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The Editor's Review

Of Current Topics.

An Auspicious Opening.

On Thursday, March 7th, the eleventh Parliament of British Columbia was opened by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. Jas. Dunsmuir, with all the success and more than the eclat which usually characterizes the historic function. Many circumstances conspired to make it a memorable occasion. Mr. Dunsmuir's personality, his life-long association with the principal industry of the Province, the fact that he is resident at the Capital, and that he was supported on this occasion by the members of his family who are well-known to Victorians, all tended to differentiate the ceremony from those which have preceded it. If any doubts were felt as to the wisdom of Mr. Dunsmuir's appointment they have long ago been dispelled, and every day finds him more firmly entrenched in the public confidence. His term of office, although brief, has already been signalized by a display of hospitality which few of his predecessors could emulate. The personal popularity of Mrs. Dunsmuir and the other members of the family has added much to the influence of the Lieutenant-Governor, and it is a matter for rejoicing that Government House, Victoria, whilst maintaining in all their dignity and integrity the honourable and official functions which devolve upon the Representative of King Edward in this Province at the same time present the most attractive features of that English home life which is the surest foundation upon which to erect the social fabric. Throughout the important ceremony of Thursday the Lieutenant-Governor bore himself with all the dignity suitable to the occasion. In his uniform it is needless to say that he looked every inch a man, and a man of whom the Province may well be proud. "The Week" extends congratulations to the Lieutenant-Governor upon the manner in which he has so far discharged his public duties, and to the Province on having produced the most popular incumbent of the office since the days of Sir Jas. Douglas.

A Reasonable Proposition.

Parliament is now in session, and among the measures which will probably form the subject of debate during the next two months, there are several upon which "The Week" will comment. Meanwhile, however, there is a matter of importance which naturally enough finds no place in the address of the Lieutenant-Governor, but which in all fairness should be regarded as within the range of practical politics and which should be dealt with during the session. It is a matter upon which "The Week" touched briefly not long ago, the increase of Ministers' stipends and of the Sessional allowance. If it is a sound principle that pay should be proportioned on the amount of work done, then not a word can be urged against a substantial increase under both heads. During the last four years, the work of all the Ministers has increased to an extent of which the public have little conception, and that of the Lands and Works Department has at least quadrupled. All this is a matter for congratulation, since it is the direct result of the development of the Province. Those most intimately acquainted with the details of the work are unanimous in voicing the opinion that there should be a division of the Chief Commissioner's Department, and that two Ministers should be appointed instead of one.

In this event Land and Railways would naturally fall to one Minister, and Works to the other. In the interest of efficiency and prompt despatch of public business, this reform should not be delayed, and with it should come an increase in the Ministerial stipend to $5,000. Those who have studied the question closely are also agreed that the Premier should not be hampered by the responsibility of a Departmental Portfolio, but he should be liberated from this detail, in order that he may exercise a general supervision over all and attend more to the policy than the details of Government. These views would be met by appointing him President of the Council, and at the same time his stipend should be increased by Legislative enactment to at least $7,500. It cannot for a moment be contended that the stipends will be too high, when it is borne in mind that a Minister must of necessity spend more in entertainng and in subscriptions and donations than a private member of society, and further that whatever may have been the case in the past, public sentiment now demands that he shall devote the whole of his time to the discharge of his duties, and shall not engage in any business enterprise. A moderate increase in the sessional allowance to members is also in order; their duties are more onerous than heretofore and Committee work in particular makes heavy demands upon their time. "The Week" has already advocated an allowance of $1,200 a year, and sees no reason to modify the amount. If these changes can be inaugurated during the present session, an important step will be taken in the direction of increasing the efficiency of the Legislature in all departments, and with it all should came a recognition of the important principle that the leader of the Opposition, whose duties are far heavier than those of any other member of his party, should have official recognition by adding $1,000 to his allowance. The amount is too moderate to be objectionable, but its payment is warranted by the just and reasonable demands of the case.

Up-to-date Legislation.

There will be no difference of opinion as to the wisdom of the proposal foreshadowed in the Lieutenant-Governor's speech to introduce Legislation authorizing the setting apart of a sufficient portion of the Crown Lands to create a fund for the establishment and maintenance of a Provincial University. This project has been under discussion for some years and by degrees public sentiment has been aroused in its favour throughout the Province. Not a little of the credit of forcing the matter to the front belongs to the Nelson University Club which in season and out of season has continued to debate the matter, to pass resolutions, to educate public opinion and to stimulate the Government to action. But the Nelson University Club deserves even more credit than this in that it was the first to formulate a definite scheme and to propose the setting apart of a portion of the revenue from Crown Lands for the purpose in view. It went even further than the suggestion contained in the address by recommending that a percentage of the revenues derived from the sale of Crown Lands should be so appropriated as a more effective means of ensuring the creation of a University fund than the mere setting apart of selected sections as in the case of the school sections throughout the North-West. It is no little satisfaction to have so nearly foreshadowed the Government proposals, and whilst congratulating all who have contributed to an imminent solution of the question, "The Week" would strongly urge upon the Government this latter method as best calculated to achieve the end in view. In any event it is a wise decision to legislate upon the matter. By so doing British Columbia places itself in line with the other provinces of the Dominion, and fully vindicates its claim to be regarded as one of the most enlightened. The financial burdens which would appall The financial burdens which would appal some of the Provinces and which have finally convinced Sir Wilfrid Laurier that British Columbia is entitled to "better terms" have not crushed the public spirit of the Province or dulled its perception of the most important requirements of its young manhood.

The Theory Of Insanity.

"The Week" is in receipt of a letter from the Rev. Baugh Allen, enclosing copy of a document of which the public has heard much, but which it was hoped had long ago been consigned to oblivion, the notorious "Prayer" of Bishop Lawrence. It is some months since the public press undertook the duty of exposing the real character of this quasi-religious fake. It was shown that there is no such person as Bishop Lawrence holding orders under any recognized ecclesiastical body, but apart from that one cannot help being filled with amazement that after the lapse of six months this precious document is still in circulation, and furnishing addition evidence every day to the gullibility of the public. Anyone who will take the trouble to read the letter as published in our columns today must at once come to the conclusion that the person who could comply with its requests must be at least as insane as the person who wrote it. Compliance carries with it the admission that the originator of the letter possesses the power to bring misfortune to every person who fails to make another copy and forward it to nine other persons, surely no one with any claim to sanity could for a moment maintain an argument on such a proposition. By this time tens of thousands and not improbably hundreds of thousands of people have been victimized by some farceur, and have committed an act which in its logical consequences would demonstrate them to be insane in any Court of Law in the World. Their chance of escape from the plea of insanity (temporary of course) would not be half as good as Thaw's chance of escaping conviction on the same plea. Are we then to conclude that everyone who has complied with the request of some unknown person masquerading as Bishop Lawrence is insane? There is only one avenue of escape from such a conclusion, and that is that people do not stop to think. There is in human nature a streak of superstition, a few people may be so impressed by unreasoning fear of the unknown, and incomprehensible, as to copy this prayer on the off-chance that there may be something in it, but the vast majority of people comply thoughtlessly, on the assumption that in any case it can do no harm, and it may minister to their affliction of cacoethes scribendi. But it does effect harm, in tending to bring the subject of prayer more or less into contempt, if not disrepute. The greatest regret "The Week" has in connection with the present complaint is that the offending document is written neatly by a lady, who, lacking more serious occupation, might surely have been better employed in contributing to the belles lettres or even the inditing of bille doux.

The Ethiope And His Skin.

For some time after the Provincial election the Victoria Times was on its good behaviour, those foul personal attacks and slanderous charges which for more than a year had disfigured its pages were conspicuous by their absence. People who sincerely desire that the press of the Province should at least be distinguished by decency hoped that the lesson had been learned, and that the emphatic protest of the electors against the methods of the yellow press was going to bear fruit in the important work of regeneration. Those who have been living in this fool's paradise have found it short-lived, for no sooner does the sound of the Legislative battle break upon the ear than the signal goes forth in the Editorial columns of the Times for a renewal of the conflict upon the old lines. Apparently there is no new plan of campaign, misrepresentation, distortion, and inuendo are the weapons which once more have been drawn from the Armory for use at any rate during the continuance of the Legislative session. The first evidence of this is in an editorial which appeared in the Times on Thursday evening dealing with the Railway Policy of the Government. It is not worth following it in all its meanderings, because it goes over the old ground and can only be differentiated from previous utterances by its increased unfairness and misrepresentation. The whole gist of the article is to make it appear that the Federal Government has conferred upon the Province of British Columbia the inestimable blessing of Railway construction. Five hundred miles would be constructed during the present year, if the designs of that most paternal and generous of Governments could be consummated, but the Times declares that there is a villain in the play whose name is McBride and that for some sinister purpose he is bent upon thwarting the charitable designs which were hatched in Ottawa, and that if the Province does not rejoice in 500 miles of new railway this year it will be the fault of our own Premier and not of the distinguished statesman who smiles alike upon the just and the unjust. It matters not for the purpose of the Times' argument that the success of the McBride administration depends upon the prosperity of the Province. It is entirely oblivious of the fact that if progress is hindered and revenues are diminished, the difficulty of Government is at once increased, and those charged with its conduct embarassed, indeed the Times ignores the fact that every interest of Mr. McBride and his Government would be served by speedy Railway construction on the G. T. P. and that he has everything to lose and nothing to gain by delay. This, however, is not all that the Times ignores, and since the Editor seems for the nonce to be in a forgetful mood, "The Week" will jog his memory on a few circumstances which the public have not yet forgotten if he has. Item No. 1, that the Federal Government by the lips of Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, and Hon. Wm. Templeman, and the G. T. P. by the lips of Mr. C. M. Hays and

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At The Street Corner

By THE LOUNGER

I have been seriously considering a problem which I casually mentioned in my article of last week. I refer to the question of "getting up." The older I grow (and although I am a mere Lounger, still I am also a human being, and I do become one day nearer the fourscore years and ten every time the sun comes smiling into my room) the older I grow, I say, the more I become convinced that life is a failure, and that modern civilisation has accomplished nothing seeing that it has failed to solve the only great problem of the age, vig.: "getting up."

I believe that I am correct in stating that the late Mr. Gladstone, with whose politics I personally disagree, but for whose private life I have the greatest admiration (for one reason because he was a classic), made the remark that even at his advanced stage of life he had never become reconciled to "getting up." It is an unmitigated evil, and like all other evils it will eventually be abolished. But, my readers, I want you to try and help, no evil can be abolished unless some method of abolition be first discovered.

Let us then try and see what we can do to avoid this primary curse of every day. If anyone who sees these few lines has any idea on the subject I should be grateful for any suggestion, for this week I have inaugurated a new company (this is the third) entitled "The Getting-up Proposition Abolition Co., Ltd." To my mind there are only two ways of successfully dealing with the question; one is not going to bed, the other staying up all night. There are obvious disadvantages connected with these methods; I need hardly state them to a discriminating public. I will simply say that there would be a big boom in the saloon business. As I have had occasion to say before, "I don't know how the ladies would manage."

No. I am afraid that at last I have come across a social evil which is beyond my power to correct. I have solved many problems, and have been presented with testimonials from such societies as the Anti-Cat Society, the Society for the Muzzling of Cocks, and the Society for Protection of Men from Females, but I candidly confess that this time I am "up against" a proposition which is too big for me. It seems too bad that with an intelligent mass of people who can invent airships, motor-cars, wireless telegraphy and telephones, no one has yet been discovered who can do away with the primeval curse of mankind, viz.: "getting up."

Of course there is one cure; but I hardly like to mention it. If my readers are shocked at the suggestion, I would beg them to remember that I am only speaking in the cause of suffering humanity (I believe that phrase ought to have been put in inverted commas). I refer to the fact that after all the real trouble is that we have to dress. I don't believe that shaving is a real trouble, but of course I know nothing of that; I know that the bath is a pleasure, but it is the thought of putting on all those horrible clothes which is the true deterrent to "getting up."

The obvious solution then is that we should not wear clothes. "Shocking," you say. But why? Adam and Eve were very happy as I am given to understand from the Bible version. But I will leave the subject with these few remarks, and hope that someone who is foolish enough to read what The Lounger writes will give me a few suggestions for the doing away of this "crying disgrace on mankind."

I was very pleased to see in the editorial columns of the Colonist a few days ago a notice as to the scarcity of real estate offices in Victoria. I have noticed the same thing myself, and had meant to mention it in any case, but I was glad to see that the editor of the most influential daily paper in the Province had noticed and remarked on the same scandal. To me it is most inconceivable that there should be no real estate offices in the Capital City. especially at a time when there is what is usually called a "boom" in course of active progression. I should have thought that many people would have been glad to take the chance; to leave good jobs on the "spec"; to be "suckers" enough to try and find others, and generally help to create the "boom" which after all will only benefit the old established firms who know what's what. But apparently I was disappointed, and when I was endeavouring to sell a little real estate the other day I was compelled to do the business myself because I could not find an agent to do it.

I have often wondered in my own mind why so few people take the trouble to cultivate the art of sneezing. There is something so intensely satisfactory about a good sneeze; there is such a feeling of anticipatory pleasure about it, and such a feeling of contentment with oneself when the business is through that it is astonishing to me that so few take the trouble to learn how to sneeze. It is so easy and so cheap. Whenever I am dull, I must confess it is not often, I just go up to my room and sneeze. It is so easy. Of course if you have snuff there is still less trouble, but I can't afford snuff, and when all is said and done, a little dust does you no harm.

It was pointed out to me by a friend last Wednesday that there was a very considerable waste of money at the present time in Victoria in the way of "rooming." I do not wish to injure my very good friends the hotel proprietors, but I feel it my duty to point out to the men who are paying for bed and breakfast that they ought to be getting exactly the same accommodation for just half the money. There are three classes of men. There is the man who works during the daytime; there is the man who works during the night-time; there is also myself, but I don't count. Now the man who works at night wants to sleep during the day; the man who works during the day wants to sleep during the night. The former man will not want breakfast because he will have had an oyster supper over night; the latter man will therefore have the breakfast. The two of them will have the one room, and the one breakfast; there are two points to remember. One is to be the latter man, and the other that most men, as I proved last week, who have breakfast are criminals.

I am sorry to have to call down my esteemed friend, the sporting editor of the Colonist. I would not do such a thing, if I did not feel that my duty to the public is greater than "My Duty to My Neighbour." The error lay in the fact that it was stated in the issue of March 7th that the 'Varsity Boat Race had been in existence for thirty years, whereas every well-educated man knows that the first race was rowed in 1839, and a child of 10, provided that he does not attend Victoria schools, will see that the difference between 1839 and 1907 is more than thirty.

Possibly this was inserted in the Colonist as a breakfast table problem, but I take the opportunity to correct it as I consider that the 'Varsity Boat Race is a matter of National and most certainly of more vital importance than such matters as the vagaries of Lot's wife.

