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RECIPROCITY—For some reason or other the editor of the Colonist will not grapple at close quarters with the great subject of Reciprocity, which is occupying the minds of all thinking men. It is true that he has taken a nominal stand in opposition to the proposed pact, it is equally true that he has done nothing to educate the public on the subject and he has studiously avoided any attempt to answer the Government speakers and exhibited more than coolness in his support of Opposition speakers. No serious effort was made to answer the addresses of Hon. William Templeman and Dr. although their meeting in the Victoria Theatre was an important one and was advertised as inaugurating the campaign.

When Mr. G. H. Barnard, M.P., Mr. Martin Burrell, M.P., held their joint meeting in the A. O. U. W. Hall both delivered exhaustive addresses, Burrell's in particular partaking of the writer of a manifesto, the Colonist had the word of comment in its editorial on the following day, and only a brief and brief editorial which did not attempt to cover the ground two days later. The Week is only voicing a very general hint on the part of local Conservatives that the daily organ of the party is more lukewarm in its advocacy of reciprocity interests and much more prone to the virtues of Sir Wilfrid Laurier to comment favourably upon the work of Borden and the other Conservative leaders. It is doubtful if the proprietor of the Colonist is fully aware of this condition of affairs, but the facts are as stated and call for some consideration at the hands of the party organ. It is not necessary at this date to traverse the addresses of Barnard and Mr. Burrell, but it is evident that attention should be directed to the point, and particular stress laid upon the fact that there is a wide divergence between the attitude of the Colonist and that of Mr. and all authoritative Conservative leaders. They all believe that Reciprocity is the United States tends towards an alliance; they have all elaborated carefully considered arguments to demonstrate this, they have all agreed that in the final analysis the crux of the question is, what for a better word, may be called—Imperial. The Colonist says that it does not use the word Imperial and it has all refused to recognise the Imperial aspect of the question. The Victoria Times, being full well where the strength of the Conservative case lies, studiously avoids discussion of this phase of the question and confesses to believe that it is too absurd to worth noticing. On the other hand it continually complains that the Conservative speakers do not sufficiently discuss the economic side of the question. The question is unfounded, but neither the Colonist nor the Times appears to have any sense of proportion when the arguments for and against Reciprocity come to be considered. The Conservative case is however important the economics of the question may be, its Imperial bearings are infinitely greater import, and that Canada is bound to get the better bargain from the dollar and cents point, which is surely a large order to be no means demonstrated, even the people of Canada will never be induced to endorse Reciprocity if it involves any Imperial tie or reawakening of the great world-wide interest for the consolidation of the Empire. It is all the more necessary that Conservatives should emphasize this aspect of the question because of the very unsatisfactory attitude of Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the Imperial Conference. The Week hopes that may yet be possible to have a fuller account of the proceedings at the Conference in order to judge dispassionately of the reported utterances of the Canadian

Premier. No final judgment can be passed until such an account is available, but enough is known to show that on the subject of Naval Defence his utterances savoured more of political opportunism than of sagacious statesmanship. There never was a time when it was more necessary for the Conservative party to take a firm stand on its traditional policy of loyalty to the Empire, and whatever the Colonist or the Times may think, and however

committee to inform the public more thoroughly on the details. The Week is not in a position to do this, because it does not possess the necessary data, but it feels called upon to point out that the present grant is totally inadequate even for present requirements without taking into account the rapid growth of the city. The Carnegie Library is the only public institution of the kind in Victoria; it is well managed and since the advent of Miss Spencer the public

these may not be apparent today, but the time will come when the children of future generations will rise up to call the men of this generation blessed if they adopt this enlightened policy. All that is necessary is to exercise good judgment in the selection of suitable sites and not to duplicate them unnecessarily. The Week believes that in this respect the scheme outlined when the last By-law was being voted on was far from perfect, which may account for the indifferent manner in which it was received.

Special Prize, \$20.00 in Gold

Miss McB. Smith, Leader

A Special Prize of \$20.00 in gold will be awarded to the candidate turning in the greatest number of subscriptions to "The Week" from Monday morning, July 24th, to 10 p.m. Saturday, July 29th.

All subscriptions for a period of longer than one year will count as one towards the special prize. The votes of said subscriptions will also be credited to the candidate for the Grand and District prizes to be awarded at the close of the contest.

Providing the candidates in Districts Eleven and Twelve have their subscriptions in the Postoffice and bear the Postmaster's stamp of not later than 10 p.m. July 29th on the envelope and reach the Contest Manager not later than Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, they will receive credit toward the special prize.

Following is the list of candidates and the number of votes to their credit up to noon, Friday, July 21st:

DISTRICT ONE

None

DISTRICT TWO

Miss Ethel Ricketts 13,700

DISTRICT THREE

Miss B. Tait 5,225

DISTRICT FOUR

Miss Maude Owens 5,650

DISTRICT FIVE

Miss Mary Blake 3,175

Miss Nellie Pottinger 2,325

DISTRICT SIX

Miss Edna Dack 3,850

Miss A. Sweet 500

DISTRICT SEVEN

Miss McB. Smith 44,650

Miss Marjorie Kent 38,450

DISTRICT EIGHT

Miss Gladys Hocking 33,700

Miss Lucie Roach 5,700

DISTRICT NINE

Miss J. Patterson 12,100

DISTRICT TEN

Miss Sadie Craig 39,625

Miss Jessie King 3,700

DISTRICT ELEVEN

None

DISTRICT TWELVE

Miss Ruth Bell 37,800

Miss Margaret Nyland 16,400

Miss McB. Smith has secured the lead over Miss Kent, who up to this week held the lead from the beginning of the contest. The contest in this district promises to be keen and interesting between these two friendly candidates for first honours.

Miss Sadie Craig of District 10, still retains second place, having overcome Miss Kent, but in turn being surpassed by Miss McB. Smith.

Miss Ruth Bell of Vancouver has also increased her standing from sixth to fourth place.

Miss Gladys Hocking of District 8, who now stands fifth in the race, is only a comparatively few votes behind the leader.

Miss Margaret Nyland of Prince Rupert has increased her position from seventh to sixth place and is less than the equivalent to ten five-year subscriptions from the leader of the entire contest for the Grand Prize of \$300.00 in gold.

Among the new candidates who have entered the contest during the last week or so, who have made a remarkable showing are: Miss J. Patterson of District 9, Miss Maude Owens of District 4, Miss B. Tait of District 3, and Miss Edna Dack of District 6. The number of votes the above mentioned candidates have secured show what can be accomplished with very little effort.

Candidates should not overlook the fact that all subscriptions turned in before August 5th will receive more votes than if held back and turned in at a later date.

Five weeks from today the contest will close. It practically means that some candidate will receive the equivalent to \$60.00 a week for five weeks for her time and effort.

A new candidate entering in Districts 1 and 11 could secure the District Prize with very few votes.

much they may object to what the latter is pleased to call "flag-waving" and the former "ultra-Imperialism," they may both make up their minds that the settlement of the question will turn upon this and not upon the matter of who is getting the better of a commercial bargain.

CITY BY-LAWS—Shortly the property owners of Victoria will have an opportunity of registering a reconsideration of their former attitude on the Public Library and Parks By-laws. A few weeks ago both were turned down, or perhaps it would be more correct to say, both failed to pass through the indifference of the vast majority of the voters. The Week believes that the Library By-law at any rate would have carried by a substantial majority if it had been more fully explained, and in this, as in many similar cases, it is the duty of the Library Com-

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THE COAL STRIKE—The coal strike in the Kootenay is a more serious matter than most people are aware of. In fact, so serious that unless the production of coal is resumed within a few weeks there will be not merely suffering but possibly starvation on the prairies during the coming winter. The various Boards of Trade and other public organizations are taking active steps to direct the attention of the Government to this matter. Its urgency cannot be over-estimated and those familiar with all the conditions feel extreme anxiety as to the outcome. The Week would call attention to the fact that even in years when there has been no strike excitement has run high in the Prairie Provinces with respect to a possible famine in fuel, and only a few years ago the shortage was so marked that desperate citizens took possession of coal which was consigned to the railway companies for transportation purposes, and in one or two cases in Saskatchewan actually broke up and burned the wood-work of the freight cars. The Government obviously cannot be held responsible for the vagaries of coal operators or coal miners, but it can and should be held responsible for not making the best use of such material as it controls for the express purpose of preventing a shortage of fuel. When the Dominion Government granted the Crow's Nest Pass Railway charter it secured possession of fifty thousand acres of coal lands from the Province of British Columbia. These lands formed an important feature in the discussion of that historic charter, and the Hon. Clifford Sifton who conducted negotiations made a great deal of the fact that by securing these lands the Government would be in a position to guarantee an abundance of fuel for all time. It is true that there was a string on the proposition, and not unreasonably so. The Government was neither to operate nor dispose of these lands as long as the operating mines furnished an adequate supply of fuel. But when they failed to do this the lands were to be brought into the market in whatever way the Government might deem best. It would have been unfair to take advantage of this clause while the initial difficulties of establishing a new industrial enterprise were handicapping the coal operators, but such an argument has no pertinency after the lapse of fourteen years, and since failure to furnish an adequate supply of coal has now become a chronic condition it is surely time for the Government to turn to account the vast areas of fuel which it acquired for this specific purpose. Failure to do so undoubtedly justifies public criticism; it may lead to something worse. The day has gone by when, at any rate so far as the largest operating mine is concerned, the Dominion Government need refrain from such action out of tender consideration for its personal friends. The property has long ago passed under the control of American capitalists, who are handling it in exactly the manner which The Week anticipated. There is no regard for Canadian interests, Canadian shareholders or Canadian citizens. The property is being operated to furnish freight for American railway lines, and fuel for American smelters. It is about time that a Canadian Government made a move in the interests of the Canadian people.



It is about time that I again put in a plea for the provision of public receptacles for paper, etc., at frequent intervals along our main streets. In course of time, if I continue making the suggestion to the City Council, they will no doubt be supplied, but in the meantime the need for them is ever increasing. There are few men who, as unselfish as myself, are careful to drop empty cigarette boxes and torn envelopes on the streets when others are not looking, and I know nothing more annoying to a man of tidy habits and orderly manners than to see others wantonly littering the roadway with the debris of their correspondence and the discarded remnants of their smoking material. It is bad enough to see the results on our fair highways; it is ten times worse to watch the criminal perpetrate the act and to ponder over the awful abyss of indifference to public welfare into which he must have fallen before he could do such things without shame. But after all what is a man to do with his empty cigarette box? There are some, I know, who will say that such things ought not to exist, that cigarettes are the invention of the devil and that the boxes should always be full? I will not argue the point, but merely reiterate the question: What are we to do with the boxes? Does the Council suppose that the average mortal will wittingly return the empty box to his pocket, thereby burdening himself with a profitless load and one which is apt to be the cause of bitter disappointment later? And yet that is the only alternative to throwing it on the street. The Post-Office authorities have awakened to the need for waste-paper baskets in their department and the floor of the main office is the better for the innovation. I would suggest a large receptacle at the corner of Fort and Government, another at the corner of Bastion and a third at the corner of Yates. That would be sufficient for Government Street at present. Other likely situations will occur to anyone who takes the trouble to think. The expense would be small and the results obtained great. If the Council is really doubtful as to the necessity for such an undertaking I would respectfully suggest that a trial be made. Let such a contrivance be placed at the corner of Fort and Government and if the collection therein deposited between the hours of 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. does not convince them of the need, I will forever hold my peace on the subject.

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It is satisfactory to find that prophecies made in these columns sometimes, if not more often than not, come true, and I shouldn't be full of human nature if I didn't occasionally give myself a figurative pat on the back on their fulfilment. I have often complained of the paucity of grill-rooms and other such restaurant facilities in Victoria and said that the establishment of such would always pay if conducted aright. And this has been the case all along the line. The Empress grill and "Murphy's" have both been successes. I am glad to note that a new one has opened at the corner of Yates and Langley Streets, yclept "The King George Grill," and it is still more satisfactory to be able to state that it is making good. I find it a conveniently situated place to drop into, and the service and cuisine are all that can be desired. That it is filling a real need is shown by the patronage which is already extended to it. I am anxiously awaiting the opening of the Westholme Grill which will, I hope, put us more on a level with Vancouver. This grill is to be downstairs and the accommodation provided is to be ample. I went over the place the other day with Mr. Pauline, the manager of the Westholme Hotel, and I am prepared to say that it will be one of the coolest places in town. It may seem that I am always talking

about eating, but I can't help it, I "grew" that way, and after all we all think about it three times a day. I shouldn't be much of a "Lounger" if my wanderings didn't take me round to the best places in which to keep body and soul together.

