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The Passing Show.

Victoria's Water Supply—Capt. Phillips-Woolley's Views—Comment on Topics of the Week.

The water question is still on the municipal "tapis," but it is thought Mr. Lubbe, of the Esquimalt Waterworks Company, has come to the rescue of the Victoria city council with a good suggestion. It is time that something new did turn up, because all the old points in the situation have been talked and written about to the death. The water supply, needless to remark, is as bad as ever—if not a litle worse. Whatever may be decided upon eventually, there apears to be no doubt that the pipe system needs attention badly, and the pipes will have to be attended to, wherever the water may come from, if it ever comes from anywhere. In this connection, The Week is informed that representatives of two firms which manufacture wooden piping have approached the council with a view to having these pipes taken into consideration when repairs are undertaken. From information to hand, The Week is able to say that this wooden piping is coming to the front. A considerable quantity has been laid down in Vancouver, and there are many miles of it in use in Seattle, Port Townsend and other nearby places, where investigation can very easily be made. The chief advantage of the wooden piping is that it costs only about one half as much as the iron piping, but the manufacturers claim that it has also many other advantages, such as durability and cleanliness. Of course the cost of the piping is an important consideration, and one that affects the ratepayers more directly and immediately. It is said on the street that the council is not inclined to give serious consideration to the wooden pipe proposition because certain private interests would be affected. We hope that private interests will be allowed to look after themselves in this case, and that a matter of so much financial importance will receive proper consideration. Merely a casual report unfavorable to the new piping by an official who has not made a thorough investigation should not be allowed to sidetrack a business proposition. The public, anyhow, would like to know how the matter stands, and whether the private interests already referred to have met and defeated further consideration of the matter at any of the secret meetings of our city fathers.

Capt. Clive Philpis-Wolley is a man with ideas. His recent purchase of the Metropolitan block on Government street gave him a good opportunity to work off some of the ideas in last Sunday's Colonist. We do not agree with many of the gallant captain's views on things in general; we have never met anyone who did agree with them, but he is a sportsman and entitled to his say. These are dull times for the daily papers, anyhow, and the ubiquitous reporter haunts the city in a vain search for "news." Even Capt. Wolley's ideas are therefore welcome as "copy." He considers, as we gather from the Colonist, that Victoria need not attempt to win settlers from the States. On the other hand he thinks that "climate, scenery and inexpensive sport form the very best base on which to rest an attraction calculated to draw the very best class of people." We exonerate the captain from the charge of having used those words, and lay the blame to a tired-out reporter. As a literary man, Captain Phillips-Wolley never could have been guilty of so awkward and involved a sentence. The very best class of people, we find, consist of members of "the upper classes of England whose incomes are no longer commensurate with their position at home, and other people of means," who come to this coast from Eastern Canada in search of a better climate. These people, the captain says, would "form here a society of solidity and substance; who would raise the standard of the social life of the city, making it what the capital of such a province ought to be—a centre of light and learning, the home of arts and sciences, a place of progress and culture, a community actuated by public spirit and enterprise, who would pursue the march of progress shoulder to shoulder, upholding the prestige of the country of their adoption for the credit of their home." This is all very fine, but it is a fortunate country which can expect to attract only people of independent means, and it is a poor country that desires only to get that class. British Columbia surely is possessed of sufficient resources to offer some attractions to enterprising young men with little capital beyond energy and brains. No country has ever been developed by an exclusive settlement of small capitalists. Curiously enough, the captain makes a very fine distinction: "I am not speaking," he is made to say, "of those who come to the country for a home, and proceed to lodge their money carefully and permanently in the bank at an interest of 3 per cent., in place of investing their capital in the industries or properties which are the life of the place—for these I entertain sentiments of unmeasured contempt, and as citizens I regard them as a detrimental element." The "unmeasured contempt" is uncalled for. Neither can this class be considered detrimental. They bring grist to the mill of the shopkeeper, the merchant and the manufacturer, and their money in the banks is—or should be, if the banks know their business—reinvested in local industries. The crying need of the province, and of Victoria in particular, is more current cash. Nobody seems to have any, and half the time of the business people seems to be occupied in chasing after each other for the nimble dollar. But to return to the point, what difference does it make to the community whether people invest their money in our industries directly, or indirectly through the banks? If the banks choose to keep it locked up in their safes, or to invest it in Eastern Canada instead of in British Columbia, the banks and not the capitalists who deposit their money with the bankers are to blame. There is another portion of Capt. Phillips-Wolley's remarks in the Colonist to which we must take exception in the cause of justice. The Captain is made to say that Americans are "worshippers of the Almighty Dollar and do not care a jot for sport." We say nothing about the religious views of the Americans, but we do say that thery care more than a jot for sport. Anyhow, they care enough to have wrested many trophies from the picked amateur athletes of Old England, and that international yacht cup is still this side of the herring pond.