THE LOUNGER.

MY HOUSES AND MY HOME.

I built a house of cards;
The wild wind blew it down.
A pilgrim and a beggar
I wandered through the town.

I built a house of oak;
There fell a bolt of light,
And 'mid the pealing thunder
Burned up my house at night.

I built a marble house,
Beside the sounding sea;
High rolled the angry billows,
And tossed it far from me.

I built a house of gold,
Above a shining bay;
There came a band of robbers,
And bore my house away.

I crept into thy heart—
Behold, awaiting me,
My house of gleaming marble
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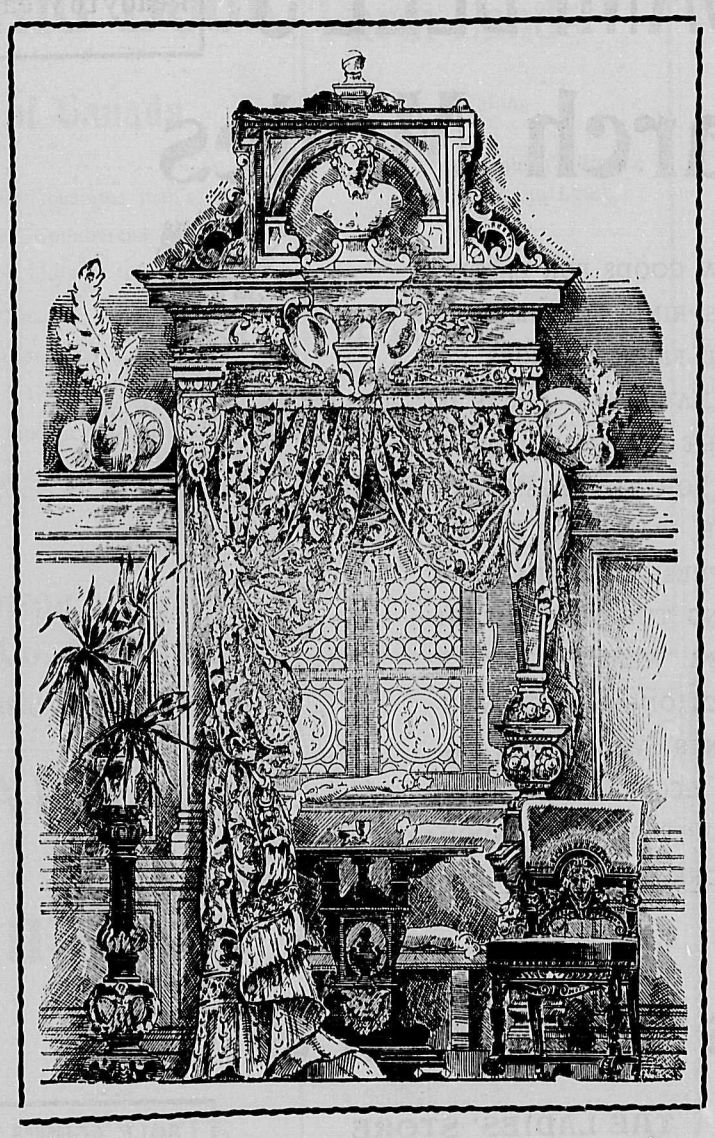

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Notes on Provincial News

In the Arena.

On Tuesday night a large audience assembled in the Ladysmith Opera House to listen to a debate on Socialism between Mr. Parker Williams, M. P. P., and Mr. Wm. Blakemore, of Victoria. The debate arose out of a challenge issued by the latter during the recent electoral campaign, to which Mr. Williams was not slow in responding. The size of the audience and the closeness with which they followed the discussion betokened a deep interest in the subject, and the ladies who formed at least a third of the audience were by no means the least attentive.

The chair was occupied by Mr. MacKay, and the order of speaking was forty-five minutes to Mr. Williams, forty-five to Mr. Blakemore, with a second period of thirty minutes each. In order to confine the debate within reasonable limits the following resolution was drafted: "That the solution of the evils affecting society can only be attained by the general acceptance of the Socialist Propaganda." Of course Mr. Williams took the affirmative, his main line of argument being "that the root of all the evils afflicting society today lay in the Capitalistic system, and that Social ownership was the only remedy." Mr. Blakemore took the negative, and conducted his part of the discussion on philosophical lines, examining closely the principles which underlie the Socialist propaganda, and quoting extensively from such well known writers as Herbert Spencer, Comte, Maine, Kidd, Henry George, Belfort. Bebel, Williams and Kauffman. He enunciated five propositions as constituting objections to Socialism, that it was materialistic, Atheistic, Anarchistic, illogical and immoral. Mr. Blakemore pointed out that the great weakness of the Socialist position was that while they had a propaganda they had no constructive theory of Government and no definite ideas as to the working out of the system which they advocate; they ask for a blank cheque, without furnishing any guarantee. He traced the development of altruism which he believed would ultimately prove the solution of all social evils, and showed how in spite of so-called capitalistic control of the various legislatures there had been a steady progression of legal enactments for the direct benefit of the working classes. He admitted that the present condition of affairs left much to be desired, but Socialism would kill rather than cure the patient. He believed that not only in this Province but throughout the British Empire Socialism was losing its influence and the working classes for whose benefit it was supposed to be promulgated were beginning to find out that it rested upon an insecure foundation.

For this conclusion there was some justification in the attitude of the audience at Ladysmith, which, according to the best judges, was preponderatingly in favour of the negative.

A Game Preserve.

The Provincial Government of British Columbia is now being strongly urged by Dr. W. T. Hornaday to set aside the fine mountain area between the Elk and the Bull Rivers in the Fernie District of Southeastern British Columbia as a game and forest reserve. The region in question is that visited by Messrs. Phillipps and Hornaday in September, 1905, concerning which and their adventures in it, they have recently published a book, entitled "Camp-Fires in the Canadian Rockies." Beyond question, the territory described must be highly picturesque and attractive from a scenic point of view, and also well stocked with mountain goat, mountain sheep, grizzly bear, black bear and other animals. The mule deer which once were numerous, have been shot out until that species is now rare, and of elk only a few solitary individuals remain. Marten, lynx and wolverine are still fairly plentiful. The works of nature as found in the region are extremely interesting, and the country as a whole, if preserved in its present natural wildness, would make a grand resort for camping parties, of nature-lovers and photographers. It would be in every sense a paradise for camera enthusiasts, desirous of photographing mountain scenery and both large and small game in its wild haunts.

Dr. Hornaday has drafted a bill and submitted a map showing the boundaries of the proposed reserve. The reservation as proposed by him would be about thirty (30) miles in length by fifteen (15) miles in width, and would therefore contain a total area of about four hundred and fifty (450) square miles. The region thus delimited contains no coal nor other valuable minerals, no agricultural lands and no timber of commercial value, so that, commercially and industrially, the people of British Columbia would make no sacrifice in carrying out the idea proposed. The reserve is situated between two main lines of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and would be accessible from three points—Michel and Fort Steele on the south, and Banff on the north.

Owing to the natural conditions of the country, it would be entirely possible for two game wardens to effectually protect the reservation. Mr. Hornaday proposes that the enabling act shall designate the mountains between the Elk and the Bull Rivers as the "Goat Mountains," and the reservation as "Goat Mountain Park."

From the encouragement and sympathy by which the author of this move has received, there is some reason to hope that the scheme may be carried into effect.

How to Obtain Help.

At the request of Adjutant W. J. Wakefield of Vancouver, who is in charge of the Salvation Army Immigration Department in this Province, the Week publishes the following explanatory circular regarding the steps to be taken by those desiring mechanics, laborers or other kinds of help: "Farmers, contractors, manufacturers and all employers of labor desiring married or single men will do well to apply at once to Major C. W Creighton, Salvation Army Immigration Department, 439 Harris Street, Vancouver, B. C."

Spreading.

The real estate boom which has held possession of Vancouver for more than two years, reached Victoria three months ago, since which time all the real estate agents have been coining money and been kept busy almost day and night. The wave is spreading and has now got as far as Nanaimo; price of lots and acreage in the coal city is rapidly advancing. It is probable that this circumstance is due to a fact which is dealt with at length in our editorial columns in the present issue. The wave is spreading in other directions and Cowichan the rural, is now rejoicing in comparative activity. It looks as if the whole island is going to participate not in the good times that are coming, but in the good times that have come.

A Noble Investor.

Earl Grey is certainly an ideal Governor General, and realizes that there are more ways than one in which the representative of the Throne can benefit the Dominion of Canada. He has already distinguished himself by delivering several splendid addresses of high intellectual quality, but his interest in the country is also of a material kind, for when he was in Nelson last summer he purchased a fruit ranche on the shores of Kootenay Lake. Last week he acquired a large property in the Okanagan Valley, following the excellent example set by Lord Aberdeen. This is the best kind of advertisement for Canada, and it is to be hoped that its success will not only justify the investment, but attract other noble lords to the same fields.

Discriminating.

When the Nelson News is not political, it is often interesting, and sometimes right. Everyone will applaud the good sense it displayed in the following cutting from a recent issue: "As the New York papers containing full accounts of the evidence given in the Thaw case come to hand, it becomes more and more apparent that the west owes the Associated Press a debt of gratitude for having eliminated from its reports the most objectionable features of the story being told in court from day to day.

Coal at Enderby.

The beautiful and flourishing town of Enderby, near the northern entrance of the Okanagan Valley, has been known chiefly as a flourishing farming centre. It bids fair to enter the ranks of coal cities, if what The Week hears is true, viz., that the coal seam located here two years ago by Archie MacVittie is likely to turn out far better than was expected. Recent advices declare that it is of bitumenous, and not of lignitic grade, also that it is of considerable extent and advantageously located for mining. If these claims should be substantiated, there will be an important addition to the productions of the Okanagan Valley.

Returned Empty.

One of the suburbs of Chicago is the site of a well known school of theology, from which go out each week-end many members of the senior class to try their voices as "supplies."

A passenger on a Monday morning train was surprised at the number of them who got off at the station.

"What are all those chaps getting off here?" he asked the brakeman.

"Them?" asked the brakeman. "Oh, they're returned empties for the college."—Youth's Companion.

A SONG FOR SILVIUS.

The Pleiads aer six and the planets are eight,
But one little star is the Pole of my fate.

Five continents broaden and seven seas foam,
But only one spot in creation is home.

The Graces are three, while the Muses are nine;
There's only one Phoebe, and Phoebe is mine!

—Arthur Guiterman.

OLLA PODRIDA

A Shrewd Turn.

When the bottom dropped out of the boom in Kansas a great many years ago, the desire to get rid of the property was as great as it had been to acquire it.

One day, a lawyer while travelling along a country road met an old friend of his wearily but happily leading a reluctant cow toward town. Inquiry drew out the reply that he had acquired the cow in exchange for a city lot.

"And, do you know," said the new owner of the bovine, laughing, "I just turned a great trick with that old bewhiskered rube. He can't read a word, and in the deed I worked off two lots on him instead of one."—Pacific Monthly.

A Poser for the Bishop.

Bishop Talbot, for years the "Cowboy Bishop" of Wyoming and Idaho, but now Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, often found himself faced by unusual problems in his life in the pioneer West. Here is one of the host of amusing ones described by him in his recently published book of reminiscences, "My People of the Plains":

At the close of one of his meetings a man who was known as the "Colonel" said to him quietly:

"'I should like to ask you a few questions, if you do not object.'

"'I shall be only too glad to answer them if I can, Colonel. Please proceed.'

"Well, Bishop, do you think my wife is a good woman?'

"'One of the best I have ever known.'

"'Do you think she is a Christian?'

"'If she is not, I should doubt whether any of us could be so considered.'

"'Well, now, do you think she will make it?'

"'How is that, Colonel?' I asked.

"'Do you think my wife will get in?'

"Still determined not to appear to divine his meaning, I said: 'Excuse me, Colonel, but please explain.'

"'I simply mean this, Bishop: Do you think that St. Peter will let the old lady pass through the pearly gates?'

"'I have not a doubt of it, Colonel.'

"'Then you think you can guarantee that she will get in?'

"'So far as my opinion is worth anything, I cannot for a moment question it.'

"'Well, then, if that is so, I do not think I shall be confirmed. In fact, I do not see that I need to be. You see, Bishop, it is just this way: If the old lady gets in and they lock the door against the old man, she will simply raise h—— until she gets me let in. And she's sure to succeed.'

"It was in vain that I tried to convince him of the futility of such an argument. His faith in his wife's influence was too strong to be shaken by anything I could allege."—Harper's.

Memory.

Somebody of a psychological turn of mind once asked Lord Rosebery, "What is memory?"

"Memory," Rosebery replied, promptly but somewhat pensively—"memory is the feeling that steals over us when we listen to our friends' original stories."—Youth's Companion.

Obscure.

A feminine admirer wrote to Browning, asking him for the meaning of one of his dark poems, and received the following reply: "When that poem was written, two people knew what it meant—God and Robert Browning; and now only God knows what it means!"—Independent.

A Sure Sign.

"I wonder if there's anything serious between that tall girl and the little captain?"

"I think there is. She has had the heels of all her shoes lowered."—Fliegende Blaetter.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

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Mr. F. W. Morse declared four years ago that construction would commence immediately at both ends and be rushed to a finish. Item No. 2, that in the first year of the McBride administration the G. T. P. demanded 15,000 acres per mile for building across B. C. Item No. 3, that the Hon. Richard McBride refused absolutely to make any land grant, whereupon Mr. F. W. Morse declared that although if the grant were made, he was in a position to commence construction immediately, if it were not made, he would commence when it suited him, and significantly added that he had untill 1911 to complete the work. Item No. 4, that on the 2nd of February, 1907, the electorate of B. C. endorsed in a manner more emphatic than was pleasing to the Times the attitude of Premier McBride upon this question, and by so doing clearly indicated that they held the Hon. Wm. Templeman and his friends, and not the Hon. Richard McBride responsible for the delay in construction. In view of these facts the attempt of the Times to shift the blame from the Federal to the Provincial Government is not only childish but futile, it has been tried before and has lamentably failed. If the Times wishes to save any shred of the political reputation of the Hon. Wm. Templeman it had better urge him to begin to do what his duty demanded of him years ago, viz., to represent and not neglect the wishes of his constituents and prove that even if he is "no politician" and knows nothing of the plans of the G. T. P., he is at least a determined advocate of fair play and of the fulfilment of pledges.

Blasphemy.

"O Lord we implore Thee to have mercy on all mankind; keep us from evil and sin, and take us with Thee through eternity."

This prayer was originally sent by Bishop Lawrence asking that it might be re-written and sent to nine other persons. He who will not re-write it will have some misfortune. He who re-writes this prayer will, on or before the ninth day experience some great joy. It was said that he who grants this request will be delivered from some great calamity.