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"Mr. Burns will be well advised if he turns his attention and the attention of his Department to the noises made by motor-cars in our great towns. The uproar has become a new 'terror that walks by darkness.'" So says the Over-seas Daily Mail in its issue of July 1st. In the same issue is an account of the attempted suicide of a man driven insane through insomnia caused by noises in the street. There now, have I not zealously championed the cause of peace and quietude for many years in this column? Am I not always inveighing against the unnecessary noises which make life a burden by day and a nightmare by night? It is true that here in Victoria we have not yet got very much to complain of, but better far that precautions should be taken now, than later on when the nuisance has become too great to cope with successfully. Even now many and frequent are the complaints on the part of dwellers on and around Beacon Hill because of the "terror that rushes by night." With your permission I will quote another extract from the same editorial which reads thus: "It is not merely the needless noises of the motor-car that destroy slumber and injure the nerves, but also the intermittence and variety of those noises. Carlyle in a famous case complained that what kept him awake at nights was not so much the crowding of an offending cock next door, as the waiting and wondering how long it would be before the creature crowed again. If the instruments used by the chauffeur gave forth one and the same sound, the distress to the public would be lessened. A deep note from a horn would be infinitely more tolerable than the menagerie of sounds which afflicts our streets. Now there rings out a shriek like the banshee; the whistle of a locomotive follows; then an extraordinary deep grunt or bark of an angry bulldog rends the night, and is succeeded by grunts and squeals, howls, bellowings and roarings, the whole completed by a stave of a bugle-call repeated in maddening fashion." I am truly glad that there are others in this world who are worried by noises. I am sick and tired at being looked on as a neurotic, hypochondriacal "young man with nerves." An unnecessary noise is as much of a public nuisance as an open drain, and though it may not be the cause of an epidemic, it has oft-times driven men to insanity and suicide. I fancy I saw something about a law, whether it was municipal, provincial or federal I know not, which provided for one standard noise for all motor-cars except that used by the Fire-chief, but I haven't yet found out which is the standard noise preferred and meanwhile Pandemonium reigns.

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Last year I wrote at some length with respect to the prevailing practice on the part of owners of Tally-ho's of sending their men and horses down five hours before the boats were due in order to procure the best positions on the other side of the Causeway. This year the same practice is indulged in, though I am glad to say that more merciful treatment is being meted out to the horses. The Seattle boat is scheduled to reach the Inner Harbour about 1.15 p.m. and the Tally-ho men find it advisable to send their coaches down between five and six o'clock in the morning in the effort to wrest the best places from their rivals. Only two horses, however, are sent down and these are changed during the later hours of the morning, the four horses being furnished just before the boat arrives.

Thus far there is no cause for complaint as many of the horses attached to hacks and transfers have a harder time of it than this. But it seems to me that such a policy of "grab" is suicidal. It must entail a good deal of additional expense to the owners and a lot of discomfort for their drivers, and it strikes the general public, who cannot see that there is much choice of position, as being ridiculous. Surely in a small place like Victoria an amicable arrangement might be arrived at amongst the rival owners. My information is to the effect that all save one are ready to come to such an arrangement. The one exception, who shall be nameless for the present, holds out for the policy of "first come, first served," and in consequence the rivalry grows keener. I can foresee the time when like a theatre queue the Tally-ho's will arrive over-night. Of course a matter of this nature is nobody's business. I presume the drivers are paid for their work; the horses are not suffering, and the Tally-ho's are in nobody's way, but I think that the absurdity of the whole thing makes it fair game for the

Lounger.

A WRONGFUL DECISION

A recent case in one of the smaller towns of the Interior wherein a person convicted of a violation of the Bush-Fires Act—in having utilized fire in land clearing without first securing the necessary permit in this behalf—pleaded ignorance of the law and escaped, upon conviction, with a warning from the bench, may be taken as an object lesson for the benefit of rural magistrates and justices of the peace throughout the Province. It is no unusual thing for these minor judges to exceed their jurisdiction, and this is what was done in the case in question. For the benefit of all magistrates and peace officers, as well as the general public, it may be stated that no judge in the land has power upon a conviction being recorded under the Bush Fires Act to exercise such discretion as to relieve the convicted party of the payment of the penalty. The law prescribes a minimum fine of fifty dollars, and this must be imposed. Any suspension of sentence may only be legally permitted with the express concurrence and authorization of the attorney-general's department.

OUT OF THE FRYING-PAN

Congressman Kent, of California, got it the other day. In the smoking room as his train passed through New Jersey, sat a large and prosperous looking man, who eyed him with evident interest.

"Do you know that you look a lot like Governor Wilson, of New Jersey?" asked the prosperous man of Kent.

Kent said that no one had ever told him so. "Well, you do," said the other. "Gee, Wilson's a homely man, isn't he?"

Kent said that no one had ever told him that, either. The prosperous looking man apologized. "I don't want to hurt your feelings," said he. "You do look like Wilson, and he is ugly. There's no getting away from that. But Wilson looks intelligent."

Mr. Kent said that he was somewhat relieved under the circumstances.

OBVIOUS!

In a recent examination paper for a boy clerk's post was this question:

"If the Premier and all the members of the Cabinet should die, who would officiate?"

Robert, a boy of fourteen, thought for a time, trying in vain to recall who came next in succession. At last a happy inspiration came to him, and he answered:

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Dated this 21st day of July, A.D., 1911.

FLEMING HEWETT

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Cracking a joke does not necessarily impair its value.

"Cracking" a bottle of Lemp's Beer does not impair its value either. Indeed, when you have poured it out into a glass and tasted the sparkling deliciousness of this strengthening beverage is when its true value appears. "Better than the best," it has a sparkle, flavour and vim all its own; just that superiority, tangible to the taste, but difficult to define. If you order Lemp's Beer for your next drink at any hotel, bar or cafe, you will appreciate exactly what we mean. If your dealer offers you an inferior brand for home consumption, do not accept it, but 'phone us and we will see that you are supplied correctly with "Lemp's."

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GOSSIP FROM THE STALLS

The Toymaker

Monday evening Ferris Hartman appeared at the Victoria Theatre ancient and venerable comedy as "The Toymaker." This has always been a favourite because it is ingenious and affords an opening for three first class performers. The story differs somewhat and the one by Ferris Hartman is not the best, but all the same it furnishes an evening's entertainment on the whole well received. In himself was good without excellent. He lacked somewhat in humour and unction, for the part German toymaker is one which demands an unctuous rendering.

I could not help recalling scenes of Willie Edouin who first produced this play to London audiences twenty years ago and created a sensation. The doll was decidedly, but was not a good doll; this is a most difficult part to satisfactorily and the young boy played on Monday night more concerned in by-play than in the deception which gives the raison d'être of the play as it should be, an audience sees the possibility of the story; played as it was, illusion is impossible. All I can say is those who had not seen the play would undoubtedly enjoy it; those who had could hardly fail to be disappointed.

Mrs. "Bumptious" Leigh

Minnie Maddern Fiske, erstwhile Minnie Madern and now said under the management of Harry Fiske, although it is difficult to credit that the lady is under engagement, perpetrated an atrocious performance at the Victoria Theatre on Saturday night in a so-called play in the suggestive title of "Bumpstead-Leigh." The play is desiderately described on the programme as "a comedy in three acts, Harry James Smith." It is far better described as an up-to-date, hilarious, screeching, American, over-flowing with vulgarity, but a single redeeming feature in the play contained any good which failed to reach my ears, though I sat in the fifth row in front I did not catch more than a percentage of one word in three all from the lips of the princess. In the case of the play the percentage would be a higher. Some of the press which Mrs. Fiske has received in connection with this play speak of admirably suited by the part." In manner on Thursday night I should change the preposition "by" to "to." One has accustomed to associate Mrs. Fiske with legitimate work; her performances as Mrs. Bumpstead-Leigh create in the mind of every person the drama a feeling of sorrow. It is possible that Mr. Forbes or Mrs. Kendall could do many stunts as a clown, but it is not a spectacle to make the audience weep, and not rejoice. I am not solitary in my criticism, as it does not belong to those who think that Mrs. Fiske can do no better. The play of Thursday night at least make a person when she tries very hard. Bumpstead-Leigh instead of being hyphenated should be joined. It is to the credit of the author that, anticipating some what actually occurred, many of his abituies stayed at home and filled empty seats to speak their lamentation.

MOMUS.**the Empress Theatre**

has been a strong bill run by the vaudeville house this week headed by the Beresforders. They are a clever and effective

musical duo with unexpected illustrations. Their work is excellent and they have been scoring heavily. The Makarenko Duo may be styled as "magnificent." This word suits both their dress and their singing. Adeline Francis is responsible for a unique performance; it is not often that one has the opportunity of hearing a soloist singing duets with herself, but that is Miss Francis' forte, and she accomplishes it with the aid of a graphophone. Comedy has been provided by Watson & Dyer who, in the "Red Mill," which they reproduce with innovations, have been causing much merriment. Robinson & La Favour also have an amusing turn which combines some risky feats connected with sacks, bands and barrels.

The Crystal Theatre

"The Question" is a picture dealing with the ever recurrent question of religion in cases where two people of different creeds elect to enter the state of matrimony. The story centres around the fate of the offspring and proved of absorbing interest to the many who witnessed the film at the Crystal on Wednesday and Thursday last. By special request the Coronation pictures have been showing all the week in addition to the regular series of films which latter have included some excellent drama and comedy.

The Majestic Theatre

A picture connected with a fortune in oil not unnaturally appeals to many Victorians and consequently Mr. Christie scored heavily with the film entitled "The Wild Cat Well" which dealt with California, oil, money and a wife. A couple of roaring farces in the middle of the week helped to make people forget the heat outside. I should like to say another word in favour of the organ at the Majestic which is now a regular feature of every evening's performance. There is always some subject to be shown on the screen which seems more fittingly accompanied on the really fine instrument which is installed in the theatre.

Romano's Theatre

The Nestor films which have been portraying the eccentricities of Mutt & Jeff, also known I believe as Hank & Lank, were new to me till the other night when I saw them at Romano's. At the beginning of the week there was a distinctive feature provided by a pictorial presentation of the life of St. Paul which, if not strictly according to the popular notion as gathered from the Acts, was full of merit and as stated on the screen had gained a gold medal from the Cardinal Archbishop of Milan. One can always depend upon something original at Romano's.

Chauncey Olcott in "Macushla"

Occasionally in the life of the players impromptu scenes are acted which leave a lasting impression on the memory. It is not likely, for example, that any person in a recent audience will ever forget a scene which occurred after the curtain had fallen upon the first act of "Macushla," Chauncey Olcott's new play, in which he will be seen at the Victoria Theatre on Friday, July 28th.

The dramatic climax to the first act had been acted, and the audience was vociferously applauding when the Irish comedian appeared before the curtain, and, instead of bowing his acknowledgments as usual, raised his hand, commanding silence. He held a letter which he stated had been sent to his dressing room and asked the indulgence of his hearers as he read its contents in a voice charged with emotion.

It is stated that the writer, an old lady, had for many years been a regular attendant at Mr. Olcott's performances. That she was past seventy years of age and suffering from a malady she felt would prove fatal; that one of the choicest pleasures of

her life had been in listening to the sweet singer's moving ballads, and that she would be present that day in a seat in the balcony, probably her last visit to a theatre, and would, for the sake of an old lady whose days were numbered, sing once again the song she so dearly loved—"Sweet Molly O?"

"Is the writer of this letter present?" asked Mr. Olcott. Every eye in the house swept the balcony but there was no response until Mr. Olcott saw in the upper gallery a little old lady in a black bonnet, supported by an anxious faced young girl, who had risen to her feet, and was waving her handkerchief at Mr. Olcott, feebly announcing her presence.

