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MISTAKEN KINDNESS

The Week does not often differ from the decisions of the Police Magistrate, who has established an enviable record for fair dealing, and enlightened administration of the law. But his action in reference to the boys who were found guilty of stealing from Hibben's store is certainly open to criticism. Everyone would expect Mr. Jay to err, if at all, on the side of mercy, but no one would expect him to strain mercy until it ceased to be a virtue. Yet that is what he has done in the case under consideration. It is possible to admit that there are boys and boys; criminals and criminals, and that different criminals should be treated differently; on this ground it may have been justifiable, if the boys were really sons of "respectable" parents, who were in a position to guarantee healthy environment and closer supervision in the future, to refrain from branding them as convicts and herding them with habitual criminals. But there is a wide gulf between this reasonable concession and dismissing the boys with a caution. Such action is not fair to other prisoners. It is not only "respectable" parents who object to publicity; many people in a humbler walk of life suffer just as keenly when their relatives figure in the annals of the police court; but this is one of the penalties which even "respectable" parents should be compelled to pay for neglecting their duties, and allowing their boys to associate with vicious companions. The interests of justice demand that the names of all persons arraigned in the police court, and proved or confessed guilty, should be punished. There should be no making fish of one and flesh of another. In England no such invidious distinction is ever made. Further, the boys under consideration should at least have received a sound thrashing, as a punishment for their offence; they could not have escaped it in England, and it is this sparing of the rod which, on this continent, spoils so many children. The Week maintains that in this case the law has not been vindicated, and that while leniency may have been justifiable it has been carried too far, and that with the best intentions the police magistrate has placed a premium on juvenile crime, as hereafter it will be very difficult to resist a plea which has proved so successful, and which, not for the first time, has created an uneasy feeling in the community, especially when it is observed that juvenile crime is on the increase.

THE MUCK RAKE AGAIN

One day this week the Victoria Times returned once more to its muck-raking propensities. It fished up a lost document from the gutter, and although the document was private property, and bore the names of two respected citizens, members of one of the oldest established legal firms, it published the document as if it were public property, and then tried to make political capital out of it. This incident establishes a new record for gutter-sipping, even on the part of the Times,

and one would like to think that it is the only newspaper published in Canada which would stoop to such a despicable act. It is one of those atrocities which re-acts on the perpetrator, and which for purblindness can only be compared with the performance of Mr. A. H. B. MacGowan in his dastardly attack on Mr. Justice Clement. It is difficult to resist the conclusion that the comet's tail has been waving with unusual ferocity in certain quarters during the past week.

THE OTTAWA VAUDEVILLE

Punch has a splendid cartoon in the latest issue to hand, depicting John Bull as a sailor, wearing his traditional jolly broad grin, with a little added emphasis of amusement, while he reads the Press reports of the so-called Naval Debate at Ottawa. It is a simple drawing, and all the expression is in the sailor's face, which plainly shows that he regards the whole proceedings as farcical. This attitude of amused toleration undoubtedly reflects English public opinion, although it will not be received very graciously by Canadians. But what else can be expected when the leaders of the Government are making it perfectly clear that there is no sincerity in the movement, and that they are prepared to "hedge" at every sign of opposition from their disaffected followers. The Week has never taken stock in Sir Wilfrid Laurier's professions of loyalty, and never had less faith with him in this regard than at the present time. What he is most afraid of is not that he may fail to carry his present proposals, but that the movement in favour of something more substantial may gain ground. It is pitiful to see a man of his position gee-ing and haw-ing on an Imperial question as he has done recently. His conduct confirms the opinion of those who have always considered him an opportunist. It is as easy to prove this charge as to state it. Sir Wilfrid in his first speech on the Navy Bill said: "It does not follow that because England should be at war, we should be at war." And lest there should be any misunderstanding as to his position, he went on to add: "For myself, I do not hesitate to say that if the Crimean War were to be undertaken by England under similar circumstances, I would hesitate very much, before I would give my consent that we should take part in such war." In this connection it may be interesting to quote an extract from a speech delivered by Sir J. A. Macdonald in 1885 which serves to illustrate the difference between the two parties. Sir John said: "Who can look back to the time when the Crimean War broke out and not remember with pride how Canada rose as one man to stand by the Mother Country and by France, when the French Tricolor and the Union Jack were joined together fighting the battles of liberty against absolutism on the shores of the Crimea? There was a rush of Canadians to go to the battlefield, and I had the great pleasure, as a member of the Government of Sir Allan MacNab, to be in-

strumental in carrying a vote of £20,000, given unanimously out of the Public Treasury, in order to show that Canada made common cause with England and with France in the Crimean war."

BRITISH POLITICS

It is hardly worth while, in view of the unreliable Press despatches being circulated, to make any comment on them with reference to British politics. There is, however, one point, which cannot be too strongly emphasized, and that is the gross misrepresentation involved in the repeated statement that the King is using his influence in the present crisis. This first took shape in a declaration that Mr. Asquith would not assume the reins of office unless he received assurance that the King would create a sufficient number of Liberal peers to ensure the submission of the Conservative majority in the House of Lords. It is only necessary to state such a proposition in order to realise its impossibility. The latest despatch is even more grotesque; it is that "under pressure from the King, Mr. Balfour will be led to form a ministry." As if it were possible, with Mr. Asquith, installed as Prime Minister, for the King, even to discuss the possibility of replacing him. It is difficult to decide whether such reports are due more to ignorance or malice. It is, however, surprising that respectable newspapers continue to print the despatches, whilst pointing out in their editorial columns how unreliable and mis-leading they are.

THE NEW CITY OFFICIALS

When the wondering ratepayers of Victoria read in the morning Press that at the previous evening's meeting of the Council, a new City Solicitor, and a new City Engineer had actually been selected, they gasped with astonishment. It seemed altogether too good to be true; such decision! Such promptitude! Their lively satisfaction was, however, like many other good things, doomed to a short life, for Mr. Mayor, following his usual custom, resolved that what had been done quickly could not have been done well, and called for a re-consideration of the appointments. Which is another way of saying that somebody had been pulling the strings. The matter was re-opened at the next Council meeting, and, in spite of the Mayor's protest, the original selection of Mr. Speakman was confirmed. So far, so good. The Week knows something of Mr. Speakman, and while he is not the biggest man in Canada, he is a good man, and big enough for the job. As to the City Solicitor, there is no reason to suppose that second thoughts would be best, and the little legal difficulty suggested could easily be overcome, even if it involved his living here for six months without undertaking such legal duties as would clash with the statutes. He could at least act in an advisory capacity. If the Council has secured the best man who applied, it would be well advised to stick to him.

THE TRIP TO OTTAWA

The President of the Board of Trade and Mr. J. H. Kingham have just returned from a successful trip to Ottawa, where they have been representing the wishes of the Board with respect to local improvements, and other matters of interest and importance to Vancouver Island. They

thoroughly deserve the hearty vote of thanks accorded them on their return; a vote which is endorsed by The Week. It was particularly pleasing to hear of the newly aroused interest taken in their mission by the Hon. William Templeman, Senator Bostock, Senator Riley and Mr. Ralph Smith. In reading their eulogium, however, it occurs to the casual reader to wonder what has become of Mr. Barnard, who, as the sitting member for Victoria, albeit not an occupant of the Government benches, might naturally have been expected to take some interest in the work of the delegation. But the name of Mr. Barnard does not figure in the very flattering report handed in; and the only conclusion which it is possible to draw is that on this occasion he failed to catch the Speaker's eye.

NOT QUITE CLEAR

A few months ago the Board of Trade unanimously passed a strongly worded resolution calling upon the Dominion Government to make an immediate and substantial contribution to Imperial naval defence. Indeed, the Victoria Board of Trade was one of the first commercial organizations in the Dominion to prefer this request, and to urge upon the Government the performance of a very obvious duty. According to the local press a resolution was passed at the monthly meeting of the Board on Thursday, endorsing the policy of the Dominion Government on the naval question. It would be interesting to know how the two resolutions can be squared, since the policies they represent are diametrically opposed, and Mr. Borden and his followers are today fighting for the very principle which the Board of Trade enunciated some months ago, and which the Dominion Government has persistently refused to recognise.