Please do not break the chain.

Literary Note.

Jack London's new book, "Before Adam," comes close on the heels of the announcement that he is about to start on his long delayed cruise around the world. His project of setting out in a forty-foot boat, with only two or three companions, to explore the world for himself, is as characteristic of the man as is his latest literary effort. The new book is the record of mental and imaginative voyage of discovery, in which he has explored and mapped the regions that lie beyond the reach of history. It takes daring to cross the Pacific Ocean in a forty-foot boat, but hardly more daring than is required to write a book so original, so wholly away from the beaten track, as "Before Adam." Like other London books, this one is admirably illustrated by Charles Livingston Bull.

The Macmillan Company is issuing this week the second volume of the "Handbook of Metallurgy," by Dr. Carl Schnabel, translated from the Second German Edition by Henry Louis, M. A. The first volume, issued about a year ago, dealt with Copper, Lead, Silver and Gold, and the present volume deals with the remaining metals. Dr. Schnabel is, as every metallurgist knows, one if the leading scientists of Germany, and his book is pribably the most important one of its kind in existence.

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The Missing Link

By BOHEMIAN.

Five years ago a little pamphlet was circulated by the million which in the rush of business and competition is already well nigh forgotten, and yet at the time of its publication it aroused such widespread interest that presidents of railway companies and of large industrial enterprises declared it to be one of the most valuable bits of writing that had ever been issued, and they commended it to the careful attention of young men and boys throughout the civilized world. The title of the pamphlet was "A Message to Garcia," and the point was that it had actually been possible to unearth one man who did exactly as he was told without delay and without asking any questions.

That this should have been considered an anomaly constitutes the greatest possible condemnation of present day training and standards. That the conclusion was just and the point well taken is known to every employer. It is of far greater importance to discover the reason and if possible to suggest a remedy than to waste any time on reiterating or bemoaning an authenticated fact. Its importance is emphasized by almost daily reminder there is a cry throughout Canada for labour and the want of labour is admitted to be a burning question if indeed it is not the question of the hour, but I consider that the matter of responsibility, reliability, and conscientious discharge of duty is of far greater importance. The world will go on somehow if there is a continued scarcity of labour. The worst that can happen from this is that important public works may be delayed, and the general prosperity of a country retarded. The acquisition of wealth will be less rapid, and luxuries of life not so readily attainable. But the increasing unreliability of our youth is a far more serious matter; it undermines not only the credibility but the stability of the nation, and if it is not checked, will develop serious consequences in the production of a race of men whose word can never be accepted and whose business methods will tend to increase instead of to diminish the widespread corruption which is so deplored in the Western world.

It is no exaggeration to say that if I were to take the first dozen boys I could find in Victoria, make a bargain with them to do some piece of work, settle upon a remuneration which they would declare to be perfectly satisfactory, at least eleven out of the twelve would fail to live up to their contract. Let me give one illustration. On Friday last I bargained with a boy thirteen years of age to get a bundle of "The Week" from the printing office and deliver it to the Princess Victoria for conveyance to Vancouver; I gave him the money to pay the freight and remunerated him to his entire satisfaction. Moreover, it ensured him regular employment in connection with other work which he undertook to do for The Week. My instructions were explicit, and I told him that it was a matter of the utmost importance that the papers should go on that boat, otherwise they could not be distributed on the next day. I also told him that it was uncertain at what hour the papers would be ready, but that it was his business to see that he got them, even if he had to go more than once to the printing office. We parted with a good understanding. Happening to be at the post-office about nine o'clock that evening, I turned into the printing office, and found the papers ready. Surmising that the boy would call for them a little later, I tied up the bundle and addressed it, to save him the trouble, and left it ready for him to deliver. Saturday brought me a telegram from Vancouver, "No papers on boat." Exasperated, I sought the boy; his only defence was that he went once and they were not ready. He admitted that he did not go a second time, and seemed not the least bit concerned either at his breach of faith or at the inconvenience he had caused.

This is by no means a solitary instance, but it well illustrates the total unreliability of the boy of today. He is difficult to catch, still more difficult to hold. He will only undertake to do a little job, at a time which does not conflict with his amusements. He will deliberately leave an important piece of work without permission to go to the skating rink or the matinee; if paid in advance, he can never be trusted to finish the job at all. Whose fault is it? Certainly not the boy's. There was a time when I used to think and to say that it was the fault of his parents, but now-a-days there are no parents. Social duties in all stations of life appear to have destroyed the sense of parental responsibility, and the duty of training the boy like that of educating him is shuffled on to the state. Very well, so let it be, then in the public interest and still more in the interest of the boy that training and education should be thorough and sound. It is neither. There must be something wrong with a system which fails to inculcate moral principles. I greatly fear that the time which should be spent on these lines and on exalting the claims of duty and responsibility are frittered away in the acquisition of useless impedimenta which hinder rather than help the true education of the boy. It is of far more importance to the state that a boy should be trained than that he should be educated, if one may make that technical distinction in order to illustrate the point.

I notice that our school trustees are considering some changes in the curriculum, and that the teaching of singing is to be introduced in all our schools. There can be no question as to the beneficial effect of this, but in common with many others who have studied the question, I should like to see a move in the direction of providing some substitute for the training which boys no longer get in their home, and which it is only too much to be feared they are not receiving to any considerable extent at the hands of the various church organizations. That the boyhood of a nation is its most precious possession is the opinion of

BOHEMIAN.

A Country Girl.

On Thursday night at the Victoria Theatre George Edward's comic opera, "The Country Girl," was the piece de resistance, while there were ragged edges the performance was on the whole satisfactory. The most popular artist was undoubtedly Sam Collins, who kept the audience in continuous roars of laughter. With the single exception of Frank Daniels, Collins is about the funniest little man on the stage today The most meritorious performance was that of Allen Mostyn, whose unique representation of the Rajah of Bhong will not soon be forgotten by those who witnessed it. In bearing and demeanor he was perfect, his articulation and enunciation left nothing to be desired, and his rendering of the topical song, "Peace, Peace in the Valley of Bhong," was as artistic as it was successful. The next honours fell to Miss Laura Butler, a beautiful and vivacious young actress who infused an amount of vigour and go into the piece which established her popularity at once. Miss Genevieve Finley, as the Princess of Bhong, was a howling success from the spectacular point of view; her appearance was a complete revelation and left little to be desired or imagined. Her voice is a rich contralto, badly trained and produced with many obvious defects. Her natural habitat is in the artistic studios of the Latin Quarter. The house was packed, the audience was pleased and everyone had a good time, but after seeing the Princess and her two lady attendants most of the men in the audience found it necessary to take a bracer at the interval.

Social and Personal.

VICTORIA.

Mrs. D. R. Ker was hostess at a most enjoyable bridge party last week. Mrs. T. S. Gore was the lucky prize winner, which was an handsome bridge set.

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Mrs. and the Misses Phair of Goldstream leave shortly for Southern California.

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Mrs. Walter Langley and the Misses Langley of Pemberton Road, leave before long for England.

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Mr. Joseph Bridgeman of this city is spending an enjoyable holiday in Vancouver.

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Mrs. J. D. Pemberton and Miss Pemberton of Gonzales, Rockland avenue, leave shortly for England.

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Mrs. James Dunsmuir and family leave this week for England to attend the wedding of Miss Bessie Dunsmuir.

Mr. George Jenkinson left this week for England, travelling by the Princess May, and the North Coast, Ltd. He sails from New York by the Cunard liner, Carmania.

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Dr. Bell, who was stationed here some years ago, arrived by the last Empress from China en route to England. He was joined here by Mrs. Bell, who has been visiting her brother and old friends during the winter months.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gibb gave a delightful dinner last week. Among those present were: Col. and Mrs. Grant, Col. and Mrs. Jones, Miss R. Rithet, Mr. J. Rithet, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barnard. Dr. and Mrs. Robertson.

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Among those who went to Vancouver to see the beautiful little opera, "Madame Butterfly," were: Mrs. James Dunsmuir, the Misses Dunsmuir, Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir, Miss Schoobert, Mrs. H. Pooley, Miss Little, Miss Perry, Mrs. Flummerfelt, Mrs. Blaiklock, Captain and Mrs. Troup. Colonel and Mrs. Prior, Col. and Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Burton, Miss Susie Pemberton went to Seattle for the same purpose.

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Mrs. Rithet gave a most delightful tea last week. Herr Peters as a conjurer, assisted in making the afternoon a most successful event.

The house was prettily decorated for the event with choice hot-house flowers and daffodils.

Some of the ladies present were: Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. George, Mrs. Beanlands, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. Charles, Mrs. J. R. Anderson, Mrs. Pooley, Mrs. McCallum, Mrs. Rome, Mrs. Blaiklock and many others.

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On Tuesday, March 5th, a most successful "show dance" was given under the capable management of Mrs. Lester, at the A. O. U. W. Hall on Yates street. The ball-room was artistically decorated for the occasion with spring flowers and greens—the general effect being green and white. A full orchestra was in attendance and in good form.

A snow pelt and snow shower were the original features of the evening.

Among the guests were: The Misses Blake, Newbiggen, Le Blanc, Smith, Knauss, Simpson, Somers, Goodwin, Gidley, Patterson, Busch, Conway, and the Messrs. Rowbotham, Patterson, Gebbon, Maynard, Knauss, Ramsford, Blake, Wench and many others.

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A most enjoyable entertainment and dance were given last week at the Victoria Hall, Blanchard street. The music, which was supplied by Mr. Giles, pianist, and Mr. Coverdale, violinist, was most excellent. Mr. Riddell acted as chairman, while Mr. Arthur Manson made a most capable floor manager.

The refreshment and dining-room were well looked after by Mr. Whyte.

Some of those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Riddell, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Florence, the Misses Florence, Mrs. Angus, Miss Angus, Mrs. Patterson, Miss Patterson, Miss McInnis, the Misses Strachan, Mrs. A. McGreggor, Mrs. Hill, Miss Maggie Hill, Mr. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald, Miss McDonald, Mrs. Grogham, Master Norman Grogham, Mr. Drayshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Trace, Mr. and Mrs. Murray, Miss Whyte, Miss M. Walker, Mr. Elliot, Mrs. T. Crawford, Mrs. Semple, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Withers, Mr. and Miss Livingstone, Mrs. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. Smillie, Mr. and Mrs. Eddy, Mrs. Butler, Mr. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. William Pottinger, Mr. T. Wood, Mr. Ewing and Mr. D. McTodd.

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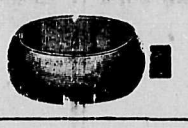

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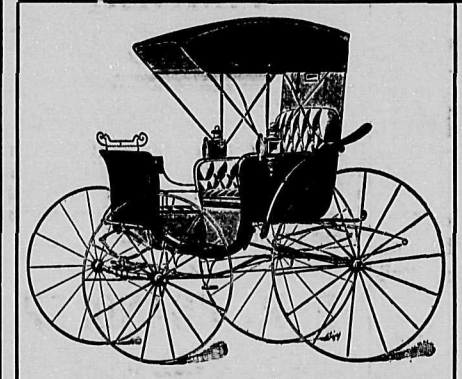

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Springboks Make £12,000.

Capetown, Saturday, Feb. 2.

The South African Rugby Board has adopted a resolution congratulating the Springboks on the result of their tour in the British Isles and paying a tribute to Mr. Carden, the manager, who reported that the board's share of the gates was £9,618, exclusive of the England match, which would probably bring in £2,300. The profit to the board is estimated at £6,000.

Mr. Carden paid a tribute to British hospitality, and also to the wonderful efficiency of the control in Wales. He instanced the Cardiff match, when he receive da cheque calculated to a penny within an hour and a half after the game. He also presented to the board the ball given to him by Eton College.—Reuter.

"Let Auld Acquaintance Be Forgot."

Solicitor (making a concession to his client in the matter of charges): "Weel, Sandy, seeing I kent your faether, I'll make it sax guineas."

Sandy: "Guid sake, mon! I'm glad ye didna ken grandfaether!"—Punch.

In The Pulpit.

The following occurred at a country church near Bolton. The vicar was informed there was dry rot in the timbers. So he called in an expert to examine, but could find none. He asked the woman sweeping out where she thought it might be. She answered they woul fidnd it in the pulpit.

How to Travel Free.

There are only three ways of traveling for nothing. One is to get under the seat; but that is dirty. Another is to leave the train just before it reaches the ticket-collecting station and walk the rest of the way; but that is dangerous. The third way is to say "Season." This last is the most popular.—Punch.

A Year of Empire.

Undoubtedly the event of the year has been the growth of inter-Colonial preference. Canada and Australia, Australia and South Africa, and, it is to be hoped, New Zealand and Australia, have linked themselves in commercial bonds, and left the Mother Country to its dreams of the delicious Cobdenism of sixty years ago.—Leader, Johannesburg.

Paris's "Old Friend."

Travelling igcognito as Duke of Lancaster, Paris recognized as her old friend the King of England, and immediately cried out, "Long live King Edward!" To tell the truth, the presence of Queen Alexandra made Paris little timid, but in the extreme sweetness of her smile its reserve disappeared, and joyously, frankly, it cried, "Long live the Queen!"—Matin, Paris.

Crowding at the Bar.

More brilliant men have wasted their ilves at the Bar than in any other profession or occupation whatever.—Barrister-at-Law, in the English Illustrated.

Demerits of Hustling.

Hurry and bridge have killed the art of polite conversation. Hurry has robbed correspondence of its grace; hurry is fast transforming the once sedate city of London into a pandemonium of whirring noises, whirling wheels, and evil fumes.—Nineteenth Century.

How Man Shops.

A man setting out to make a purchase will usually have spent more in "expenses" before he gets to his destination than a whole day's shopping would cost a woman.—Lady's Pictorial.

Penalizing Success.

If the period of prosperity through which we are now passing should, among other things, accustom the popular mind to the legitimacy of higher rates of profit in the various forms of business enterprise as a natural reward for successful management, much useless agitation will thereby be saved. There has come to be a kind of criticism which regards it as a sign of crookedness to make a business profit much above the ordinary rate of interest. The result is that the more prosperous enterprises are impelled to withhold reports of their operations or financial condition, or to make their statements, if necessary, in such form as to conceal the real net returns. A second result is the watering of stock, so that by larger capitalization a lower rate of returns may be made.—Wall Street Journal.

Waking Up.