The comedian cleared a lump from his throat and remarked that it had been years since he had sung the song in question, but that he would try, and, with the sole accompaniment of his leader at the piano, his voice arose in the familiar strain. He never in his life sang better or sweeter and as he finished there was not a dry eye in the house. But the old lady in the gallery had heard her favourite song and was gently borne from the theatre.

Earl Granville, K.G.

An Estimate from Personal Recollections—By Gilbert Malcolm Sproat

I offer you a little estimate of Earl Granville, K.G., the Secretary of State for the Colonies, who, after the adjustment of the Hudson's Bay Co.'s territorial claims in mid-Canada, steered, or pushed, British Columbia into Confederation. I knew him well officially, forty odd years ago, and have read friendly memoirs of him published since his death. He arises, in my memory, as a man of charming manners and fairly good ability, with temperamental limitations, including a subdued sort of "know it all" or "it doesn't matter" air. He did not seem to be burdened with serious convictions on public questions, except a definite one as to the relation of the Whigs to the divine ordering of things. The public connected him chiefly with the useful function of smoothing differences among his more resolute political associates, and his availability, for a similar purpose, in a possibly wider sphere. That could not lead to much, for, as a rule, it is not a man, dubbed "Pussy" by his intimates, but an aggressive leader, who, in party government enlarges the circle of active henchmen. Granville had a host of friends, but few personal adherents in political strife. Nevertheless, he was mentioned for Prime Minister and filled two great offices of State—the Colonial and Foreign offices, in both of which he failed. He was influenced, unduly, by the Separatist Colonial policy so common in England in the middle of last century. It might be unkind to suggest that, in view of the Home estimate of Granville which he considered inadequate he took a sort of resentful pleasure in showing an almost repellent side of his character to his oversea countrymen. His treatment of British Columbia, and his despatches as to New Zealand—two colonies that were as British as Yorkshire—do not add to his réputation.

The European diplomats he had so much to do with, in the other office, praised his manners, and his command of conversational French, but did not take much account of him in European complications. He was the subject of more European "surprises" than any Foreign Secretary in our modern history.

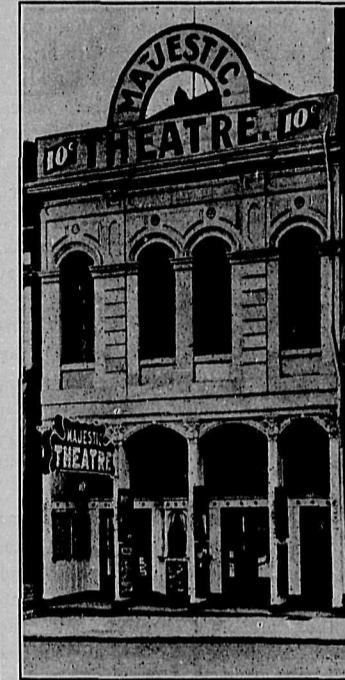
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The "Claw" By Bohemian

Not since I read Olive Schreiner's "Story of an African Farm" about thirty years ago have I read as interesting a novel dealing with South Africa as "The Claw," published by Hurst & Blackett of London. The authoress calls herself "Cynthia Stockley, whether that is a "nom de plume" or not I do not know. She has previously written two other books with the same milieu, "Poppy" and "Virginia of the Rhodesians." I am told that "Poppy" is a better book than "The Claw" and as I have not read it I intend to do so as soon as I can get a copy.

"The Claw" is chiefly remarkable for the skill of the authoress in creating an "atmosphere," which is one of the rarest achievements, and the one which probably contributes most to the impressiveness and permanence of a book. We easily forget mere verbiage. Even vivid and picturesque descriptions fade, but the "atmosphere" lingers and if it be realistic can hardly be effaced.

The story itself is interesting, dealing with the experiences of a young English girl who goes to South Africa to visit relatives. She is thrown into the company of the inevitable Service men and women whom she despises, and not without pretty good reason. She meets a man of strong personality about whom a mystery clings, and of course the mystery, as usual, attracts the girl. I have no intention of outlining the plot of the book, except to say that it is unusual, and in some respects improbable; indeed, there is more than a little crudeness both in the development of the plot and in the handling of some of the situations. An experienced writer, like Marie Corelli, for instance, would have avoided several of the very obvious errors into which the authoress falls; as for instance when Maurice refuses to accept the surrender of Deirdre, but when full allowance is made for these the story still grips. It as surely has its "claw" on the reader as South Africa has its "claw" on the British born who drift there.

The pictures of life, both in the cities and on the veldt; the class distinctions, which are so tenaciously upheld by those who were somebody at home; the ennui and monotony of existence where there is nothing to do but kill time; the inevitable petty jealousies which grow like tropical plants are all faithfully portrayed. But beyond these there is something bigger and better; it is the call of the illimitable veldt to the human soul; the appeal of interminable spaces, of blue skies and of murmuring forests. More than that, it is the impalpable pressure of something unknown, unrealised and only half understood. Something of the profound spirit of the desert which woed Livingstone and has made the heart of Africa ever since the seat of the true romance. All this Miss Stockley conveys to her readers quite as much by suggestion as by description.

I cannot do better than close this brief notice by giving two extracts, the first to illustrate Miss Stockley's descriptive powers, the second to show how near she can get to the heart of sorrow.

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"I walked and walked and walked—over the stubby, bleached grass through the township, past the outermost huts, across the rutted, dusty main road to the river that wound itself half-way round the town. When the freshness of the morning was long past, and the fierce heat of mid-day was beating down on me from above, and surging up through the soles of my shoes from the earth, I

found at last a place of shelter on the sweeping sunlit plain. Between two upright boulders, almost on the river bank, there was a little cleft of shadow lined with moss and small harsh-leaved fern, and there I flung myself down and unburdened my heart of its weight of tears. I wept until I had no more tears, until it seemed that last night's moonlit madness must be washed away, all Anthony Kinsella's scorching kisses from my lips, all his treachery from my memory. Only the young know the exquisite tragedy and solace of tears; of broken sobs that come shuddering up from the soul to the lips; that are of the body and yet most terribly of the spirit; that rack and choke and blur out the beauty of life; that afterwards bring a brief but exquisite peace.

"Yes, afterwards a certain peace stole over my wretched spirit; I could watch in an impersonal way a tiny purple lizard that lay flat upon a near stone searching me with beady, curious eyes; and I could feel my unprotected feet and ankles, which had not found the shade, aching and burning in the sun's heat.

"But I knew it to be only the peace of utter weariness—the peace of a twilight hour after the first black, bitter rain of a stormy season that must be faced. The struggle, the pain, the strain, would reassert themselves later. Still, I was glad for the respite. It gave me time to think, at least; to consider desperately what I should do, how I should bear myself, how I could best hide my pain from the world.

"It seemed to me then that I was very friendless and alone in that wide sun-scorched land of pale grasses and turquoise skies—far from my dead mother and my brother and the friends of my life. Fate had dumped me on the African veldt, and suffering had overtaken me. All the things I had known and loved—pictures, books, marbles, dim churches and magnificent music—seemed useless to help or comfort me. These things do not matter to Africa; and when one is dumped on a burning African plain they do not seem to matter to life."

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"Those were the nights when I could have torn out my tongue for making vows before God to Maurice Stair, when my soul was blotted with hatred, when I drove the knives of scorn and contempt into myself for desecrating my life and my father's name by such an alliance.

"On such nights I dared not open my lips to Maurice. I feared myself too much. Locked in my hut I would spend hours watching with dry eyes the spectacle of pride writhing in the dust. Or kneeling before the tortured body of Christ crucified, but not daring to lift my face to Him, nor to the lovely face of that stately Madonna Bouguerau painted with hands upraised and great eyes full of sorrow for the fate of women. No prayer would come to my bitten lips, nor tears to my scorched eyes; but the cry of the desolate and despairing was in my heart:

"Oh, Mother of Consolation! . . . Help of the Afflicted. . . . Ora pro nobis!"

"Often when dawn, that scarlet witch with golden fingers, came tapping on the canvas windows I would still be kneeling there, stiff-limbed, my shoulders chilled to stone above my gown. And after a little while I would open my door and go out into the sweet wild morning. Strange that sometimes it almost seemed as if the pagan witch had more healing in her golden hands than the Mother of Sorrows herself. For standing there, gazing at her rising from the mists of the hills like a goddess from the incense on her altars, I would feel at last the frozen tears thawing in my heart and surging to my weary-lidded eyes.

"There were other hours when battles of a different kind were to be faced, not with myself but Maurice. Thrusting himself violently into my hut he would revoke all promises and trample compacts under-foot, making demands of me that seemed to fill and darken the room with shame; transforming me into a pillar of ice that could utter no word but one—a word

that fell like a little cold icicle into space, reforming again upon my benumbed lips to fall and fall again.

"No...no...no...no...no...no."

"There was such a night that ended at dawn with an unspeakable struggle . . . Scorching kisses on my bare shoulders, and a blow across his lips that left blood upon my clenched fist.

"Ah, those were dark days! Desperate, soul-deforming nights!

"There was another night when after bitter taunts had been hurled like poisoned arrows round the room, he tore the bed-clothes and pillows from my bed, and the gowns and hangings from the walls and flung them in heaps and tatters into the rain-sodden yard. When the boys came in the morning to their work they picked everything up, cleaned and dried them as best they could, and with calm inscrutable faces replaced them in my room.

"After such incidents came intervals of days and weeks in which we never opened lips to each other. I moved about his house like a ghost, passing from hut to hut, arranging his meals, ordering his household, but speaking him no word, or if I did, getting none in reply. When we rode together, because it had become a set habit to mount our horses at a set hour every afternoon, we never addressed each other, except in the presence of other people who might chance to join us in our ride.

"One day when we sat to table and I crossed myself for grace, as I had always been accustomed to do, he found a new jibe to throw at me.

"It makes me sick to see you sitting there tapping yourself like an Irish peasant!"

"Swiftly I found words to requite him for this new outrage. Until then he had at least left my faith untainted by his touch.

"Oh Maurice! I said, 'if you were only an Irish peasant I would wash your feet and dry them with my hair.'

"I spoke very softly, but my words brought two little streaks of red into his cheeks, as though I had flicked them there with a whip. God forgive me, I had developed a cruel tongue. I was no Angel in the house, only a sorely driven woman. And it was true that I would have poured out gifts at his feet if he had only been an Irish peasant with any of the nobility of some of the natures that come to birth in that sad land of beauty. If only he had possessed some of the lovely Irish traits that draw love as the sun draws the dew—generosity, a few ideals, a sweet thing or two about his heart, a little room in it for dreams and beauty.

"If even his sins had been big sins I would have felt some hope. Had everything he did been of the same calibre as his coming to table in his dirty flannels, offensive and discourteous as that action was, I could have forgiven much. There is hope for the boldly offensive man who does not care a button whose feelings he hurts, or who sees his sins. Such men usually have the force of character to do big, bold, fine things also to offset their offences, and such men never fail to bring women to their banner; for women, above all things love in a man the quality of *bigness*.

"But a man who lies and is a coward! who drinks whisky in his room, and afterwards eats cloves!

who pats animals in public, and viciously kicks them in private! whose wretched, pining sins are afraid to stand on their own legs and assert themselves as sins—hiding behind doors and skulking in the darkness!

"Oh! There were days when as we rode together over the short golden grass I wished my horse would throw me and break my neck . . . and did not pray at night for forgiveness for that sinful wish. In the terrible season of drought that had fallen the source of prayer was beginning to dry up and fail."

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You've an air that is quite unique . . .
And all your best buildings are . . .
With planks, just to make a . . .

There is tier upon tier of timber . . .
Surrounding each ancient family . . .
They've put them in packing-cases . . .
As if to go off by train . . .
I walk down historic Fleet Street . . .
Through busy Newpaper Lane . . .
Or I stroll still further West . . .
And saunter along the Strand . . .

And "Seats to Let," assails me . . .
I see them on every hand, . . .
And wild is the protestation—
That each is "The Finest Seat."
Your plane trees are lopped and . . .
The flower beds trodden down . . .
St. Paul's Churchyard is a desolate . . .
And Westminster's grass is . . .