A PRINCE OF INDUSTRY

At one time or another most of the cities in a new country experience the privilege of "entertaining an angel unawares," and thus more than one big man has come and gone without his passing being noted. On Wednesday evening a fine, burly man, easily the biggest and most impressive who has visited Victoria of late, might have been seen sitting in a privileged corner on the floor of the House. Half-an-hour sufficed for him to note the proceedings, make the acquaintance of the Premier, the Speaker and a few other prominent members, and then to go as quietly and unostentatiously as he had come. The gentleman was Mr. Graham Fraser, father of the iron and steel industry of Canada; the founder, and for thirty years the managing director, of the Nova Scotia Steel Co. The man to whom in its most troublous times the Dominion Steel Company turned for guidance, and who now at a mature age has retired from active business and spends most of his time in travelling. Mr. Fraser may, without exaggeration, be pronounced the highest authority on iron and steel in the Dominion. He is intimately associated with Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann; his son being the manager of their important iron mining and smelting works near Port Arthur. Mr. Fraser has large interests in the lumbering industry of British Columbia, and is represented in Vancouver by his son, Mr. Russell Fraser. There is some reason to hope that Mr. Fraser may be induced to interest himself in the iron ore deposits of Vancouver Island, and their exploitation.

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By THE LOUNGER

By a strange coincidence my remarks of last week on the subject of the local pool-rooms being made use of by young boys, where the atmosphere with which they were surrounded was such as to corrupt their young morals, was fully borne out by the reports in the Times of March 4 and the Colonist of March 5. Each paper reported the fact that the unfortunate lads who had been charged with breaking into T. N. Hibben's had laid the blame on the pool-rooms. It is, perhaps, scarcely necessary for me to point out that by the time the Times appeared on Friday evening, my column, which is always printed on the inside sheet, was already on the presses, or, at any rate, set up. I had received the information on which I based my remarks after I had written my previous week's column. On Thursday night last I took a stroll around these same pool-rooms just to see for myself what was going on. It not being Saturday night there was no very great evidence of this pernicious practice obtaining, save in one room,

and there I saw at least six, and I am putting the number as low as possible, so as to be on the safe side, youngsters of less than seventeen years of age. Again, I place the maximum age as high as possible for the same reason. I can affirm that I saw them smoking cigarettes; I only stayed a few minutes, but I certainly heard them invoke the Saviour's name, in that manner which is so peculiar to this land, and I also heard various expressions which as a rule are only associated with the lips of those who have arrived at manhood's age and have forgotten how to control their tongues.

I pose as no saint, but my worst enemies can hardly accuse me of being a persistent user of filthy or blasphemous language. Still less can they say that I have ever done so in front of young boys. I take my stand as a man who has been through the mill and probably knows more about it than the pious person who has never been near it. And I give it as my firm conviction that there is nothing more dangerous for a growing boy than to be constantly thrown into society where he cannot fail to hear bad language, and, hearing, cannot fail to incorporate it into his own style of speech.

Men are too careless in the Western country with regard to their language when children are around. I have heard men, men who would be styled respectable, use language in

the street, where they could be overheard, which has disgusted even me. Is it any wonder that the youngsters pick it up? I don't blame the "kids" in the slightest. Man is an imitative creature, and never more so than in the early stages of his growth. It is difficult to find a means of preventing the youth of the city from picking up expressions on the street, but it is at least possible to make some kind of a rule which will prevent him from learning his billiards in places where he is bound to become acquainted with every kind of foul utterance.

Few people will blame a man for swearing when someone steps on his pet corn, or when some unexpected catastrophe overtakes him, or even when one of those little annoyances which are so often more upsetting to the temper than a real misfortune, comes into his daily life. But the man who will embody an oath, a foul word, or a blasphemy in his everyday conversation, ceases to deserve the title of gentleman, even if he ever had the right to bear it. And I am one of those people who believe in what are known as "Nature's gentlemen," that is to say, no matter from what parentage a man may be descended, if he be a blackguard he is no gentleman. No; the latter is one who is gentle; gentle to women, children and dumb animals. And most people now-a-days, I am glad to say, hold this view.

I am just going to quote a few words from the Colonist of the 5th inst. They were spoken in the course of the trial above referred to, and I am indeed glad that they were reported. The father of one of the boys "hoped that the city would do something to put a stop to the practice (viz., boys being allowed to frequent pool-rooms). The Court made a note of the point, and it is likely that an effort will be made to have a by-law passed regulating the affairs of pool-rooms in such a manner as to exclude young lads."

I do not imagine that there will be the slightest difficulty in passing such a by-law, provided that the public, and especially those who are parents, urge their desire for some such measure. Since writing the above I have played two games of billiards in the city. In one house, "The Canada," there was nothing to which anybody could object. All the players were adults. In the other, and I won't specify names as yet, the opposite was the case. There were three boys whose voices had not yet broken, and that means that they were under thirteen at any rate, because boys mature early here. There were at least half-a-dozen more who were

not more than sixteen. They were smoking pipes and cigarettes, and though they were not swearing and blaspheming quite as badly as I had been led to expect, still, they did pretty well on that line.

It is a puzzle to me why the proprietors of these pool-rooms care to harbor such riff-raff. Their own trade is endangered thereby.

I suppose it is only fair to say that on the walls of the pool-room of which I am writing there were notices "No Boisterous Language Permitted." Excellent maxim; but the rather paunchy gentleman who was responsible for the good observance of the rule seemed to be somewhat "easy" in his interpretation of the word "boisterous."

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My attention has been drawn to a rather curious anomaly at present prevailing in British Columbia in general, and in Victoria in particular, and that is with regard to the status of the architects of the Province. Lawyers, doctors, dentists are all protected by law; no man is allowed to practise these professions unless he has satisfied a board of examiners of his professional ability. But the

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SOCIETY

Dr. and Mrs. Herman Robertson left town on Monday evening's boat en route for Europe, where they will spend six months travelling.

Miss Turner, of this city, is visiting friends in Vancouver.

Mr. E. A. Marshall went over to Vancouver on Tuesday evening's boat.

Mr. and Mrs. McPhee, from Los Angeles, are recent arrivals in the city.

Mrs. C. F. Hoskings, 1602 Dallas Road, was hostess one evening last week at a very charming party given in honor of Mr. C. C. Smith, who shortly leaves for Alberta. The evening was spent in dancing and other amusements. Those invited were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Green, Mr. R. Green, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. W. Clegg, Mr. and Mrs. F. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Henley, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Henley, Mr. and Mrs. Shouldice, Mr. and Mrs. J. Eccles, Mr. and Mrs. Wescott, Miss Ruby Smith, Miss Bossenle, Miss B. Clegg, Miss I. Clegg, Miss F. Baird, Mrs. H. Hoskings, and the Messrs. J. Andrews, D. Smith, Homewood, W. Eccles, T. Smith, Prior, Bossenle, V. Hitchcock, F. Hoskings, W. H. Smith, J. Cox, Cadman and W. Chapple.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Girdwood, from Cowichan Lake, are spending a few days in Victoria.

Bishop Perrin was a visitor to Vancouver during the week.

Miss Richards crossed over to Vancouver last week.

Mr. John Hopp, from Cariboo, is in Victoria on a business trip.

Mr. E. A. Jacobs, who has been spending the last week in Nelson on business, returned to Victoria during the week.

The marriage of Miss Eva Holmes, formerly of this city, to Mr. E. A. C. Studd, will take place on the 28th of this month in London, Ont.

Miss Abbott, from Seattle, is in town visiting friends.

Mrs. Keith Wilson, from Saanich, is in town, staying with her relatives.

Mr. Maurice Bowcroft, of this city, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lamb of Cowichan Station.

Mr. and Mrs. George Blackwell, from Kirkella, Manitoba, are visiting relatives in Victoria.

Mr. H. Croft spent a few days of last week in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Armstrong, of Vancouver, are making a short stay in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Langley have returned from a pleasant holiday trip spent in Southern California.

Mr. J. C. Pendry went over to Vancouver on Tuesday evening's boat.

Mr. A. Purvis spent a few days of the week visiting in Vancouver.

The Companions of the Forest intend to hold a dance on March 17th at Foresters' Hall, on Broad street.

The engagement has been announced recently in Ottawa of Miss Claudia Bate, second daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Allan Bate, to Mr. Frederick Peters, C.E., son of Colonel and Mrs. Peters, of Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Morris are spending the week-end in Vancouver visiting friends.

Miss Barbara Mainguy, who has been staying with Miss Newcombe, Dallas Road, returned to her home at Chemainus last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. D. Spencer, jr., who has been away on business, returned to the city last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Watson, from Ladysmith, are enjoying a brief holiday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Purvis, from New Westminster, are guests at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Seegan and Miss Seegan, from Seattle, spent a few days in Victoria last week visiting friends.