A decision of Mr. Justice Duff in re fish trap licenses has been made the theme of some sensational articles in the daily papers. The point at issue is whether the provincial government has power to lease land under the sea within three miles from the shore. It is an old question which has never been authoritatively answered, but it is one with which all those who secured trap licenses were quite familiar. The Dominion government claims territorial rights below low water mark, and this claim is disputed by the province. Mr. Justice Duff's decision probably will lead to an appeal to the Privy Council and the final settlement of the matter. No real hardships are likely to result as remedial legislation always can be secured when the point at issue is decided. There is no cause for excitement as in the meantime the trap owners are getting lots of fish and realizing what a "soft thing" they have.

Joseph Martin, long since politically dead, has attempted resurrection in order to abuse the Lieut.-Governor. Mr. Martin expresses the hope that Sir Henri Joly will not be re-appointed because, apparently, he has not taken ad-

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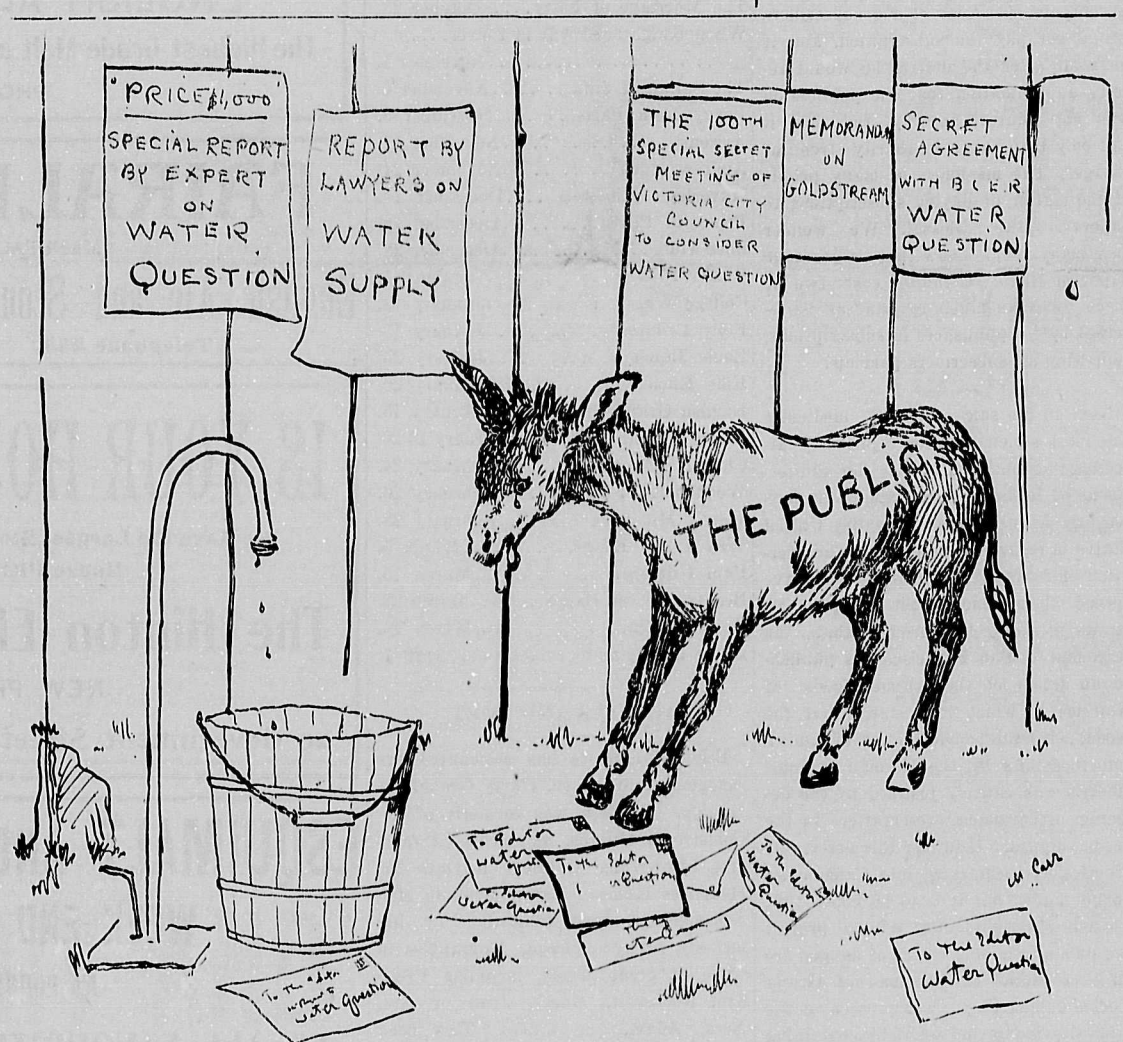