So I'll hie me back to the Back Bay . . .
Where the living timber grows . . .
For I hate the white pine wood . . .
And the hammer's incessant noise . . .
Years hence, when the trees have . . .
Shall recover their pristine green . . .
I'll come again to Old London . . .
When a bit of it can be seen . . .

—Charles H. M.

T'were easy told
That some grow wise and some
And all feel time and trouble,
If life an empty bubble be,
How sad are those who will not
A rainbow in the bubble.

—C. S.

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ALBERTA RAILROAD FLOTATION

The most curious railroad flotation of recent years was that of Alberta and Great Waterways Railway, which was to open up great Peace River country north of Edmonton. In December, \$7,400,000 five per cent. fifty-year first mortgage bonds of the were sold in England. The securities were guaranteed as to pal and interest by the Provincial Government of Alberta. The was made by the London branch of Messrs. J. S. Morgan & Com-

Mr. W. R. Clarke, a banker of Kansas City, was understood to iefly interested. It was proposed to build the road from Edmonorth-east of the Athabasca River, to Fort McMurray, a distance out 350 miles. Of the total issue \$400,000 covered Edmonton nals, but the bulk of the loan was based on a guarantee of \$20,000 mile on the main line and branches. The bonds, issued at 110, rapidly subscribed. Criticism was heard in London to the effect the Alberta Government were ill-advised in their guarantee, which ed out at about 4½ per cent., when it might just as well and as actorily have been done upon a 4⅓th basis.

A crisis in the Alberta Legislature occurred as a result of the cial government's efforts to force the railroad agreement. The t was dissolved and a royal commission appointed to investigate al. The commission's report was non-committal and the comn's report was non-committal and the commission failed to take ride of most important witnesses, including Mr. Clarke, of is City, the chief promoter. The provincial government then d to cancel the railroad agreement, alleging that the company defaulted in its bond interest. The money raised by the sale of ad bonds in London was on deposit in three banks in Edmonton, alk being with the Royal Bank. The government now seeks this y, proposing to utilize it for general public improvements within rovince.

In the meantime, the British bondholder must feel himself in a what peculiar position, even if not as a political shuttlecock. His consolation is that the Alberta government have guaranteed the which he holds. This guarantee will be respected by the pro- l government whatever happens.

CANADIAN INSURANCE COMPANIES AND THE BANKS

(By H. M. P. Eckardt, in The Monetary Times)

When the Armstrong Committee, appointed by the New York Legislature in 1905, had begun to probe into the affairs of the big life insurance companies having headquarters in New York much that was objectionable was discovered in the relations en the companies and certain of the banks. The companies held, June, 1906, bank and trust company stocks, the market value of was placed at \$71,655.04. In the investigation it was shown that ne cases the ownership of bank stocks had been used as a means rting profits to the private pockets of men in control of the nce companies and of their friends and associates. At any rate, legislature, at the conclusion of the investigation, enacted a measure required, among other things, that the insurance companies dispose of their holdings of bank, railroad, and other stocks. They were given till the end of 1911 to comply with this law, ever, up to April 10th this year a large amount of the stocks

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remained unsold. The holding of bank stocks at that date is set at a market valuation of \$47,130,581. It has been explained that a considerable part of the time since 1905 has been unfavourable for marketing in mass such stocks as the companies hold, and it is asked that a further period of three years be added to the time during which they may hold the stocks.

Abuses Were Corrected

It is well known that such abuses as were in existence at the time of the investigation have been corrected, and it is believed that the relations now existing between the great American life insurance companies and the banks are as they should be. It will be interesting to discuss briefly some of the features of the relations between the banks and insurance companies in the Dominion. It should be observed that the Insurance Commission appointed by the Dominion Government found that there had been some questionable dealings with the banks by Canadian companies also; and the Commissioners recommended a number of changes in our law. Among other things they urged that further restrictions be placed upon the investments of the companies. But the recommendations of the Canadian Commissioners were not enacted into law with the expedition or facility that characterized the enactment of remedial legislation in New York State.

There are some striking differences in the relations of banks and life insurance companies with each other in Canada and the United States. One of the principal reasons is found in the difference in the relative positions of the two classes of institutions in the two countries. In the United States the principal life insurance companies are mammoth concerns, far exceeding even the largest banks in wealth and importance. Even without their stock ownership of banks they might exercise a large measure of influence or control upon the financial markets. The banks, on the other hand, excepting a number in the principal centres, are small and isolated. The insurance companies are represented everywhere; their agencies are in every county and township. But each bank has merely a single office.

Do Not Overshadow Banks

In the Dominion conditions are different. The Canadian insurance companies are large and their agencies reach into all parts of Canada, but they do not overshadow the banks. The latter institutions dominate Canadian finance. Their ramifications, too, extend in every direction; they are found in every city and town and in nearly every village. So, under these circumstances, domination of banks by insurance companies is not so likely to occur. Some people thought that a number of years ago the Canada Life dominated the Canadian Bank of Commerce because Senator Cox, the head of the life company, was also president of the bank. It is quite probable that the Senator's influence upon the bank was large, but this influence should be ascribed to his personal qualities and position rather than to the life insurance company. It just happened that the one man was the official head of both institutions.

So when there is no domination of the banks by the insurance companies, and when the companies do not overshadow the banks in the financial markets, the relations between the insurance companies and the banks are much the same as the relations between the banks and other corporations of importance. Needless to say, the life insurance companies are among the very best of the customers of the banks. They carry heavy balances in current account, and they are not unreasonable in negotiating the terms on which such accounts are to be carried.

They deposit every day long lists of cheques and items on every part of the Dominion, and buy and sell exchange on London, New York and other outside centres. On this business the bank may make some satisfactory commissions, though it must be confessed that the companies handle their exchange business skilfully and economically. Another advantage connected with the account of a life insurance company is the fact that when cheques are issued to the beneficiaries of policies, drawn upon a certain bank and payable at any of its branches, the bank will often secure good deposits for account of the payers.

The insurance companies also figure at times in the list of borrowers. It is their custom to keep their funds closely invested, and occasionally it may happen that an opportunity to make a good investment calling for a large amount finds the company with insufficient funds on hand for the purpose. The transaction may be carried through by means of an overdraft at the bank. Collection of premiums and income from investments will probably suffice to cover the overdraft in a few weeks. Such transactions do not seem objectionable, and they inure to the benefit of the company, its policyholders, and the bank as well.

Usually the account of a big life insurance company will be divided among two or more banks. One bank may have special facilities for the transaction of business in a certain province or section, while other banks offer exceptional facilities in other sections.

OLD COMPANY AFTER NEW BUSINESS

In Vancouver the Hudson's Bay Company will build a new store that will cost at a conservative estimate \$1,500,000, is the announcement by H. E. Burbidge, stores commissioner for the company at Winnipeg.

H. E. Burbidge is a man under 40 years of age. When the company sent him to Canada last October to take over the management of all stores, there is little question but what the bones of a hundred Hudson's Bay factors rattled in their graves. Since then the company has entered on a new phase.

A million dollars' worth of land has been purchased in Winnipeg, on Portage avenue. Upon it the company will raise a great system of stores.

At Calgary \$1,000,000 is being expended.

Arrangements have been completed for the building of a \$60,000 department store at Vernon.

At Kamloops new quarters have been purchased at a cost of maybe \$100,000—the price was never announced.

In Vancouver \$1,500,000 will be spent.

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CANADA HAS GIVEN ORDERS FOR TWO DOCKS

The recently announced intention of the Canadian government to provide floating docks for the warships employed in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans has taken practical effect. Several ports were suggested as suitable bases for the establishment of these docks, including Vancouver, Montreal and Quebec. Rupert and probably Halifax, N.S., also recommended as being places which could be adapted to the purpose, but Vancouver and Montreal were eventually selected. Canadian government have now given orders for the construction of two docks, one of which is to be located on Burrard Inlet and the other at Montreal.

Both orders have already reached the old country and one of the docks is now being built by Messrs. Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson at Wallsend-on-Tyne, who have secured the Vancouver order. This firm has built many fine docks, which are scattered over the world. In this yard also were built the Mauretania and the steamers Empress of Canada, Empress of Britain, Empress of Ireland, while the new Grand Trunk vessel from Vancouver is now in the water at the yard, being pushed to completion.

It is impossible to give details of the dock, as many government contracts must be kept. The majority of docks built by this firm have been towed to their destination, but whether or not the dock in question will be sent out to Vancouver in sections and reconstructed in the far west or be towed across the Atlantic, round the Horn and up the coast has not yet been divulged.

The order for the Montreal dock has been awarded to Messrs. Swan, Hunter & Wigham Richardson, Barrow.

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HOW PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED

To the lady receiving the largest number of votes in the entire contest will be awarded the grand prize of \$300.00 in gold. After the grand prize winner has been eliminated from the race, the leader of each District will be awarded one of the twelve District prizes. The District prize winner having the largest number of votes will be awarded the first District prize. The leader of the next highest District will be awarded the second District prize, and so on down until the twelve District prizes have been awarded. The candidate having the next highest number of votes to the grand prize winner in the same District will be awarded the District prize, thus one of the twelve Districts will receive two prizes, the grand prize and a District prize. In case of a tie between two or more prize winners, a prize of equal value will be awarded to each.

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE

Any lady, married or single, of good repute residing in British Columbia.

The Week reserves the right to omit any name it considers not eligible.

No employee of The Week nor the relative of any member will be allowed to enter the contest.

VOTE AND SUBSCRIPTION SCHEDULE

The following number of votes will be allowed on subscriptions to THE WEEK from June 17th to August 26th, 1911:

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CLOSE OF CONTEST

This Ladies' \$1000.00 Voting Contest will close Saturday, August 26, 1911 AT 10 P.M.

For progress of candidates and special Contest News see Back Page of this issue.

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Felix William Spiers, of 68, des-square, S.W., one of the members of the catering firm of Spiers and Pond, who died in May at the age of seventy-nine, left a fortune of £151,327. In his will he directed that all his property should be divided among "such persons as are entitled to receive it under the laws of testacy in England."

Spier's partner, Mr. Christopher Pond, who died in 1881, left a small estate of the value of £76.

Scholarship Results

following university scholarships have been awarded at Cambridge:—The Burney Scholarship to Leonard Whitcombe, B.A., of Trinity; the Tiarks German Scholarship to Mr. Harold Cooper, B.A., of John's; the Charles Oldham Memorial Scholarship to Mr. G. G. S., B.A., of Trinity; the Craven Scholarship to Mr. E. M. W. Till, B.A., of Jesus; the Charles Warr Scholarship to Mr. G. Braunholtz, B.A., of Emmanuel. M. M. Hardie, of Newnham College, has been nominated by the Chancellor for the studentship to the British School at Cambridge.

Scotland's Earl Marshal

conference of delegates representing Scottish patriotic societies held in the Scottish Exhibition, now, under the presidency of Mr. George Eyre Todd. Among the resolutions passed was one deploring the fact that in recent reigns the title of the Earl Marshal of Scotland had been performed by the Earl of England, and stating that the desire of the meeting to present a petition to His Majesty that a Scottish nobleman be appointed to the vacant office.

Mr. Walter Winans

Walter Winans, the well-known exhibitor of champion horses, also the champion revolver of the world, is about to dispose of all his show horses and to go to his English home, Surrenden Kent. In future he will reside in Brussels. He states that tired of showing and intends to devote himself to big-game hunting.

New Master of Marlborough

Council of Marlborough College have elected the Rev. St. John Wynne Willson, Headmaster of Eton College, as the Master of Marlborough College.

Growing Britain

The fact that the United Kingdom is growing in size yearly instead of shrinking is proved in the report of the Royal Commission on Coast Erosion, the Reclamation of Tidal Lands, and Afforestation.

It is estimated that during the last five years about 6,640 acres have been lost by coast erosion, while 1,000 acres have been reclaimed from the sea. The losses have been chiefly on the open coast, and the gains entirely in the tidal estuaries.

Last of the Squires

A funeral took place recently at Normanton, near Alfreton, of Vaughan Hobb Radford, of Old Hall, a member of an ancient Derbyshire family, who was regarded as one of the last of the old country squires. He was a descendant of one of the oldest families in Wales. During the great coal strike of 1893 Mr. Radford allowed miners in the village to search for their own benefit at some points on the estate.