On March 17th Miss Dorothy Day will be hostess at a "miscellaneous shower," to be given in honor of her friend, Miss Ethel Brown, whose marriage to Mr. Clement Cornwall is to take place shortly.

A Vancouver engagement which has been recently announced is that of Miss Elsie H. Lindsay, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Lindsay, to Mr. Trevor Gordon Rant, of the same city.

Mr. J. Mason, of this city, left during the week for Prince Rupert.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell McCallum and family have taken up their residence in their new home at Foul Bay.

Mrs. Richard McBride will be at home to her friends on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Herbert Carmichael was hostess last Wednesday and Friday afternoons at two smart bridge parties held at the Alexandra Club.

Mr. Robin Dunsmuir, who has been out of town for some time, returned to Victoria during the week.

A tea was held last Monday afternoon at the Alexandra Club. The tea-room was very prettily decorated with carnations and greenery. Mrs. Richard McBride and Mrs. Henry Croft received the guests.

The bridge club met at Mrs. W. S. Gore's, Burdette avenue, during the week.

Mr. W. H. Willis, from Winnipeg, was a visitor to Victoria this week.

The Canadian Magazine

The Canadian Magazine for March contains two valuable articles on transportation. The first is entitled "The Welland Canal," and deals with the history of this important waterway and its relation to the waterborne commerce of Canada. The other is by Ernest Cawcroft, and is entitled "The Fight for Commercial Supremacy." It gives an account of the new Erie canal, and tells what its building will mean in the fight for commercial supremacy. The fact that \$101,000 is being spent on this canal by the State of New York should be sufficient to induce Canadians to seriously consider the situation. There is also a very picturesque description by a Canadian

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lady, Mrs. Fred. A. Hodgson, of bull-fighting in Mexico, and Mr. Harold Sands contributes a fascinating account of the Silver King mine at Nelson, British Columbia. All of these articles are well illustrated. Short stories are contributed by Verna Sheard, W. E. Elliott, H. Adolph Gerard, W. Lacey Amy and James Lawler. Mr. Amy's contribution, which is entitled "The Picture Puzzle" is strong evidence against the statement that there is in Canadian writers no sense of humor. Good verse is given by Professor George Herbert Clarke, Doctor Arthur Wentworth Eaton, J. Edgar Middleton, Alan Sullivan, May Austin Low and Eric Brown.

Orator—I believe that the great body of American people are gentlemen.

Voice in the Rear—You're wrong. The last census shows that over half of them are ladies.

Mrs. Subbubs—I guess I'll have to give a big dinner.

Mr. Subbubs—What for?

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Common Phrases

BY BOHEMIAN

Two weeks ago I wrote an article under the above heading, in which I made reference to the fable of the old woman driving her pig to market. I said that this nursery rhyme was derived from some old prophecy which I had forgotten, and asked some reader to be kind enough to send me a copy. A correspondent has been good enough to comply with my request, and has pointed out that the good old children's favourite, "The House that Jack Built," is also a lineal descendant of the same. I reproduce the original, together with the interpretation, as I think that it may be of interest to readers.

The original is presumed to be a hymn in "Seper Haggadah," fol. 23. The historical interpretation, which is rendered below, was first given by P. N. Leberecht at Leipsic in 1731 and is printed in the "Christian Reformer," vol. XVII, p. 28. The original is in the Chaldee language. It is inserted in the Hebrew Passover Service Book and concludes the service for the first two nights of the Passover. The poem is as follows:—

I
"A kid, a kid my father bought
For two pieces of money;
A kid, a kid.

II
"Then came the cat and ate the kid,
That my father bought for two
pieces of money.
A kid, a kid.

III
"Then came a dog, and bit the cat
That ate the kid, that my father
bought for two pieces of money.
A kid, a kid.

IV
"Then came the staff and beat the dog
That bit the cat that ate the kid
my father bought
For two pieces of money.
A kid, a kid.

V
"Then came the fire and burned the
staff,
That beat the dog that bit the cat,
that ate the kid,
That my father bought for two
pieces of money.
A kid, a kid.

VI
"Then came the water and quenched
the fire, that burned the staff,
That beat the dog, that bit the cat,
that ate the kid,
That my father bought for two
pieces of money.
A kid, a kid.

VII
"Then came the ox and drank the
water, that quenched the fire,
That ate the kid, my father bought
for two pieces of money.
A kid, a kid.

VIII
"Then came the butcher that slew the
ox, that drank the water,
That quenched the fire, that burned
the staff, that beat the dog,
That bit the cat, that ate the kid, my
father bought for two pieces of
money.
A kid, a kid.

IX
"Then came the Angel of Death that
killed the butcher, that slew the
ox,
That drank the water, that quenched
the fire, that burned the staff,
that beat the dog,
That bit the cat, that ate the kid, my
father bought for two pieces of
money.
A kid, a kid.

X
"Then came the Holy One, Blessed
be He, and killed the Angel of

Death, that killed the butcher, that slew the ox, that drank the water, that quenched the fire, that burned the staff, that beat the dog, that bit the cat, that ate the kid, my father bought for two pieces of money.

The following is the interpretation: No. 1.—The kid, which is one of the pure animals, denotes the Hebrews; the father by whom it is purchased is Jehovah, who represents himself as sustaining this relation to the Hebrew nation. The two pieces of money signify Moses and Aaron, through whose mediation the Hebrews were brought out of Egypt. No. 2.—The cat denotes the Assyrians by whom the ten tribes were carried into captivity. No. 3.—The dog is symbolical of the Babylonians. No. 4.—The staff signifies the Persians. No. 5.—The fire indicates the Grecian Empire under Alexander the Great. No. 6.—The water betokens the Romans, or the fourth of the monarchies to whose dominion the Jews were subjected. No. 7.—The ox is the symbol of the Saracens who subdued Palestine and brought it under the Caliphate. No. 8.—The butcher who killed the ox denotes the Crusaders, by whom the Holy Land was wrested from the Saracens. No. 9.—The Angel of Death signifies the Turkish Power by which the land of Palestine was taken from the Franks, and to which it is still subject. No. 10.—The commencement of the tenth stanza is designed to show that God will take vengeance on the Turks, immediately after whose overthrow the Jews are to be restored to their own land, and live under the government of their long-expected Messiah.

The above was copied from a book of Old Nursery Rhymes, Tales and Jingles by W. Gannon, published by Hurst & Co., New York.

This sort of thing possesses a great deal of interest for me and I cannot help feeling that there are many readers who will appreciate it. Doubtless there are many who will be bored by it, and to them I would say that it doesn't happen very often.

There are thousands of men and women who are always being puzzled as to the correct way of spelling "by-law." There seems to be a prevalent doubt as to whether it should be spelt with or without an "e." Of course, there is no "e." The termination "by" as found in such words as "Whitby" or "Grimby" signifies "town," being the old Saxon word. Whitby was the white town, and Grimby was the town of Grim, some mythical hero of antiquity. Therefore, a by-law is merely a law appertaining to a town. The "e" in such expressions as "good-bye" is due to the fact that the modern term, is condensed from the original "God be with ye."

In this same connection it is curious to note how people who would never soil their lips with an oath will make use of expressions which are simply and solely corruptions of blasphemies. For instance, the common expression "Gee Whizz" is nothing more nor less than a corruption of "Jesus Wept." "Zounds," which is somewhat out of date just now, stands for "God's Woupsds." But this is a style of white-washing which by no means commends itself to

Bohemian.

The B. C. Exhibit at Vienna

A splendid collection of heads, antlers, and other game trophies has just left the Provincial Museum for Vienna, where it will show what British Columbia can produce in this line at the first International Shooting and Field Sports Exhibition to be held during the coming summer, in the Austrian capital. This exhibit will be under the charge of Mr. Warburton Pike, than whom no fitter man could possibly be found for the position. Not only is Mr. Pike a great hunter and traveller but he has the skill and ability to place his experiences on record and his books are standard works on the subjects of which they treat, as the world, or at any rate

that part of it which takes an interest in such matters has found out. What Mr. Pike says can be absolutely relied on, which is more than can be said of most hunting records.