THE PUBLIC:—Water, water everywhere, but only a drop to drink!

The Crystal Palace.

Proposition to Borrow $150,000 to Construct Handsome Place of Amusement to be Submitted to the Ratepayers.

The city council is to be commended for its decision to proceed at once to take the opinion of the ratepayers on the proposal to erect a palace for the amusement of the public. The proposal has been under discussion in the city for a considerable time, and there is not any reason for delay, while, on the other hand, if the palace is to be constructed, the sooner it is commenced the better. The Week already has expressed its approval of the project, and takes advantage of this opportunity to recommend the ratepayers of the city to cast their votes in favor of the by-law which shortly is to be submitted to them to provide funds for the undertaking. The sum proposed to be expended on the work is $150,000. This is a considerable amount of money, but it must be remembered that at least a large proportion of the interest on the capital invested will be paid by the receipts of the palace, and that it will provide a very big, additional attraction to the city.

The scheme involves a notable improvement to Victoria. The proposed site of the palace is to the rear of the C. P. R. hotel grounds, and the entrance is to face an extension of Douglas street across the now vacant land. This will provide a handsome "square" in that part of the city and will, incidentally, increase the value of all property in the vicinity. The front of the palace is to be about 500 feet in length, with a grand entrance in the centre, and, as designed by Mr. F. M. Rattenbury, is most handsome and effective in style. Immediately to the rear of the entrance hall will be a big pavilion with a huge glass dome with a band stand and seats nearby. The idea is to make of this pavilion an immense conservatory and a delightful promenade. To the right of the pavilion will be a concert hall large enough to accommodate 1,500 people, to be used for concerts, theatrical performances, etc., and to the left of the pavilion will be a large salt water swimming bath. The grounds behind the palace will be laid out with tennis and racket courts, a bowling green, and also with an artificial lake and attractive pathways.

Nobody can doubt that a place of amusement on this scale would be a most valuable asset to the city. Victoria's attractions as a tourist resort lack just such a place, while it would also be much appreciated by our own young people, who are by no means indifferent to amusement. The idea is to charge ten cents admission, with a reduction on season tickets, and there would be a very considerable revenue from this source. The concert hall also would be a source of revenue, as many visiting as well as local entertainments would be given there. It certainly would be taken advantage of by some of the leading people on the American stage who are outside the theatrical trust and therefore debarred from the Victoria theatre. The plans of the building show a number of stores along the front which would bring in nice rentals, and altogether there is no reason why the crystal palace of Victoria should not very nearly, if not quite, pay for itself.

There is one matter of minor importance that should be settled, that is the name of the palace. The Crystal Palace would be distinctive, as, so far as we know, there is only one other Crystal Palace in existence, namely, that in London. "Winter Gardens" hardly is as appropriate, while the two names together constitutes too much of a mouthful. The Week's vote, therefore, is that the title "Crystal Palace" be chosen. We are sure that the name will be popular.

If Victoria decides in favor of the erection of the palace, Victorians will be entitled to some honor abroad. Our Vancouver critics will have to admit that at least we have waking moments, and if we do not go out after business in a very energetic fashion, we are at least anxious to provide amusement for our visitors.

A DANGER SIGNAL.