The New Stamps

In the House of Commons recently Mr. Cecil asked the Postmaster-General whether, in view of the distinction caused by the new postage

stamps, he would consider the question of a fresh issue with a new portrait of the King.

Mr. Herbert Samuel informed the hon. member in reply that the portrait of His Majesty was engraved from a special photograph. He was disappointed that the result should not have been more successful. He agreed that there was room for improvement in the printing of the penny stamps, and he was in communication with the contractors on the subject.

Correspondence

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

COD FISHING

To the Editor of The Week:

Dear Sir,—I have read with much interest the letter by Mr. Dumbleton concerning cod fishing, which appeared in your last issue, and desire to give my unqualified endorsement to the same. I have for many years been a frequenter of the lovely stretch of water known as the Saanich Arm, have spent many happy days fishing on its expanse, and, en passant, many delightful days shooting on its shores. Owing to its near proximity to Victoria, and its easy accessibility, from that city, it is destined to be the most frequented resort for the many who cannot well afford the time for a long trip, and it will be a crying shame to the residents of Victoria, of the Saanich Peninsula, and the Malahat section, if steps are not at once taken to protect the fishing from the unprincipled and greedy market gluton. Deplete these waters of fish (which can very quickly be done), and half the attractiveness of the spot for the tired city dweller will be lost. I would suggest that a petition be prepared, signed by property owners on the inlet shores, and by as many others as possible, and forwarded to Fishery Inspector Taylor, asking him to take steps to close the entire inlet to market fishermen. The methods employed by the Japanese, as described by Mr. Dumbleton, are particularly deadly to fish life.

Now that I am on the subject of game preservation, pray permit me to point out certain facts regarding the game of the West Coast. At the head of a certain inlet which I have lately visited, elk signs were abundant. Indian and white residents alike pointed out that the great body of these animals left remaining on Vancouver Island, frequent this part of the country, and that unless the Provincial Government will take steps to lay out a game reserve there, as they have done at Buttle's Lake, it will be a question of a very short time after the season is opened for these animals, that their extermination will be virtually complete, as the number known to be in the Buttle's Lake reserve is very small indeed. The strange part of it is, that while game wardens are being appointed for various parts of the country, no one holding that office ever by any chance visits that part of the country, where their presence is most necessary. I am quite ready at any time to furnish you with more data should you so desire.

W. B. ANDERSON,
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DECADENT JOURNALISM

To the Editor of The Week:

Dear Sir,—As The Week does not happen to indulge in the old fashioned vulgarities, now prevalent in daily issues of papers in Victoria, permit me, in your columns, to call back public attention to some daily specimens.

Considerable space is every day occupied by these papers with an ex-

ceedingly dry and uninteresting alteration (over a certain patch of land) politically seasoned to suit conservative or liberal palates.

Today (18th) one of these journals which are our only hope, on five days in the week, for mental nourishment, accuses a contemporary with being "at its old tricks,—absolutely, wholly and unqualifiedly false,—and he knows they are false."

Such press tactics do not seem a whit more advanced in literary polish than "Paddy Kelly's Budget" of sixty years ago, when argument concluded with "You're a liar.—You're another."

And somebody was shot.

"CHOICE LOT."

Victoria, 19th July, 1911.

BRITISH TRADE COMMISSIONERS

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

Editor The Week:

I am personally much obliged to you for your editorial referring to the somewhat discourteous remarks of the Colonist on the question of the appointment of a British Trade Commissioner as it is to me he refers, but associated with me in this, and approving of the suggestion are gentlemen of very considerable business ability and high position in the political world both in this country and in Great Britain, while so far I have yet directly to learn the only person opposed to the suggestion is the Editor of the Colonist and even he from the remarks published is entirely ignorant of the real issue suggested. So far as I am concerned the matter has never been brought by me officially before the Victoria Board of Trade, although I have discussed the question with one or two members who have expressed their approval of the suggestion, and so far as the Editor of the Colonist is concerned, although he considered the matter of sufficient importance to comment on certain suggested details as to duties of the office which I at the same time pointed out were a matter not for our consideration but entirely that of the home government, he practically declined to allow me to personally lay before him for approval or otherwise suggestions which had been already approved of by gentlemen who, if not better I think will be conceded are in as good position to judge of the advantages to Great Britain and in addition to this province of the possibilities for direct advertisement that such an appointment would give.

The necessity for the British government taking more interest in the promotion of British trade and influence in this portion of Canada is unquestioned by all who have thought out this matter, and my suggestion that the appointment of additional Trade Commissioners whose sole time, ability and interest were devoted to this object should be one of the steps taken was approved of by the gentlemen who are the permanent heads of the Board of Trade and Colonial Departments of the British government with whom, at the direction of the Secretary of the British Board of Trade and Colonies, I had personal interviews. My efforts in this direction were approved of and backed up by prominent members of the British House of Parliament, gentlemen who were either already largely interested in Canadian trade or who by frequent visits to this country appreciated the condition of affairs here, and also had the direct approval of the Hon. J. H. Turner, our Agent-General in London, who personally authorised me to use his name in this direction.

There is only one Trade Commissioner representing Great Britain for the whole of the vast interest of this Dominion, and I need hardly argue that this Commissioner, although he is assisted by a few trade correspondents in various parts of the Dominion, must be inadequate to cope with the business entailed in proper promotion of British trade and influence, and it is obvious that the trade correspondents, receiving as they do a merely nominal sum and having their own urgent business interest to attend to, cannot therefore do that service in forwarding the objects which are so necessary for the promotion of British trade as those who were appointed

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I am fully supported in my contention, so far as this city and province are concerned that the appointment of a British Trade Commissioner resident here would have the greatest possible influence in directing not only British trade but capital here—one reason being that his recommendations as an independent servant of the British Government would be accepted as true, in contradistinction to the reports, whether issued by the Canadian or Provincial Governments, the Provincial Boards of Trade or other sources, which, although we resident here know to be founded on fact, are received in Great Britain with more than the proverbial grain of salt.

I may say that I never made any suggestion that this Commissioner should be paid by the Provincial or Dominion Governments, nor that it was supported officially or unofficially by the Provincial Government, but I am in a position to say that the appointment of additional Trade Commissioners, such as the one now existant, by the British Government would be a step approved of by the Provincial Government. At the same time I need hardly say that this is entirely a matter for the consideration of the Imperial Government.

The Editor of the Colonist at the conclusion of his editorial makes an accusation which, to say the least, is somewhat discourteous and uncalled for—that I am only raising this question for the purpose of getting the appointment, it is a somewhat childish and unworthy remark to make even if it were correct. I am not certain even if such an appointment were offered me whether it would pay me to accept, but the imputation is a cheap snub that any man who has the interest of his country at heart and yet receives payment for his services is open to get from the Editor of the Colonist. I can honestly say I hope if the British Government, as I know it will sooner or later, carry out the suggestion I have made, that the best possible man will be appointed to this position, which as I have said, in the opinion of others far more competent to judge than either of the Editor of the Colonist or myself must work to the advantage of the trade and influence of Great Britain, and also be a reliable advertisement of the prosperity and possibilities of this Province.

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J. E. GRIFFITH,
Public Works Engineer.
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B.C., 14th July, 1911.

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WATER NOTICE

I, Bedlington Harold John, of 2210 Blanchard Avenue, Victoria, British Columbia, Broker, give notice that on the eighteenth day of August, 1911, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, I intend to apply to the Water Commissioner at his office, Parliament Buildings, Government Street, Victoria, B.C., for a water licence to take and use five cubic feet per second from Arbutus Creek, in Malahat Division of Victoria District. The water is to be taken from the stream about seven hundred feet upstream (Westerly) above the bridge on Mill Bay Road crossing Arbutus Creek, and is to be used on a piece of land on Finlayson Arm containing about eighty acres at the mouth of Arbutus Creek, for industrial purposes.

BEDLINGTON HAROLD JOHN.

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CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing over vacant Crown lands in Cariboo District, situated on the South Fork of the Fraser River, notice of which, bearing date of June 26th, 1907, was published in the British Columbia Gazette dated August 29th, 1907, is cancelled in so far as the same relates to lands surveyed as Lots numbered 3,040, 3,040A, 3,039, 3,049, 3,042, 3,051, 3,052, 3,043, 3,041, 3,045, 3,044, 3,077, 3,076, 3,082, 3,078, 3,079, 3,080, 3,081, 3,083, 3,088, 3,085, 3,086, 3,087A, 3,087, 3,091, 3,099, 3,100, 3,089, 3,108, 3,112, 3,129, 3,130, 3,132, 3,134, 3,135, 3,124, 3,093, 3,037, 3,036, 3,038, 3,046, 3,047, 3,054A, 3,054, 3,057, 3,053, 3,084, 3,097, 3,105, 3,101, 3,095, 3,096, 3,098, 3,106, 3,102, 3,103, 3,090A, 3,090, 3,111, 3,115, 3,124, 3,125, 3,126, 3,119A, 3,119, 3,116, 3,109, 3,110, 3,104, 3,107, 3,040A, 3,059, 3,048, 3,055, 3,056, 3,066, 3,065A, 3,063, 3,062, 3,061, 3,060, 3,058, 3,065, 3,067, 3,064, 3,069, 3,070, 3,071, 3,073, 3,068, 3,072, 3,075, 3,074, 3,092, 3,094, 3,093, 3,093A, 3,113, 3,117, 3,120, 3,123, 3,127, 3,131, 3,128, 3,122, 3,121, 3,118, and 3,114.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.
Department of Lands,
Victoria, B.C., May 26th, 1911.

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CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing over certain lands in Range 5, Coast District, notice of which bearing date of July 13th, 1908, and December 17th, 1908, were published in the British Columbia Gazette in the issues of July 16th, 1908, and December 17th, 1908, respectively, is cancelled in so far as the same relates to lands surveyed as the east half and north-west quarter section 8, west half section 8 and north-east quarter section 9, section 14, north half and south-east quarter section 15, north half and south-west quarter section 16 and section 17, fractional north half section 18, sections 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37, all in township 18, Range 5, Coast District.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.
Department of Lands,
Victoria, B.C., June 16th, 1911.

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CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing upon Crown lands in the Lillooet District and in the Kamloops Division of Yale District, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette, dated May 5th, 1910, is cancelled in so far as the same relates to the lands in Lillooet District surveyed as Lots numbered 1,833, 1,832, 1,831, 1,830, 1,820, 1,821, 1,822, 1,823, 1,818, 1,819, 1,809, 1,806, 1,810, 1,811, 1,817, 1,816, 1,813, 1,655, 1,654, 1,640, 1,639, 1,638, 1,641, 1,653, 1,652, 1,651, 1,643, 1,642, 1,791, 1,644, 1,645, 1,646, 1,647, 1,648, 1,649, 1,829, 1,828, 1,826, 1,824, 1,425A, 1,430A, 1,629, 1,631, 1,617, 1,622, 1,637, 1,636, 1,635, 1,634, 1,614, 1,615, and 1,616.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.
Department of Lands,
Victoria, B.C., May 26th, 1911.

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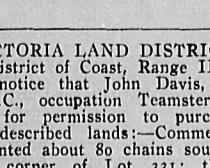


CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing over certain lands situated in Range 5, Coast District, notice of which bearing date of December 17th, 1908, was published in the British Columbia Gazette, in the issue of December 17th, 1908, is cancelled in so far as the same relates to lands surveyed as the north half and south-west quarter section 9, north half section 10, north half and south-east quarter section 11; sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30, all in township 19, range 5, Coast District.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.
Department of Lands,
Victoria, B.C., June 16th, 1911.

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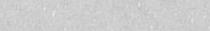


VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Coast, Range II
TAKE notice that John Davis, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Teamster, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 80 chains south of the south-east corner of Lot 331; thence 80 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west; thence 80 chains north to point of commencement and containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated June 1st, 1911.
JOHN DAVIS.

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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Coast, Range II
TAKE notice that Arthur Shakes, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Employment Agent, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 80 chains south of the south-east corner of Lot 331; thence 80 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west; thence 80 chains north to point of commencement and containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated June 1st, 1911.
ARTHUR SHAKES.