The Nelson Board of Trade is waking up to the fact that scarcity of fuel in a province which is so richly endowed as British Columbia is altogether inexcusable, and should not be tolerated. At a recent meeting an important resolution was notified by Mr. F. M. Black, one of the most prominent members of the Board, and in reading it The Week is struck with the fact that the drift of events has brought the Board back to the position which it was forced to take as long ago as six years, in consequence of the failure of the operating mines to supply the demand. Conditions have not improved, and Government interference sometime is still the only practical suggestion for relieving the impasse. The Week wishes that Mr. Black had made his resolution a little more pointed by referring specifically to the 50,000 acres of coal lands reserved by the Dominion Government in the Crow's Nest Pass for the express purpose of protecting the people of Southern British Columbia against a shortage of fuel or excessive charges. The following is Mr. Black's resolution:

"That the Government at Ottawa be memorialized to conduct a thorough investigation into the shortage of fuel supplies throughout the west, experienced during the winter of 1906-7, and to adopt such measures as may appear desirable, either by railroad regulation, coal mine operation or compulsory strike arbitration, or such other means as may be desirable."

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described tract in the Coast District: Commencing at a post planted at the mouth of Kitsomschultz River on the north bank of the Skeena River, marked "S. W. Cor. Wilfred Loiselle's Timber Claim," thence north 40 chains; thence east 160 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west 160 chains, to point of commencement.

C. A. DUNLOP, Agent.
Dated February 27th, 1907. Mar. 2

NOTICE is hereby given that, sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for permission to purchase an Island, situated in Saanich Inlet, opposite Tunnel on E. & N. R. R.

Dated February 27th, 1907.

ROBERT J. PORTER,
Mar. 2 Locator.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, situated on the south shore of Baker Inlet, about one mile from the mouth of the Inlet: Beginning at a post marked "C. T. N. W. Post"; thence south 40 chains; thence east 160 chains; thence north 40 chains; *thence west 160 chains; following the* shore to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 19th December, 1906.

Feb. 16. C. TAKADA.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted about 100 yards from tide-water on Waddington Channel, about one-half mile north of Pendrill Sound, on east side of Redonda Island, New Westminster District, and running east 20 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; *thence east 60 chains to place of* commencement.

Dated Jan. 19, 1907.

MAX J. CAMERON.
JAS. BROWN, J. T. JENKINS,
Feb. 9. Agents.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situate on the San Juan River, Renfrew District, commencing at a post marked "A. Young Northeast Corner," thence south forty (40) chains; thence west one hundred and sixty (160) chains; thence north forty (40) chains; thence east one hundred and sixty (160) chains to place of commencement, containing six hundred and forty (640) acres.

Dated at Port Renfrew, British Columbia, this 6th day of March, 1907.

Mar. 9 A. YOUNG.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following describ-

1. Commencing at a post at the southern corner of Section 14, Township 11, Port Renfrew District; *thence north 80* chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west to point of commencement.

2. Commencing at a post planted about 20 chains from the northwest corner of Lot No. 1, thence running north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

3. Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of Lot No. 1, thence running east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north to point of commencement.

4. Commencing at a post planted about 40 chains from the northeast corner of Lot No. 1, thence running north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence to point of commencement.

5. Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Lot. No. 4, thence running north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence to point of commencement.

6. Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of Lot No. 4, thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south to place of commencement.

7. Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of Lot No. 4; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west to place of commencement.

8. Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of Lot No. 6, thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; *thence east 80 chains; thence* south 80 chains to point of commencement.

9. Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of Lot No. 6, thence 80 chains north; thence 80 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west to point of commencement.

10. Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of Lot No. 9, thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east to point of commencement.

11. Starting at same post as Lot No. 10; thence running north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west to point of commencement.

12. Commencing at a post on Lot. No. 11; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence 80 chains east to point of commencement.

13. Commencing at the northwest corner of Lot No. 11; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

14. Commencing at northwest corner of Lot No. 13, thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement.

15. Commencing at the northwest corner of Lot No. 13, thence 80 chains north; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Dated Victoria, B.C., March 5th, 1907.

FREDERICK H. DEPPE,
Mar. 2 ALFRED DEAKIN, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry timber from the following lands, situated in Renfrew District, Vancouver Island, B. C.

Claim No. 0. Commencing at a post marked "A. Deakin," 80 chains distant from the northeast corner of timber limit No. 9305; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Claim No. 1. Commencing at a post marked "A. *Deakin," on the northeast* corner of section No. 0, thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 2. Commencing at the southwest corner of section No. 1, thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 3. Commencing at the northeast corner of section No. 2; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Claim No. 4. Commencing at a post on the southwest corner of section No. 3, thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Dated February 13th, 1907.

Claim No. 5. Commencing at a post on the southwest corner of section No. 3, thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 6. Commencing at a post on the southwest corner of section No. 5; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Claim No. 7. Commencing at a post on the southwest corner of section No. 5; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, to point of com*mencement.*

Dated February 14th, 1907.

Claim No. 8. Commencing at a post on the northwest corner of section No. 7; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Claim No. 9.—Commencing at a post on the northwest corner of section No. 8, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 10. Commencing at a post on the northeast corner of section No. 7, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 11. Commencing at a post on the northeast corner of section No. 8, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Claim No. 12. Commencing at a post on the northeast corner of section No. 5, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 13. Commencing at a post on the northeast corner of section No. 10; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 14. Commencing at a post *on the northeast corner of section No.* 3; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Claim No. 15. Commencing at a post on the northeast corner of section No. 12; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

Dated February 16th, 1907.

SEWELL P. MOODY.
Mar. 9 A. DEAKIN, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty *days after date I intend to apply to the* Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated near Camelia Inlet about 18 miles from the mouth of the Skeena River, commencing at a post marked G. B. Wadham's N. W. corner adjoining C. Takada's purchase claim; thence running east 80 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 40 chains to point of commencement, containing 160 acres, more or less.

Dated 2nd November, 1906.

GORDON B. WADHAMS, Locator.
Jan. 5.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on the south bank of Camelia Inlet, about 18 miles from the mouth of the Skeena River, commencing at a post marked C. Takada's N. W. corner; thence running east 80 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west 80 chains to shore; thence north along shore to point of commencement, containing 320 acres, more or less.

Dated 2nd November, 1900.

C. TAKADA, Locator.
Jan. 5.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a license to prospect for coal *and petroleum on Graham Island, Queen* Charlotte Group, about eight miles from west coast thereof, and described as follows: Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner, and marked "Initial post No. 1, Walter H. Robinson's S. W. corner"; and running north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to place of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Located November 8th, 1906.

de20 WALTER H. ROBINSON.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situate in Clayoquot District:—

No. 17—Commencing at a post about one mile up Anderson River, running west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

Located Dec. 27th, 1906.

Feb. 1st. D. C. McDONALD.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days from date we intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked B. C. C. Co., S. E. Post placed on the east bank of the Ashhulm River, North shore of Oweekayno Lake, near Rivers Inlet, thence 160 chains north, 40 chains west, 160 chains south, 40 chains east to point of commencement, containing in all 640 acres.

Dated 13th February, 1907.

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Feb. 16. B. C. Mess, Manager.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days from date we intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked B. C. C. Co., S. W. Post placed on the east bank of the Tzee River, opposite Indian House, within about 15 chains of Oweekayno Lake, near Rivers Inlet, thence 160 chains north, 40 chains east, 160 chains south, 40 chains west, to point of commencement, containing in all 640 acres.

Dated 13th February, 1907.

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Feb. 16. B. C. Mess, Manager.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a post on the north shore of Uchucklesit Harbour, on the W. boundary of Lot 699, Cascade Mineral Claim; thence N. and E. along the boundary of Cascade Mineral Claim to the W. boundary of L. 79; thence N. and E. along L. 79 to the Fern Mineral Claim; thence N. and E. along the boundaries of Fern, Wasp, Sunshine No. 2, Sunshine No. 3 and Sunshine No. 4, to the N. E. corner of Sunshine No. 4; thence N. 40 chains; thence west about 90 chains to the east boundary of Winerals' No. 1 Application for timber license; thence south and west, following boundaries of said application to the shore; thence easterly along shore to point of commencement.

W. E. GREEN,
Feb. 16 W. B. Garrard, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works *for a special license to cut and carry* away timber from the following described land, situated on the west shore of Kennedy Island: Beginning at a post marked "C. T. N. W. Cor."; thence east 40 chains; thence south 160 chains; thence west to shore line; thence along the shore to starting post, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 25th January, 1907.

Feb. 16 C. TAKADA.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days from date we intend to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked B. C. C. Co., S. E. post placed on *the east side of the Tkzino River, situate* at the head of the Oweekayno Lake, near Rivers Inlet, thence 80 chains north, 40 chains west, 80 chains north, 40 chains west, 80 chains south, 40 chains east, 80 chains south, 40 chains east to point of commencement, containing in all 640 acres.

Dated 13th February, 1907.

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Feb. 16. B. C. Mess, Manager.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated in Clayoquot District, B. C.:

No. 1. Commencing at a post at the northeast corner, situated about two and one-half (2½) miles from head of Anderson Lake, on southwest side; thence west one hundred and sixty (160 chains; thence south forty (40) chains; thence east one hundred and sixty (160) chains; thence north forty (40) chains to point of commencement.

Located December 30, 1906.

A. F. GIVIN.
Jan. 16 THOMAS ROWLEY, Agent.

NOTICE is hereby given that, sixty *days after date. I intend to apply to the* Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase in the Coast District the following described land, situated on the south side of the Bulkley River: Commencing at a post located at the N. E. corner of Geo. A. Petty's land, and marked "D. Petty, initial post"; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement; containing 640 acres.

Jan. 5. D. PETTY.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated in Barclay District:

1. Commencing at a post at the S. W. corner of Malachan No. 2 Reserve, running 80 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west; thence 80 chains north, to point of commencement.

2. Commencing at a post on the shore west of South line of No. 1, running east and following South line of No. 1, 80 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west; thence 80 chains north, to point of commencement.

3. Commencing at a point on Lake Shore, near S. W. corner of No. 2, running 80 chains east; thence 80 chains south; thence 80 chains west; thence 80 chains north, to point of commencement.

4. Commencing at a post on Homitah Lake, situated at the N. E. corner of Timber Limit 7757, running south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement.

5. Commencing at a post at the West side of Nit-Nat River and following the South line of Section 8, of Township 1, running 80 chains west; thence 80 chains north; thence east to line of Timber lease, following the said line to river; thence following the said river south to point of commencement.

6. Commencing at the N. E. corner of Section 17, Township 1, running 80 chains west; thence 80 chains south; thence east to line of Timber lease, *following the said line* north and east to section line; thence north to point of commencement.

EDWARD E. HARDWICK.

Feb. 9.

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated in Clayoquot District.

No. 1. Commencing at post planted near the initial post of Crown Prince Iron claim, running west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to point of commencement.

No. 2. Commencing at a post planted alongside No. 1 post, marked J. W. Benson, running east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains, to point of commencement.

No. 3. Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Old Ireland M. C., running west 160 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 160 chains; thence north 40 chains, to point of commencement.

No. 4. Commencing at a post planted about 10 chains from the southeast corner of section 19, running east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 *chains; thence south to point of* commencement.

No. 5. Commencing at post planted on shore at Cataract Lake, running east 80 chains; south 80 chains; west along the shore of Cataract Lake, to the point of commencement.

No. 6. Commencing at a post planted at the N. W. corner of Cataract Lake, running south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west along the Lake shore to point of commencement.

No. 7. Commencing at a post planted at the Salt water, near Schafer's cabin, on Copper Island, running south 80 chains; thence east along the shore line and following the shore line to point of commencement, 640 acres, more or less.

Located January 16th, 1907.

J. W. BENSON.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated in Range 5, Skeena River District, about one mile from Little Canyon, commencing at a post planted on the southeast corner, marked "R. Braun"; thence running west 80 chains to Turner's southeast corner; thence north 40 chains to Frank's southeast corner; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains to Johnson's southeast corner; thence east 40 chains; thence south 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 480 acres, more or less.

Located September 1st, 1906.

R. BRAUN.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situated on the north side of the Homitah Lake, Nit-i-nat District:

No. 1. Commencing at a post marked "Edward E. Hardwick's southeast corner," adjoining the Indian Reserve and one chain north from the bank of the Homitah River; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

No. 2. Commencing at a post situated on the north bank of the Homitah Lake marked "Edward E. Hardwick's southeast corner"; thence north 40 chains; thence west 160 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 160 chains along shore of lake to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

No. 3. Commencing at the southwest corner of No. 2 and thence 40 chains north; thence 160 chains west; thence 40 chains south; thence 160 chains east along shore of lake to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

Dated at Clo-oose this 15th day of December, 1906.

Jan. 26 EDWARD E. HARDWICK.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated in Skeena District: Commencing at a post on left bank of Skeena River about 4 miles from Port Essington, marked "J. C.'s N. W. Cor."; thence S. 20 chains; thence E. 20 chains; thence N. 20 chains to bank of Skeena River; thence westerly along the bank to point of commencement, containing 40 acres, more or less.

JOHN CUNNINGHAM.
Port Essington, B. C., Dec. 10, 1906.
Jan. 19.

BOARD OF HORTICULTURE

Infected Fruit and Other Trees, Etc.

Notice is hereby given that authorised officers of the Department have been instructed to make inspection of all orchards and gardens for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Horticultural Board Act. It is asked that all assistance be given to facilitate inspections, and that in the interests of all concerned, the requirements of the Board, in accordance with the notice served by Inspectors be complied with without delay.

J. R. ANDERSON,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture.
Office of the Board of Horticulture,
Department of Agriculture,
Victoria, B. C., 25th Feb., 1907.

MINERAL ACT.

(Form F.)

Certificate of Improvements.

NOTICE.

Dewdrop Fractional Mineral Claim, situate in the Clayoquot Mining Division of Clayoquot District, adjoining the Prince No. 2 Mineral Claim, about a mile west of Sidney Inlet.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Edgar Dewdney, Free Miner's Certificate No. B. 1510, intend, sixty days from date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

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

Dated this 26th day of January, A.D. 1907.

Feb. 23. EDGAR DEWDNEY.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber off the following described lands, situated in Port San Juan, Renfrew District:

No. 7. Commencing at a post marked "G. Young, S. E. corner," and adjoining Deville's S. W. corner; thence west 40 chains; thence north 160 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 160 chains; thence east 40 chains to place of commencement.

No. 8. Commencing at a post marked "G. Young, S. E. corner," and adjoining No. 7 and Deville's N. W. corner; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to place of commencement.

Each claim contains 640 acres.

GEORGE YOUNG, Locator.
February 8, 1907. Feb.23

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, situated on Pitt Island, known as North End of Lofty Island Range 4, Coast district, on north side of inlet.

Claim 1.

Commencing at a post marked "J. G. J.," S. W. corner post, running north 70 chains; thence east 106 chains; thence south 50 chains more or less to shore; thence west along shore to place of beginning.

Claim 11.

Commencing at a post marked "J. G. J.," about 25 chains more or less from S. E. corner No. 1 claim; thence north 60 chains; thence east 106 chains; thence south 60 chains; thence west 106 chains to place of beginning.

Feb. 23. JOHN G. JOHNSTON.

