor Morley is composing "swan song" for the outlying municipalities entitled "You may call spirits from the vasty deep, but will

That Mr. Simon Leiser must be sorry that he kept that letter from Mr. Templeman, dated Nov. 13, in his pocket, instead of submitting it to the Board of Trade.

That second thoughts are sometimes best.

That Mr. L. V. Makovski is the latest recruit to the Times' staff. His business is to settle British Columbia with "British born."

That there is no need to worry about the appointment of Mr. Shepherd's successor. The position is not being held for Mr. Hawthornthwaite.

That the Mayor's refusal to lay Commissioner Scholefield's letter before the Council was neither ingenious nor ingenuous-truth will out.

That Miss Stewart should be retained at any cost and appointed Chief

That if this were done the ratepayers would vote any reasonable amount of money for the support of the Library.

That on Sept. 21st Sir Wilfrid Laurier was "a feeble old man who would not again ask the suffrages of the electors."

That on Nov. 28th "he passed the seventieth milestone in life's journey

That the Times cannot even quote correctly. The Week did not say that the tariff schedules are so "bungled" that we actually paid more duty on British imports than on American, but that the schedules were so "arranged" -which is a very different thing.

That Mr. J. Hays Hammond's account of the Jameson Raid must be taken with a grain of salt, though, on his admission, it was one American 'bluff" which did not work.

That the St. Louis Post-Despatch is not very complimentary in its cartoon, which portrays Canada as the very small tail of the British Lion.

That if a Dickens Club should be staged in Victoria there would be no dearth of applicants to play the stellar role of Mr. Micawber.

That the Liberal press will have a fit if Mr. Borden does not pretty soon announce his naval policy. But it is dollars to doughnuts there will be no

That for an illustration of not letting the right hand know what the left hand is doing, take the ignorance of the editorial columns of the Times with respect to the news columns.

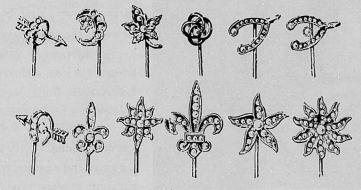
That the parliamentary despatches from Ottawa which appear in the Colonist and Times, refer to the same proceedings, but you would not know it from reading them.

That the Cheerible Brothers always did their Christmas shopping

That the two familiar figures we all want to meet this Christmas are 'Santa Claus" and "Tiny Tim."

That Time is still nature's great Healer.

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