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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Coast, Range II
TAKE notice that Frederick Richard Wilson, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Fitter, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the intersection of the north-west corner of Lot 330 and the east boundary of Lot 329; thence north 40 chains, more or less, to the north-east corner of Lot 329; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 80 chains; to the north-east corner of Lot 330; thence west 80 chains, more or less, along the north boundary of Lot 330, to the point of commencement, and containing 480 acres, more or less.

Dated June 1st, 1911.
FREDERICK RICHARD WILSON.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Addition, Parliament Buildings

SEALED TENDERS superscribed "Addition, Parliament Buildings," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to noon of Tuesday, the 15th day of August, 1911, for the erection and completion of an addition to the Parliament Buildings, Victoria.

Drawings, specifications, contract, and forms of tender, may be seen on and after the 15th day of July at the offices of the Provincial Timber Inspector, Vancouver; the Government Agent, New Westminster; and the Department of Public Works, Victoria.

Intending tenderers can, by applying to the undersigned, obtain one copy of the drawings and one copy of the specifications, by depositing a marked cheque for \$500; said deposit to be refunded on the return of drawings and specifications with tender.

Each tender 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, in the sum of \$25,000, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

The successful tenderer shall furnish a bond of a guarantee company satisfactory to the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten (10) per cent. of the contract amount, for the date fulfilment 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., 28th June, 1911.

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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Coast, Range II
TAKE notice that Harry Simpson, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Labourer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 40 chains north of the north-east corner of Lot 217; thence 40 chains south to the north-east corner of Lot 21; thence 40 chains west; thence 40 chains south; thence 40 chains west; thence 40 chains north; thence 80 chains east to point of commencement, containing 480 acres more or less.

Dated June 1st, 1911.
HARRY SIMPSON.

july 1

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazette of the 27th December, 1907, over Lots Nos. 10183 and 10184, Group one, Kootenay District, which have been surrendered out of Timber License No. 32590, is cancelled, and the said lands will be open to location by pre-emption only at midnight on Friday, 13th October, 1911.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

Department of Lands,

Victoria, B.C., 5th July, 1911.

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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Coast, Range II
TAKE notice that Thomas Wilson, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Boiler Maker, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at the north-east corner of Lot 331; thence 80 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west; thence 80 chains north; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west to point of commencement, and containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated June 1st, 1911.
THOMAS WILSON.

july 1

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve existing by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazette of the 27th December, 1907, over a parcel of land situated on Reed Island, known as Lot No. 452, Sayward District, formerly covered by Timber License No. 36862, which license expired on the 20th November, 1909, is cancelled, and the said lands will be opened to location by pre-emption only at midnight on Friday, 13th October, 1911.

ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.

Department of Lands,

Victoria, B.C., 5th July, 1911.

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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Cowichan
TAKE notice that Christina MacKenzie, of North Saanich, occupation Married Woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the north-west end of an island know as "Hood Island," situated about 400 feet south of "Portland Island"; thence following the coast line to the point of commencement, the purchase to include the whole island, containing three acres, more or less.

Dated June 26th, 1911.
CHRISTINA MACKENZIE.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the reserves existing upon vacant Crown lands in Range 5, Coast District, and in Cariboo District, notices of which, bearing date of December 17th, 1908, February 15th, 1910, and April 3rd, 1911, were published in the British Columbia Gazette in the issues of December 17th, 1908, February 17th, 1910, and April 6th, 1911, respectively, are cancelled in so far as the same relate to the lands surveyed as Lots 4,037A, 4,037, 4,040, 4,040A, 4,040, 4,041, 4,042A, 4,042, 4,043, 4,044, 4,045, 4,046A, 4,046, 4,047, 4,048, 4,049, 4,050, 4,051, 4,052, 4,053, 4,054, 4,055A, 4,056, 4,057, 4,058, 4,059, 4,060, 4,061, 4,062, 4,063, 4,064, 4,065, 4,066, 4,067, 4,068, 4,069, 4,070, 4,071, 4,072, 4,073, 4,074, 4,075, 4,076, 4,077, 4,078, 4,079, 4,080, 4,081, 4,082, 4,083, 4,084, 4,085, 4,086, 4,087, 4,088, 4,089, 4,090, 4,091, 4,092, 4,093, 4,094, 4,095, 4,096, 4,097, 4,098, 4,099, 4,100, 4,101, 4,102, 4,103, 4,104, 4,105, 4,106, 4,107, 4,108, 4,109, 4,110, 4,111, 4,112, 4,113, 4,114, 4,115, 4,116, 4,117, 4,118, 4,119, 4,120, 4,121, 4,122, 4,123, 4,124, 4,125, 4,126, 4,127, 4,128, 4,129, 4,130, 4,131, 4,132, 4,133, 4,134, 4,135, 4,136, 4,137, 4,138, 4,139, 4,140, 4,141, 4,142, 4,143, 4,144, 4,145, 4,146, 4,147, 4,148, 4,149, 4,150, 4,151, 4,152, 4,153, 4,154, 4,155, 4,156, 4,157, 4,158, 4,159, 4,160, 4,161, 4,162, 4,163, 4,164, 4,165, 4,166, 4,167, 4,168, 4,169, 4,170, 4,171, 4,172, 4,173, 4,174, 4,175, 4,176, 4,177, 4,178, 4,179, 4,180, 4,181, 4,182, 4,183, 4,184, 4,185, 4,186, 4,187, 4,188, 4,189, 4,190, 4,191, 4,192, 4,193, 4,194, 4,195, 4,196, 4,197, 4,198, 4,199, 4,200, 4,201, 4,202, 4,203, 4,204, 4,205, 4,206, 4,207, 4,208, 4,209, 4,210, 4,211, 4,212, 4,213, 4,214, 4,215, 4,216, 4,217, 4,218, 4,219, 4,220, 4,221, 4,222, 4,223, 4,224, 4,225, 4,226, 4,227, 4,228, 4,229, 4,230, 4,231, 4,232, 4,233, 4,234, 4,235, 4,236, 4,237, 4,238, 4,239, 4,240, 4,241, 4,242, 4,243, 4,244, 4,245, 4

Dominion and Provincial News

Advance of Six Million Feet
Records of the timber branch of lands department for June show a total of 569 timber licenses issued in lands west of the Cascade range, according to the treasury receipts of 1910. For lands east of the Cascade, 262 licenses were issued, producing revenue to the extent of \$10,000. Other items of the month's business were special timber license fees of \$770, penalties \$3,225, total prospecting licenses \$20,050, prospecting license transfer fees and miscellaneous \$1,376.12, a total for the month of \$136,486.12. Pacific log scalers during June hauled 66,000,000 feet of logs, an advance of 6,000,000 feet over the corresponding month of last year.

All Investigate Fruit Growing Industry

Under the direction of J. A. Rudolph, dairy and cold storage commissioner, W. H. Bunting, a prominent grower, will conduct an inquiry into the fruit growing industry of the province. Mr. Bunting will inquire into all phases of the business, including possibilities of over production.

Club House Nearly Finished

Members of the Stewart club have congratulated on their new house which are now rapidly nearing completion. The new club house, situated on the corner of Seventh and Columbia street, has fine reading room on the ground floor which extends the whole width of the building and is fitted with an open fire place. On the same floor are two other rooms, the largest of which will be used as a reception room for guests, and the smaller one as a cloak room. There are two more rooms which will be used either as card or bed-rooms for bachelor members.

Subsidy Allowed

The Dominion Government has allowed a cash subsidy to the Cariboo, Shuswap & Willow railway, which is amply financed. It will be completed as soon as the G. T. R. can deliver the rails on the line. The company will also build a branch line to tap the rich coal fields owned by John Hepburn and located on the Bear River. This will necessitate the laying out of a town there, and all in all the success of completion of the various projects obtaining the consideration of the company will mean very much opening up and development of an important district.

A Shortage in Spuds

There is a potato famine in sight in Western Canada, for at the present time potatoes are selling at 25c per bushel with five cents being asked for pounds of the new crop imported from the south. Two weeks ago the wholesale price for old potatoes was 90 cents per bushel, but this week it is 1.55 to 1.75, with no end in sight. Heavy rains in certain sections have drowned out the fields and are said to be responsible for the shortage.

Big Smelting Company

Another American smelting and refining company, with a capitalization of \$5,000,000, divided into 1,500,000 shares of a par value of \$100 each, has been authorized to carry on business in British Columbia. The head office will be in Jersey City, and the local office at Victoria.

A New Cathedral

In connection with the opening of the Synod of Manitoba's Land at Winnipeg recently, Bishop Matheson announced that had been prepared for the erection of a new cathedral on the historic site of St. Johns in that city, which, when completed in 1920, will cost \$300,000. The nave is to be erected for the centenary of the Diocese in Western Canada in 1913.

Remarkable Atavism

The New Michel Reporter states that three times inside of 24 hours, a resident of that town became a grandfather. This is a unique record never heard of before in the world.

President of Stock Exchange

H. T. Champion was elected president at the annual meeting of the Winnipeg Stock Exchange this month. W. Sanford Evans was elected vice-president, Hugo Ross, secretary-treasurer. The managers are: A. M. Nanton, W. T. Kirby and T. B. Billett. The total number of stocks traded in totalled \$319,285 exclusive of South African scrip.

Wanted—A Pied Piper

The city of Winnipeg is threatened by a plague of rats according to a report at the provincial department of Agriculture. The report says that the rats are already numerous on the outskirts of the city and are increasing with great rapidity. For several years, rats have been coming up from the South and have done much damage between here and the boundary.

May Immigration

The total immigration into Canada for May was 61,478 as compared with 47,589 for May, 1910, an increase of 29 per cent. Immigration from the United States was 15,414 as compared with 14,194. Immigration at ocean ports was 46,061 as compared with 33,395 May, 1910.

Laura Secord Monument

The monument erected on Queenston Heights in memory of Laura Secord, the Canadian heroine of the war of 1812, was unveiled on July 5 at Queenston Heights. Sir George Ross and other speakers of prominence delivered addresses.

A Big Increase

Figures completed by the customs department for the year show that settlers' effects to the total value of \$14,072,611 were brought into Canada, the largest property of the largest immigration in Canadian history. The amount exceeds the total for the previous year by nearly four millions.

Lots of Moose

Moose are reported unusually plentiful in the vicinity of Tete Jaune Cache, where one prospecting party recently encountered eighteen in the course of a single day.

Fruit Prospects

The peach crop at Keremos will be very light this season, but all other fruits abundant throughout the district.

A Good Showing

The net profits of Vancouver's "Made-in-Canada Fair" will exceed \$10,000.

Daily Fruit Steamer

A daily fruit steamer is now being operated by the C. P. R. on the Kootenay Lakes.

FOREST FIRES

An analysis of the causes operating to produce forest fires, by which to date the citizens of British Columbia have lost probably \$30,000,000—last year alone the direct loss and cost of protection aggregated \$829,915.00—shows that next to carelessness with camp-fires, similarly criminal carelessness in the operation of donkey engines in logging camps is largely responsible for the yearly worse than waste. In connection with this particular phase of the lamentable carelessness which has proven and is proving so expensive to the people of British Columbia, it would be well indeed for everyone in any way identified with the lumbering industry to note just what the legally prescribed regulations are which govern the operation of donkey engines in logging camps. These read as follows:

Any person or persons using or operating a donkey engine in connection with logging operations shall see that all brush and inflammable matter is removed for a space of not less than fifty (50) feet on all sides thereof.

There shall be available at each donkey engine in use during the dry season a supply of water of not less than four hundred (400) gallons, such amount to be obtainable at all times therein; together with twelve (12) large galvanized-iron buckets to be kept exclusively for fire protection purposes, and in a convenient position therefor.

There shall also be available and kept solely for fire-protection purposes six (6) good shovels and three (3) good mattocks, and located in a suitable position therefor.

In addition to the above, there shall be available at such donkey engine a suitable hand pump, to be maintained in good working order, and in readiness for an emergency.

It shall be the duty of the owner or operator of each donkey engine to maintain a watchman in the vicinity thereof during such time as the same is under fire and there is any possibility of fire spreading from such engine.

