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Water For All Uses

City Council Arranging to Submit "Progress" Proposals to People

"Progress" has very great satisfaction in announcing that steps are being taken by the City Council looking to the acquisition of the property and service of the Esquimalt Water Co., as suggested in several recent issues of this journal, the purpose being to secure an adequate pure water supply for the entire city, bring the water service under one management—and that public management—guarantee sufficiency for natural development, and assure an ample head of water at all times for fire protection.

Naturally in so large a matter the Council has to proceed with care. Yet that the matter is receiving careful and intelligent consideration, with a view to the submission of a by-law to the people in the near future, is subject for general congratulation.

The Esquimalt Water Co. it may be assumed has no desire to sell, and will oppose the expropriation of its property by every expedient of law. It is a profit-paying property—hence the obvious reluctance to part with it. But being a profit-paying property its acquisition should have no terror for the citizens.

Of course a very large sum of money will be required to purchase the property. A further large amount will necessarily be expended in its improvement. But the result will be such a supply of excellent water as will make restriction of its use unnecessary even when Victoria is a city of 100,000 inhabitants; will assure such head that hydrant streams will at times be sufficiently powerful to reach the top of the highest buildings; will render filter beds, pumping stations, and fire engines to a large extent, unnecessary.

Congratulations to the Council for having at length realized its duty and undertaken it.

As an alternative suggestion a new main to Beaver Lake, a reservoir, and a pumping plant to keep the latter filled and enable it to be used by gravitation to improve the city head, has been proposed, and Vancouver has been pointed out as an example where this policy worked out most satisfactorily. And yet Vancouver newspapers give the fact that the pressure on Mount Pleasant and other higher levels in the Terminal City is not sufficient for safety, and even now the council of Vancouver is forced to consideration of ways and means for extending the water system and improving the head.

It would certainly be unwise to emulate an expedient proved futile in the test of experience.

As for the fire department, one might naturally have wished to see a similar demonstration by the Council of recognized duty. The opinion of veteran fire fighters both in and out of the department is bluntly that none of the recent important and expensive fires have been handled with what may be termed good generalship.

"No, 'Progress' was not by any means too severe in its comments," said one member of the brigade last week. "It might very well have gone a great deal further and yet not have been unfair. There was gross mismanagement of the big fire, and many homes were burned that good management would have saved. There's little discipline in the department, and when a fire comes along that is anything more than the 'incipient blaze' of the newspapers, the chief doesn't know what to do with it. He should—and the point of the difficult is right there. It's all right to say, as has been said so often, that Watson did the best he could. That's very true. But Watson doesn't grasp the fine points of the fire fighting business. He is a good individual fireman, as brave as any of them and as hard a worker, if someone tells him what to do. But he is neither a student of fire problems, an organizer, nor a competent head, and every man in the department knows it."

There is another little matter in connection with fire department affairs that "Progress" has been asked to ventilate, and with respect to which this paper does not assume to have any particular information.

"How is it," this paper has been asked, "that deserters from the American army find it the easiest thing in the world as soon as they come over here, to get on the fire department. Three of these deserters have been put on within the past few weeks—one as a permanent man—while there are many of our own citizens who would be glad of a chance for the positions. I'm told it's a common saying at Fort Vancouver or Fort Flagler, 'let's go over to Victoria and join the fire department.'"

If it is so, "Progress" confesses frankly that it doesn't know why it should be so.

Random Reflections

PORT ARTHUR has been taken—almost.

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CONTINUANCE of the present weather is liable to spoil the sleighing.

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ENGAGEMENTS at Port Arthur are no longer noted in the social column.

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THAT captured "Ryeshitelni" seems to have had a "return in five days if not called for" direction in some corner.

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PORT ARTHUR continues to fall. It is by this time a pretty low sort of a place.

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PERHAPS the explanation of the light resistance offered to the Japanese advance is that the Russians are afraid of awakening the baby.

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THE names of the Russian naval officers killed in Sunday's engagement off Port Arthur have not yet come in. Probably the wire couldn't stand them.

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REPORTS from the front that the Russians are getting worsted may indicate that they are going to make new uniforms of the stuff.

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PRIVATE PERRY cannot quite realize how famous he is until he learns the number of lusty-lunged Canadian male babies that have been named for him during the past fortnight.

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EVER since the forest fires grew thick along the E. & N. the poultry have been keeping to the roost under the impression that an Arctic night has moved south for change of scene.

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A GOOD many more members of the Board of Trade would have gone on that excursion with Mr. Prefontaine if they had been quite sure of the pronunciation.

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AUTO tours through Lillooet are likely to be very popular during the residue of the summer. The roads should be in perfect condition.

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ALFRED STORK and J. D. Quail are the rival candidates for the mayoralty of Fernie. Whatever the outcome of the contest, Fernie gets a bird of a mayor.

The Case of Frank Casey

Defective Construction of Important Statute and Careless Observance

Frank Casey, a native of Ireland and a Roman Catholic, 52 years of age, waiter by occupation, died at the Jubilee Hospital in this city on the 5th of November, 1902, after a very protracted period of suffering with cancer of the stomach. His body is stated to have been interred at Ross Bay cemetery on the 10th of the present month, having been for a year and nine months in the office of Dr. Joseph Gibbs, a resident medical practitioner, used by him for purposes of anatomical study and reference. The incident, startling as it appears upon its face, is yet more significant by reason of associated discoveries opened up, of glaring flaws in the construction of the Medical Act, and of a disposition on the part of the profession to manifest great carelessness in compliance with its provisions. It is a practical certainty that but for purely accidental inquiry as to what had become of Casey, his body would not yet have had interment, neither would the facts in connection have reached the authorities or the public. And this particular circumstance suggests a natural speculation as to how many other similar occurrences there may have been—still secret by reason of the fact that the fate of bodies of other deceased persons not having known relatives or friends, has never been made the subject of inquiry after death. Those in any way concerned in the ghastly adventures of the corpse of the late Frank Casey assert that this is a solitary and isolated instance. If so it is indeed curious that accidental inquiry should have hit upon it. As for the defects in the act, as Mr. S. Y. Wootton, Registrar-General of Titles, pertinently remarks, the medical profession appear most solicitous of all in the devising of legislation touching that profession—and yet most careless in compliance with the very acts that they have themselves devised for the protection of the public. The act in a dozen places gives evidence of careless drafting, and it is subject of wonder that it ever got through the legislature without challenging criticism at least by the sessional law clerk. Having been passed and given a place on the statute book of British Columbia, one would have thought that members of the profession certain to be brought in touch with its operation, would have taken the trouble to familiarize themselves with its salient provisions and scrupulously observe them. This does not appear to have been the fact. It is now in order for the medical men referred to to read up the act, giving it in future a closer observance in the interest of their professional repute and the satisfaction of public opinion; and for the legislature at its first opportunity to correct its faults made manifest, and particularly to specifically define what shall be deemed a legitimate period for the use of a dead body for anatomical study, and what shall constitute "decent" or Christian burial.

The first hint received officially of the death of Frank Casey—in 1902—was on the 9th of the present month of August, 1904, although the law is very clear in requiring the immediate reporting of deaths. Two men appeared on the date cited at the office of the City Clerk, who is also custodian of the cemetery books and issuer of burial permits for the city of Victoria. They asked to be informed of the location

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The Case of Frank Casey

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of the grave of Frank Casey, a friend who had died about two years ago at the Jubilee Hospital. Consultation of the records disclosed no issue of a burial permit for such a deceased person, and the inquiring friends were so advised. It was also suggested that the body might have been sent elsewhere for burial, in which event a record of the death at least would be found at the office of the Registrar-General, Bastion square. Thither they forthwith repaired, and similar inquiry produced a similar disclosure of non-registration. The mystery would there have become point-blank but for the fact that almost immediately thereafter Mr. W. J. Hanna, undertaker, visited the city clerk's office and made application for a burial permit for Frank Casey, presenting a death certificate signed by Dr. Joseph Gibbs, and paying the fees regularly prescribed. According to the Colonist's version of this portion of the proceedings, as the clerk went to the counter Mr. Hanna said:

"I want to get a burial permit."

"Certainly, Mr. Hanna. What name?"

"Frank Casey."

"Frank Casey!"

"Yes, Frank Casey—why, what's the matter?"

"Well, the only thing that is the matter is that two strangers were here a few minutes ago and wanted to know where Frank Casey, who died two years ago, was buried. I searched for the record of a burial permit and could not find any."

"Humph—well, I'll tell you all about it. A mistake has occurred—a simple matter once you understand it," said Mr. Hanna; and then the clerk heard a story which was in substance as follows:

A man named Frank Casey died at the Jubilee Hospital in November, 1902. He was a pauper, a charge on the city and without friends. Application was made for the body for anatomical purposes by a local physician, Dr. Gibbs, and the body was turned over to him. The desirability of a speedy burial was overlooked, the matter forgotten from time to time, and it is only now that it is considered wise to bury the body. The body of Casey in the interim has been lying in the rear of a physician's office.

"Oh, I see," said the clerk. "I suppose the matter 's all right—but it's a little irregular."

"Oh, yes, it's all right—nothing more will be heard of the matter. The whole thing was an oversight—that was all."

And the burial permit was duly issued—issued authorizing the interment in August, 1904, of the body of a man who died in November, 1902.

"Progress" was informed at the City Clerk's office that Mr. Hanna had disclaimed any responsibility whatever in connection with the delay in interment, and stated that Dr. Gibbs assumed full responsibility in every way. Accordingly Dr. Gibbs was visited.

Dr. Gibbs' Position.

The Doctor vigorously resented the suggestion of public reference to the case. "It's none of your gol darn business," he informed the newspaper man, with a further promise that he in turn would seek print and make the journalist a public laughing stock if he dared to discuss the matter of hapless Casey's delayed burial.

"What good will it do you, anyway," he asked, becoming calmer. "It will only excite the public to no advantage—possibly injure me in my practice—and do no one the slightest good. It would be a whole lot better if you were to take up the way people are cut up at the public hospitals when there's no necessity for it. A man gets a bad pain in his belly and he goes to some of these doctors who are too dainty to keep up on their anatomy. 'Appendicitis,' the doctor says at once, after feeling the sore place, and off he goes to the hospital for an operation which he may not in the least require, and which may send him to his grave the next thing, just because the doctor doesn't take the trouble to keep up in his anatomical work and study."