TAKE NOTICE that I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in Rupert District:

Commencing at a stake planted about one and one-half miles from the mouth of a river locally know nas Big River, and on the north bank of the west fork of said river marked initial post southwest corner; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south to point of commencement.

Located Feb. 18, 1907.

W. BULMAN,
Per G. W. ALLISON.
Victoria, B. C., Feb. 27, 1907. Mch.2

THIRTY days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to cut and carry away timber from the following land in Highland District.

Commencing at a post N. E. corner section 48; thence S. 40 chains; thence E. 60 chains; thence S. 40 chains; thence W. 120 chains; thence N. 40 chains; thence N. E. following shore to point of commencement.

W. A. LORIMER.
Dated Feb. 26th, 1907. Mar. 2

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissione rof Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, adjoining Lot 646, Skeena District:

Commencing at a post marked "A. C.'s N. W. Corner"; thence east 40 chains along south boundayr of E. Flewin's claim; thence south 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence north 40 chains, along east boundary of Lot 646 to point of commencement, containing 160 acres, more or less.

Mar. 2 ANNIE COPELAND.

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days from date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, adjoining Lot 646, Skeena District:

Commencing at a post marked "A. C.'s N. W. Corner"; thence east 40 chains along south boundary of T. Flewin's claim; thence south 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence north 40 chains, along east boundary of Lot 646 to point of commencement, containing 160 acres more or elss.

Mar. 2 ANNIE COPELAND.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, we intend to make application to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situated on Baker's Inlet, Coast District, B. C.:

No. 5. Commencing at a post planted at the S. E. corner; thence north 40 chains; west 160 chains; south 40 chains; east 160 chains, to point of commencement.

No. 6. Commencing at a post planted at the S. W. corner; thence north 40 chains; east 160 chains; south 40 chains; west 160 chains, to point of commencement.

No. 7. Commencing at a post planted at the S. W. corner; thence north 80 chains; east 80 chains; south 80 chains; west 80 chains, to point of commencement.

Staked February 12, 1907.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA TIE & TIMBER COMPANY, LTD. Mch2

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, we intend to make appilcation to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for special licence to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands situated on Porcher Island, Coast District, B. C.:

No. 1. Commencing at a post planted at the N. E. corner on the Onna River; thence west 160 chains; south 40 chains; east 160 chains; north 40 chains, to point of commencement. Staked Feb. 8, 1907.

No. 2. Commencing at a post planted at the S. E. corner on the Onna River; thence north 40 chains; west 160 chains; south 40 chains; east 160 chains, to point of commencement. Staked Feb. 8, 1907.

No. 3. Commencing at a post planted at the S. W. corner on the Onna River; thence north 80 chains; east 80 chains; south 80 chains; west 80 chains, to point of commencement. Staked Feb. 8, 1907.

No. 4. Commencing at a post planted at the N. E. corner on the Spiller River; thence west 110 chains; south 110 chains; thence along bank of river to point of commencement. Staked Jan. 30, 1907.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA TIE & TIMBER COMPANY, LTD. Mch2

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands:

No. 1. Situate about the middle of Banks Island on the north shore, Range 4, Coast District, east of Bald Mountain; commencing at a post marked "J. G. J., notrhwest corner"; thence south 40 chains; thence east 125 chains; thence north 62 chains to shore, more or less; thence 125 chains along shore in a westerly direction to place of commencement.

No. 2. Situate about eight miles from the southeast end of Banks Island on the north shore, Range 4, Coast District, commencing at a post marked "J. G. J.'s southeast corner post"; running south 40 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 40 chains to shore; thence along shore 160 chains to place of commencement, the whole containing 640 acres, less Indian reserve about four acres.

No. 3. Situated about six miles from southeast of Banks Island on northeast side, commencing at a post marked "J. G. J.'s southeast shore of Banks Island southeast corner"; running south 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence onrth 40 chains; thence west 96 chains; thence north 50 chains to shore, more or less; thence along shore to place of beginning.

Mch.2 JOHN G. JOHNSTON.

Situated about seven miles from south end Pitt Island in a small inlet on west short of island.

No. 1. Commencing at a post marked "J. G. J.'s" and planted about one mile from head of inlet on southeast shore; thence running east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to place of beginning.

No. 2. Commencing at a post marked "J. G. J." and planted on southeast shore of inlet about two miles southwest from No. 1 claim; thence south 40 chains; thence east 125 chains; thence north 62 chains to shore, more or less; thence 125 chains along shore westerly to place of beginning.

No. 3. Situate about one mile from High Point, south end Pitt Island, on east shore, commencing at a post marked "J. G. J.," planted at the head of Bay; thence south 50 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 30 chains to place of commencemetn.

Mch.2 JOHN G. JOHNSTON.

Situated on east side of Granville Channel, about 3 miles from Klewnugget, southeast on Granville Channel on shore.

Commencing at a post on N. W. corner marked "J. G. J."; thence north 40 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 40 chains to shore, more or less; thence along shore in a northwesterly direction, 160 chains, more or less, to place of beginning.

Mch.2 JOHN G. JOHNSTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special ilcense to cut and carry away timber off the following described lands, situated in San Juan, Renfrew District:

No. 1. Commencing at a post planted about three and a half miels southeast of San Juan River, marked "G. Young's northwest corner"; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 2. Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of No. 1; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 3. Commencing at a post planted 40 chains east of No. 2, from a post marked "G. Young's northwest corner"; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 4. Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of No. 3; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to place of commencement.

No. 5. Commencing at a post marked "G. Young's southwest corner," and adjoining No. 1; thence east 160 chains; thence north 40 chains; thenec west 160 chains; thence south 40 chains to place of commencement. Each claim containing 640 acres.

Dated Feb. 10, 1907.

Mch.2 GEORGE YOUNG.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to make application to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated in Skeena District:

Claim No. 1. Commencing at a stake planted on the south shore of Skidegate Inlet, one mile from the point of Graham Island nearest to Maud Island; thence south 80 chains; thence east to shore; thence following shore to point of commencement.

Claim No. 4. Commencing at a stake planted on the south side of Skidegate Inlet, near Cristie Point; thence south 60 chains; thence west about 80 chains to shore; thence following the shore northerly and eastward to point of commencement.

Claim No. 5. Commencing at a stake on the south shore of Skidegate Inlet, at the S. W. corner of Claim No. 4; thence east 40 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north to shore; thence following the shore easterly to point of commencement.

Claim No. 6. Commencing at a stake planted on the south shore of Skidegate Inlet, about 160 chains west of the N. W. corner of Claim No. 5; thence south 40 chains; thence east 160 chains; thence north to shore; thence westerly along shore to point of commencement.

Claim No. 7. Commencing at a stake planted at the N. W. corner of Claim No. 6; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north to shore; thence following shore to place of commencement.

Claim No. 8. Commencing at a stake planted on Maud Island, at the N. W. corner of the Indian Reserve; thence south 40 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence west to shore; thence following the shore easterly to point of commencement.

Claim No. 9. Commencing at a stake on the shore of a small bay on the north end of Lena Island; thence south 40 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south to point of commencement.

Claim No. 10. Commencing at a stake planted on the west shore of Skidegate Inlet, about one mile from the west end of Lena Island; thence west 40 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south to shore; thence westward along shore to place of commencement.

Claim No. 11. Commencing at a stake on the north shore of Bear Skin Bay, Skidegate Inlet, about 20 chains east of the mouth of Honna River; thence west 40 chains; thence north 160 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south to point of commencement.

Claim No. 12. Commencing at a stake on the north shore of Bear Skin Bay, 80 chains east of the S. E. corner of Claim 11; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south to shore; thence east along shore to point of commencement.

Claim No. 13. Commencing at a stake on the north shore of Bear Skin Bay, 80 chains east of the S. E. corner of Claim No. 12; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains, more or less, to shore; thence east along shore to place of commencement.

Claim No. 14. Commencing at a stake on the north shore of Bear Skin Bay, 80 chains east of the S. E. corner of Claim No. 13; thence north 80 chains; thence wets 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south to shore; thence following the shore east to point of commencement.

Claim No. 15. Commencing at a stake at the S. E. corner of Claim No. 14; thence north 100 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 60 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south to shore; thence west along shore to point of commencement.

Claim No. 16. Commencing at a stake at the N. E. corner of Claim No. 14; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 17. Commencing at a stake at the N. E. corner of Claim No. 13; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 18. Commencing at a stake at the N. E. corner of Claim No. 12; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement.

Claim No. 19. Commencing at a stake on the north shore of Skidgate Inlet, about four miles N. E. from Skidgate Vilalge; thence west 60 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east to shore; thence south-westerly along shore to point of commencement.

Claim No. 20. Commencing at a stake at the S. E. corner of Claim 19; thence west 120 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east to shore; thence following shore to place of commencement.

Claim No. 21. Commencing at the N. E. corne rof the Skidegate Indian Reserve; thence west 60 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east to shore; thence along shore to point of commencement.

W. OLIVER.
Dated Feb. 28, 1907. Mch. 2

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber off the following described lands, situated in Port San Juan, Renfrew District:—

No. 3. Commencing at a post marked "G. Young," painted 40 chains east of G. Young's Location No. 2; thence south 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 160 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 120 chains to place of commencement.

No. 4. Commencing at a post planted 40 chains north of sea shore, marked "G. Young," adjoining No. 3; thence south 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 160 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 120 chains to place of commencement.

No. 6. Commencing at post marked "G. Young's S. W. corner," and adjoining No. 4; thence east 40 chains; thence north 160 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 160 chains to place of commencement.

GEORGE YOUNG, Locator.
Dated Feb. 28th, 1907. Mar. 2.

No. 1. Situate on the east shore of Union Passage at the south entrance of same, commencing at a post marked "J. G. J., southeast corner," on shore opposite Small Island; thence east 51 chains; thence north 125 chains; thence west 51 chains; thence south 125 chains to place of commencement.

No. 2. Commencing about one and one-half miles from south entrance to Union Passage, on east shore adjoining the boundary of No. 1 claim, marked "J. G. J."; thence east 60 chains; thence north 106 chains to shore; thence west along shore 60 chains; thence south along shore 105 chains, more or less, to place of commencement.

No. 3. Situate about three miles from entrance on south side of Union Passage on west shore of same, close to Indian reserve, commencing at a post marked "J. G. J.'s northeast corner"; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north along shore to place of commencement.

Mch.2 JOHN G. JOHNSTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase Section 33, Township 8, Range 5, Coast District, Bulkley Valley.

S. S. ROGERS, Locator.
Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 7, 1907.
Jan. 12.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase Section 2, Township 7, Range 5, Coast District, Bulkley Valley.

G. A. ROGERS, Locator.
Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 7, 1907.
Jan. 12.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated on Graham Island, commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Lot 8, Masset Inlet, Graham Island, marked "W. E. Green's N. W. corner"; thence running east 40 chains; south 80 chains; east 20 chains, more or less, to shore; thence following shore northerly back to point of commencement, containing 200 acres, more or less.

W. E. GREEN.
J. GRAHAM, Locator.
Located Jan. 3, 1907. Feb. 9

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situated in Masset Inlet, Graham Island, commencing at a post planted on the east bank of Anon River, near mouth, Shannon Bay, and marked "Charles Graham's S. W. corner"; thence east 40 chains to shore; thence following shore northeasterly 40 chains; thence 40 chains along shore northerly; thence southerly, following shore to place of commencement, containing 300 acres, more or less.

CHARLES GRAHAM.
Staked Feb. 5, 1907. Feb. 9

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described lands in Bulkley Valley, viz.: South half of Section five (5), Township six (6), containing 320 acres.

Jan. 19 SYDNEY COOPER.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land situated on Pitt Island, known as the South End of Lofty Coast Range 4.

Commencing at a post marked "J. G. J." and planted about 15 chains more or less from shore or inlet; thence west 40 chains; thence south 160 chains; thence east 40 chains to shore; thence north 160 chains to place of beginning.

Claim 11.

Commencing at N. E. end of Claim 11; thence west 40 chains; thence north 160 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 160 chains to point of commencement.

Feb. 23. JOHN G. JOHNSTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that, sixty days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land on Porcher Island, about five miles east of Refuge Bay, commencing at a post marked Mrs. Mary Odgers, northwest corner; thence running south 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains to McKay's southwest corner and point of commencement, containing one hundred and sixty acres.

MRS. MARY ODGERS, Locater.
R. BRAUN, Agent.
Located Nov. 9, 1906. Dec.22

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following land, situated in the Kitsumkalum Valley, commencing at a post planted at the S. W. corner of W. Bruce purchase claim, marked T. D. P.'s N. E. corner, running west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 40 chains, to point of commencement, containing 160 acres, more or less.

Located 23rd January, 1907.

T. D. PECKARD, Locator.
F. W. BOHLER, Agent.
Feb. 23.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on McCauley Island about six miles south of lower end of island, known as Lofty on Pitt Range 4, Coast district, on east shore of McCauley.

Commencing at a post marked "J. G. J., N. E. corner post"; thence west 40 chains; thence south 128 chains; thence to shore in an easterly direction; thence along shore in a northerly direction to place of commencement.

Feb. 23. JOHN G. JOHNSTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that sixty days after date. I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase in the Coast District the following described land. situated on the north side of the Bulkley River: Commencing at a post located about 60 chains east of the N. E. corner of Lot 9, and marked "Geo. A. Petty, initial post"; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence 80 chains east to point of commencement; containing 640 acres.

Jan. 5. GEO. A. PETTY.

PRIVATE BILLS NOTICE.

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving petitions for Private Bills will expire on Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1907.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 28th day of March, 1907.

Reports from Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 4th day of April, 1907.

Dated this 2nd day of January, 1907.

THORNTON FELL,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

NOTICE is hereby given that, 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase Section 5, Township 9, Range 5, Coast District, Buckley Valley.

Jan. 19 T. D. SHORTS.

"WATER CLAUSES CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1897," AND AMENDMENTS.

Certificate of the Canadian Industrial Company, Limited, under the Provisions of Section 87 of Part IV. of the said Act.

WHEREAS the Pacific Coast Power Company, Limited, was on the 24th day of September, 1904, granted a certificate under Section 87 of Part IV. of the aforesaid Act for certain purposes, and was thereby empowered to carry out the undertaking in the said certificate mentioned; and

Whereas, since the date of the said certificate, the Canadian Industrial Company, Limited, hereinafter called "the Company," authorized and licensed on the 17th day of March, 1906, to carry on, in the Province of British Columbia, the business of a Power Company within the meaning of Part IV. of the aforesaid Act, has acquired a record of 48,000 inches of water to be diverted from Powell Lake, Malaspina Strait, granted the 10th day of May, 1899, to the Pacific Coast Power Company, Limited; and

Whereas the Company hsa acquired certain lands known as Lots 450 and 1,901A, New Westminster District, within which the corporate powers of the Company in respect of its undertaking and works are to be exercised; and

Whereas the Company has submitted its undertaking to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council for approval, and has filed with the Clerk of the Executive Council the documents required by Section 85 of the said Act, and a plan showing, so far as may be, the intended situation of the undertaking and works of the Power Company:

This is to certify that the undertaking has been apvroved and that the same is as follows:—

1. To develop the water which the Company has acquired with as great a head as shall be practicable and desirable, and to dispose of the power so developed to other industries which may be established in the vicinity of the proposed site, and especially the works for the manufacture of pulp and paper.