The collection consists of over sixty specimens of heads, antlers, skins, and in one or two cases of stuffed animals themselves, and it is safe to say that it will excite great interest, as it contains one or two specimens that have never yet been seen in Europe, one of which is a Kermodes white bear, that curious small member of the bear family which has been found in those little known regions in which the Yukon, the Stikine, and the Peace River take their sources. There are also one or two record heads, notably a specimen of a Stones Sheep (Ovis Stonei) of which the measurements are thirty-four and one-half inches wide, thirty-six and one-half inches round the curve, and fourteen and one-half inches round the base. There are also two mule deer heads, one belonging to Mr. Hull of Kamloops and another that hails from the Okanagan, both being remarkable for size and symmetry. There are specimens of all the different kinds of mountain sheep with which the province abounds, including the giants from the Rocky Mountains, and others from the Similkameen, and the Chilcotin country, as well as specimens of Ovis Dallii, Ovis Stonei and Ovis Fannini. Every individual part of the collection is a genuine British Columbia specimen and includes none of those larger heads which can be obtained in Alaska and which are often palmed off as local ones. But in Vienna those specimens will be submitted to the examination of critical experts who would at once detect any fraud of such a kind.

In addition to fur, feathers and scales have not been overlooked, and there are three kinds of grouse and two of ptarmigan and in London the fine collection of fish now on exhibition at the offices of Mr. Turner, the Agent-General, will be picked up and taken to Vienna.

The result of this display cannot but be of great advantage to British Columbia. At Vienna it will be seen not only by British sportsmen, but also by that large and increasing number of continental nimrods of whom numbers will avail themselves of the opportunities the province presents. Wild animals are becoming rare in many parts of the world and with the exception of British Columbia most of the countries where they are found are in the tropics and are not only unhealthy but inaccessible except at much cost of time and money, while Victoria is only at the most, fourteen days from London and the hunting grounds of the province can easily be reached in another week.

MUSIC AND THE STAGE

A Stubborn Cinderella

The first act of "A Stubborn Cinderella," the latest musical comedy success of Messrs. Hough, Adams and Howard, authors of "The Time, the Place and the Girl," "The Goddess of Liberty," and other successes, is laid on the campus of the University of Columbus, at the unveiling of a statue. The second act depicts a realistic railway wreck and the third an orange Fete at Del Coronado Beach, California. The plot of the piece is interesting and unusual and concerns the daughter of a Scottish Earl who has never spoken to a stranger. She is among the guests at the unveiling of the statue of Columbus and meets Mac, the leader of the college, with whom she falls in love at first sight. She, however, is engaged to Grand Duke Boris, so Colonel Hunt, her body-guard, interrupts the affair with Mac. The young couple meet next at an orange Fete in Dol Coronado Beach, California, where Lady Leslie is to see for the first time her affianced husband, Grand Duke Boris. It is here that she becomes obstinate and chooses Mac.

At the Victoria theatre on Monday, March 14.

New Grand Theatre

Mirth, melody and song, by the laughing favourites, Foster and Foster, who have made the continent ring with laughter from end to end are coming to the New Grand on Monday and will lead the new bill all the week. They will present the entertaining oddity, The Volunteer Pianist, which gives them the opportunity to introduce all kinds of music into the act. The duo contains one singer with a strong baritone voice and his renditions are delightful.

Billed as "The Girl with the Contagious Smile," Helen Carmen, will be another delightful feature of the bill next week. She will present a repertoire of unequalled melodies. Her title has been won by her pleasing manner and her ability to impart her brightness to the audience.

The four Tossing Lavelles from far off Europe are a famous family of acrobats who could only be induced to come to this country at an enormous figure. Sullivan and Considine secured them for one tour including Victoria in the path mapped out for them from New York. This act will hold the audience spell-bound and be specially acceptable to athletic Victoria.

Edwin Winchester, the musical monologist, is going to offer something entirely in an original class. His musical act has been featured in the big theatres of the south and is looked on as a big drawing card for all cities. Thomas J. Price will sing another song next week and the usual moving pictures are billed too.

Canadian Pacific Oil

Mr. E. P. Howard, one of the directors of the Canadian Pacific Oil Company, who was in charge of the office in Victoria passed through the city in the early part of the week on his way east after a four weeks' visit to the company's holdings in California. Mr. Howard was enthusiastic as regards the future of the company, and confidently expects a big gusher by June. A ten-thousand gallon gusher has lately been tapped within one mile and a quarter of the company's property. The rotary drill has been doing good work and the company are now down about 1,600 feet. The whole amount of stock for sale in Victoria was easily disposed of some weeks sooner than had been anticipated, and those who were fortunate enough to get in on the ground floor are assured of a substantial return for their money.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte
TAKE NOTICE that I, William Buckland, intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of Section 29, Township 6, Graham Island, being the southeast corner of land applied for; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.
Dated February 25th, 1910.
WILLIAM BUCKLAND,
John Demers, Agent.
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SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte
TAKE NOTICE that I, Charles Cleveland, intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Section 26, Township 6, Graham Island, being the southwest corner of land applied for; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.
Dated February 25th, 1910.
CHARLES CLEVELAND,
John Demers, Agent.
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SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte
TAKE NOTICE that I, Bert Wheeler, intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of land applied for; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.
Dated February 25th, 1910.
BERT WHEELER,
John Demers, Agent.
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SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte
TAKE NOTICE that George Wheeler, intends to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of Section 16, Township 6, Graham Island, being the northwest corner of land applied for; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.
Dated February 25th, 1910.
GEORGE WHEELER,
John Demers, Agent.
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RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria
TAKE NOTICE that Elizabeth Casheir Williams, of San Juan, married woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-east corner of Lot 204; thence north 80 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 40 chains to place of commencement; containing 320 acres, more or less.
Dated January 24th, 1910.
ELIZABETH CASHER WILLIAMS,
J. W. Williams, Agent.
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RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria
TAKE NOTICE that Harry Percy Simpson, of Victoria, gentleman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted 20 chains east of L. Alexander's post; thence north 80 chains; thence west 20 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 20 chains to place of commencement, and containing 160 acres, more or less.
Dated January 24th, 1910.
HARRY PERCY SIMPSON,
J. W. Williams, Agent.
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RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria
TAKE NOTICE that William Mostyn Thrasher, of Mosten, Sask., farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the south-east corner of Samuel Thrasher's; thence north 80 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 40 chains to place of commencement, and containing 320 acres, more or less.
Dated January 24th, 1910.
WILLIAM MOSTYN THRASHER,
J. W. Williams, Agent.
feb 26

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria
TAKE NOTICE that Robert Beard, of Victoria, gentleman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at north-east corner of Lot 248; thence north 30 chains; thence east 50 chains; thence south 30 chains; thence west 50 chains to place of commencement, and containing 150 acres, more or less.
Dated January 24th, 1910.
ROBERT BEARD,
J. W. Williams, Agent.
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Arrow Park School

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for School Building, Arrow Park," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to and including the 31st day of March, 1910, for the erection and completion of a large one-room frame school-building in the Ymir Electoral District. Plans, specifications, contract, and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 7th day of March, 1910, at the office of the Government Agent at Nelson; the office of the Government Agent at Revelstoke; the office of the Secretary of the School Board, J. N. Pennock, Arrow Park, and at the Department of Public Works, Victoria. Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equivalent to ten per cent. of the amount of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract. Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
F. C. GAMBLE,
Public Works Engineer,
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B.C., March 2nd, 1910.
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

School, Tappen Siding

SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tender for School, Tappen Siding," will be received by the Honourable the Minister of Public Works up to and including the 29th day of March, 1910, for the erection and completion of a large one-room frame school-building in the Kamloops Electoral District. Plans, specifications, Contract and Forms of Tender may be seen on and after the 8th day of March, 1910, at the office of the Secretary of the School Board, J. A. Carlin, Kault, B.C., and at the Department of Public Works, Victoria. Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equivalent to ten per cent. of the amount of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract. Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
F. C. GAMBLE,
Public Works Engineer,
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B.C., 5th March, 1910.
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SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

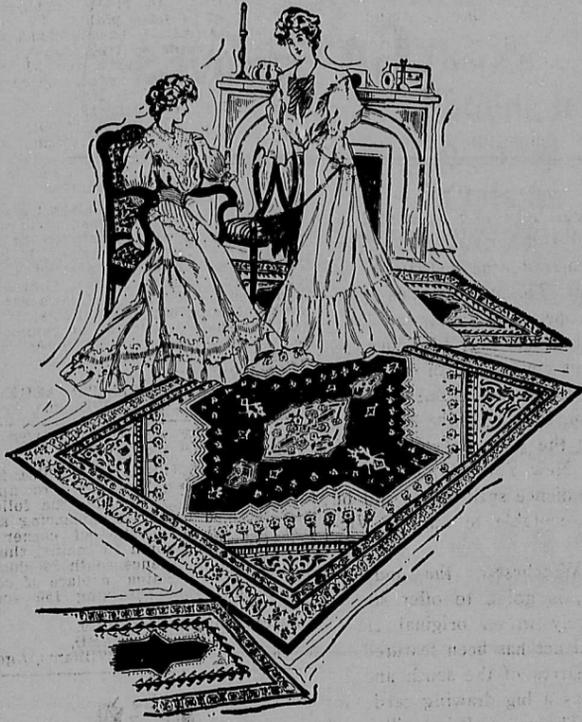
District of Queen Charlotte

TAKE NOTICE that Alexander Keay of Everett, Wash., occupation Accountant, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal on the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted about one mile east of Masset Inlet, Graham Island and about four miles S.E. of Delkatla; post marked "A.K.S. S.W. Corner"; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains to point of commencement and containing 640 acres, more or less.
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ALEXANDER KEAY,
F. H. Millard.
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THE PARTNERS

By Gilbert Hudson

For nearly five minutes Cratchard had not spoken a word.