Then Dr. Gibbs explained his position in the matter of Frank Casey's body, and certainly showed that he had made an effort to fully comply with the law in securing the subject for dissection.

Section 82 of the Medical Act of 1898 recites as follows: "Every medical practitioner wishing to avail himself of the nine last preceding sections of this act (it is the eight last preceding that are referred to, but this is one of the flaws of the act) "shall appear before the Registrar-General of Titles and give security himself in the sum of $100 and two sureties in the sum of $50 each, for the decent interment of the bodies after they have served the purposes required."

Dr. Gibbs asserted that he had duly appeared before the Registrar-General and given such required bonds before notifying the Jubilee Hospital authorities that he would like to get a body for dissection uses. It may be said that this is fully confirmed by the Registrar-General, Mr. Wootton, who received the bonds on the 15th September, 1902, the sureties being Drs. Hall and Fraser, and Dr. Gibbs being the only practitioner up to date who has complied with the act in this respect.

The doctor proceeded in his explanation to "Progress" to cite sections 74 and 75 of the act, which are as follows:

"74. The body of any person found dead, publicly exposed, or who immediately before death had been supported in and by any public hospital receiving pecuniary aid from the Government of this Province, shall, unless the person so dying otherwise directs, be delivered to persons qualified as hereinafter mentioned for the purposes of dissection. But if such body be claimed within the usual period of interment by *bona fide* friends or relatives, the body shall be delivered to them, or if the person otherwise directed, as aforesaid, before death, the body shall be decently interred.

"75. The persons qualified to receive such unclaimed bodies shall be such medical practitioners as are duly qualified to practise, and are actually practising under the provisions of this act, who may require such bodies for dissection, either for their own improvement or the instruction of any student or students under them, or to the teachers of surgery and anatomy in any public or private school, college, society or faculty of medicine or surgery, that may hereafter be established in this province."

Dr. Gibbs pointed out the immense advantake to the surgeon, and through the surgeon to the public, of facilities for anatomical reference, constantly taken advantage of in the great hospitals of the large cities. He declared that properly embalmed for surgical use, a body might be preserved not only for months but for years, an immensely valuable reference in surgery practice for a conscientious and ambitious practitioner determined to make no mistakes and leave nothing to chance. A body might even be kept for twenty years, he asserted.

Having completed his study of the body secured from the Jubilee Hospital, it had been duly buried in accordance with the stipulation of the act, and there would have been no discussion of the purely professional matter but for the neglect of Dr. Hasell, the resident superintendent of the Jubilee Hospital, to comply with the provisions of section 76 of the act, solely concerning such hospital official and which reads:

"76. The person in charge of any and every public hospital as aforesaid, the coroner of each district, shall forward to the Registrar-General of Titles the name, age, sex, birth-place (if it can be ascertained), and date of death of all unclaimed bodies given up by them respectively, for dissection under this act, within one week from the time of giving up such bodies as aforesaid."

Failing to make such return, Dr. Hasell had—no doubt inadvertently—violated the law, but this was the very simple explanation of a really unimportant matter—one of no real significance to the public.

Registrar General Interviewed.

Having devoted considerable time to correspondence relative to the case of the late Frank Casey, the Registrar-General has come to the conclusion that there is some blame for almost everyone concerned. Dr. Hasell is distinctly blameable for not yet having made his return (required by the act within one week) of the giving of the body to Dr. Gibbs for dissection purposes, nor previously having applied to the Registry Office for notification of Dr. Gibb's qualification by deposit of bonds, to receive it. Dr. Ernest Hall is at fault in not having, as attendant physician, reported the death at its occurrence, he explaining that he had understood this naturally devolved upon the hospital superintendent. Dr. Gibbs had erred in assuming to give a certificate of death in the case of Frank Casey, whom he had not attended, although he had subsequently corrected the declaration at the Registry Office (although not that at the city hall) ascribing his knowledge of the cause of death to post-mortem examination. And the framers of the act had grievously offended in making it so full of flaws that a coach and horses might be driven through it.

It was subject matter of great surprise to Mr. Wootton to know that the interment of Frank Casey's body had only recently taken place, he having received the impression from Dr. Gibbs that it had been buried long ago, and having inquired at the time if the intention of the act as to "decent burial"—the observance of due respect for the dead—had been met in the final disposal of the remains. Dr. Gibbs had assured him that the body had received decent burial, and he interpreted this to mean that there had been suitable religious exercises as demanded by the faith professed by the deceased. He had even inquired, he believed, if there had been a clergyman or priest, and received a satisfactory assurance that everything had been as it should be.

As for the neglect of proper compliance with the act in several particulars—as for example if there had not been "decent burial" as such may be authoritatively defined—and failure to comply with the law's demands for registration, the matter will probably be referred by the Registrar-General to the Attorney-General, for consideration and action by his department.

The law does not specifically define "decent burial," and the hospital physician has not offended against the Registration of Deaths Act, in that he did report the death prior to the interment, albeit a period of almost two years has intervened.

Conflict of Opinion.

Undertaker W. J. Hanna was exceedingly reluctant to discuss the case of Frank Casey in any manner or form whatever. He denied positively having said to any official (as "Progress" had been informed that he had) that such disposals of unclaimed bodies were not at all unusual and quite in accordance with the intention of the law. He denied any identification with the specific case, further than that it might have been the body of Frank Casey that he had been called upon professionally to embalm for local surgery uses. Asked as to the final disposal of the body, Mr. Hanna urged the interviewer to go to the City Hall and consult the records.

"You will find," he said, "that my name does not appear at all in connection. I was not in charge of the burial at all. I understand Dr. Gibbs was in charge. I did not see the interment. I was not responsible for it. If any employees or servants of mine were, I have no knowledge of it"—each of the statements being in monosyllables, in response to specific questions.

"Progress" as requested, applied at the City Clerk's Office, and was informed that Mr. Hanna's name did not appear as undertaker in charge at the burial of Frank Casey's body. It was, however, Mr. Hanna who had applied for the burial permit, and paid the fee therefor. It was Mr. Hanna who had stated that his name was not to be entered as undertaker in charge, but the name of Dr. Gibbs instead.

At the Registry Office it was stated that the necessary death certificate had been issued to an employee of Mr. Hanna's, who in response to a natural inquiry as to whether the body had not been kept a very long time before interment, offered the explanation,

"Oh, Dr. Gibbs has had it in pickle at his office."

At the cemetery office, the statement was made that Dr. Gibbs appeared on the record as in charge of the interment, but he had not personally witnessed it. The alleged remains, enclosed in a common cheap coffin had been brought out in Mr. Hanna's wagon by two boys in Mr. Hanna's employ, and had been buried without the presence of priest or minister, and without any ceremony.

Mr. Hanna, to revert to that gentleman, asserted that he had no knowledge of any other case of delivery of an unclaimed body to any medical man for anatomical or dissection uses. He however interpreted the act as providing that the deposit of bond for such contingencies was really made by the Medical Association, through an individual practitioner.

This view does not, however, appear to be in harmony with the material section of the act, which reads:

"82. Every medical practitioner wishing to avail himself of the benefits of the nine last preceding sections of this act, shall appear before the Registrar-General of Titles, and give security himself in the sum of one hundred dollars, and two sureties in the sum of fifty dollars each, for the decent interment of the bodies after they have served the purposes required."

Mr. Wootton's view of "decent burial" is held very positively also by His Grace Archbishop Orth.

"The least that would fulfil the Catholic idea of a decent burial," His Grace declared, "would be that the body should be removed to the church, with the prescribed prayers for the dead there recited. Afterwards a priest should accompany the body to the cemetery, bless the ground, and recite the prayers for the dead which the Church provides. Nothing short of this could be accepted by the Church as decent burial. The mere deposit of the body in the cemetery, without priest or prayer would be the burial of a dog. It would not be decent for a human being."

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Unhappily the fire not only destroyed the available supply of trucks, wheels, etc., but it ruined all the machinery of the works and destroyed the company's stock of seasoned lumber, which it is a much more difficult matter to duplicate. General Manager Buntzen has announced that reconstruction will begin at once, and the company will make good the losses and carry out original intentions just as quickly as it is possible.

Locally the next important improvement in the service will be the establishment of the extension to the Gorge, which was fully referred to in the last issue of "Progress."

THINGS AND THE MAN.

(Rudyard Kipling.)

As the spokesman of the British Empire, addressing the other nations of the world, as the inner voice of the English nation, speaking to the mind and heart and conscience of the English people, Rudyard Kipling has come to take a place as unofficial laureate.

It is a long time since Mr. Kipling has spoken, and his new poem, "Things and the Man," will be read with special interest at this time, when Mr. Chamberlain's crusade for an imperial federation through a protective tariff has caused a political upheaval throughout England, while the war in the East, and such peace-straining events as the sinking of the British ship Knight Commander by the Russians menace England's serenity abroad.

"And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it to his brethren: and they hated him yet the more."—Genesis xxxvii, 5.

Oh, ye who hold the written clew
To all save all unwritten things,
And half a league behind pursue
The accomplished fact with flouts and flings,
Look, to your knee your baby brings
The oldest tale since earth began,
The answer to your worryings—
Once on a time there was a man.

He single-handed met and threw
Magicians, armies, ogres, kings;
He, lonely 'mid his doubting crew,
In all the loneliness of wings;
He fed the flame, he filled the springs,
He locked the ranks, he launched the van
Straight at the grinning teeth of things.
Once on a time there was a man.

The peace of shocked foundations flew
Before his ribald questionings,
He broke the oracles in two
And bared the paltry wires and strings;
He headed desert wanderings;
He led his soul, his cause, his clan,
A little from the ruck of things.
Once on a time there was a man.

Thrones, powers, dominions block the view
With episodes and underlings;
The meek historian deems them true,
Nor heeds the song that Clio sings,
The simple central truth that stings
The mob to boo, the priest to ban,
Things never yet created things.
Once on a time there was a man.