A spark arrester shall be placed on the top of the smoke-stack of each donkey engine. The arrester shall be constructed with a good strong steel or iron frame firmly fastened to the top of the shack. The ribs shall be close enough together to prevent the wire from falling in or collapsing. The cover of the arrester shall be woven wire of a dimension of not less than No. 16, B. W. C., having twenty-five squares to the square inch in mesh. The top of the arrester to be not less than three times the area of the top of the smoke-stack, and at least eighteen inches above the top thereof.

Attention to these common-sense rules and their rigid observance will go far toward at least reducing materially the annual forest fire waste.

A PUBLICITY PAMPHLET

Mr. Percy F. Godenrath, who has done so much publicity work throughout the Province is again to the fore with an excellent pamphlet dealing with the past, present and future of Stewart. "Stewart, The Pacific's Treasure Chest" is a neatly bound, attractively gotten up and well illustrated production and is compiled in the author's best style. Commencing with the situation, the book then deals with the climate about which so many false notions prevail. An exceedingly interesting article is written about the scenery round and about Stewart, together with a descriptive write-up of the scenic effects of the approach. The mining industries are briefly touched on, as is the general agricultural outlook. The whole winds up with a panegyric dealing with the future of this spot. Mr. Godenrath is a bright and picturesque writer and is evidently a firm believer in the truth of what he writes. His latest production is one of his best and the fact that Stewart so soon after its inception is in a position to launch such an ambitious piece of publicity work is in itself the best advertisement the city could have.

SHE HAD IT DOWN PAT

The weekly lesson in Sunday School dealt with the corrupting influence of luxury and worldliness, and the golden text was a well known sentence that the superintendent wished all the children to remember.

It sounded like an easy text to learn and the superintendent, mounting the platform for a final review of the lesson when the school assembled for closing exercises, was sure of a pleasant response from his pupils.

"Who," he began, "can repeat the golden text?"

A score of hands were raised and the superintendent chose a little girl with blue eyes, a well bred, well behaved little girl from a well to do and "particular" family to repeat the text for him.

"Well, Dorothy," he said, "you may tell us. Stand up so we can all hear you."

Dorothy stood up in the prettiness of her hair ribbons.

"You cannot," she said distinctly. "You cannot serve God and mamma."

A MATRIMONIAL IMMIGRANT

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Society

Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn, Saltspring Island, have been guests at the Empress Hotel during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Barton and children left on Friday last on a three months' visit to England, where they will visit relatives.

Captain and Mrs. Macdonald leave today on an extended visit to the Old Country.

Mrs. Johann Wulfsohn, Esquimalt, has returned from a visit to Vancouver, where she was the guest of Mrs. E. J. Hall.

Mr. Thomas Hunter, Thetis Island, is visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. Gidley from Duncan, B.C., spent a few days in town during the week.

Mrs. W. Robinson and family are spending the summer at Cowichan Lake.

Mr. Maurice Carmichael, who has been attending college, is spending his vacation in the city with his parents.

Dr. Wilson, Rivers Inlet, was in the city for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Geiger are guests at the Riverside Hotel, Cowichan Lake.

Mr. W. H. Truesdale, from Duncan, B.C., was a visitor in the city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Winnipeg, are making a short visit here and are guests at the King Edward Hotel.

Miss E. Tolmie is the guest of Mrs. G. S. McTavish, Rivers Inlet.

Miss Keith, Vancouver, is the guest of Mrs. R. D. Finlayson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McFarland, Vancouver, are guests at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Miss Blakemore went up to Cowichan Lake today. Miss Blakemore will spend a month's holiday there.

Mrs. Willard Fielding, of Chase River, is visiting with her mother, Mrs. S. Morgan, of this city.

Hon. D. M. Eberts and Miss Eberts have left on a visit to Vernon, B.C., and Banff.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Day have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Aline Dorothy Wynne Day and Captain Lestock W. S. Cockburn of the Royal Canadian Artillery. The marriage is to take place on Wednesday, August 9th, at 2 o'clock at Christ Church Cathedral.

The following guests were registered at the Koksilah Hotel during the past week: Messrs. T. W. Earl, Vancouver; R. Freethy, Nanaimo; C. S. McTavish, C. Crosier, Fred. White, Albert E. Bechtel and H. G. Barham, all of Victoria. A few good fish were taken and some good sport was enjoyed amongst the wild pigeons, which are now getting numerous as the berries are ripening and the breeding season is over.

Mrs. F. B. McKay, Douglas Street, was hostess recently of a most enjoyable tea party. Some of the guests present were: Mrs. Chambers, Mrs.

R. Finlayson, Mrs. Rykert, Mrs. Bamford, Mrs. McTavish, Mrs. Stewart Williams, Mrs. Mac. B. Smith, Mrs. R. Jones, the Misses Tolmie, Mrs. and Miss Gray, Mrs. and Miss Morley, Mrs. Goddard, Mrs. Cairns, Mrs. McMicking, Mrs. B. Hardy, Miss Cridge and Mrs. Laundy.

Mrs. J. W. Macdonald and Mrs. Gavin Hamilton Burns were hostesses at "Armadale" last Wednesday afternoon at a charming "at home." Among the invited guests were: Mrs. Paterson, Mrs. Dunsmuir and the Misses Dunsmuir, Mrs. Doull, Rev. and Mrs. Baugh Allen, Miss Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin, Miss Helen Peters, Mr. and Mrs. Trewartha James, Mr. D. James, Mrs. H. Pooley, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robertson, Mrs. H. Barnard, Mrs. Finlayson, Mrs. J. D. Helmcken, Mrs. Jacob, Mrs. R. Jones, Mrs. Mowen, Miss Newton, Miss Punnett, Mrs. R. S. Day and the Misses Day, Mrs. Day and Miss Day, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Solly, Captain and Mrs. Macdonald, Mrs. Dennis Harris and Miss Harris, Mrs. A. Smith and Miss Smith, Mrs. Parker Hibben, Mrs. Little and Miss Little, Mrs. McPhilips, Mrs. Rome, Mrs. Blaiklock, Miss F. Drake, Miss T. Drake, Mrs. Crease, Mrs. McKay and the Misses McKay, Miss Hilda Page, Mrs. C. E. Pooley and Miss Pooley, Mrs. Henry Croft, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Coulston, Mrs. Charles, Mrs. Devereaux and the Misses Devereaux, Mrs. Monteith and the Misses Monteith, Mrs. McCallum, Mrs. Campbell McCallum and Miss McCallum, Mrs. Phipps, Mrs. Genge, Miss G. Irving, the Misses Tolmie and others.

"Ashburn," the pretty residence of Col. and Mrs. Peters, was the scene last Tuesday afternoon of a very enjoyable tea party. Some of the guests present were: Mrs. Chambers, Mrs.

joyable "at home" given in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Coulston (nee Miss Olive Peters). Mrs. Coulston is well known to Victorians, amongst whom she numbers many friends. Mrs. Peters was assisted in her duties as hostess by her daughter, Mrs. Stewart. She wore a handsome white satin gown with black lace overdress. Mrs. Stewart wore a white lingerie costume, and Mrs. Coulston was gowned in a dainty dress of white with touches of old rose. The tea table was effectively decorated with masses of pink sweet peas and pink chiffon of a pale tone. Among those present were: Mrs. C. E. Pooley and Miss Pooley, Mrs. Trewartha James, Miss James, Mr. Derek James, Mrs. R. Jones, Miss Helmcken, Mrs. McCallum, Mrs. Rome, Miss Rome, Mrs. Blaiklock, Mrs. Thomas, Rev. Baugh Allen and Mrs. Allen, Miss Allen, Captain Cockburn, Captain Gillian, Mrs. W. Monteith and Miss Monteith, Captain and Mrs. Macdonald, Mrs. George Johnson, Col. and Mrs. Prior, Captain and Mrs. Stewart, Mr. Buerly, Mrs. R. S. Day and Misses Day, Mrs. G. Matthews, Mrs. Gavin Burns, Miss Burns, Miss Tuck, Mrs. Harold Robertson, Mrs. Roger Wilby, Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Mrs. Rithet, Mrs. J. Todd, Mrs. Scott, Captain Mills, Miss Meredith, Miss Wadmore and many others.

"ACROSS THE CONTINENT"

There is a striking significance, a wealth of the romantic atmosphere of the awakening West, and a vivid, elaborate picturing of the wilderness responding to the genius of Western constructive civilization in the beautiful book written by Isabelle Carpenter Kendall, entitled "Across the Continent," a copy of which has just come to the reviewing desk. It is the first book of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway, and as a luxuriously designed and printed volume descriptive of the wonderlands between the Mississippi and the Pacific Ocean it compels attention as a superb work of art. The book contains some seventy large quarto pages of heavy calendered paper and the elaborate picture work in colours throughout, as well as the distinctive letter press and art work, disarm criticism. Its chief significance lies in

its demonstration of the scenic deur and magnificence of the miles of new railway through territory in the prolific West. This is a concise, impressive story of a trip over the line, and the reproductions of photographs in colours are splendid samples of the engraving and print art. The principal towns and districts along the line are comprehensively described, as well as the improvements of improved railroad buildings to the Milwaukee road, which represents in some respects the remarkable modern accommodations in railroad construction. A book is issued by the publishing department of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway which charge of General Passenger Geo. W. Hibbard and Traffic Manager R. M. Calkins, Seattle, Washington.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Rev. Professor Pidgeon, of the Chair of Practical Theology of Westminster Hall will conduct service at First Presbyterian Church next Sunday both forenoon and evening. Dr. Pidgeon is a distinguished graduate of McGill University in Theology of Montreal Presbytery College. Before coming west he was at one time pastor of a Methodist congregation and at another time of a Toronto church. As a preacher he is one of the strongest and most popular of the Presbyterian churches in Canada, which for a learned ministry of brainy men is second to none in the Dominion.

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The Women's Page

has been said that travelling days is as easy as sitting in a chair, and this is quite true if one has the proper clothes and articles of travelling. Everything needed to make a journey comfortable—as well as many things tend to complicate it—are to be found in the shops. Indeed if you have with wisdom, what you really need, many a minute will be saved and many a train will be caught otherwise would be lost. How this is a subject always worthy of consideration, as the appropriately smartly gowned are very few in the great travelling public.

dition of a wide sailor collar of the material. The double-breasted closing fastens with smoke pearl buttons. The distinctive feature of this model is its plain, unaffected smartness. Well tailored and designed in an excellent quality of material, this model depends for its good style on its simple and well-cut lines. A coat of this sort will be excellent for travelling wear and cool days at the seashore.

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The dark low shoe and white or delicately coloured hose has been adopted by women of fashion. It looked worse than odd at first, but

the stocking is no good, for a darn, no matter how neat, would mean a patch over the skin. We see so much of coloured and vivid dyed hose that black ones appear absolutely gruesome and old.

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But to return to the actual lingerie of today, we have to add several new kinds of garments to the old ones. There is the dessous de robe, unison of the petticoat and the cache-corset, made with a high waistline and shoulder straps of ribbon, and round the feet a narrow or deep frill, not full, but just full enough to allow one to walk comfortably. Last year these were all made in lingerie, this year they are being made in soft washing silk and in shantung, both of which wash very well, and "get up" easily. There is also the soutien-gorge, a small cache-corset, which laces up the back and has shoulder straps, which may be lengthened or shortened at will, and which help the wearer to keep back her shoulders. They are made in broderie Anglaise, fine linen, a strong corset netting, or in ordinary corset twill, but for summer wear the embroidery or linen is far the best. Then there is the pantalon-



own of very dark blue serge is excellent for a trip of any length. The bodice is cut with the knee-length and trimmed only by a small piece of black satin on the shoulders, which forms a sailor collar in front and back. This is covered by satin-covered cording that covers the joining of the serge and satin. A bow tie of satin at the base of the collar, and a double small braid buttons used as a fastening down the middle-front of the dress opens, and again on the sides, completes the waist. The skirt is a plain circular in short length, hung from a high belt giving the raised waist which is finished by satin cord. The back of this gown is perfectly plain, but its graceful lines give it a distinct charm. Then, too, it is very inexpensive.