He stood with his back to the fire, gazing into the invisible world of his own thoughts. His features, strong, shrewd, yet plausibly candid, wore the kind of patient half-smile habitual to them—the face of a lawyer—every inch of it.

The other man was a small, sandy-haired person, with a weak mouth and furtive eyes. He did not like to smile. He wished Cratchard would continue the sentence he had begun five minutes ago. Yes, five minutes exactly, now. He had kept his eyes on the old-fashioned moon face of the office clock as well as on his partner's, and could not have told you which of the two faces looked the more inscrutable. At last he could bear it no longer.

"You were about to remark, my dear Cratchard, that if the worst comes to the worst—"

"Why, then," said Cratchard, starting suddenly out of his reverie, "I must look after Number One, that's all."

The half-smile broke into a little winking laugh, and the dreaminess vanished from the deep-set eyes, as they encountered Mr. Pelican's watery but suspicious orbs, with a penetrating stare. Pelican fidgeted.

"I don't understand you," he said. Candidly, Cratchard, I—I somehow, don't quite like your manner this afternoon. I hope nothing's e—er—hiss? I hope I—er—haven't offended you in any way. I should be sorry if anything came between us af-

ter so many years of partnership. We have always got on so well together, you know."

"And we shall do so, still," said Cratchard, "if only you continue to behave as you have done hitherto, and take my advice on every point. If not—"

"Well—well, I am quite prepared to adopt our usual method in this case, provided of course—"

The little man paused. "Speak out," said Cratchard. "You seem more than ordinarily suspicious to-day, Pelican."

"I can't help it, Cratchard. You strike me as being—er—a little—er—altered. That look in your eyes, these relapses into silent musing, have puzzled me. You tell me you have something important to disclose. You compel—I mean ask me—to swear participation and secrecy. After no little hesitation I consent; and then you talk of the worst coming to the worst, and looking after Number One. It all sounds so—well—er—fishy. Really, I'm scarcely ashamed to confess, you alarm me."

"I am glad to hear it," said Cratchard. "As long as you're afraid of me I shall have nothing to fear from you."

"That's true," admitted Pelican, with a feeble smirk. "Why should you?"

"Then it only remains for me to tell you everything. Yes; I think I know you well enough to risk it." This with a resumption of the smile, varied by a cat-like grimace at the corners of the mouth.

"Risk!" answered Pelican. "That's an unpleasant word."

"What!" cried Cratchard, almost threateningly. "You flinch—you go back on your word?"

"Oh, no, Cratchard; no. The word slipped out unintentionally. You may rely on me. You know, you always have. I've never failed you yet, and I'm not likely to begin at this time of day."

"I should be sorry for you if you did," muttered Cratchard. "Now, are you ready?"

"Quite ready, Cratchard." "Just see if the door's shut tight." Pelican rose and went to the door. "It's all right," he said.

"Well then—stay!—the speaking-tube. One can hear sounds through it quite well downstairs; and sometimes the clerks carelessly leave the whistle out. That duster—cover up the mouth with that."

The office was an old-fashioned one, and in the corner of the room facing Cratchard, and behind Pelican, some three feet of an ancient speaking-tube protruded from the wall like a dead snake. The obedient Pelican muffled the mouth of the tube with the folded duster. As he was not over deft with his fingers, this occupied him a few minutes, with his back to Cratchard.

When he turned, Cratchard had changed his position. He was now standing at the desk. In front of him was a small but heavily-made antique box, bound with brass and iron.

"What on earth's that?" whispered Pelican, his countenance shining with a weird, feverish light of expectant wonder.

"Ready?" said Cratchard calmly. Pelican nodded.

"Honor bright!" Pelican nodded again.

Cratchard drew a small key from his waistcoat pocket, inserted it, gave it two or three turns, released a

couple of metal clasps, and then threw back the lid. There was a flash and a glitter of precious stones. A flash and a glitter, too, of something else in Cratchard's right hand—a revolver.

"Betray me," hissed Cratchard, "and I'll shoot you like a dog!"

Pelican reeled and nearly fell. "Great heavens!" he gasped, "the Carlshaven diamonds!"

"Quite so," said Cratchard, softly, "what else? Pull yourself together and don't be a fool. Look here; the reward of secrecy"—he pointed to the diamonds with the revolver—"the reward of treachery"—he flourished the weapon airily. "Which is it to be?"

"Secrecy, secrecy," stammered Pelican. "Secrecy, of course."

"Then sit down and hear what I have to say. Perhaps you'd better take a glass of water, it will steady you."

A carafe and tumbler stood on an empty bookshelf behind Pelican. Promptly following his partner's advice he reached for it in a curious sidling manner, never quite taking his eyes off the other, poured himself out a glass with trembling fingers, and drank it hastily.

"Ah, you are a brilliant man," he murmured, as he sank again into his chair. "How on earth did you find them? Why, nobody has set eyes on them since they came into the old Duchess's possession. She had a mania for keeping them hidden."

"Yes; but I wormed the clue to their whereabouts out of her yesterday, before she turned up her toes, while you were busy downstairs with the port. A nice job I had to get them away undetected. That's why I took a cab and came away first alone."

"Clever—clever! I could never have done it," sighed Pelican enviously. "And now I come to think of it, she didn't give any directions where to find them, even in her will."

"The will," said Cratchard, with emphatic slowness, "does not mention them at all."

Pelican looked stupefied. "You have the will in the tin box there, at your elbow; see for yourself."

"But I could swear she left them to her niece, her only living relative."

"Open the will and see."

Pelican unfolded the document and glanced it through. Amazement deepened into horror; he started from his chair.

"Why, man!" he cried, hoarsely, "this is not the will at all! This is a forgery—a palpable forgery!"

"Be quiet, you fool," growled Cratchard, covering him with the revolver. Pelican quickly subsided. Cratchard stole softly to the door and locked it. Then he came back and resumed:

"Of course it's a forgery. But what of that? No one but you would be likely to detect it. No one has ever set eyes on the will but ourselves and the two witnesses, and they were ignorant old servants. I came here last night after you'd gone home, and sat up till four this morning over the task. Don't make an ass of yourself, Pelican. You ought to be grateful to me for doing all the dirty work, and giving you a share of the profits for nothing."

"But the real will—the original?"

"Non est," said Cratchard, laconically. "Took it home and burnt it. Now, be wise in time, Pelican, and a third of these diamonds shall be yours. Think what that means; retirement—luxury—leisure. No more office drudgery—no more fusty books and law courts—no more daily toiling and moiling for a mere competency in a miserable country town. Pah! How I hate it! How I have abhorred it from my youth up! Curse

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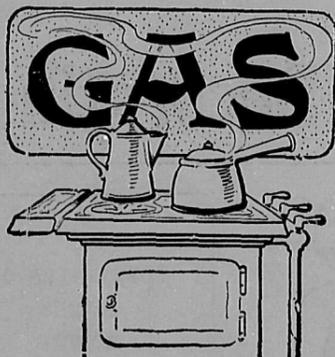
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At the Street Corner By THE LOUNGER

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architect, who, in common with other professional men, has spent time and money in equipping himself for the proper fulfilment of his duties, has no such protection. There are many instances to hand, and, as said above, more particularly in Victoria, where the contractor makes his own plans and specifications, and throws them in as a bonus to an intending client. One can hardly blame the contractor; business is business all the world over, and if the maintenance of a draughtsman to utilize the experience of years, pays, why, naturally, the practice obtains. One can hardly blame the public, if the latter be satisfied with the plans prepared. But I think that one may justly blame the system under which such a state of things exists. People come to Victoria and see all the new buildings in progress. "What a fine business the architects must be doing," they say. Whereas, as a matter of fact, the majority of the architects in Victoria have not enough work to keep them busy. It is all in the hands of the contractors. I am not speaking from mere casual hearsay; the matter was mentioned to me, and I made a few enquiries and found that these things are so. And it doesn't seem quite right.