A bolt is fallen from the blue,
A wakened realm full circle swings
Where Dothan's dreamer dreams anew
Of vast and forborne harvestings;
And unto him an empire clings
That grips the purpose of his plan.
My lords, what think ye of these things?
Once in our time is there a man?

Scissorettes

Cause and Effect—"The new hotel will be completed by pay-day."—Michel News.

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Has a Snap—"Port Arthur will never fall. It is getting too much free advertising."—Grand Forks Sun.

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Industrious Bruin—"Four bears were seen on the right-of-way clearing between Fernie and Morrissey this week."—Fernie Free Press.

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Delectable Bathing.—"Phoenix is enjoying a huge wave of prosperity."—Grand Forks Sun.

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Or Be Taken In.—"J. C. Campbel left Friday for Winnipeg to take in the exhibition."—Kamloops Standard

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International Issue.—"A gas pipe is being laid on the west side from Alexander street to Notre Dame."—Manitoba Free Press.

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Due Warning.—"Rumors are afloat of preparations for a concert durin the fall fair."—Vernon News.

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Rushing The Hunting Season.—"Rumor has it that Cupid is afte another drygoods man."—Rosslan World.

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Undoubtedly.—"Walter Smith' new blacksmith shop on Broadway will add greatly to the appearance of the street."—Manitoba Free Press

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Mother Lode's Lover.—"Peter Lover is acting superintendent of th Mother Lode."—Boundary Creek Times.

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The Inflation Process.—"Josep Ryan is in Cranbrook, pumping ho air and smelter smoke into the resid ents."—Kootenaian.

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Kuskanook The Second.—"The abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the prophet is exemplified in Greenwood."—Boundary Creek Times.

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The Original Cinch Factory—"The lead pipe plant at the Trail smelter is in operation, turning out the first piping to be made in Canada."—Slocan Drill.

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Extravagant Slocan—"Slocan has the distinction of being the cheapest governed town in the West, the monthly salary list amounting to $21.66."—Slocan Drill.

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Blame It All on Stork—"A man named Stork is slated for first mayor of Fernie. May his visits to the houses of the Coal City continue to be as frequent as ever."—Phoenix Pioneer.

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Marvellous Deduction—"Several citizens have observed flames on Gold Hill, between Morning and Toad mountains, and they say that the fire appears to have spread to that point."—Nelson Daily News.

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What'll-You-Have Item.—"John Laughton, proprietor of the Union Hotel, has had the office and bar room repapered, which adds greatly to the appearance of the place."—Revelstoke Herald.

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Lindmark Gets His Niche.—"At the meeting of the school board last week, Trustee Lindmark was elected chairman."—Revelstoke Herald.

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Delicately Suggestive.—"We would like to ask somebody, yet we do not know who, what authority school boys have for carrying a high hand and pounding stray horses."—Chilliwack Progress.

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Six-footers Possibly.—"The ladies of the Hill party enjoyed a day' angling while in the city. Reports a to the number and size of the fish they caught vary, the same as with the local sportsmen."—Grand Forks Sun.

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Sweetness Long Drawn Out—"Testifying in her suit for breach of promise, the fair plaintiff said of the cruel defendant's first kiss: 'When he kissed me for the first time he said it was the sweetest kiss that he had ever had. It took him about an hour and a quarter to kiss me."—Whitehorse Star.

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Hat For a Baby Carriage—"A No. 9 hat, for which Merchant Isaac Taylor has never been able to find a customer, just fits him to-day. The reason for this sudden enlargement of the head is due to the fact that the Taylor family was yesterday increased by the arrival of a pretty daughter, born at noon at the hospital."—Whitehorse Star.

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The Root Eaters.—"Mr. Lewi Cross, of Chilliwack, receive most solemn blessing. Your two sample 'murphies' have come as a relief in hard times. Weighing 1 lb. 8 oz. each they made a bounteous repast for th Progress proprietor and all his famil and with the fragments that remained much was done."—Chilliwack Progress.

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Alas for 'Liza Jane—"If the late Eliza Jane, so famous in the time of the Ymir Mirror, were now in the land of the living, she would be suffering a great disappointment about the midle of next month. One of the Batchelors of Ymir, of whom she had the greatest hopes, has made other matrimonial engagements for that time."—Ymir Herald.

GREENROOM GOSSIP.

Richard Carle's next musical comedy effort will be called "The Mayor of Tokyo." The musical score is contributed by Robert Hood Bowers.

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Melville B. Raymond's "Buster Brown" (main) company broke the Chicago record since the Iroquois fire last week.

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Miss Clara Morris has promised to continue in the "Sister Genevieve" part with the all-star cast of "The Two Orphans."

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Henry W. Savage's English Grand Opera company will make a first trip to the Coast this season.

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Frederick Warde and Kathryn Kidder open their "Salambo" season next month at Buffalo, and then head straight for the Coast.

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Clyde Fitch is writing a play for Blanche Walsh. It is safe to predict that it will be a misfit.

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Joseph Jefferson, dean of the American stage, is suffering acutely from indigestion at Buzzards Bay.

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Mme. Myer will herself play Mrs. Privitt in the approaching amateur production of "Dorothy".

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Jefferson de Angelis will have a new musical piece next season called "Fantana."

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Nat Goodwin will play "The Usurper" when he visits the West this season.

No one seems to know for certain, but there are signs on the political horizon that we will have a general Dominion election before Christmas.

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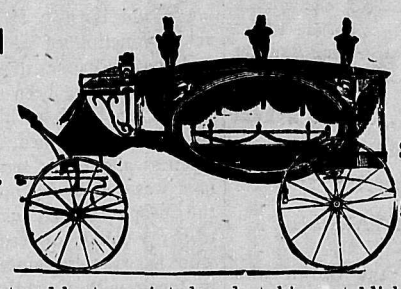

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MR. PREFONTAINE.

Few ministers of the Crown who have visited Victoria, have made a better impression than the Hon. Raymond Prefontaine. His geniality and frankness made him many friends, and the thorough manner in which he enters into the consideration of all questions presented to him, leaves nothing to be desired. Mr. Prefontaine is exceedingly tactful. No one, who knows anything about his public record, will deny that he is a skilled politician, but when he has to deal with public questions before a mixed gathering, one might fancy that he has no politics at all. That this is "good politics" goes without saying, but in the case of the Minister, it is unquestionably the outcome of a loyal desire to do his duty to the country.

In his interesting speech before the Board of Trade, Mr. Prefontaine twice spoke of the desire of himself and the Government to approach all questions as true Canadians. We confess to a strong liking for this sort of thing. We are all loyal British subjects, but none the less loyal because we have a Canadian standpoint from which we look at all things relating to the Dominion, and from which, indeed, we may properly scrutinize even those things which pertain to the Empire.

One excellent result of the Minister's visit will be to cement more closely the East and the West. It is fortunate in some respects that he is a French-Canadian, because the duty with which he is charged and into the performance of which he is putting so much thought and enthusiasm, is one that has the most important bearing, not only upon Canada, but upon the future status of the Empire in the orth Pacific Ocean, and it is a fine thing—it is one of those most excellent things which flourish under the Union Jack, that a gentleman, whose native language is not English, should be eager to promote every policy that will tend to the greatness of this greatest of British dependencies and will add to the prestige and power of the British name. This is one of the things that make us feel that the word "Empire," when applied to the Dominions of our most gracious sovereign, is more than a name, and is one of the grandest realities of the Twentieth Century.

"Progress" congratulates Mr. Prefontaine upon the admirable impression he has produced, and the people of British Columbia upon the fact that so practical and earnest a minister has charge of matters in which they are so deeply concerned.

MINISTERIAL VISITS.

Victorians are very apt to think that the visits of cabinet ministers are somewhat angelic in their infrequency; yet in the eight years that have passed since the Liberals took office we have had a visit from the Premier, two from the last Minister of Railways, one from the Minister of the Interior, one from the Minister of Agriculture, one from the Minister of Justice, one from the Minister of Public Works,, one from a former Minister of Marine and Fisheries, and last of all one from the present Minister of the last named department. This gives an average of one minister a year, and one over, which is not too bad a showing in view of the size of the Dominion and the length of the sessions of Parliament. Nevertheless there is room for improvement in point of number and especially in the duration of the visitors' stay. Usually they come and go before people have had an opportunity to get acquainted with them, and what is perhaps of greater importance, before they have had an opportunity of getting acquainted with the people. Mr. Prefontaine is making somewhat of a record in this respect. He is not only becoming known ,but is himself getting at first hand the opinions of the people. No visiting minister, in fact it may be said that no visiting Canadian public man, ever received anything like the reception accorded to him. Perhaps it is not unjust to say that it has only been within a few years that the people of Victoria would combine, as they have done in this instance, to do honor to a member of a Liberal cabinet. Victoria Conservatism has hitherto been convinced that no good thing could come out of the Liberal Nazareth. But time is a great teacher, and the people of Victoria have learned several things. Among them is the fact that a Liberal is not adorned with hoofs and horns. If during the magficient function of Thursday some Liberals recalled for a moment some of the things that have been said within not a very long time in this good city, they could not be blamed, but all uncharitableness and every semblance of bitterness was swallowed up in the desire of the people of all classes of politics to pay a tribute of respect to a minister, who has shown himself so completely in touch with Canadian sentiment and inspired by the highest ideals of Canadian progress.

JOINT PROTECTION.

The Post-Intelligencer is deeply disturbed over the intention of the Dominion Government to refuse to permit any co-operation on the part of the State of Washington or the United States government in the establishment of salmon hatcheries on the Fraser. Our Seattle contemporary is needlessly uneasy. Canada is quite capable of paying the cost of maintaining all the hatcheries needed in the Fraser or elsewhere in the Dominion, and the Minister who has the matter in charge may be trusted to see that the work is efficiently done. "Progress" sees serious objections to permitting anything like international action in a matter of this kind. It looks like an exceedingly simple thing, but out of things just as simple serious complications have arisen before now. Joint maintenance of fish hatcheries on Canadian soil might easily become the basis for a claim to jointly-hatched fish in Canadian waters. But there is no need of an argument. Joint control of hatcheries will not be permitted, but on the other hand everything necessary will be done to prevent the supply of salmon from being exhausted, notwithstanding the total disregard of precautionary measures shown by the trap-owners in United States waters.