2. To erect buildings and a wharf at some convenient point on the shore of the Strait of Georgia; to make roads from the wharf to the different points of construction; to clear off timber and to level, where necessary, the land required by the Company; to construct a dam or dams at convenient points between the head of the Falls and Powell Lake to the height not exceeding 50 feet above the present river level, and to raise the level of Powell River and *Powell Lake to a height not exceeding* the height of the crest of the said dam and to extend the area thereby of the said river and lake to draw off the water so stored; to erect head-gates at the point of intake; to place a slip in the said dam at least six feet deep from the crest of the said dam and nine feet wide, for the transportation of timber, logs, or lumber; to make such cuttings, flumes, conduits and tunnels as may be necessary or advisable to convey the water from the intake to the most convenient point from which to conduct it to the turbines; to provide steel pipes to convey the water from the conduits pipes to and from the turbines; to provide turbines, valves, gearing, shafting, belting, dynamos, and such other machinery as may be necessary for the purposes of the undertaking of the Company; to construct the necessary tail races for the discharge of the water from the turbines.

And this is further to certify that the amount of the capital of the Comvany which will be duly subscribed before the Company commences the construction of its undertaking and works and exercises the powers conferred by the said Act is hereby fixed at not less than the sum of ($50,000) fifty thousand dollars, and ($50,000) fifty thousand dollars of such capital shall be subscribed and fifty per centum thereof actually paid up within six months from the date hereof; and the times within which the undertaking and works are to be commenced and completed are six months and two and one-half years, respectively, from the date hereof.

Dated this 12th day of December, A.D. 1906.

FREDK. J. FULTON,
Dec. 13 Clerk of the Executive Council

NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands, situated on "Narrow Gut Inlet," Kyuquot Sound, West Coast, Vancouver Island":

No. 1. Commencing at a post marked Roy M. Dawson's N. W. Corner Post, thence S. 160 chains, thence E. 40 chains, thence N. 160 chains, thence following shore line to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

No. 2. Commencing at a post marked Roy M. Dawson's N. E. Corner Post, thence 100 chains S., thence 80 chains W., thence 60 chains N., thence 40 chains E., thence 40 chains N., to place of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

No. 3. Commencing at a post marked Roy M. Dawson's N. W. Post, thence 80 chains, thence S. 80 chains, thence W. 80 chains, thence N. 80 chains, to place of commencment, containing 640 acres, more or less.

No. 4. Commencing at a post marked Roy M. Dawson's N. E. Corner Post, thence 80 chains S., thence 100 chains W., thence 40 chains N., thence 40 chains E., thence 40 chains N., and 60 chains W. to place of commencment, containing 640 acres, more or less.

No. 5. Commencing at a post marked Roy M. Dawson's N. W. Post, thence 40 chains S., thence 130 chains E., thence to South boundary of No. 4, thence W. and S., following S. boundary or 1 and 6, to place of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

No. 1. Commencing at a post marked Roy M. Dawson's N. W. Post, thence 80 chains S., thence 80 chains E., thence 80 chains N., to shore line, following *shore line to place of commencement* containing 640 acres, more or less, and situated on Fair Harbour, Kyuquot Sound, on the south shore line.

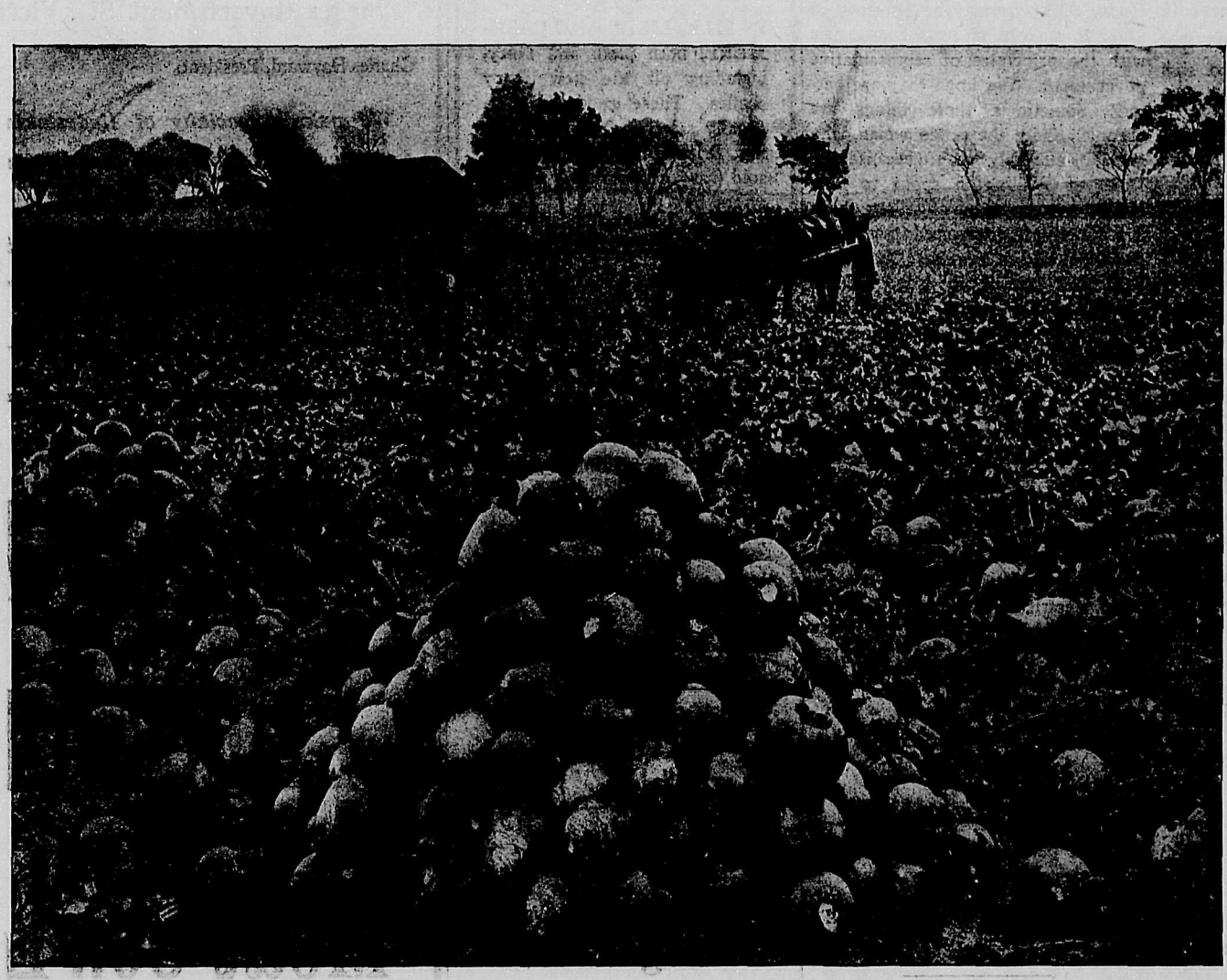
No. 2. Commencing at a post marked Roy M. Dawson's N. E. Corner Post, thence 60 chains S., thence 120 chains W., thence N. to Shore line, thence following Shore line to place of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

No. 3. Commencing at a post marked Roy M. Dawson's N. W. Post, thence S. *90 chains, thence E. 120 chains, thence* 40 chains N., thence W. 80 chains, thence N. to shore line, thence following Shore line to place of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

And Located the 15th day of December, 1906.

ROY M. DAWSON,
Feb. 16 By Ray Williams, Locator.

What British Columbia Can Do!



The above picture shows what British Columbia can do when supplied with good seeds. It represents a field of Yellow Turnips grown from "SUTTON'S PEDIGREE SEEDS," sold by the agents, THE BRACKMAN-KER MILLING CO., LTD., of Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster.

What B.C. Can Do

Every atom of wealth comes from Mother Earth; this fact is now so well understood as to need no demonstration; but it is frequently necessary to demonstrate that there are two ways of extracting wealth from Mother Earth—a right way and a wrong way. In mining the day has almost gone by when a lone miner or a brace of chums realised a fortune with pick and shovel and their own strong will. Today, success depends on capital, the right sort of machinery, and treatment of ores. In the same way with stock and sheep raising; haphazard breeding and feeding have given place to scientific production and feeding. The difference of the two methods is, if anything, intensified when we turn to farming.

In the early days farmers in British Columbia had to be content with any description of seeds which came to hand, with the result that full justice was seldom done to her highly productive soil, for no matter how rich the soil may be, if the seed is poor the resulting crop will be of a poor type also; good seed will sometimes produce fairly good crops on poor soil, and when good seed is put into good ground rich crops are a moral certainty.

It is one of the failings of human nature that some men will pay large sums of money in order to secure fertile land, will expend an intense amount of energy and care on its upkeep, and then will utterly frustrate their entire efforts by purchasing and sowing inferior seed. The same man will—strange to say—carefully scrutinize the pedigree of the Alderney cow or Short-horn bull he may be purchasing, but would never pause a moment to look into the pedigree of the seeds he is sowing; and yet the cost of the finest seeds is a mere bagatelle compared to the money sunk in the land.

What is it that has produced the marvellous crops—vegetable, root and cereal—in Great Britain, France. Holland, Belgium and New Zealand? The soil, some will answer; others will point to the climate; but those who have gone deeper into the subject will put their finger on the essential fact, namely, the demand by agriculturists in those countries for the finest seeds in the world; seeds that have stood the most severe tests, and whose pedigree is known and approved.

It is not often The Week goes out of its way to pat anybody on the back, but a recent pilgrimage amongst the leading agricultural districts in British Columbia has demonstrated that a meed of praise is undoubtedly due to the Brackman-Ker Milling Company for the persistent way in which they have introduced Sutton's world-renowned pedigree seeds to the farmers of British Columbia. We believe we are correct in stating that it is only twelve months since the well known Brackman-Ker organisation took over the agency of these seeds in such a way that every farmer and gardener—be he merely bent on pleasure or on profit—had the opportunity to purchase not only a few of Messrs. Sutton's leading lines, but practically any; and in such quantities as to satisfy all. On our recent pilgrimage the results of this form of policy were everywhere apparent. Progressive farmers and gardeners in all parts of the Province have seized the opportunity, and we can sum up the verdict of their own words—"absolute, unqualified success." One leading farmer informed us that on the land seeded with Sutton's Pedigree Seeds his profits had been increased fifty per cent. Another made this somewhat startling statement: "If other seeds were offered to me free, and Sutton's were twice the price I have to pay, I would do so willingly, because by so doing I would make much greater profit." Still another pointed to a pile of Magnum Bonum Swedes, each one perfectly developed and sound. For years he had been trying to grow Swedes, but had met with poor success owing to his land being in a somewhat cold and bleak situation. Everywhere it was the same tale of success, and that is why we are constrained to give praise where praise is due, and to point the moral that there are no limits to the agricultural productiveness of British Columbia, provided always good seed is sown. We are showing, by the courtesy of Messrs. Brackman-Ker Co., a series of plates, made from photographs of root crops harvested from fields seeded with Sutton's Pedigree Seeds. Seeing is believing.

Correspondence.

Editor The Week.

Sir,—In your paper of 23rd inst. you say that Mr. R. L. Borden, the leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, is not a man of proved capacity or energy or of personal magnetism. However much we may differ in regard to the above, there is one thing on which I think all Conservatives and patriots will agree. That is, the splendid stand he has taken in regard to the political corruption and debauchery of constituencies and electors by the Liberal Machine, with the Liberal Government at the back of it, and fattening on the fruit of its infamy. The people of Canada owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Borden for his continuous and noble efforts to stem the tide of political gangrene which is spreading over our great country, which, if not checked, will permeate the whole body politic, and ultimately bring down upon our noble heritage the curse "Ichabod, the Glory is Departed."

Yours truly,
R. B. ELLIS.

Vancouver, Feb. 27th, 1907.

6 Blanchard St., March 6th.

To the Editor of The Week.

Dear Sir,—Your contributor "Bohemian" has fallen into an error as regards J. H. Shorthouse. He was not as stated a convert to Roman Catholicism but a convert from the Society of Friends to Protestant-Catholicism within the Anglican Church. Probably it was the Protestant-Catholicism of the Brothers Pollock at St. Albans, Birmingham, which converted him. If your contributor is not familiar with the differentiation of Catholics into Papists or Pope-Catholics, and Protestant-Catholics, he should read the Contemporary Review for February, Article 8.

"Bohemian" also states that Roman doctrine has not changed since Apostolic days. This sounds strange coming from a self-styled Protestant, for did not Protestants break with Rome for the very reason that they failed to see the Apostolic Faith in the religion of the prae-Reformation Middle Ages? He differs too from Newman who maintained in his "Development of Doctrine" that the Roman Faith as now holds good is the divinely-guided growth of many centuries. But he agrees with the majority of Roman controversialists. Can it be "Bohemian" is a Jesuit in disguise?

Yours truly,
H. K. GORNALL.

New York, Feb. 23rd, 1907.

The Editor of The Week, Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir,—I write to bespeak your interest and co-operation in behalf of the proposed game and forest preserve in southeastern British Columbia. I am advised from British Columbia that if the people of Canada, and of British Columbia, in particular, desire that the preserve should be created, that the B. C. Parliament would readily enact the necessary legislation. It seems to me that this is a matter in which all persons who are specially interested in wild game and the promotion of outdoor life generally, should take a leading part. It is the editors who mould and direct public opinion. There is no opposition to the proposition, and apparently the only thing necessary to secure its accomplishment is to arouse public interest to the point of manifesting a definite desire.

I am particularly enthusiastic about this matter because I have recently seen wild game which ought to be preserved, and enjoyed the magnificent scenery which formed the setting for the animals. If you have not yet received a copy of my "Camp-Fires in the Canadian Rockies," it will afford me great pleasure to send you one forthwith, as an exposition of the proposed reserve. I feel it my duty to do all I can to secure the immediate enactment of the legislation which will forever protect the proposed "Goat Mountain Park." If the game is once shot out of that region, it never will return. The region is small, and easily protected, and at present, the game is there. I am, however, well aware of the fact that a number of hunting parties intend to go into that country next fall, to shoot goats, sheep, and grizzly bear. I would like to see the reserve created before next September.