"What the hell do we care?" has evidently been adopted in public affairs as Canada's motto. Dizzy with prosperity, this country is reeling along at a rate which is bound to bring it up with a sharp bump. So thoroughly commercialized have the people become both in public and private affairs that they appear to have forgotten the limits which separate business from brigandage. Nobody seems to care what evil thing is done so long as he is not the direct victim of it. While prosperity lasts, few are likely to feel themselves injured by the extravagance of their rulers. For the past ten years we have had an almost unbroken period of good times—good times much less the result of government than of world-wide circumstances.—Toronto Saturday Night.

THE PEOPLE RULE.

The dear brethren of the Lord's Day Alliance have fussed in vain before the Judicial Committee of the Imperial Privy Council. Provincial legislation in the matter was declared ultra vires, and a suppositious case of some sort of violation of Aunty's ideas refused. The Supreme court in a case of this kind must necessarily be the people. If the people decline to take the same view of the observance of the first day of the week as is held by the few busybodies who are everlastingly pounding at the door of the Privy Council, forcing themselves into committees of the egislature, obtruding themselves upon cabinets, and scratching together cases for the police court, the fussy folk should revise themselves and their somewhat arbitrary views; for no matter what old statute may be revived, what new law is passd, or how high an authority may hold it to be intra vires, the Lord's Day will only be observed as the people see fit to observe it.—Toronto Saturday Night.

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vantage of his position to further the interests of the Liberal party in this province. What the Liberals want, says Mr. Martin, is a British Columbian appointed—and one infers, also, that the British Columbian desired is a Grit of the grittiest description who would be a thorn in the side of the McBride government. However, Mr. Martin may rest assured of one fact, and that is that nobody cares what Mr. Martin wants. His opinions have no weight either with Liberals or Conservatives, all of whom will decline to believe that his resurrection (in print) is anything more than the last effort for existence of a lost soul on the brink of annihilation.

The World, new press and all, is quite given over to the policy of pin pricks. Every afternoon except Sundays—the World being distinctly Scotch Presbyterian—this enterprising advocate of John Oliverism comes out with a new accusation against the government, the counts running from fish trap licenses to Mr. Chas. Wilson's professional work, and from Kaien pepper to East Kootenay oil licenses. In his rare moments of thoughtfulness, the editor of the World must wonder how on earth the government remains alive, and still more why every bye-election adds to the government's kicking capacity.

Our Nelson correspondent's notes on the Pooh-Bah of the Kootenay capital illustrate very amusingly the sufferings sustained by the subjects of John Houston and his "practical politics." The tarring of the seats in Houston's park by friends of another park project came pretty near to open rebellion. Houston must have brains, or he never would have lasted so long as he has in Nelson. The sad thing about the man is that his intelligence generally is misdirected.

The order-in-council establishing the County court of East Kootenay will take effect on October 1st. This court will embrace the electoral districts of Fernie, Cranbrook and Columbia. The Dominion government in the supplementary estimates made a liberal grant for the maintenance of the new court. It is understood, says the Fernie Ledge, that P. E. Wilson, of Nelson, W. A. Galliher's law partner, is slated for the judgeship. The judge will in all probability reside at Fernie, the chief town in the district.

Metaphorically speaking, the eyes of the world are now fixed on the envoys of Russia and Japan, who are meeting at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, to consider terms for establishing peace between the two countries. At the time of writing the actual terms which the Japanese are willing to offer have not been made public, and opinion on the outcome cannot be worth very much. Nevertheless, there are signs which point to the failure of the negotiations. According to a rumor which has not been denied, the Japanese are prepared to submit two sets of terms. The first proposal is stated to involve the payment by Russia of an indemnity of $750,000,000, the session of the Island of Sakhalien, recently seized by the Japanese, the absolute withdrawal of Russia from Manchuria and the recognition of a Japanese protectorate over Korea. It is stated, also, that these terms are conditional upon their immediate acceptance by Russia, and that otherwise much more drastic terms, including the session of Vladivostock and a considerable portion of Russia's possessions in Asia, will be demanded. If this statement of Japan's position is accurate, there appears to be little chance of a settlement. While the Tsar's envoys might accept the first set of terms—although this is exceedingly doubtful—the presentation of a second set of a more drastic character would certainly be regarded as a threat, and probably would result in an abrupt termination of negotiations. It is quite a mistake to suppose that Russia is bound to submit to any demands made. There is no reason why the state of war should not continue indefinitely so far as Russia is concerned, because while the Russians might not be able to take the offensive in Manchuria for some time to come, they could continue a border and guerilla warfare until Japan becomes weary. Considering the immense amount of money that Russia has spent in Manchuria, it is difficult to believe that she will relinquish that country and pay Japan an immense indemnity into the bargain.