VESTED RIGHTS.

We hear much about vested rights in these days of fish traps, and if our good friends in Vancouver are to be believed there is something in the canning of salmon on the Fraser that is akin to Magna Charta and the Petition of Rights. But if the Vancouver memorialists of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries had only written a little more, they would have put themselves wholly out of court. They have pretty nearly done it anyway. They say that these vested rights have already changed hands several times, which is somewhat of a funny thing for such sacred things to do; but the changes suggest that they may change hands once more, and that it is within the range of possibility that some wicked Victoria people may buy them, and close them up, in which case what will become of the vested rights?

The common sense view of the matter is that no place has any vested right to any industry, but that the location of industrial establishments must be left to be determined by the dictates of good business judgment, and that is all that is involved in the question of trap-fishing. If it is not good business to use traps and erect canneries on Vancouver Island, they will never become permanent features of the industry; if it is good business to do so, then they ought to be permitted.

Dawson is preparing for another horticultural exhibition this autumn, which leads one to philosophize upon the merit thereof. It is, as the Whitehorse Star comments, all very well for two or three professional gardeners at Dawson to raise "garden truck" for sale, and for a dozen or more amateurs to engage in the same business as a recreation or a fad. But the attempt to parade the Yukon before the world as the natural home of the timid turnip, the bashful beet and the retiring rutabaga is a species of mild insanity. The Yukon is a mining country, and its future is chiefly in mining, or in nothing. Specialized advertising is what counts. And in this connection the Yukon might well take a leaf from the book of Manitoba. At the time of the Pan-American exposition, Manitoba set aside a moderate sum for a provincial exhibit. That exhibit dealt wholly with No. 1 Hard—Manitoba's famous wheat. The exhibit was of wheat in variety, the grain, the sheaf, etc., and the pictures and the literature solely concerned the system of alloting free farms to actual settlers information as to settlements, transportation facilities, the cost of living, educational and religious opportunities for settlers, and so on. The gentlemen in charge knew their province and its industry from A to Z, and the practical people who saw the exhibit were delighted with its business-like arrangement and stopped to ask questions, whereupon they were yet more delighted. In consequence very largely, Manitoba obtained the greatest influx of desirable immigration in the history of American settlement. The lesson is for any country that goes in for advertising to advertise its specialty—advertise it intelligently, for the class of people most desired, and by concentration of energy, which is the factor that counts.

Managers of a great railroad company are not always prophets. The Southern Pacific had a large grant from the government in the San Joaquin valley in California. Much of this land was considered worthless on account of its aridity, and was graded at very low prices. A few years ago the company sold a tract in the valley for $1,600. Some time later, when oil was discovered in Kern county, it was found that this tract was the centre of the great Kern river oil field. The company tried to buy it back, but the price asked was $4,000,000 and no bargain was made. A contract was made, however, with the owners to furnish oil to the railroad, and the company is now paying about $1,500 per day for oil from the very tract sold originally for $1,600. It seems somewhat strange that the sale should have been made, but apparently the railway company's land department had not much geological talent at its command.

The sincerest sympathy of the entire community goes out to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, in the irreparable loss he has this week sustained in the death of his life's helpmeet and loving wife. Lady de Lotbiniere was a lady of exceptional charm, brilliancy, graciousness and refinement—the personification of that dignity and culture which are the natural inheritance of her circle. The perfect union of hearts and interests illustrated in the married life of Sir Henri and his lady furnished an example of great beauty to society at large, and the venerable statesman will feel that at the severance which death has just accomplished, a large part of his own useful and kindly life has been extinguished. Words are of small value in the assuagement of such grief as must be his. His Honor may find, however, some small consolation in the knowledge that the heart of British Columbia bleeds with his pain.

The Tourist Association took the Minister of Marine and Fisheries up the Arm, but omitted to invite Mr. Ralph Smith, M. P., in whose constituency the Arm now is, to accompany the party. Of course this will not influence the Minister, but it looks like a distinct notification to Mr. Smith that his valuable assistance in this matter can be dispensed with. Perhaps it can be, and then again perhaps it might have been wise to have included Mr. Smith in the party.

At last the Czar has a son and the arrival of the infant completely changes the line of succession to the Russian throne. The boy gives the lie to the old woman's tale that Nicholas would never have a son. This prophecy was as far from being the truth as the customary predictions of fortune-tellers and their ilk. A son has been the greatest desire of the Czar, and this has finally been gratified. It has also been declared that a son would give even greater satisfaction to the people of Russia than victory to the Russian arms in the Far East. If this is so, then the Russians have consolation.

Dundonald—we seem to have heard the name somewhere. Oh, yes. He was the dashing cavalry leader who won a name for himself before Ladysmith. A correspondent is informed that His Lordship is not in any sense whatever in Canadian politics.

Harry Ash, the pioneer dance hall man of Dawson is dead. He made money in thousands, went the pace, was for a brief hour the hero of thoughtless youth, and paid the penalty at Deadwood, S. D., aged 42.

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HON. RAYMOND PREFONTAINE.

The Visit of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to Victoria.

Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, accompanied by Lt.-Col. Gourdeau, Deputy Minister and Captain Spain, one of the officers of the department, reached Victoria on Wednesday night by the Dominion steamer Kestrel, from New Westminster. The Minister was interviewed in the evening at the Driard by J. D. Kingham, president of the Victoria Liberal Association, C. J. V. Spratt, president of the Young Men's Liberal Club, and a few other prominent members of the Liberal party. Later he was waited upon by S. J. Pitts, president of the Board of Trade; W. T. Oliver, vice-president, and J. A. Mara, chairman of the Board's reception committee. Thursday was devoted to an all-day sail on the Princess Victoria, the excursion being given by the Board of Trade. There were upwards of two hundred people present, including some twenty guests. An excellent lunch was served. There were no speeches, and the only toast was to The King. The route of the steamer was among the United States waters. The party returned to the city at five o'clock after what was concedede to have been one of the best arranged functions ever given in Victoria. In the evening of Thursday the Minister attended at the Board of Trade rooms where he was presented with an address to which he made a most felicitous reply. After the session of the Board, he with his subordinates went into consideration of the several items in the list of recommendations made by the Board. On Friday morning the Minister was taken up the Arm by the Tourist Association. In the afternoon he met the Provincial Government. In the evening he was entertained by Dr. Milne at dinner, and afterwards attended a Liberal rally in the A. O. U. W. Hall. To-day he is visiting the fish traps at Sooke with an invited party on the Quadra. He intends to return to Vancouver by way of Ladysmith, Chemainus and Nanaimo, at which places he will receive delegations from the Boards of Trade.

McDONALD THE MAN.

Re-elected In Lillooet As Member of the Local Assembly.

Mr. A. McDonald has again been elected member for Lillooet in the local legislature.

To judge from the ante-election reports of the Kamloops Sentinel, the Victoria Times, the Vancouver World, and a few other good Liberal papers, this was as impossible an accomplishment as for a corner mendicant to induce Russell Sage to separate himself from a $5 bill without collateral security.

The Colonist, the Kamloops Standard, the News Advertiser et al knew it all along—knew that it couldn't happen otherwise.

The Province and a few others said nothing in advance of the event, and were also qualified to point to themselves as miracles of prophetic wisdom.

Meanwhile the Conservatives of the province—that is the McBride Conservatives, for there are others—see in Mr. McDonald's re-election a triumphant vindication of all the acts and incidents of the McBride government's rule.

The Liberals see in it a sad and scandalous debauchery of the Lillooet electorate by emergency road work and other government employment for every wavering voter in the riding.

Meanwhile it may perhaps be fairly set down as the fact that Mr. McDonald was returned chiefly because he had been disqualified by what the plain public must regard as a technicality, and they thought it but fair to give him his chance as a member.

The fulsome speeches of all the ministers, members and missionaries-in-extraordinary did not play half as important a part in the result as did this little circumstance.

And the people are not interested in politics just now, more's the pity since such apathy too frequently makes opportunity for serious mischief.

THE FALL EXHIBITION.

Soldiers and Sailors Will Provide Novel Attractions—Many Entries Are Coming In.

As the date for the opening of the annual exhibition of the B. C. Agricultural Association approaches the outlook becomes more promising. All things considered the forthcoming show should be the most successful ever held under the auspices of the Victoria society. Judging by the numerous applications for space, the interior displays will excel those of the past, the catt exhibit will be larger and of a bette quality than ever before, and there no doubt that the attractions will b more numerous and varied. Member of the executive are full of energy, an are determined to make the fair on long to be remembered.

Local naval and military officers ha agreed to assist the exhibition manag ment in providing attractions. It w be recalled that a conference was he a few days ago between His Worshi Mayor Barnard and Secretary Swine ton and officers of H. M. S. Grafto From all appearances Capt. Sandema who promised to take the matter in han did not waste any time, as on Thursda a draft programme was submitted to th local management for approval. A everyone concerned seems satisfied, i is probable that no changes will b made. It is appended:

1. Field gun competition by Navy.
2. Physical drill display by R. G. A
3. Bayonet exercise by Royal Marine (subject to alteration).
4. Obstacle race (Navy).
5. Spectacular display by combine Navy and Military forces.

What form the display mentioned wil take is not known as yet. It will, with out a doubt, however, be a sham battl of some kind—probably an attack on a fort constructed in the centre of th grounds. All these details will be ar ranged by Col. English, who has agree ed to attend to the matter in the absenc of Capt. Sanderman and officers of H M. S. Grafton, the latter vessel havin left port for several weeks.

One afternoon of the fair will be se aside for these sports, which are ex pected to prove quite an attraction fo Victorians, but more especially to th visitors likely to be in the city fro Sound points. In this connection might be mentioned that the intentio of the executive is to make a feature o the entertainment for each day of th exhibition. There will be "Children' Day," "American Day," etc. This pla was adopted last year, and was foun most satisfactory.

BUSH FIRES.

Suburbanites at Shawnigan Lake Fin More Work Than Pleasure.