If you would be willing to treat this matter editorially, and enlarge upon it, I will send you, at my expense, an electro of the map showing the region to be protected, and I will send you as many photographs for reproduction as you may desire.

Mr. Clive Phillips-Wolley has taken up the matter with high officers of the British Columbia Government, and I believe looks forward to ultimate success for this measure.

Hoping to hear from you at an early date, I remain,

Yours very truly,
W. T. HORNADAY,
Director.

House of Lords.

The constitution of the House of Lords is certainly one of the grandest examples of persistence in traditions of British public life.—L'Eclair, Paris.

Parallel Passages From Canadian Literature.

The Emancipation Proclamation.

A United States citizen asks for the authority for the statement in Sunday's Colonist to the effect that President Lincoln hesitated to sign the Emancipation Proclamation, until after much urging from Vice-President Hamlin. The authority for the statement was Vice-President Hamlin himself. I had the pleasure some years ago of being a guest of General Thomas of the United States army on an excursion, and among the guests was Vice-President Hamlin. In conversation with myself and the General, he said that he would tell us a bit of unwritten history, and then related the incident of the signing of the proclamation. He said that the President threw down his pen at least three times before affixing his signature to the document. and that when he finally signed it he said: "Hamlin, I have done it, but you are responsible for it."

CHARLES H. LUGRIN.

(Reprinted from the Colonist of March 6th, 1907.)

Some people have lately had a spasm because the Colonist has had the effrontery to suggest that the House of Lords may be reformed in order to make it more in consonance with the principles of representative government. We hope they are bet ter. Sometimes these things are chronic. Once there was a man, who grew insufferably proud because the Duke of Wellington spoke to him. He never grew tired of telling about it. Finally it transpired that what the Duke said to him was: "Confound you! Get out of my way." There are some people who, because they happened to walk down on the same side of the street with a peer of the realm, fancy that they are first cousin to the whole House of Lords. One of them once sent the Colonist a letter protesting against ministers of what he was pleased to call "dissenting sects" being invited to Government House. Another called to protest indignantly against the statement that a certain peer was a practical electrical engineer. **DEMOCRACY HAS ITS FAULTS, AND SO HAS ARISTOCRACY; BUT FROM SNOBOCRACY, GOOD LORD DELIVER US.**

(Reprinted from the editorial columns of the Colonist March 7th, 1907.)

5TH REGIMENT, C. A.

Regimental Orders by Lt.-Col. J. A. Hall Commanding.

Regimental Headquarters,
Victoria, B.C., March 3.

1—Appointment: The officer commanding has been pleased to appoint No. 202, Gunr. F. Jepson (late 1st Life Guards) to be Assistant-Instructor of Signalling, with acting rank of Sergeant.

2—Promotions: The officer commanding has been pleased to approve the following promotions in No. 3 company: To be Corporal, No. 252, Gunr. W. Thrall, vice J. P. Wheeler, promoted; to be Corporal, No. 233, Gunr. V. Williams, to complete establishment; to be Bombardier, No. 203, Gunr. W. S. Duncan, to complete establishment; to be Bombardier, No. 277, Gunr. S. L. Wilson, to complete establishment.

3—Enlistments: The following men having been duly attested are taken on the strength of the regiment, and will assume the regimental numbers opposite their names: No. 81, Gunr. F. B. Fisher, March 5, 1907; No. 89, Gunr. Harvey F. C. Walker, March 5, 1907; No. 144, John Earnshaw, March 6, 1907; No. 183, James Tait, March 6, 1907; No. 184, William Carter, March 6, 1907.

4—Re-engaged: The following N. C. O. has been re-engaged for three (3) years' further service: Staff-Sergeant R. O. Clarke, December 6, 1906.

5—Discharges: The following men having been granted their discharge are struck off the strength of the regiment March 6, 1907: No. 200, C. S. M. E. Boorman; No. 149, Trmp. R. D. McLachlan; No. 150, Gnr. C. Ross; No. 136, Trmp. N. Carmichael; No. 173, Gnr. W. Trinder; No. 179, Gnr. J. W. Kinloch; No. 114, Gnr. W. Patterson; No. 115, Gnr. R. B. Kemp; No. 122, Gnr. Arch. Dick; No. 125, Gnr. E. Parsons; No. 132, Gnr. T. Keppock; No. 112, Gnr. A. Jeffs; No. 172, Gnr. A. M. Comorton; No. 169, Gnr. A. B. Robson; No. 168, Gnr. R. P. Dunn; No. 167, Gnr. J. H. LePage; No. 160, Gnr. G. G. Lyall; No. 158, Gnr. N. S. Short; No. 153, Gnr. H. W. Laing; No. 152, Gnr. G. W. Thorn; No. 137, Gnr. H. Spink; No. 139, Gnr. J. G. Menzies; No. 194, Gnr. E. Spall.

6—Issue of Rifles: Officers commanding companies will issue rifles, obtaining the usual receipt for same. Members of the regiment are notified that parts of the rifle must not be tampered with in any way.

By Order. (Signed)
W. RIDGWAY-WILSON, Capt.
Adjutant 5th Regiment C.A.

A True Optimist.

"It seems a pity that our minister isn't getting a larger salary."

"Well, I don't know. If he were, he would eat more food, which would make him stronger, and if he were stronger he would doubtless preach longer sermons."

Because He Loved Her.

An Atchison young man not many years ago commenced to call on a girl. He kept her out on the front porch late at night, he made life a torment for her if she looked at any other man and finally he married her. He is poor, and her father was in fairly good circumstances, so that for the first time in her life she began to taste privation and selfdenial. She cooks for him, cleans, sews, mends, and slaves for their two children. Do you want to know why this man put her in a position where she would experience such hardship in addition to his tyranny? Because he loved her. —Atchison Globe.

Too Much for the Class.

She was only a substitute teacher, still she should have known better. "Suppose," said she in the mental arithmetic lesson—"suppose Mary has five oranges and Gladys gave her eleven more. Then, if Mary gave Winifred six, how many would she have left?" There was a long pause. "Well?" she prompted, impatiently, "it's easy enough."

"Please, teacher," spoke up the smallest girl, "we always do our sums in apples."—New York Tribune.

"We don't like the milk we get in Cannes," said the millionaire who was spending the winter abroad.

"Then why not have some shipped from Cowes?" inquired the near humourist, with a hoarse laugh.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"What have you got in the shape of cucumbers, this morning?" asked the customer of the new grocery clerk.

"Nothing but bananas, ma'am."—Everybody's.

George Washington's Father—"Remember, George, that if I had punished you for chopping that cherry tree it would have hurt me more than it hurt you."

George Washington—"I am afraid, father, that my incapacity for prevarication is not an inherited trait."

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THE MYTH OF SIN.

Sir,—Several friends have expressed the desire that I should amplify article of mine which appeared in Seattle Post-Intelligencer in answer to a sermon preached by the v. M. A. Mathews, D. D., pastor the First Presbyterian Church, ttle, on the subject of "the cost sin to the nation from a financial l economical point." My remarks re briefly as follows:

"I note from the Post-Intelligencer of Monday, January 21, page 5, that the Rev. Dr. M. A. Mathews, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, has been tickling the sensations of his congregation by a sermon on the cost of sin to the nation. I do not know the reverend gentleman, and unfortunately your report has only a part of his sermon, but I gather from that part he must be one of those who jump to conclusions without fully considering where those conclusions are leading him to. I take it the point of Dr. Mathew's sermon is to appeal to the people of Seattle to cease from something which, in this world, is vaguely termed sin, because it is extremely costly. I would do the reverend gentleman the justice to believe that behind this somewhat selfish plea, higher thoughts exist; but let us follow Dr. Mathews' argument to their logical conclusion.

"In the first place let us imagine police departments, pension appropriations, standing armies, navies, intoxicating liquors, asylums, orphanages, etc., all obliterated at a moment's notice. What does Dr. Mathews imagine would immediately follow? The millennium? I fear not; au contraire, about one-half the people of the civilized world plunged into idleness and starvation with the inevitable results — chaos and misery.

"The blunder in Dr. Mathews' deductions lies in the fact that they do not go far enough. I will extend them to some extent, but cannot complete them, as that is an impossibility. In the first place, there would be no pastor for the First Presbyterian church; the extravagance of his salary would naturally be wiped out, or to quote a large and more concrete example on the same lines, the rich and powerful church of Rome would naturally cease to exist; obviously it would be entirely unnecessary. The same argument applies to every church and every sect, and, greater loss still, Christianity itself would disappear; being unnecessary under the new conditions.

"Dr. Mathews belabors what he calls sin and blames it for practically the whole of the troubles of mankind. I presume he would not give sin credit for any attribute, and yet, has he ever reflected, had there been no sin there would be no Christ? Faith, hope, charity, and every virtue we possess would have been non-existent.

"Cannot Dr. Mathews see, what he calls sin, is the fuel which produces that furnace which refines and purifies the souls of men and women, and is just as necessary to God's people as righteousness?

"As a matter of fact, there is no such thing as sin, as popularly undertsood, in the world. Like the myth of Satan and hell fire, it is purely a creation of mankind."

It is unnecessary for me to quote Dr. Mathews' sermon, in extenso, the discourse in question being simply one of those sentimental appeals, made from the pulpit, in which it is self-evident the preacher grasps neither the real meaning of the forces which mankind collectively and somewhat vaguely term sin; nor, the inevitable results, if his arguments were carried out to a finite conclusion.

It is impossible to deal with this thoroughly in one letter, or even in a number of letters, for the subject—like every other subject in this world—is progressive and has a natural growth; but it is possible to focus a few leading thoughts, and to throw them into the limelight of publicity with a hope of ultimate benefit to all.

To thinking men and women, who can detach themselves from the whirl and stress of modern life, and calmly think out the situation, it is obvious that the human race is on the eve of one of those spiritual evolutions which from time to time have marked the casting off of the thraldom which has held the race back—a thraldom manufactured in a great measure out of its own imaginings—and have resutled in a universal lifting up of the whole human race. To be absolutely correct, this spiritual evolution is beyond the eve, it is half accomplished. The buried seed has germinated and the outward and visible fruits will shortly appear.

It has always appeared to me that the two great errors made by the Christian churches are easy to locate. To quote the decalogue, God said: "Thou shalt have no other God but me," and yet, within three hundred years of the death of Christ, the Church deliberately created another God, which it has been worshipping down the ages, and that God, is itself—in quoting from the decalogue I admit that the ten commandments were intended for the penal code of the Hebrew nation, but the commandment quoted is so evidently the corner stone of all religion that it becomes the property of all nations and all people. Had the Church followed its arguments to the logical conclusion and admitted the confraternity of all humanity with the Godhead, all might have been well, but, unfortunately, while preaching this doctrine in theory, it denied it in practice, with the result, as previously stated, the creation of a false God.

The second error can be dated from the great spiritual revolution, of the Reformation. Luther, and many of his followers, seized on the grand central fact, the existence of the spirit of God in all mankind—by some people called the soul—but the mass of his followers were not able to simplify their religion in this Christ-like manner, and, side by side with the true God, they erected another—our own well-beloved Bible—the most important of all religious literature, but, like all the work of man's hand, open to error, misconstruction, and, above all, mistranslation.

What we term socialists theories, Christian Science, and the other thousand and one efforts, now being made by mankind, are merely the outward sign of the inward struggle against the domination of fixed creeds, ecclesiastical labels, and that intolerent spirit of Bible Christianity which now form barriers between God and the Spirit of God—the soul—which is the birthright of every human being, be he bond or free! Jew or Gentile! Roman Catholic or Protestant; saint or sinner!

Like all evolutions, the present one has been working almost silently, deep down in the souls of millions in all parts of the world; they have felt the chains but have not known how to attack them. Thank God! the churches in Europe and other parts of the world are waking up to the struggle, and the bonds—which in a great measure have been made by mankind—are being removed. It is almost like the voice of God Himself to read a recent sermon by one of the leading divines in Great Britain wherein he states:

"We believe that the story of the fall, in a literary sense, is untrue. It is literature, not dogma; the romance of an early age used for the ethical instruction of man. We believe that the very imperfection of the world today is due to God's will, and is the working out of Himself with its purpose, a purpose not wholly hidden from us. The doctrine of sin which holds us to be blameworthy for deeds that we cannot help, we believe to be a false view. We reject wholly the common interpretation of the atonement—that another is beaten for our fault. We believe not in a final judgment, but in a judgment which is ever proceeding."

It is a greater joy still to note from the press of the Old Country and the United States that, in spite of the number of divines who are still preaching piffle and platitudes, and picturing a God and a Heaven so evidently the creation of mankind as to be hardly worth a second thought; on the other hand, ministers of religion of all denominations, in all parts of the world, are being moved by this great spiritual evolution and boldly casting off these self-wrought fetters. To take one denomination alone—the Church of England, in EnglandI doubt if you could find fifty of her clergy who could truthfully take oath and say "they were believers in hell fire and eternal damnation," and yet, it is within the recollection of most of us when practically all the clergy of this church could have conscientiously taken this oath. This is a big step forward in the right direction; it only needs a little more courage on the part of our local divines, a little more earnest studying of what is taking place in the centres of civilization like London, New York, Berlin and Paris, and they will cast off the hereditary shackles, infuse new life into their work, and, instead of holding aloof from the manifestation of the Spirit of God in man, they will come boldly forward and take their part in this great evolution.

ARTHUR DAVIES.

(Reprinted by Request)

LIFE'S EVENING.

The day is done. The setting sun
Throws Twilight through the door;
The halting tread of Memory
Alone sounds on the floor:
The day is done, the race is run,
Life's restlessness is o'er.
—Beth Slater Whitson.

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A Lady's Letter

By BABETTE.

Dear Madge:

It is to be supposed that the many thousands of women who rely almost entirely upon the information given them in the ladies' papers and in the many excellent weekly articles in the Saturday and editions of our daily papers upon the subject of clothes must make good use of what they read, and are really guided in the choice if their frocks by the advice of whoever may be their favourite fashion writer. And yet, though so much excellent advice and information are always at hand as to the fashioning and wearing of our attire, practically nothing is ever written upon the subject of colour, though this is probably the direction in which people can go more disastrously wrong than in any other. Only a very small minority of women have achieved the art of choosing and combining colours cleverly, and it is this minority that achieves the real triumphs in dress, though not half enough credit is generally given them for this side of their success.

I do not think there can be any dissenting voice to the verdict that shades are now more beautiful than ever, the variety of tones in the wonderful new dyes lately invented are quite remarkable and endless lovely shades of hitherto quite unexplored colours are being brought out and achieving great success. The woman who still persists in dressing in crude colours has now really no excuse as she must have to deliberately search for them, her wicked way being balked by the piles of fabrics in beautiful shades that are seen everywhere now. But in spite of the improvement achieved by the manufacturers, to whom our hearty thanks ought to go, one is unceasingly depressed by the intense monotony of the frocks one encounters and the dull routine in colouring that most women pursue.