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Has anyone noticed the total lack of consideration shown by the public, and especially by women, at the post-office wicket where stamps are for sale? Time and again I have gone there in a hurry and have had to wait while some stout female (the inconsiderate female is always stout) holds up the right-of-way while she licks and affixes the stamps which she has purchased. The idea that other people are waiting, and that she might just as well move away a little to do this work never seems to oc-

cur to her. I use the feminine pronoun, because, in every case, the offender is of that gender. Men have a far higher opinion of the value of time, and are, for the most part, infinitely more considerate of the needs and wants of their fellow-men. I can well imagine the shrieks of expostulation which this last remark will produce. I shall have Florence Nightingale and the whole of the Red Cross Brigade thrown at my head, and I will admit that women are capable of greater heroism than men for the benefit of suffering humanity when it comes to the big things of this world; but, in the little ones, methinks that they lag somewhat far behind.

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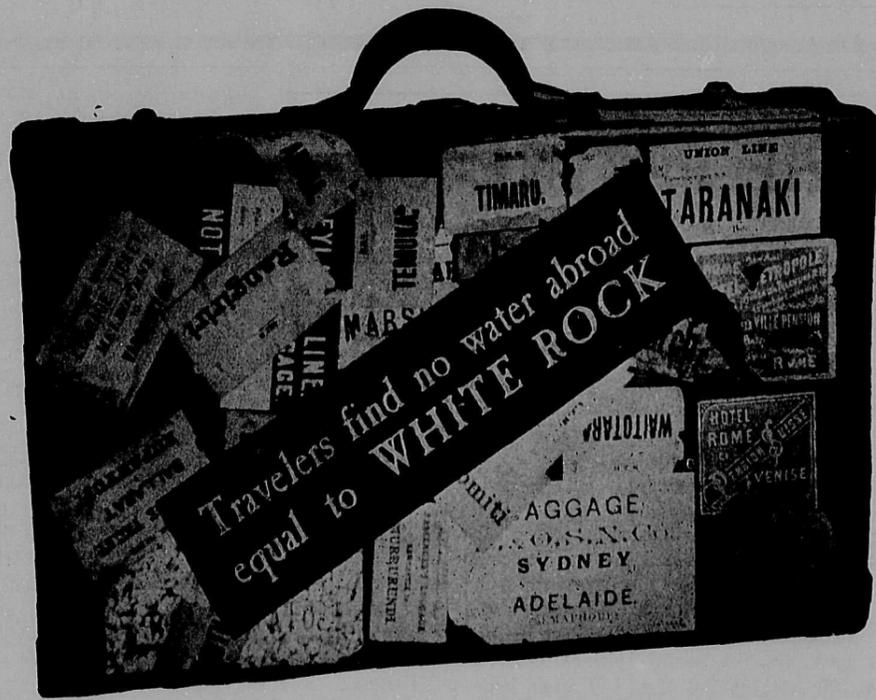
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Died March 10, 1910

Let Him R. I. P.

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What is a "backyard" boy? Kipling has introduced us to the "Brushwood Boy." Of our own experience we know the schoolboy, the lazy boy, the bad boy, the good boy, and even the haut-boy; but it remains for an Oxford man, resident in Victoria, to discover with the help of the advertising pages of the Colonist, this new species, the "backyard" boy. When I first saw that an educated man was advertising for "backyard" boys, I concluded that it was merely a misprint for "backward," but the same expression has occurred over and over again since then; so Victoria can now take rank amongst other cities which have fathered discoverers, inventors and other famous men. If this should meet the eye of the advertiser referred to, I trust that he will com-



municate to The Lounger the physiological peculiarities of the "backyard" boy so that a wondering world may be no longer left in ignorance regarding this latest phenomenon.

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Miss Trillion—Oh, my, yes. The poor boy has been trying for six months to gain papa's consent.

Her Suitor—I wish to marry your daughter, sir.

Her Father (sternly)—My daughter sir, will continue under the parental roof.

Her Suitor—Well, sir, the parental roof looks good to me.

The Civil Sabbath and Lord's Day Legislation

The Canadian Publishing Association has issued the first number of The Dominion Sentinel, while it announces that "it is not published in the interest of any class whatsoever," yet every signed article is the product of a Seventh Day Adventist preacher or leader, and all its 48 pages are devoted to earnest explanations and exposition of the views of that body concerning Lord's Day legislation. Many times have we obtained the publications of Seventh Day Adventists, and, whether books, pamphlets, periodicals or leaflets, they were without exception declared to be published by some association the name of which would never suggest the society in whose interest the publication was issued. Very clearly this Journal is issued in the interest of

the people who are opposed to all legislation in regard to the Lord's Day.

Again and again in its 48 pages the writers declare that Lord's Day legislation in general, and the Lord's Day Act of Canada, in particular, is religious legislation. It is said to be an effort to "enforce the ten commandments by law," "a purpose to bring about a strict (religious) observance of the Lord's Day, by law, a law "enacted under the plea to benefit man, often used to oppress him etc., etc. Yet, in the whole 48 pages there is not named one section, sub-section or clause of the Lord's Day Act that proves the charge that it is religious, or that in any way substantiates the specious charges these Seventh Day Adventist writers make. The fact is that the Lord's Day Act nowhere seeks to enforce religion. Its single purpose is to preserve the cit-

right of citizens throughout the Dominion to that day as their weekly day of rest. When the Act was before the Canadian Parliaments in 1906 for enactment, an effort was made by Seventh Day Adventists and other Saturday Sabbath keepers to secure an amendment which was of a purely religious character. In fact, the only effort to secure religious legislation in connection with the Lord's Day Act was promulgated by the Saturday Sabbath keepers.

Much emphasis is given in this "Sentinel" to the right of liberty of conscience, and to worship as each person chooses. On the front page, and in several other places, Queen Victoria's well known words are quoted and enforced: "Firmly relying on the truth of Christianity. . . we declare it to be our royal will and pleasure that none be in any way favored, none molested, or disquieted by reason of their religious faith or observances." This right and liberty to worship in peace is guaranteed throughout the empire by Act of Parliament. In this Dominion, R.S.C., 1906, Cap. 146, sec. 198 to 201, safeguard the civil right of every citizen to the practice in quietness and without interference of any religious rite or ceremony, according to the conscience of that citizen. This legislation, dealing directly with religious worship, is accepted, acted upon, and by implication highly commended in every article in this paper.

This writer, however, most frequently insists that the Sabbath is only, always and singly a religious institution; and that at no time, nor under any circumstances is the Sabbath civil in its character. Yet, the Sabbath has always been civil as well as religious. The same command which says "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy" also commands that the day shall be a day of rest, when neither "thou, nor thy wife, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gate" shall do any work. It is truly civil as well as religious. A Sabbath law is a six-day law, kindred to an eight-hour law, the first protecting the weekly rest after six days of labor, and the other protecting the daily rest after eight hours of labor. In both cases "the liberty of rest for each, demands the law of rest for all."

The civil character of Sunday laws is well stated by the Supreme Court of New York in a recent case. "As a civil institution it (the Sabbath) is older than the government. The framers of the first constitution found it in existence; they recognized it in their acts. The stability of government, the welfare of the subject, and the interests of society have made it necessary that the day of rest observed by the people of a nation be uniform, and that its observance should be to some extent compulsory, not by way of enforcing the conscience of those upon whom the law operates, but by way of protecting those who desire and are entitled to the day.

"The Christian Sabbath as one of the institution of religion may be protected from desecration by such laws as the Legislature, in their wisdom may deem necessary to secure to the community the privilege of undisturbed worship, and to the day itself that outward respect and observance which may be deemed essential to the peace and good order of society, and to preserve religion and its ordinances from open reviling and contempt, and this not as a duty to God, but as a duty to society and the State."

It is necessary that the purpose of the Lord's Day Act and the aim of the Lord's Day Alliance be clearly understood by the people. Hence the statements of The Sentinel should be corrected, and the object of its publication distinctly made known.