Life at Shawnigan Lake during th past week has not been so full of pleas ures as is generally the case, the man large bush fires raging in the distri giving the campers all they could d to protect their houses from being co sumed. Almost every night would se the fire break out in some new quarte and then the work would commenc fighting back the fires. On Koenig' side of the lake a huge blaze has be going on since last Saturday, and o Friday night all the knoll betwee Koenig's and the mill seemed to be o fire, but died out to quite an extent be fore morning. The fire near the 25-mil post had about burned itself out yester day and all danger is thought to b be over in that direction. Across th lake from Keonig's a big fire has been going since last Saturday and burned all the way from the end of the lake t the West Arm, but fortunately none o the new cottages erected during th summer have suffered so far, though they had a very close call on Tuesday night from a fire that had got in behind the "Red House" and on Thursday night from a fire caused by the destruction of the "Old Log Cabin" belonging to Mrs. Meiss. It is now thought that no further danger need be anticipated on that side of the lake as the fire is pretty well spent. On Thursday night the spectacle was grand but terrible when one realized the amount of valuable timber that was being consumed. Another fire has now started at the head of the West Arm.

—The Modern Method:

For years Victoria has suffered through having located here no capable instructors in stenography making a business and a specialty of shorthand and typewriting instruction. This disadvantage is now removed by the establishment here of the 20th Century Shorthand Institute, in the personal charge of Mr. Norton Printz, one of the seven inventors of the system who is thus peculiarly qualified to give education in it, and whose engagement as an expert in the reporters' gallery of the Imperial House of Commons until recently, attests his own high proficiency. The school although but recently established is already enjoying a phenomenal patronage, and none are more enthusiastic concerning the system, its simplicity and its speed, than are the local graduates.

You will enjoy your picnic with Price's Gold Medal Brand Catsup, Pickles and Sauce.

The Week in Society

The visit to Esquimalt during the present week of those magnificent samples of the modern United States navy, the New York and the Marblehead, has given the keynote to the social "dissipations" of the past few days, the officers of H. M.'s squadron doing their hospitable utmost to make the stay of the Americans a most pleasant one, and their efforts in this direction being heartily seconded and supplemented by local society folk. There has been a round of entertainment on board the ships—Admiral Gooderich proving a jovial host at a dinner on board the New York on Tuesday evening, and a return supper being given on the Grafton the evening following. In addition the visitors were enabled to meet and become acquainted with Victorians at a delightful tennis party given by Commander and Mrs. Goodrich at their place on Head street Wednesday afternoon, and several smaller functions in the city keeping the visiting officers busily occupied during the entire period of their stay.

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From the Mainland papers it is learned that the marriage took place at the Terminal City on Tuesday evening of Mr. Victor Wentworth Odlum, city editor of the Vancouver World, and Miss Eugenia Teresa Rogerson, youngest daughter of Mrs. Rogerson. The ceremony was performed in the Princess street Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. R. Newton Powell, officiating. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Miami Rogerson, while little Margaret Clarke, the four-year old niece of the bride, acted as flower girl. Mr. E. Faraday Odlum assisted his brother. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Ernest B. L. Rogerson. The church was tastefully decorated by the Young People's Societies of the church, in which both of the principals took an active part. The presents to the bride included gifts from the Young Men's Club of the Princess street Methodist church, of which the groom is president; the choir, of which the bride is a member; the Epworth League, the Daily World editorial and business staffs, and the Secret Society of Victoria University, Toronto, to which Mr. Odlum belonged when at the university. The groom is a lieutenant in the regiment in Vancouver, and served with distinction in the South African campaign.

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On Wednesday afternoon, at the residence of the bride's parents on Fourth street, Mr. Arthur E. Mallett af Vancouver was united in matrimony to Miss Georgie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Keeler. The home was a picture of all that artistic taste and seasonable flowers could make it. Beneath a bell of pink and white sweet peas, suspended from an arch of clematis, the ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock by Rev. A. J. Ard, sr., of St. John's church. Mr. J. A. Bland and Miss Jessie Mallett supported the young couple as groomsman and bridesmaid. The bride wore her travelling dress of navy blue broadcloth. The groom's present to the bride was a gold brooch inlaid with pearls; that to the bridesmaid was a gold chain bracelet. Mr. and Mrs. Mallett will make Vancouver their home.

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"Hermosa," the pretty home on Menzies street of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wollaston, was the scene last Tuesday of a delightful garden party under the auspices of the Women's Guild of St. James' Church. Decorations, illuminations, amusements, etc., were all that could be desired. Among those largely responsible for the entire success of the function were Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Byrn, Mrs. Marsh, Miss Goddard, Mrs. Vincent, the Misses Finlayson, Mrs. Broderick, Miss Williams, Mrs. Hilton, Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. Wollaston, Mrs. Burrows, Miss Stannard, Miss Pooley, Miss Newby, Miss Burrows, Miss Alma Williams and Mrs. Talkie. Music was furnished by the band of the Royal Garrison Artillery.

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Victoria is well represented at the annual tournament of the Tacoma L. T. C., there being in the playing contingent from this city Mr. A. T. Goward and Miss Goward—the former an ex-champion of the province and at present international champion in doubles; the latter reigning lady champion of British Columbia—Lieut. Cole, Mr. C. Wilson, Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Davidson, Mr. J. D. Hunter, Mr. H. S. Powell and Mrs. Langton, the three latter also having taken part in the Seattle tournament.

A jolly basket picnic is looked forward to on Saturday, the 27th inst., when the members of Pride of the Island Lodge S. O. E. B. S. have their annual outing. Esquimalt is to be the rendezvous this year, and Mr. Doncaster has kindly offered to take over everybody to the other side of the barbor in his smart little naphtha launch, which will leave Esquimalt pier at 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. Sports of every description will be held and a very happy time is looked forward to. Sister lodges and the Juveniles are cordially invited to co-operate in making the affair a huge success.

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Victoria appears to be the favorite celebration place for the marriages of Seattle folk, half a dozen or more young couples from the neighbor Sound city coming here each week to be joined in matrimony and subsequently spending the honeymoon here. Among this week's bridal couples was Mr. Joseph L. Winn and Mrs. Bertha L. Bishop, whose fortunes Rev. W. Leslie Clay united on Tuesday last. The bride is a daughter of Mr. Joseph Wolff, a Victoria auctioneer of earlier days.

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Hon. Raymond Prefontaine, Dominion Minister of Marine and Fisheries, was the guest of the Board of Trade at a water picnic on the Princess Victoria Thursday, and will spend a few days or more on the Coast. With the Minister are Col. F. Gourdeau and A. G. N. Spain, of his department; Mr. E. Gobeil, deputy Minister of Public Works, and Mr. O. E. Talbot, M.P. of Bellechasse, Que., a prime mover in the now defunct Trans-Canada Railway project.

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Still another wedding of the week in which Seattle has a direct interest was that of Mr. Willis P. Owen of Chicago and Miss Claudier May Corbett of Seattle, which Rev. H. J. Wood was called upon to solemnize at his residence on Kane street Monday evening. The honeymoon, which will extend over several weeks, is being spent here.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warwick, of "Carraholly," New Westminster, celebrated their china—or 20th anniversary—wedding, this week, several Victoria friends being among the guests who, exclusive of relatives, numbered about forty. Seashell souvenirs were presented to each of the merry company.

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Victoria society was well represented at the delightful dance given by Mrs. J. H. Senkler of Haro street, Vancouver, in honor of the tennis week visitors. Among the Victoria guests were the Misses Dupont, Keefer, Scott, Hobart, Nicholles and Bell, and Messrs. J. A. Raymur, Dickson, B. G. Goward, Johnston and Hunter.

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Cards have been received by Victoria friends for the marriage of Miss Elsie May Tade, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Tade, of Berkeley, Cal., and Mr. Henry Hawson, at one time city editor of the Times of this city, which was solemnized at Berkeley on the 10th instant. Mr. and Mrs. Hawson will be at home at Fresno after the 1st October.

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Next week may be known as Hospital week in social circles, a garden fete being given on the grounds of the Jubilee Hospital Tuesday, in aid of the Strathcona wing, by Mrs. James A. Douglas, assisted by the auxiliary societies; and the Arion Club giving their annual concert at the Gorge on the evening of the following Friday.

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Mr. Arthur Melville Malins of the Dominion land office at New Westminster, and his bride, formerly Miss Blanche Brown, are spending a portion of their honeymoon here. The wedding, a brilliant social event, was solemnized at Holy Trinity Cathedral on Wednesday.

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At Nanaimo last Saturday, Rev. J. M. Millar performed the ceremony uniting in marriage Mr. Edward Mallandaine, Jr., of Creston—a son of Mr. Edward Mallandaine, Sr. of this city, and a native son of Victoria—and Miss Jean Ramsay.

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Mr. John G. Aldrich of Ellensburg, Wn., and his bride (nee Annie L. Frost) have been spending their honeymoon very pleasantly here this week. Their wedding was solemnized at Olympia on the 12th instant by Rev. Dr. R.M. Hays.

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Mr. Ernest C. Hayward, B.A., Professor of Electricity in the Washington State College, with Mrs. Hayward and daughter, are visiting with Mr. Hayward's father, Mr. Chas. Hayward of this city, and his sister, Mrs. Walter S. Fraser.

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Mrs. G. F. D. Simpson and Miss Ella Marguerite Simpson are expected home Sunday on the Umatilla after a visit of two months in San Francisco with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Leigh.

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Captain Macdonald, R.E., who has been transferred to India, left for his distant destination by the Empress on Monday. Captain Macdonald is a son of Hon. Senator and Mrs. W. J. Macdonald of Armadale.

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Mrs. Malcolm McDonald of Port Blakely, according to the Post-Intelligencer, entertained the Bakers' Dozen Pedro Club last Friday evening, in honor of her guest, Mrs. George McDonald of Victoria.

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Mrs. F. A. Hurlbut and family, who are summering here, contemplate returning to their home in Seattle about the 1st proximo.

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Among the marriages of the week was that of Mr. J. E. O'Reilly and Mrs. Coop, both of Seattle, which Rev. H. J. Wood solemnized on Monday.