Some of the nightmare ideas upon colour combinations which one can remember as being thought quite the orthodox thing are mercifully at last dead and buried, and are only resurrected by those whose taste is so really hopeless that one can only avert one's eyes and try to forget them. Some of the most criminal of these generally accepted combinations, such as grey with scarlet, blue with yellow, and red with pink or blue are so hateful that one cannot imagine in what brain they can have had their origin. Black at the moment seems greatly out of favour, and as the majority of really well dressed women will not wear any but quiet colours during the day the many shades of grey and soft browns and bronze green have come more than ever to the front.

Grey has perhaps more possibilities for good or evil effects than anything else, and a few hints as to its use will, I am sure, not come amiss. The effects made with grey clothes should always be cloudy and mysterious and achieve the most exquisite refinement, any sharp contrast of colour being only used most sparingly. For instance, a filmy evening frock of smoke grey chiffon was trimmed with silver lace, the sash alone being of mole-coloured chiffon clasped with a lovely jade buckle, the only ornament worn being a jade and small emerald necklet. With a grey velvet walking dress was worn rich sable furs and large picture hat with soft brown plumes. Another success was an elephant-grey cloth coat and skirt with a slight trimming of velvet in a darker tint, a silver-grey chiffon cravat, and crowned with a big hat of bronze crinoline with piles of bronze feathers, with which were worn bronze-colored shoes and stockings.

Fair women should use the greatest discretion in choosing their colours as they are more apt to be vulgarised than their darker sisters, though on the other side they can rise to greater heights in sensational effects. The girl with very fair or golden hair is, unhappily, invariably inclined towards pale blue and pink,. most unsuitable colours, and apt to give her a 25-cent-doll-on-a-Christmas-tree appearance. Very fair hair is shown to great advantage with bronze brown, dark coppery and chestnut browns, all shades of soft tapestry and peacock greens and blues, and indeed most shades of green, dark shades of mole and white.

Women possessed of that lovely hair that is all gold and red, or with any shade of red hair, should avoid every temptation to wear any shade of purple or mauve, as it has the most unattractive capabilities of making these shades of hair look dyed and harsh. On the other hand, the girl with the coveted shade of perfectly colourless ash-tinted hair can look most charming in rich purple and wine shades. I once saw a girl who was posessed of a dazzling white skin and the palest of brown hair, who was a most striking success in navy blue voile devoid of any relief at all.

I have the misfortune to live near a golf course. It is not the golf I deplore but the fact that I am compelled to be constantly beholding sights that lessen my admiration and belief in my own sex. A girl in really nice golf clothes looks so charming when she is walking that it seems a pity she should be allowed to play. There is no happy medium for a lady golfer. If she play well she has to go into frightful attitudes, and if she plays badly she calls all the most ill-bred part of the onlookers' souls to come uppermost and unrestrained laughter is apt to follow. The woman who can both look and play well is yet to be found. But if this is the case, why do they not rise up in a solid army of all their clubs and murder the photographers who so unkindly make permanent records of their unhappy attitudes? The papers are becoming quite distressing, especially the English periodicals, with their portraits of some famous Miss or Mrs. driving or putting. Do they themselves not see the nightmare photographs and object to their being published? Do we not all know the photographs of "Mrs. So-and-so driving" by heart? the skirt violently swung tight to the too thin or too light knee, and in an ugly little flap behind, the jersey in a perfect cascade of wrinkles across the back, the out-of-focus elbow, which is the largest and nearest point in the picture, the grim mouth and fearsome eye above, and below the peculiar feet which always appear in photographs. There is something extraordinary in the way these feet photograph.

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Fond arms shall clasp thee 'neath my cloak of snows,
Kisses of fire thy lips and mine shall taste,
Beyond the mountains ere the dawn shall close."

Down through Granada, hark, there comes the beat
Of hurrying hoofs along the sacred street,
Where, 'neath the lamps, like stars at Allah's throne,
The monk Abdallah guards the mosque alone.

"Out o'er the mountains, holy sheikh, be gone,
So thou mayst find thy fountain of desire;
The snows shall breathe their peace thy soul upon;
The stars console thee with anointed fire."

Now turns that midnight rider swiftly in
Among the alleys of the Zacatin,
But none of all the merchants heard him call
Save old Sulayman, huddled in his stall.

"Out o'er the mountains, hoarder, ere the day
Shall set the sapphire minaret agleam;
Seal up thy little booth, cast scrip away;
At dawn I lead thee to the golden stream."

And ere muezzin-call, three shadows gray
Haste out the gate upon the mountain-way,
Till by a fount their shrouded guide takes breath,
Brushing the snows from off the stone marked "Death."

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MUSIC AND THE STAGE

VICTORIA.

Nance O'Neil.

In a list of 185 famous dramatic and musical "stars" who have by genuine merit earned the right to be called stars of the theatrical world, the interesting fact is shown that Miss Nance O'Neil is one of the youngest of the truly great artists, having been born in Oakland, Cal., in 1875. Eleanor Duse was born in Vigevano, Italy, in 1861, and Sarah Bernhardt in Paris in 1845. Hilda Spong, Eleanor Robson, Adele Ritchie and Helen Bertram share with Miss O'Neil the year 1875 as their birth year.

Blanche Walsh in The Straight Road.

When Blanche Walsh, the great emotional actress, is seen here soon, it will doubtless be the last time in several years, as Managers Wagenhals & Kemper are contemplating for her an Australian tirp, as well as runs in Paris and London. Miss Walsh is making a brief trip to the Northwest, and comes direct from the Astor Theatre, where she has just closed a long run, with Clyde Fitch's newest play, "The Straight Road." According to the New York critics Miss Walsh has made another great personal success, and the play has more than ever established Clyde Fitch as the best of American playwrights.

Will Victorians Allow It?

We hear on good authority that the Victoria Theatre is going to be made hideous by an Advertising Curtain. What are the people of Victoria thinking about, when they allow our best theatre in the town to be made an eye-sore to all those who attend there! Are we going to follow in the footsteps of a ten-cent vaudeville house, and lose the reputation of having a first class theatre! From theatre curtain advertising we shall find our city going into bill-board advertising, the same as it has happened in many of the Sound cities, and then where will our pride be about beautiful Victoria. We have now in the Victoria Theatre an advertising programme of great merit, which meets the eyes of all who attend the house, and surely that is sufficient advertising matter to have in any first class house, and as much as all the first class theatres will allow. If you must have more advertising in the theatre, why not have the programme man enlarge the programme, so that all who want to advertise there can do so. This programme advertising is universally recognized as one of the best advertising mediums, as it is continually before the people, before the play, during the intermissions, and afterwards they are often taken home and saved for future reference, while an advertising curtain, is in nearly all cases, only down for a short period, during which time the whole thing is an eyesore to all in the theatre. Surely the present programme is all that is desired, and if the advertising curtain does go into the Victoria Theatre, as we are informed it will do, we hope Victoria people will "howl" it up, as has been done in other theatres of first class reputation on this Coast.

The Scarlet Mysteries.

The Scarlet Mysteries returned to the Victoria Theatre for one night on Monday last. They were greeted by a packed house which cheered every item on the programme to the echo, thus is the stigma removed which by some advertisers has been supposed to rest upon the people of the Capital City. Their attitude towards this splendid aggregation is a complete answer to the suggestion that Victorians do not appreciate and will not support a high class entertainment, it bears out what The Week has continually contended, that poor houses are the result of fifth rate companies and of a lack of confidence begotten by repeated disappointments, resulting from the injudicious boosting of veterans who "lag superfluous on the stage."

The success of the Scarlet Mysteries is still more remarkable because they lack the attraction which feminine youth and beauty are supposed to furnish, this makes their triumph all the more complete. They came here perfect strangers, they were poorly advertised and indifferently managed, they started with a half empty house, they achieved the exceptional success of giving fine performances a fortnight to a larger house on each occasion, and finally to the best house of the season. Their entertainment was high class, artistic and pleasing to a degree, and best of all it was thoroughly English, which goes to show that there is yet some hope for the regeneration of the public taste in the matter of high class entertainment, and some possibility of being able to write the word "Finis" to the history of Barnstormers, vulgar jokers and rowdy farcists who have afflicted a long-suffering public past the point of endurance.

The New Grand.

I am glad to be able to say that the show at the above theatre this week is as good as the one last week was rotten. There is not much good saying anything about Albini. Most people have seen him and they know that he is a top-liner. He is certainly the cleverest man that I have ever seen with the possible exception of the great Bertram. But Bertram never had the patter which Albini has, and that goes a long way with the audience. Miss Bessie Allen presents a charming singing and dancing turn, which on the night that I was at the theatre may be said to have brought the house down. Miss Florence Fulton is a character change artist, and an uncommonly good one at that; her turn was the best thing in that line that I have seen since I first came to this country. Haverley & McRae, well, it is just a toss-up whether they made me laugh more than Smith O'Brien who followed them. I certainly never laughed so much in the New Grand as I did during those two turns. They are both distinctly clever; they are clean, and they are most intensely humorous. I am glad to be able to write well about the New Grand this week, because it was my unfortunate privilege to have to say some rather unkind things about the show which preceded this one.

MOMUS.

Those Puzzled Porkers.

"Some time ago," said the travelling man from Little Rock, "I was horsebacking through the woods in that frontier portion of our State in which the hogs still run wild, with an occasional homeopathic dose of cornd to keep them reminded that there are ties that bind them to mankind. In a heavily timbered tract I came upon a big herd of porkers that were behaving in the most remarkable manner. They would run madly in one direction for a hundred yards or so, squealing vigorously and hopefully, then stop, sniff the air, utter a shriek of disappointment and make an equally mad dash at another angle. I watched them some time without being able in the least to fathom the mystery.

"Half a mile further on I came to a cabin in the woods. An old man sat on an inverted keg beside the doorway, smoking a corn-cob pipe. The quandary of the pigs was still torturing me, so, as soon as we had passed a perfunctory 'Howdy,' I said to him:

"'Stranger, I passed a lot of hogs down there in the brush just now that were behaving very strangely. They would start and run at full speed in one direction, then stop and take a fresh start some other way. Can you explain it?'

"'Yas, stranger, I reckon I kin,' he replied in a stage whisper that had characterised his first greeting. 'Them's my hawgs. I ust t' call 'em up an' feed' em now an' then, but t'other day I olst m' voice an' tuck t' callin' 'em by poundin' on a tree with a stick. An' now them d—— woodpeckers has got 'em crazy.'"—Saturday Evening Post.

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Vancouver Notes.

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Coal From the Nicola.

There arrived in Vancouver this week the first car-load of coal from the Middlesboro collieries of the Nicola Valley Coal and Coke Co. The car shipment is merely for the purpose of distributing samples of the Nicola "black diamonds," to people interested in the mines, and for testing purposes. The fuel in the Middlesboro colliery, from which this car was shipped, has proven by use and analysis to be of a very superior quality and Vancouverites will now have an opportunity of testing it. At the mines the company is pushing development as rapidly as possible and will have their coal on this market by the fall, when it is expected the collieries will be developed to a capacity of 500 tons per day. The field for the Nicola collieries is practically inexhaustible. The construction of the C. P. R. from Nicola to Midway and of the V. V. & E. from Midway to Vancouver will bring the mines into double communication with two markets—the Boundary and the Coast—of almost unlimited capacity for absorption. In the Boundary they can reach the smelters with coke by a haul of from 125 to 225 miles shorter than that of the Crow's Nest Coal Co. and the V. V. & E. will shorten the haul to the coast to about 140 miles. It is claimed that coke made from this coal is equal to any other in British Columbia, being firm and hard enough to support a smelting charge of iron ore. What the product of such a coke would mean to this coast is incalculable. It would mean all kinds of steel and iron industries possible, from the production of pig-iron to the building of steel ships, the rolling of steel rails and the establishment of huge foundries employing highly paid artisans.

Notes and Gossip.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade held this week, W. J. McMillan was elected president and Ald. E. H. Heaps vice-president for the ensuing term. The board purposes celebrating its twentieth anniversary with a banquet in the near future.

Providing that the chess enthusiasts of this city will contribute their share with the Victoria chess players, Magnus Smith, champion chess player of Canada, has offered to visit these two cities and give an exhibition of simultaneous and blindfold play.

An agitation is on foot for increasing the salaries of the staff of the Land Registry office.

Organization of the British Columbia Car Company has been perfected in the election of the following officers: President, A. C. Flummerfelt; vice-president, J. G. Woods; secretary-treasurer, W. L. Germaine. The company purposes constructing railway rolling stock.

BY WIRELESS FROM THE COAST.

General verdict on "The Country Girl," as represented at the Victoria Theatre on Thursday night—a bum show.

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Allegation of Victoria Times that extensive railway construction now in operation in Province supposed to be a cipher message by the Morse Code.

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Queen City brings information present population Prince Rupert 2,500, principally Japanese, expected increase later to 10,000, sole object study natural scenery.

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Reported from Ottawa special legislation to be introduced Federal Parliament before close of present session, limiting scale of license fees, which may be charged en route of G. T. P., schedule shows range from $500 for barbers to $5,000 for general stores.

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Special from Ottawa announces arrival of W. W. B. McInnes, negotiations transfer Ralph Smith to Governorship Yukon, McInnes to contest Nanaimo, "the boy from Alberni" said to be pining for a second Waterloo.

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Latest advices from East predict control of Federal Government by blue-noses, Fielding and Murray, the two best men in the Liberal party of the Dominion.

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Seventeen news-boys refused to become Sabbath-breakers by delivering Colonist last Sunday, in consequence Sunday's paper delivered in suburbs Monday morning, motto suggested for next Sunday's symposium by Colonist Editor, "A little child shall lead them."

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Opinion freely expressed in bachelors clubs at Victoria after performance "Country Girl" Thursday night that they had seen all they had paid for and more than they expected.

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Costumes worn by Princess and her ladies in "Country Girl" greatly admired by Victoria Women's Council who propose to organize excursion to "Peaceful Valley of Bhong" during coming season.

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C. H. L. thankfully declares he has had one red leter day in his life when he travelled on cheap excursion with friend of a friend of President Lincoln. Cui bino.

Mrs. Arthur Bridgeman and family have been staying with Mayor and Mrs. Barnes of Cowichan.

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Mrs. Coombe has been seriously ill with diphtheria. Her friends will be pleased to hear that she is progressing favorably.

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Capt. and Mrs. Rogers and children are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Barnard.

Amir and Children.

Walking in the Taj Gardens at Agra one morning recently, the Amir took special notice of a little European child. He lifted the little one in his arms, and, as a token of his royal favour, clasped a necklace of diamonds and emeralds round its neck. Next day the Taj Gardens were full of children and expectant parents, but the Amir was not there!—*Times of Ceylon.*

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