Riter—Did you see that little story of mine in today's paper?
 Critick—Yes.
 Riter—Don't you think the general set-up and style of it was characteristic? Wasn't it like me?
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NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the above-named Act, Robert S. Lennie, of the City of Nelson, Barrister-at-Law; Day Hort MacDowall, of the City of Victoria; and A. B. Erskine, of the City of Vancouver, have, by order of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, been appointed a Commission to inquire generally into the business of Fire Insurance as carried on in the Province of British Columbia, including the placing of insurance by persons in British Columbia with companies or associations in the United States and other jurisdictions, and to report in writing upon the results of the said investigation, and especially as to the advisability and best methods of Government supervision of the operations and financial standing of all companies or associations carrying out the business of Fire Insurance in this Province.

And as to compelling them to obtain licences from the Province authorising the transaction of said business:

And to furnish adequate security to British Columbia policy-holders that all valid claims they may have against said companies or associations will be promptly paid:

And notice is hereby given that sittings of the said Commission, for the purpose of making inquiry into matters aforesaid, will be held at the following points on the dates set opposite, viz.:

Victoria, March 3rd, 1910
 Vancouver, March 9th, 1910
 Nelson, March 15th, 1910

Special sittings may be fixed by the Commissioners upon sufficient requests from other sections of the Province.
 And notice is also hereby given that all interested parties may obtain from any of the Commissioners subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses at any sittings of the Commission.
 Provincial Secretary's Office,
 Victoria, B.C., 23rd February, 1910.
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 Dated January 26th, 1910.
 SAMUEL DOUGLAS,
 J. W. Williams, Agent.
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 District of Victoria
 TAKE NOTICE that S. J. Millikin, of Midland, Ont., merchant, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 30 chains south of Sec. 31, Tp. 12, at the north-east corner of S. Thrasher's claim; thence north 30 chains to the south line of Sec. 31, Tp. 12; east 80 chains; south 30 chains, west 80 chains.
 Dated February 4th, 1910.
 SAMUEL JOHN MILLIKIN,
 J. W. Williams, Agent.
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RENFREW LAND DISTRICT
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 TAKE NOTICE that Lorenzo Alexander, of Victoria, gentleman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted four chains west of the north-west corner of Lot 248; thence north 80 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 20 chains to place of commencement, and containing 160 acres, more or less.
 Dated January 24th, 1910.
 FRANCIS J. THRASHER,
 J. W. Williams, Agent.
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RENFREW LAND DISTRICT
 District of Victoria
 TAKE NOTICE that John Weaver Bridgman, of Victoria, broker, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted beside H. P. Simpson's; thence north 80 chains; thence east 10 chains; thence south 50 chains; thence east 30 chains; thence south 30 chains; thence west 40 chains to place of commencement, and containing 170 acres, more or less.
 Dated January 24th, 1910.
 ARTHUR JOHN WEAVER BRIDGMAN,
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 TAKE NOTICE that Annie A. Beard, of Victoria, clerk, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the south-east corner of the south-west quarter of Sec. 32, Tp. 12, Renfrew District; thence south 30 chains; thence west 10 chains to S. J. Milliken's claim; thence north 30 chains; thence east 10 chains to place of commencement, and containing 30 acres, more or less.
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 Dated February 4th, 1910.
 JAMES WALKER,
 J. W. Williams, Agent.
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RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria
 TAKE NOTICE that F. E. Randall, of Victoria, clerk, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 50 chains north of the shore on the east line of T. L. 35,167; thence east 40 chains; thence north 60 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 60 chains to place of commencement, and containing 240 acres, more or less.
 Dated February 4th, 1910.
 F. E. RANDALL,
 J. W. Williams, Agent.
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 Dated January 24th, 1910.
 ARTHUR JOHN WEAVER BRIDGMAN,
 J. W. Williams, Agent.
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RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria
 TAKE NOTICE that Frances J. Thrasher, of Mosten, Sask., married woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the N. E. corner of J. W. Williams'; thence east 60 chains; thence south 20 chains; thence west 60 chains; thence north 20 chains to place of commencement and containing 120 acres, more or less.
 Dated January 26th, 1910.
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RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

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 TAKE NOTICE that Joseph William Williams, of San Juan, rancher, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted on the Telegraph Trail about 8 chains south of the south-east corner of lot 117, T. L. 36,048; thence south 8 chains to the north line of T. L. 43,560; thence east 15 chains to the north-east corner of T. L. 43,560; thence south 60 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence north 70 chains; thence west 55 chains to place of commencement and containing 292 acres, more or less.
 Dated January 26th, 1910.
 JOSEPH WILLIAM WILLIAMS,
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CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve, notice of which was given in the Gazette of the 23rd October, 1909, reserving all foreshore abutting on the East Coast of Vancouver Island, and extending from the head of Saanich Inlet to the 52nd parallel of north latitude, and all coal underlying the said foreshore, as well as the coal under the sea fronting the said foreshore and extending out therefrom a distance of one mile, is cancelled.
 ROBERT A. RENWICK,
 Deputy Commissioner of Lands,
 Lands Department,
 Victoria, B.C., January 5th, 1910.
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VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Coast.
 TAKE NOTICE that Robert Armstrong, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation, Master Mariner, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted in the vicinity of Green Point, Thurlow Island, Cardero Channel, at a post situated about sixty chains in a south-easterly direction from said Green Point, and marked "R.A.N.E."; thence 40 chains south; thence 20 chains west; thence 40 chains north; thence 20 chains east to the point of commencement.
 Dated February 8th, 1910.
 ROBERT ARMSTRONG,
 Per Chas. McHardy, Agent
 feb 19

LAND REGISTRY ACT

In the matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to Lots 7, 13, 27, 35, 36, 45, 61, 62, 63, 67, 68, 69, 91, 92, 93, 105, West half of Lot 8 and West half of Lot 14 of Suburban Lots 37 and 45, Esquimalt District.
 NOTICE is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication hereof to issue a Duplicate Certificate of Title to said lands, issued to Mary Elizabeth Nicholson on the 2nd day of December, 1890, and numbered 10805A.
 Land Registry Office, Victoria, B.C., the 11th day of February, 1910.
 S. Y. WOOTTON,
 feb 19 Registrar-General of Titles

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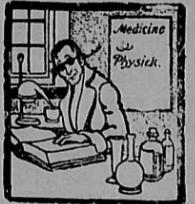
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THE PARTNERS

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your offices, say I! Curse your routine! Give me freedom—freedom and enjoyment! And these will purchase it. Look at them, Pelican—gloat over them. Doesn't your mouth water? Don't your fingers itch?"

The little man exhibited every sign of greed and covetousness. Then, with an awkward affectation of pious reproach, he said:

"Oh, Cratchard, Cratchard! I always thought you an honest man—the very soul of integrity."

"And so I have been, generally speaking, until now. Never had an opportunity, before, of being otherwise, on a scale worth risking a hard-earned regular income for. I flatter myself I haven't managed things badly, for a beginner. Well, Pelican, you seem quite fascinated with the beauties. Come, now, which will you have for a start? There's a generous offer for you. As you've come around sensibly, after all, I'll give you the first choice—only it mustn't be the tiara; that's my especial fancy."

Pelican gazed intently. "Oh, no," he said deprecatingly. "I shouldn't think of asking for that. That's the lion's share, and due to you, who, as you rightly observe, have done all the dirty work. Some of the smaller things would suit me better—rings and such like. They would be—ahem!—easier to dispose of without—er—By the by, Cratchard, the box looks very shallow inside. Why, surely, isn't that a false bottom? Depend upon it, there's other jewellery underneath."

Cratchard laughed. "Pelican, you're a genius compared with me. What a blind fool I have been not to notice that! A false bottom? To be sure there is. Here are two small tongues of leather to lift out this upper tray—so! And here underneath is a second lid with a little trap-door in it. What purpose can that serve, I wonder? Here again, these buttons on each side, when pressed, will probably release some spring or catch. I'll try."

He stooped over the box, manipulating inside it. He did not notice that Pelican had turned ashy white as he watched him with compressed lips and straining eyes.

Suddenly there was a metallic click and a rattling, whirring sound, and simultaneously an unearthly yell from Cratchard.

Pelican yelled too, and began to dance about like a madman.

"Saved!" he cried—"saved!" He darted forward and snatched up the revolver, which Cratchard had laid aside when he began to examine the box. "Now, Cratchard, up with your hands!"

Cratchard replied with a kind of snarling groan and swore terribly. Stamping and writhing he stood, his face distorted with mingled rage and pain, his hands inextricably fixed inside the box.

"Caught, Cratchard, caught! I'm the master now. You've domineered and tyrannised over me ever since I went into partnership with you, ten years ago. This is my revenge. I'm a weak man, you a strong one; I'm an honest man, you're a thief and a forger; I'm a free man, you my prisoner. I knew about the finger-trap years ago! It's a piece of diabolical mechanism invented by one of the Duchess's ancestors. You remember she had lost two fingers of her right hand.