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General service or travelling coat is in a plain tailored model with wide ribbed dark blue serge on the Norfolk lines—that is, full-length box-plaits and fitted with a belt, also with the ad-

now the effect is feminine if a bit sporty. The coloured garter of white or cream or blue has been modish since the days of spring; in fact it was worn all last winter on the Riviera. With a stocking of white or gray and a low shoe of brown or black it really looks a garter. There are women who delight in extremes, and they are wearing the openwork white hose with strapped slippers on the street, the white beginning to show over the instep. To arrive at a good effect with the garter or the light hose, the dress must be sufficiently short to show well what is covering the feet. Otherwise a glimpse of the stocking will not be pretty. This is an occasion when a little does not go a long way. The skirt should reach just above the ankles and then the public will know that the white hose were not put on by mere chance. All coloured stockings are modish this season, but those in delicate tones are best. All are more or less lace, too, which means quite a sum for the summer, since nothing is more unsolid than such footwear. In washing they draw up frightfully, the stitches slip and

jupon, a sort of combination with very full-skirted legs. These are greatly in favour with the French woman, and she has them beautifully trimmed with Valenciennes, or whatever her favourite lace may be.

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On an ideal summer day is there anything more delightful than a motor trip to the country? Then is the time when all the charms of nature lure you to the woods for a picnic. Oftentimes the idea of luncheon along the wayside is abandoned, as it is too much trouble to pack and take the provisions along, but this problem has now been solved. A tire trunk is shown where is found everything for the convenience of motorists. This trunk is of basswood lined with canvas and is equipped with a complete luncheon outfit, which consists of four Thermos bottles in one and two-quart sizes, two of each; tumblers in wicker cases, pepper and salt shakers, two glass jars for relishes, two rolls containing six knives and forks, and two porcelain compartments for lunch. All these articles are strapped to a flat tray, which can be removed

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at will from the trunk. The cover in the same colour and material, deep purple violets, made of knotted bits of satin ribbon, are far richer than the ordinary artificial flowers. An unusually becoming, yet simple, hair ornament, is to be seen in a wreath of laurel leaves. Each leaf scintillates with dewdrops or miniature rhinestones.

The gowns shown in the above cuts are taken from designs now being displayed at Messrs. Finch & Finch's Ladies' Outfitting Rooms on Yates Street.

V. I. S. C.

As a finish to a sheer evening gown, the fair Parisienne frequently pins at her girdle a large satin rose, or other flower in a contrasting colour. These accessories, besides being rich and lustrous in appearance, have the advantage over the natural flowers of never wilting, or soiling one's gown. A single large cabbage rose in deep pink satin foliage, two smaller roses

This afternoon at 2:30 p.m. the Vancouver Island Swimming Championships will be held at the Gorge. This year arrangements have been made to hold the races below the bridge, thereby affording a better view to spectators. The Committee trust that sufficient people will be interested in the different events to ensure a large attendance.

POSTS FOR FRIENDS—The London Press is engaged in a summer symposium on the question: "Should politicians give posts of profit to their friends?" Once on a time it was the practice of ministers to pitchfork their friends and their friends' friends openly, flagrantly and without shame into any soft job that was going. But we live in other times, and the opportunities of party heelers and the watchfulness of the Opposition have rendered it unprofitable, if not impossible, to maintain this time-honoured custom. All the same there is a great deal of humbug talked on the subject of nepotism, and anyone who sits down and calmly considers the whole subject of public appointments will be bound to come to the conclusion that there is nothing reprehensible and a great deal defensible in the practice. There are only three methods by which public positions can be obtained—by competitive examination; by out and out corruption, or by personal influence. Everyone knows that competitive examination is a snare and delusion of democracy, and that success in an examination depends not so much on brains, that is ability to give out, which is what the public service requires, as ability to absorb or take in. So competitive examination may be dismissed as being anything more than a colourable pretext for securing efficiency. Corruption no doubt has its vogue, and possibly is still practised by a few wealthy plutocrats in the interests of their protégés, but it is no longer fashionable and, moreover, has committed the unpardonable sin of having been found out and thereby losing its utility. This leaves only the third method, that of influence, and there is little doubt that this is the best means for putting the right man in the right place. The surest guarantee of the success of this method lies in the fact that if a Minister of the Crown uses his influence to find a place for a friend and that friend turns out to be a failure, then the Minister will suffer in prestige, for he will stand convicted either of a corrupt intention or of incompetence to judge men; either of which would be fatal

to his own reputation. The proof of the wisdom of this method is demonstrated by the fact that Ministers come and Ministers go, but permanent officials go on forever. Of course, all this has reference only to Government positions in which there is real work to be done. It would be disgraceful, and indeed, an unheard of thing for a Minister to put his friends into sinecures. But even that can hardly be avoided except by abolishing sinecures. It is impossible to have a competitive examination to discover which man is best fitted to do nothing at all except draw a salary, and in any event everyone knows that there are no such positions vacant in the Colonies. So perhaps, this branch of the subject is devoid of interest or application except for the lineal descendants of those civil servants in the Home offices whose ancestors have gone down on the pages of history as "sharpeners of quill pens."

STREET-WIDENING MANIA—The project to widen Pandora Street from the Gore to the water-front to a width of 280 feet is surely one of the maddest projects ever entertained by a sane public official. If it is a serious proposition it is probable that the only effect will be to check other similar schemes of a more modest character, which might be of public utility. There are many better ways in which the Mayor could immortalise his memory than by advocating a project which would cost millions to execute and which would sacrifice an enormous area of valuable frontage without securing any practical advantage other than to establish what would probably be the widest thoroughfare and certainly the widest business street in the world. If Victorians think that such a piece of advertisement is worth the price, then by all means, spend the money, but do it as an advertisement and not under the pretext that it is in any sense of the term a public improvement. Apart from this, however, The Week would respectfully suggest that the time has arrived to consider the magnitude of the civic expenditures on improvement work. It is not criticising the

very admirable scheme for street paving and sidewalk building; no doubt this will contribute more than anything to the beautifying and popularising of our city, but the other side of the ledger should not be forgotten, and it really does look as if the Mayor has been bitten by the bug of extravagance when he coolly proposes an expenditure of additional millions to convert one business street in the centre of the city into a miniature Champs Elysee.

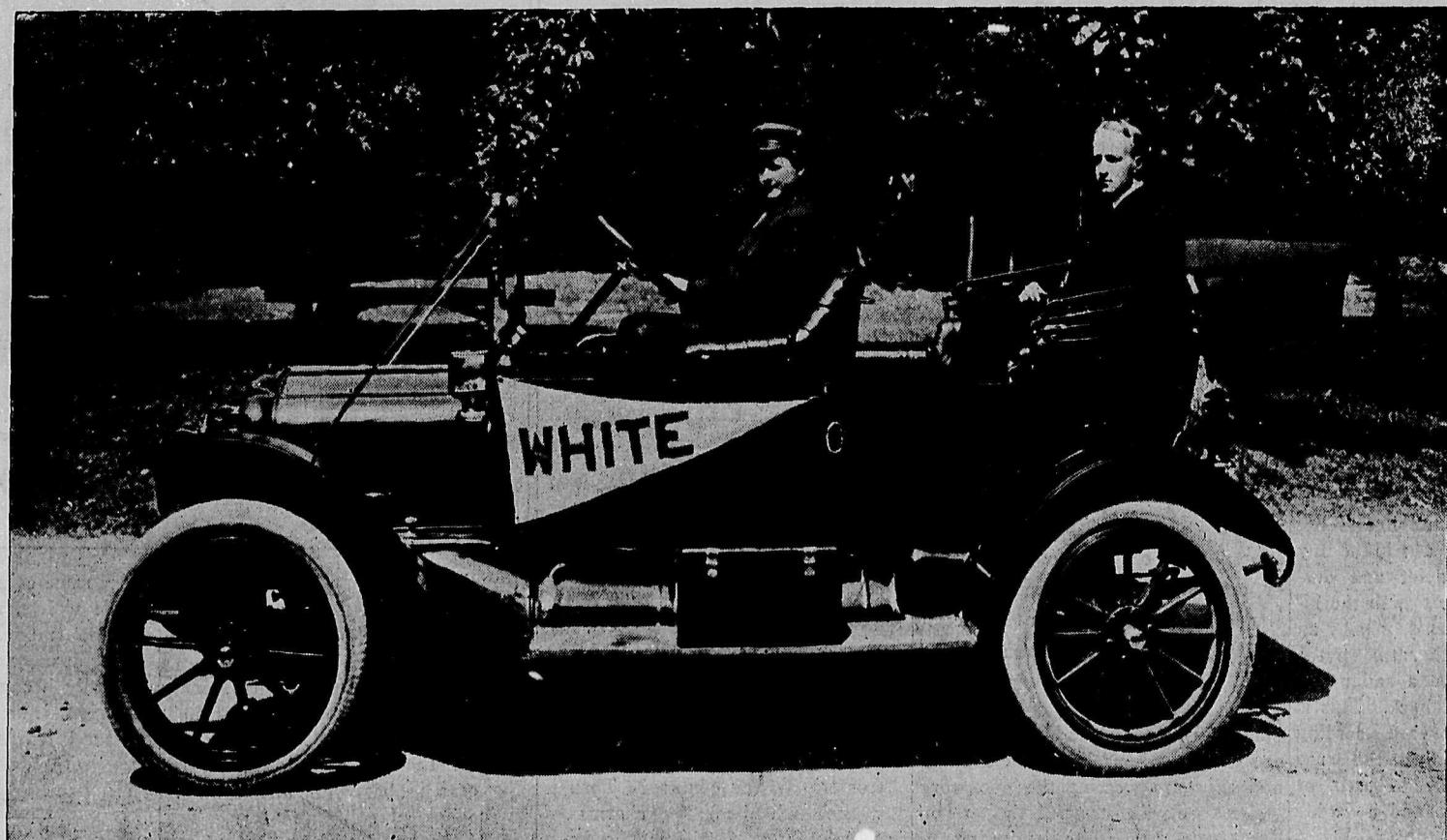
A FAITHFUL SERVANT—Just on going to press The Week learns of the death of Superintendent Hussey, head of the Provincial Police. Mr. Hussey has been in ill-health for several years and during the last two months has been almost entirely laid aside. His illness was so serious that it was hardly expected he would recover; still his death will come as a great shock to many thousands of people throughout British Columbia. It is impossible to do justice to the long and honourable career of Superintendent Hussey in a brief obituary notice. His official connection with the Province extends over many years; in fact, he may be said to have devoted practically the whole of his life to the maintenance of law and order within its borders. It is admitted by those most competent to judge that Superintendent Hussey was an extremely capable and astute officer. His name has long been a synonym for integrity and square dealing, and among the Indians especially his reputation stood so high that he had more influence with them than any other man in public life. He will be sadly missed and while the old order of things with which his memory is most intimately associated is rapidly passing, it will be long before his illustrious services and honoured name will be forgotten in British Columbia.

SUB JUDICE—Most newspapers respect that wise provision of the ethics of journalism which regards a case "sub judice" as exempt from comment. All papers, however, do not consider that the obligation extends to persons who may be

interested in such a case, and they themselves to comment upon such points in a manner which is calculated to injure, if not to mislead public opinion. If this kind of thing spreads the results will be to substitute a news tribunal for the courts, which would be distinctly not "pro bono publico." This paragraph has reference to recent favourable comments on a man who is intimately associated with a local "celebre" and who, according to a canons of justice and British fair play should be accounted innocent until proved guilty. Even if he is an "alien" he has probably heard that under the flag he would receive fair treatment. It would be a pity if the daily press were responsible for destroying this cherished belief.

OBITUARY—The Week extends sincere condolences to the family of the late Mr. Thomas Earle and G. M. Heinekey in the time of bereavement. Mr. Earle was one of the oldest and most respected of Victoria's citizens. He passed away full of years and honours, having rendered valuable service and attained a high reputation as a Member of Parliament and a public-spirited citizen. He had many friends who will mourn him and his demise will be widely regretted throughout the Province. Mr. Heinekey was not as well known, having recently come out from England and settled here with his family, but he had been in Victoria long enough to show that he was a man of public spirit, of profound knowledge and of broad sympathies. He was one of the first members of the Over-Seas Club and one of the most active members of the local committee. By the passing of Mr. Earle and Mr. Heinekey Victoria loses two good citizens, not however without the comforting thought that their families will continue the work to which they laid their hands.

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