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Miss Una Nicholles and Miss Scott of this city were among the guests at a charming dance given recently by Mrs. Chester B. MacNeill of Vancouver, in honor of her daughter, Miss Vivian MacNeill, who has recently returned from Toronto.

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In consequence of the deeply regretted death of Lady de Lotbiniere, Mr. R. B. Powell has postponed his departure for his new home in Fiji until the next sailing of the Canadian Australian steamer.

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Among the well known Portland folk visiting the city at present are Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Grout, Mrs. L. R. Fields, Miss Harkins and Masters Ray and Arthur Fields.

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Mr. George McL. Brown of Montreal, and Mr. E. J. Coyle of Vancouver were among the week's visitors at the Capital.

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Miss E. J. Taylor left on Wednesday en route to Van Anda, where she will have charge of the public school for the ensuing year.

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The engagements are announced of Miss Carrie Christie and Mr. Bolton, and Miss Bodie Christie and Mr. K. C. Cox of Bamfield Creek.

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Mrs. E. B. McMaster has returned to Vancouver after a fortnight's visit with the Misses Taylor of Oak Bay avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. Owen and Miss A. Owen with Mr. W. F. Padmore, of Portland, are spending a pleasant week in British Columbia's capital.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kirk spent their honeymoon in Victoria, en route from Tacoma (where they were married) to Honolulu, where they will take up their residence.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Bittancourt and Mrs. and Miss Bayliss have returned from a three weeks' holiday at Vesuvius Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Macdonald of Vancouver are spending their honey moon here. Mrs. Macdonald was Miss Lilian Kirkbride of Eburne.

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Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Neelands of North Yakima, and the former's sister, Mrs. Ellen M. Robinson, have been spending a pleasant week with Victoria friends.

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Captain Gardner, of the steamer City of Nanaimo, has returned from a long visit to Nova Scotia friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Blakie and Miss Blakie, of Toronto, are visiting Victoria friends.

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Mr. F. W. de Mille of the Canadian Bank of Commerce staff at Vancouver, is enjoying his vacation here.

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Mrs. Forin and Miss Forin, wife and daughter of Judge Forin of Nelson, are visiting Coast friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Scudder of North Yakima, are spending a fortnight with Victoria friends.

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The Week in Society

Continued from page 5.

Mrs. Sydney Sykes of Vancouver is visiting Victoria friends.

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Miss Christina Stewart of Montreal is a summer guest of Judge and Mrs. Newlands, South Turner street.

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Miss Lily Burt has returned home from a pleasant vacation at smoke-enveloped Shawnigan.

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The ladies of the Reformed Episcopal Church are arranging for a garden party at "Marifield," the residence of Bishop Cridge, next Saturday.

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Mr. Wm. Paterson of Winnipeg is in the city paying a visit to his brothers, Messrs. D. M. and J. Paterson.

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Mrs. Kirkwood and her daughter, Mrs. E. O. Murphy of Hongkong, are visiting Mrs. T. S. Summers of Vancouver.

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Mr. C. M. Rolson of Mount Pleasant, Vancouver, is visiting in the city.

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Mrs. J. B. McCallum of Pandora avenue has returned from a month's visit with Vancouver friends.

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Mrs. J. T. McDonald of Terrace avenue is visiting Seattle friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robin W. Dunsmuir have returned from a flying visit to Seattle.

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Mrs. Wilson of Bedford, England, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph York, 92 Quebec street.

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Mr. John F. S. Helder of London, Eng., is revisiting Victoria after eight years' absence.

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Miss Meyer is visiting with Miss Minnie Meyer, Vancouver.

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Miss Robertson of Vancouver is visiting Victoria friends.

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Miss Olive Evans is spending a week with Mainland friends.

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Mrs. C. S. Keith of Vancouver and Miss Lee of Calgary are visiting Victoria friends.

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Mrs. Alexander Ferguson is visiting the Terminal City.

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Mrs. Robert Marrion and Miss Marrion have returned to Vancouver, after a pleasant fortnight's visit here.

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Mrs. S. B. Snider of Vancouver is a guest of Mrs. J. B. McCallum, 227 Pandora avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. Terry and family who have been holiday-keeping at Vancouver returned home on Monday.

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Mr. Ralph Smith, M.P., and Mrs. Smith were in the city Thursday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Leonard are visiting friends in Seattle.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Mackay of Toronto are spending a month on the Coast.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cadien of Seattle are visiting Victoria acquaintances.

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Mrs. F. L. McLaughlin is visiting Seattle friends.

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Miss Agnes Deans Cameron has returned from Winnipeg.

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Mr. and Mrs. John A. Grant and Miss Sawers of Vancouver spent several days of this week with Victoria friends.

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Mr. D. B. Simpson, K.C., and Miss Simpson, of Bowmanville, Ont., are paying a first visit to the Coast.

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Mrs. Norman Caple of Vancouver has spent the week with friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hicks have returned from a vacation visit to Salt Spring Island.

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The Misses Cathcart are home from the St. Louis Exposition.

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Miss Nellie Pineo has returned from a visit to Nanaimo friends.

You will enjoy your picnic with Price's Gold Medal Brand Catsup Pickles and Sauce

SCHOOL IS "IN."

Or At Least It Will Be On Monday Morning Next.

On Monday next at the hour of 9 a.m. the long period of enforced separation between the boys and girls of Victoria's public schools and their dear teachers, will come to an end, and the lads and lasses aforesaid will once again be permitted to throng the temples of learning and chant the solemn truths that "Nine times one are nine—nine times two are eighteen," etc., *ad infinitum.*

Oh Joy!

The cruel bolts and bars that have kept ambitious youth outside the sacred precincts of the school room will fall before the mystic wand of departmental proclamation, and said precincts will be over-run with ecstatic juniors pursuing the witch of knowledge.

Oh Rapture!

The neglect of books and slates, abstention from the delights of Algebra and Euclid, Canadian history and Geography will be insisted upon no longer

Oh Delight!

No wonder the boys and girls are glad and their shouts of rejoicing are heard in the land—if your hearing is peculiarly acute.

But perchance it isn't.

The holidays are at an end.

School opening is at hand.

And it isn't as liable to postponement as the fall of Port Arthur.

—An Electrical Palace:

The Hinton Electric Co. are this week moving into their new premises on Government street, near Weiler Bros. The store was built for them and is much larger and more convenient than the one vacated. The finishings are in imitation oak with a handsome metal ceiling. The office is large and commodious, better than any on the Coast north of San Francisco. In their new quarters the company will be able to display their goods to much more advantage than at present, a very desirable thing in the electric fitting business.

—Evidence of Prosperity:

The walls and roof of the 50-foot addition in rear of the Fit Reform establishment are now completed and the interior will be in shape for the fall trade. When the alterations are at an end, this will be one of the finest clothing houses in the western country. Cabinets are to be installed on either side of the large store, so that the capacity for stocking will be more than doubled.

—Whooping Cough Epidemic:

Medical men of Victoria report an alarming prevalence of whooping cough throughout the city, and great care is necessary to prevent its spread. Parents of afflicted little ones assuredly should have sufficient thought for the rights of others not to take their children to places of public resort during their illness (which some of them do) and the city medical health officer might advantageously promulgate a few pat rules in this direction. With the re-opening of the schools near at hand, it is to be hoped that every effort will be made to stamp out the minor epidemic.

—The Police Patrol:

Apropos of the precedents made in the police court recently of adding "costs" of $1.00 for the use of the patrol wagon, it will be interesting to watch developments when some hapless prisoner thus assessed musters sufficient nerve to challenge the authority of the city to impose the charge. The police patrol is not a vehicle licensed to carry passengers for hire, and it is just possible that a clever lawyer could show it to be outrageously violating the by-law in this case made and provided. The patrol in many ways is a curious institution. Just what the city gains by its use without a police patrol system is not easy to grasp—more particularly when it is noted that the patrol takes two men off the outside beats, where they are most needed, and converts them into barrack men. Mounted constables for suburban patrol duty would have been less expensive and infinitely more advantageous to the city.

—The George Carter Co., Ltd.

The old Ames Holden building is being renovated and fitted up for the new firm of George Carter Co., Ltd., importers. These will be the most complete and up-to-date sample rooms on the Coast. The company, which was gazetted last week, is a close corporation. Mr. Carter being the managing director.

—Don't Forget:

Will the subscribers to "Progress" who were burned out leave their new addresses at the office, 35 Fort street, in order that they may not miss their paper.

—A Winner Hands Down:

In the police court last Saturday, the second charge against Andrew Blygh in connection with the attempt to get $500 from him as a transient trader, was withdrawn. There were two summonses taken out so as to cover two separate definitions of a "transient trader" made in the by-law, and the first was dismissed on the ground that the by-law was ultra vires, which decision practically put the other summons out of court also. Mr. Blygh thus wins out at every hand, and incidentally shows up a bad law of the Corporation of Victoria, whomever may have instigated the proceedings against him. And he keeps right on giving lady customers the dry goods bargains they appreciate.

—Fatherly Fraternizing:

His Imperial Muchness the Czar of all the Russias and Mr. H. W. De Bouille of the Criterion Cigar Store have this week been exchanging felicitations and mutual congratulations. It is Master Nicholasovitch in the one case however, and Miss De Bouille in the other. The next chapter in the international correspondence will deal with the most reliable products in infant foods and collapsible go-carts such as are the delight of a car conductor's existence.

—The Joke Was on the "Sons":

Over in the Old Country, as well as in Eastern Canada, much has been heard during the past few years, from Western missionaries and other effusive friends of the aborigine, of the scenes of savagery and disorder incidental to the celebration of the potlaches and similar red men's festivals of days gone by. Hence it was that a party of religious visitors in the city last week got rather mixed in contemplation of the advertisements for the reunion of Native Sons at Shawnigan.

"Do you think," they seriously inquired of Hon. Robert Beaven, "that it would be quite safe for us to go. We would like to, you know, to see what one of these strange celebrations is like, but then of course— —"

They were assured that it was perfectly safe, and presumably they found it so by personal observation.

—What of The Chemicals?