I asked her one day how she had met with the accident, and she told me in confidence—in strict confidence, Cratchard. That's why I never told you. I never trusted you from the first. I always felt you were an evil being. But somehow or other you got the upper hand over me, and have kept it until now. I've been more like a clerk to you than a partner; but now I'm free at last. It is Heaven's own justice!"

The excitement and mocking triumph of the little man were terrible.

Gnashing his teeth, the other dragged the box from the table and endeavoured to raise it above his head. In doing so he swept the loose tray of jewels off the table, and they

scattered on the floor, mingling with drops of blood from his wounded hands.

"Stop that," shouted Pelican, "or I'll shoot you!"

Cratchard paid no heed. With a superhuman effort he succeeded in lifting the box above his head. Then he brought it down with all his might upon the corner of the marble mantelpiece. The box remained unbroken—the cruel trap held firm. Cratchard staggered and fell in a dead faint.

There was a loud and rapid knocking at the door. Pelican went and opened it.

"Oh, what is the matter? What in Heaven's name is the matter?" cried the head clerk, entering the room.

"Send for the police," said Pelican, as he dashed a glass of water into his prostrate enemy's face.

And shortly afterwards the unhappy partnership of Messrs. Cratchard and Pelican, Solicitors, was dissolved.

The Navy League

The annual meeting of the Victoria Branch of the Navy League held in the Theatre on Thursday was as large and enthusiastic as the one which attracted such widespread attention last year. It is probable that no other organization could ensure so representative a gathering at the present time, and it is certain that no subject could arouse so much interest. The occasion was chiefly noticeable for one of those forceful and eloquent addresses which Mr. Clive Phillips Wolley delivers periodically in support of his pet scheme, and for an even more forcible impromptu address from Premier McBride. Indeed, the latter may be regarded as one of the most important contributions which has been made to the discussion of Imperial defence. Mr. McBride declared that Ottawa could not go far enough to satisfy British Columbians; that to a man they favoured that portion of the Federal policy which provided for the laying down of keels to eventuate in a Canadian navy, but that this must of necessity be a matter of the future so far as its practical assistance to the Empire was concerned, and that what the people wanted was an immediate contribution to the British treasury, equal to the cost of at least two or three Dreadnaughts. He further dwelt on the importance of providing dock-yards on the Atlantic and the Pacific, without which war vessels would be deprived of much of their usefulness. The Premier's address was couched in a serious and suggestive key and gave evidence of a statesmanlike grasp of what he did not hesitate to declare was essentially an Imperial crisis.

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria

TAKE NOTICE that Percy Walls, of Victoria, clerk, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-west corner of Lot 208; thence north 80 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 60 chains; thence east 40 chains to place of commencement, and containing 240 acres, more or less.

Dated January 25th, 1910.

PERCY WALLS, J. W. Williams, Agent.

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria

TAKE NOTICE that John William Speck, of Victoria, clerk, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the south-east corner of S. Douglas's; thence north 70 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 70 chains; thence west 20 chains to place of commencement, and containing 140 acres, more or less.

Dated January 26th, 1910.

JOHN WILLIAM SPECK, J. W. Williams, Agent.

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria

TAKE NOTICE that Abram Thrasher, of Victoria, farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted besides J. W. Williams' post; thence north 80 chains; thence east 35 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 35 chains to place of commencement, and containing 230 acres, more or less.

Dated January 26th, 1910.

ABRAM THRASHER, J. W. Williams, Agent.

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria

TAKE NOTICE that Bernard Ryan, of Victoria, gentleman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about 40 chains east and about 64 chains north of the north-west corner of Lot 252, Renfrew District; thence south 64 chains; thence west 64 chains; thence north 64 chains; thence east 64 chains to place of commencement, and containing 409 acres, more or less.

Dated February 4th, 1910.

BERNARD RYAN, J. W. Williams, Agent.

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria

TAKE NOTICE that T. M. Baird, Jr., of San Juan, farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-east corner of Lot 109; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains; thence east 40 chains to place of commencement, and containing 160 acres, more or less.

T. M. BAIRD, Jr., J. W. Williams, Agent.

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria

TAKE NOTICE that Samuel Thrasher, of Mosten, Sask., farmer, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the north-west corner of Lot 247, thence north 80 chains; thence east 40 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 40 chains to place of commencement, and containing 320 acres, more or less.

Dated January 24th, 1910.

SAMUEL THRASHER, J. W. Williams, Agent.

RENFREW LAND DISTRICT

District of Victoria

TAKE NOTICE that Lorenzo Alexander, of Victoria, gentleman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted 4 chains west of the north-west corner of lot 248; thence north 80 chains; thence east 20 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 20 chains to place of commencement, and containing 160 acres, more or less.

Dated January 24th, 1910.

LORENZO ALEXANDER, J. W. Williams, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, John Steer, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted half a mile east of the southeast corner of lot 397, being the northeast corner of land applied for; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains to the point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

JOHN STEER, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, M. L. H. Steer, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about half a mile east of the southeast corner of lot 397, being the southwest corner of land applied for; thence north 30 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing about 640 acres more or less.

M. L. H. STEER, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Mary Giguere, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about half a mile east of the southeast corner of lot 397, being the southeast corner of land applied for; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

MARY GIGUERE, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Emma Auger, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about half a mile east of the northeast corner of lot 435, being the northwest corner of land applied for; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

EMMA AUGER, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Richard Giguere, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one-half mile east of lot 435, the northeast corner of lot 435, being the northeast corner of land applied for; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

RICHARD GIGUERE, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Arcadius Giguere, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted one mile east of the northeast corner of lot 435, being the southwest corner of land applied for; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

ARCADIUS GIGUERE, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Emma Giguere, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile east of the northeast corner of lot 435, being the southeast corner of land applied for; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

EMMA GIGUERE, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Mark Strong, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile east of the northeast corner of lot 437, being the northwest corner of land applied for; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

MARK STRONG, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Edward Williams, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted one mile east of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

EDWARD WILLIAMS, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Frank Demers, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile and a quarter east of the northeast corner of lot 437, being the southeast corner of land applied for; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less. This land lies east of north end of Kundis Island.

FRANK DEMERS, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Rose Demers, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted one mile east of the northeast corner of lot 437, being the northeast corner of land applied for; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

ROSE DEMERS, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, John Demers, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for permission to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted about one mile and a quarter east of the northeast corner of lot 437, being the southeast corner of land applied for; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

JOHN DEMERS, Mathew Yeoman, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, George Wheeler, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted two miles east and two miles south of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

GEORGE WHEELER, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Bert Pollard, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted four miles east and two miles south of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

BERT POLLARD, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Joseph Boyle, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted southeast corner of A. P. No. 25768; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

JOSEPH BOYLE, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Gus Wincell, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted at the southeast corner of A. P., 25768; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

GUS WINCELL, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, James Mullin, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted one mile east of the southeast corner of A. P., 25768; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

JAMES MULLIN, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, JoAnn Quinn, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted four miles east of the southeast corner of T. L. 35388; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

JOHN QUINN, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Edward Quinn, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted four miles east of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

EDWARD QUINN, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Edward Williams, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted one mile east of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

EDWARD WILLIAMS, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Edward Parson, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted one mile east of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

EDWARD PARSON, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, James Twait, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted two miles east of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

JAMES TWAIT, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Sam Lee, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted three miles east of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

SAM LEE, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Minard Bachelor, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted four miles east of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

MINARD BACHELOR, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Edward Huff, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted four miles east and two miles south of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

EDWARD HUFF, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, William Boyle, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted southeast corner of T. L. No. 35388; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

WILLIAM BOYLE, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Joseph Courtney, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted four miles east and two miles south of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

JOSEPH COURTNEY, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Lloyd Allan, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted four miles east and two miles south of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence north 80 chains; thence west 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

LLOYD ALLAN, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Frank Morgan, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted two miles east and two miles south of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

FRANK MORGAN, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Claws Pearson, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted two miles east and two miles south of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

CLAWS PEARSON, John Demers, Agent.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT

District of Queen Charlotte

Take notice that I, Clarence Baldwin, of Seattle, Wash., intend to apply for a license to prospect for coal on the following described lands:—Commencing at a post planted two miles east and two miles south of the southeast corner of lot 355, thence north 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence west 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less.

CLARENCE BALDWIN, John Demers, Agent.