Apropos of the general observation that a few buckets of water, or pressure sucient to make a garden hose useful, would have saved many buildings in the burned district along Princess and Queen's avenues last Tuesday week, a correspondent of "Progress" pertinently asks "what of the city's chemical engines?" There are three of these and they certainly should have been worked to their capacity when it was discovered that the water was not available—or the hose—or both, to render this means of fighting fire what it should have been. Doubtless the chief of the fire department will satisfy public curiosity on the point stated.

—The Band at Duncans:

The Fifth Regiment band will render a grand concert at Duncans to-morrow, which will no doubt be their last appearance before leaving for St. Louis. They will be augmented by several new soloists and the programme of music is an exceptionally good one. For this concert a special train service has been arranged, trains leaving the E. & N. depot at 9:00 a. m. and 2:00 p. m., while a rate of fifty cents return will be in effect.

—Picnic Pleasures:

The little folks attending the Sunday School of the Church of the Holy Saviour are to-day enjoying the delights of their annual picnic at Goldstream.

IF Russia has lost 37 of her original 9 warships at Port Arthur, and has 7 left, how long would the Manitoba wheat crop feed a homing pigeon?

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RUSSIAN war stock has advanced appreciably since Nicholas began to set up the cigars on his improved batting average.

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SAD is it to relate, but among the uninsured losses of the late fire were between a dozen and twenty water meters.

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HALLELUJAH! Ottawa despatch announces that Bob Macpherson, M. P., has secured a government grant to establish a chicken fattening station at Vancouver. Now will anyone deny that the member for Burrard is a statesman?

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IN CONSEQUENCE of unforseen circumstances, etc., the fall of Port Arthur for last Monday was unavoidably postponed.

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THE Shanghai Customs having prohibited the export of eggs as "contraband of war," strengthens the suggestion that war is a spectacular performance. It even indicates a prevalent belief in Shanghai that war is something of an amateur theatrical affair.

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With the Player Folk

The marvellous Busch at The Grand this week has more than justified the use of the adjective. His work is marvellous. In his make-up, as a human frog; in his trapeze contortions and acrobatic performances, he is easily the neatest and best in his peculiar line that British Columbia has yet welcomed as an entertainer; and his act is finished and graceful as well as wonderful from an athletic viewpoint. The Jupiter Trio seemingly rate a close second in public estimation, Bert Hague, the senior of the team being a refined Irish comedian with a true vein of Celtic wit, abundance of personal magnetism, and method in fun-making that is all his own. The girls of the trio—Lillian Baldwin and Clara Herbert—are excellent in singing and buck and wing dance contributions. Of the comedy sketch, "A Gay Soubrette," in the hands of the Wilders, it may be said that it is humorous and acceptable, Mrs. Wilder's share of the work being perhaps more agreeable than that of her husband and team-mate, since there is more snap and ginger in it. Mamie Haswick Norris introduces several new features in contortion dancing; and Berrian and Mackin have an original sketch in which they introduce some champion buck and wing dancing. Frederic Roberts' illustrated song of the week is "The Mountain's Fairest Flower," very pretty and dainty; and in the moving pictures is the finest film that ever has been used in a motion panoramic machine in this country. "Annie's Love Story" it is entitled—a tragedy of wronged young womanhood which may be described as a modernized and lighter treatment of the terrific lesson of Goethe's "Faust." There has been considerable difference of opinion expressed as to the desirability of presenting such a theme to the young womanhood of the land. The defence lies in the desirability of showing how terrible may be the ending of the primrose path. Besides the moving pictures, the up-to-dateness of the show is again emphasized by the throwing upon the canvas of views taken by Mr. R. Maynard during the excursion given to Hon. Mr. Prefontaine on the Princess Victoria on Thursday. Next week lovers of good music will have opportunity of hearing Signor and Mme Bolli (tenor and soprano) in their latest success, "Miss "Betty's Courtship." Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cutler have also an amusing musical comedy offering "Music for Laughter's Sake"; and Perry and Sims provide still another singing and dancing comedy. John Budzelini presents a novelty in cartoon work—trick drawing and illustrated monologue. Koler and Seymour are German comedians of merit; Mr. Roberts will have a new and suitable illustrated song; and the motion pictures will be high-class as usual.

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Novelty, originality, neatness and a careful avoidance of everything that might possibly give offence—these are the characteristics of the big leading acts at the Crystal this week. Of course it's a good show. Miss Flora St. Ives is to the front with an electrical musical act that is astonishing and artistic. Lynn and Leonard, the so-called "Dancing Nabobs," have an up-to-date singing and dancing sketch, "From City to Reub," in which they make three complete changes and have a little of something for every taste. Sam Hood, the minstrel comedian, who also has his own pet name of "The Joy Incubator," is decidedly amusing, and the pictures and illustrated song are of standard quality. The show should not be missed. If not already seen, this afternoon's matinee and this evening's performances provide farewell opportunities. Next week sees the presentation of a monster novelty bill.

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As foreshadowed last week in "Progress," the Edison Theatre will re-open on the 29th instant—Monday week—under the management of Mr. Walter Kellogg, late of Bellingham, and a thoroughly up-to-date amusement caterer of experience. The house has been enlarged and vastly improved, and the opening bill will be an exceptionally strong one. It is Mr. Kellogg's intention to have one price only throughout thehouse, and so on paying one's ten cents at the door one may take a seat wheresoever he pleases, upstairs or downstairs. The Japanese show that has occupied the Edison during the present week was run entirely independdent of Mr. Kellogg and must not be confounded with the fine list of attractions that this gentleman has in store.

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Murray and Trask, a vaudeville team appearing not long ago in this city, have been having differences in Astoria as a result of which the Trask end of the sketch was arrested at the request of his partner, who alleged that he had beaten her. Miss Murray, it may be incidentally remarked, looks eminently capable of giving either McLeod or Gotch a run for his money, while Trask is a shadow too elusive to be caught without high-power glasses. The fine was subsequently paid by the complainant, who stated that Trask is in the last stage of consumption, and that she did not want to see him suffer from confinement.

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Frank Butler, writer and Bohemian, nephew of the late General Butler, and himself a son of Rose Eytinge, has been sent to the insane asylum. He captured the delusion that he was Nebuchadnezzar; and when arrested was understudying the lawn mowers out at Central Park. Butler's father was an exceptionally brilliant newspaper man who became United States consul general to Egypt under President Grant. His wife is the well known singer and actress Alice Johnson ,who visited British Columbia last year—and will again this coming season—in "A Friend Of The Family."

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Mr. Frederick Lincoln of San Francisco and Los Angeles paid Victoria a visit this week, having a look at the variety houses here. Mr. Lincoln is known to fame as the gentleman who conceived the idea of the ten and twenty cent vaudeville houses for the family trade, which now crowd the Coast and make the hearts of the big house managers exceeding heavy. When he embarked in his experiment "everybody" said that he was giving signs of insanity as a business man. Now he's several times a millionaire.

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Ola Hayden, the baritone balladist and daughter of Joe Hayden, song writer and vaudeville manager, is suing for divorce in the Seattle courts, charging Frank Ireland, her husband (whose professional name is Frank Martin) with excessive cruelty. Although enjoined by a court order not to molest his wife, Martin went over to Port Townsend last week and administered a beating to the lady. Now he is in jail.

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The local season theatrical is to open on the 5th proximo with that pre-Adamite joy producer "A Texas Steer," a comedy by the late Charles H. Hoyt contemporaneous with "East Lynne," "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "Ten Nights in a Bar-room," etc. Victoria has only seen it about thirty times and it should therefore draw well.

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David Belasco is to present David Warfield in "The Music Master" next season, the opening being at Atlantic City on September 12th. The company includes Marie Bates, Minnie Dupree, Campbell Gollan, Archie Boyd, William Boag, and others whose names are well known. Charles Klein is the author of the piece.

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James Neill is suing the Northern Pacific for $520 for failing to make connections for him between Seattle and Portland, in consequence of which money was given back at the box office, and Neill almost suffered cardiac collapse.

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M. B. Raymond's two "Arizona" companies began rehearsals last Monday under the stage management of Ben Deane. The No. 1 company opens at Erie, Pa., on the 25th, coming direct to the Coast, and having a date at the Vancouver opera house on November 30th.

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Melbourne MacDowell who left a "farewell forever" message and was supposed to have committed suicide in San Francisco not long ago, is still alive enough to open the Baker Theatre at Portland on the night of the 28th.

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Virginia Drew Trescott, who visited British Columbia a season or so ago in "Lord Strathmore," is engaged to play the leading part in Tolstoy's "Thou Shalt Not Kill."

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Manager Jamieson will have for the week of September 12th the greatest attraction of its kind ever discovered, a troupe of five trained seals who put Farmer Jones and his pigs far beyond the distance flag.

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Lillian Andrews, who has played the eccentric woman parts with the James Neill Company on every visit of that organization to British Columbia, has left Neill and gone to a stock company in Providence, R.I.

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William Lamp is playing the part of the young lover in "The County Chairman" company that is to do the Western houses. He is one of the bright lights of the company.

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Nance O'Neil is to be at the Herald Square Theatre, New York, beginning in late November. She is to use her old repertoire, featuring the Sudermann plays.

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The explanation of the peremptory cancellation of Mary Mannering's tour in "The Stubbornness of Geraldine" is forthcoming. She is expecting a visit from the stork.

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The Nelson operatic society has reluctantly abandoned its contemplated production of "The Pirates." It is not stated who held the gun.

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Harry Beresford opens his season on the 6th proximo. His new piece is a three-act farce by Charles T. Vincent, "Our New Man."

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Charlotte Tittell (Mrs. Wallace Munro) who was once—a long time ago—a resident of this city, will be seen next season in a series of Ibsen plays.

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Josephine Cohan and her husband-manager, Fred. C. Niblo, are to join the Rogers Brothers' forces next month.

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Charmion, the trapeze performer who created a furore in blase New York by her sensational disrobing act, is now playing the Orpheum in San Francisco and may come north.

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Marguerite Clark, the diminutive soubrette who made a hit with De Wolf Hopper's "Mr. Pickwick" when it visited these parts, will have a part in "Wang" next season.

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Richard J. Jose is in vaudeville at a salary in three figures, and with substantial remuneration from the publishing houses for "introducing."

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Sam Driscoll, who was leader of the Victoria Theatre orchestra when it was a musical delight, is now wielding the baton at Portland's new Columbia.

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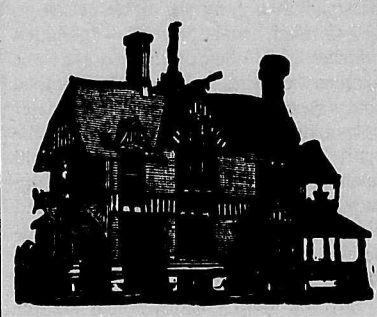

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Next Saturday promises to present the crowning attraction of the baseball season out at Oak Bay Park, arrangements having been completed for a match here with the famous Rainiers of Seattle, a team with a record of twenty consecutive wins and not a single loss. The personnel of the visiting aggregation discloses names famous in the annals of Northwest ball. Kelly and Kinnear are the alternate pitchers. Smith is behind the bat. Rosenburg is at first, Kaysen at second, and Moyne at third. In the field are either McNamee or Easter, left; Whittemore, at right; Davie, centre; and Spiddell at short. The Victoria line-up will probably be: McManus, c.; Blackburn, p.; Potts, 1 b.; Schwengers, 2 b.; Rithet, 3 b.; Haynes, s.s.; McConnell, l. f.; Burnes, c. f.; and Goward, r. f.

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There is woe and lamentation among the sportsmen who make Shawnigan Lake their field of operations, the prevalent forest fires apparently having driven the grouse, quail and deer far from their usual stamping grounds, and the prospects being consequently for extremely light bags in this locality. "Progress" regrets that its esteemed contemporary the Times should have been so wedded to literalness as to take exception to the statement that deer (i. e., venison) are likely to be a drug on the market. This paper takes it all back. Deer are not drugs. Neither are they marketable. What was meant was merely that deer are uncommonly plentiful this season. The Times does well to point out, however, that the sale of deer is strictly forbidden according to an amendment of the Game Act passed at the last session of the Provincial Legislature. This, it is generally expected, will effectually prevent the public sale of deer and render it difficult for any but hunters (or their favored friends) to enjoy the luxury of venison. Section 3 of the act says: "It shall be unlawful at any time to kill, except for actual use, on Vancouver Island, to buy or sell any deer, or portion or part of a deer, either alive or dead, or the skin or hide of any deer, and it shall be unlawful, except as hereinafter mentioned, to export from British Columbia any deer or the skin or hide of any deer." This is good game legislation inasmuch as it is founded on the principle of the only perfect and workable game law, which may be boiled down into the three words, "prohibit the sale."

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At the Pleasant street baths under the supervision of Mr. Ian St. Clair, a swimming tournament is in progress this afternoon, in which the boy and girl swimmers are peculiarly interested. The programme of events includes:

1. Best stroke—boys.
2. Best stroke—girls.
3. Best diver—boys.
4. Best life-saver—boys.
5. Best life-saver, girls.
6. Emergency dash, speed swimming.

Undoubtedly the most interesting competition will be that of life-saving, in which the competitors have to dive, swim fifty feet and carry back an apparently drowned person. Mr. St. Clair has paid particular attention to instructing his pupils in the best methods of handling an exhausted person in the water. The speed swimming will also be exciting, while the best stroke contests for boys and girls should attract close competition. It has been decided to charge a general admittance fee of 10 cents. This will be returned to all who take part in any of the contests. As Mr. St. Clair has devoted considerable time and attention to the arrangement of this programme it is to be hoped that parents and friends of those benefiting by his instruction will demonstrate their appreciation by attending in large numbers.

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"The British Columbia Amateur Lacrosse Association will withdraw from the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union next year and throw in its lot with the North Pacific Amateur Athletic Association, the governing amateur body on the Pacific Coast," says the Vancouver News-Advertiser. "A prominent member of the local club, when discussing the matter, stated that the association had been considering the matter for some time past, and it was now only a question of time before such an organization would be effected. The C. A. A. A. U. has taken but little interest in athletic affairs on the Coast and the Association will be in a better position in affiliating with the N. P. A. A. A., inasmuch as the latter body is composed of a hustling executive of competent men, well versed in amateur affairs on the Coast, and any matters arising out of lacrosse disputes could be readily settled by leaving it in the hands of the directors of the organization. 'We would then be in a position, said a local enthusiast, 'to control our own affairs, which have for years been neglected by the C. A. A. U.'"

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The suggestion thrown out in these columns with respect to the introduction locally of water polo, appears to have fallen in good ground, as witness the following from the columns of the Times: "An effort is being made in local sporting circles to introduce a pastime which is exceedingly popular in most seaport towns, namely, water polo. One or two crack local swimmers have taken the matter up, and it is understood that a couple of teams are to be formed and several exhibition matches given before the close of the summer months. It will be recalled that a year or so ago a couple of water polo matches were played here, but the sport did not seem to gain a firm hold upon Victoria swimmers. There are now more strong swimmers here and plenty of material for forming a number of first-class teams available. The idea is that all games should be played at Mr. St. Clair's baths, which are reported to be just about the right length and width."

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As anticipated, Mrs. Hull virtually swept all before her in the Vancouver lawn tennis tourney, the major honors of the meeting being divided by her with the Seattle cracks. In the final of the ladies' singles, Mrs .Hull defeated Miss King, 6-2, 6-3. Partnered by Miss Bell, she beat Miss King and Miss Hulbert for honors in doubles, 6-2, 6-4; while with Captain Williams, she won the mixed doubles, the final being between two Victoria couples, Captain Wright and Miss Bell being the losing couple, and the score of the final 6-2, 6-4. The men's doubles went to S. L. Russell and S. J. Tyler of Seattle, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, 6-0, the losers being Beecher and Farquhar of the Terminal City. Russell also won the singles from Captain Wright, 6-4, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3.

This Kind Bothered "Robbie."

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One of the most interesting collections of heads and other trophies of the chase to be seen in Canada is that which "Billy White" has gathered together at the King's Head. Many of the heads are of his own securing; he has a story to tell about every one of the others. Notably is the collection interesting by reason of the numerous "freak" or uncommon specimens. Mr. White declares that he has found that when one side of the deer's horns are blighted or malformed, it invariably indicates a previous injury to the deer in some part of that side. A broken left hind leg will cause the left horns to be stunted or malformed. Why it is so is a mystery—but it is.

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The British Columbia rifle team to shoot at Ottawa has left for the East. It includes: Capt. J. Duff Stuart, in charge, Capt. W. H. Forrest, Lieut. G. A. Boult, and Color-Sergt. H. Moscrop, of Vancouver; Staff Sergt. Lettice, Co. Sergt-Major Caven, Sergt. Carr and Corp. Brayshaw, Victoria; and Lieut.-Col. Whyte, Lieut. T. Cunningham, Lieut. H. C. Chamberlain and Corp. Johndro, of New Westminster.

"Professor" Bob Foster, trainer of the Victoria lacrosse club, has been handling Tommy Burns for his match at Tacoma with "Cyclone" Kelly. The "Old Tulip", as Foster is affectionately called by hundreds, is certainly a wonder. Sixty years old and still with an active, distinctly active, place in the field of athletic sport!

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Vancouver is preparing to signally recognize its obligations to Pte. Perry, the King's Prize winner. Mayor McGuigan has proposed the presentation to him of a purse of $1,000 in gold. It is more probable, however, that the gift will take the form of a house and lot. Perry is about to take unto himself a bride.

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A combination Victoria-Everett lacrosse team lost to Seattle in a Sunday game in the Sound city the first of this week, by 11 games to 9. Victoria's representatives on the field of battle were W. Lorimer, J. Finlaison, A. Haughton, P. Morris, L. Glegg and R. Roskamp.

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"Northerner": Yes, Frank Gotch who recently defeated Dan McLeod at Vancouver for the catch-as-catch-can championship of the world, is the same big Iowa corn plower who made a clean-up under the name of Kennedy in the Yukon three years ago.

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Lou Scholes, winner of the Diamond sculls, is on his honeymoon trip. Perry, the King's Prize winner, has signed articles. It begins to look as if the outlook were distinctly hazardous for our own R. B. Powell.

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Vancouver will be represented at the Astoria regatta by a four composed of Pattison, stroke; Roberts, 3; Dillabough, 2; Waite, bow. Shearer and Waite will try both the senior and the junior doubles, and Bond the single paddle canoe events.

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Victoria played a fairly close game with Vancouver's lacrosse representatives here last Saturday, the score reading 7 to 5. The visitors had seven of the West End team in their line-up.

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Milne, Burns and one or two other members of the Seattle lacrosse club were over for last Saturday's match at Caledonia Park.

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North Saanich defeated South Saanich at baseball the other day, in a fashion that would have given Anson chills and fever. The score was 41 to 3.

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Between Duncans and Ladysmith, on the E. & N. and in the vicinity of Sooke lake and Sooke river, there will be good hunting as soon as the season opens.

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Pity, isn't it, that S. L. Russell, the Seattle tennis crack, could not possibly have got here for the championship tournament?

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Victoria followers of the latest fashion are talking of forming a motorists' club.

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The projected match with the Seattle lacrosse team here, proposed for to-day, has gone over to the 27th.

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In order to specially protect the game birds in the municipality of Kent, the close season is extended therein to the 15th October.

—Meters Again:

Complaints continue to come in regarding the inefficiency of the water meters lately installed by the city council. In one home during June "Progress" is solemnly assured, the garden was watered regularly and the family was at home all the time; during July the house was closed for three weeks and the garden watered only once a week, yet the amount registered was much larger than in June. In another home on account of sickness the garden was not watered at all, yet the water consumption registered was five times as much as usual. Many who have in past years kept pretty little gardens, which were an esthetic education to the whole community, have not been able to afford the increased cost and there is now nothing but a dried brown patch where the beautiful lawn once was. Victoria will soon cease to be noted for its beautiful gardens, except perhaps in the more wealthy sections and one of her greatest attractions as a tourist resort will have vanished.

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