The first gathering of a national assembly since the seventeenth century is to be proclaimed in Russia to-day. This is an important step in the direction of reform, and one for which the people of Russia may thank the disasters to Russian arms in the Far East. The government of Russia has received such rude shocks during the last year that it has need of the direct support of the people. The assembly is to be a deliberative and consultive body, which will have the power to reject the proposals of the Tsar's ministers by a majority of two-thirds, or over. It will consist of some 500 members, chosen by an indirect elective system. Such an assembly may do much to improve the administration, but its constitution certainly will not have any finality, as it is sure to develop into a more independent parliamentary system.

R. T. Lowery has got weary of bucking corporations in his paper The Ledge, of Fernie, and has sold out. From all accounts that have reached the Coast, Mr. Lowery has made a pretty good thing out of The Ledge, and proposes to take a rest from the drudgery of country journalism. He will resume publication of his monthly magazine, "Lowery's Claim," which he intends to issue from Nelson. The Week wishes him luck. If he finds money is too easily made in Nelson for a man of his strenuous nature he might try publishing the Claim in Victoria. Here he mould have the time of his life in making ends meet. Seventy-five per cent of his subscribers would not pay the subscription, and if he went after the dollars he would receive an intimation that the publication was not wanted, anyway, and that it had only been taken in charity—free of charge. The meanness of many people in the matter of paying subscriptions to papers is quite colossal. We wonder how many people know that the average paper in British Columbia costs two or three times as much to print as is received by the publishers in subscriptions, supposing all subscribers paid up?

Next to the sale of patent medicines the most serious matter injuriously affecting the public health is the adulterations of foodstuffs. Certain revelations recently have been made in the United States in regard to the extensive adulteration of foods in that country, and have spread alarm among the people. So strong is the feeling aroused that the Argonaut of San Francisco has published an article on the poisoned foods of America in which it is stated that the recent wholesale condemnation of American foodstuffs by the German customs officials was entirely justified by the detection of poisonous preservatives in the goods shipped. How far this detestable practice has penetrated into Canada we do not know, but it is to be hoped that the officials whose duty it is to protect the public from this source of danger are on the alert. A dairyman of Grand Forks, named Floyd, was prosecuted the other day for having sold milk containing formaldehyde—the poison that undertakers put in corpses to delay putrefaction—and was fined $100 by the police magistrate, Mr. Cochrane, who declared that the next person detected in poisoning the public in that way would certainly go to prison if tried by him. Several of Floyd's customers suffered from drinking the milk. It transpired that the formaldehyde had been contained in a mixture sold by a Seattle firm and called "Preservaline Extract." If any other people in this province are importing this poison it is up to the customs officials to investigate such importations and to report them to the proper authorities. If there is one thing that is more damnable than the selling of patent medicines made up largely of alcohol and other injurious ingredients, it is the poisoning of foodstuffs by the use of "preservatives."

The Esquimalt Waterworks Company has come to the rescue of the city council with an offer of 15,000,000 gallons of water per day for $20,000 per annum, the city to supply and lay the necessary pipes. An alternative offer of the company is to sell out, lock, stock and barrel, for $1,271,000. Also the company is willing to give the city a twenty-year option on the property at the above price, with 3 per cent. added after four years, and sell water to the city at the above rate in the meantime. The company also is willing to supply not less than 1,000,000 gallons a day at 2 cents per thousand and the balance required would be sold for about 1½ cents per thousand. During a conference between representatives of the company and the board of aldermen, on Wednesday, it was stated that a sufficient supply, namely, 6,000,000 gallons per diem, could be secured if the filter beds at Elk lake were cut out and the pipes connected with Thetis and Long lake. Mr. Lubbe, of the waterworks company, lightly suggested that rates paid for water in the city might be increased, but Mr. Lubbe is a seller and not a purchaser of water. The present rates are sufficiently high for those residents who desire to keep their gardens green.

Music and the Stage

The following engagements have been made for the Victoria theatre for the coming season:

The Pit	August 29.
Ezra Kendal	September 9.
McEwen, hypnotist	September 11.
Under Southern Skies	September 13.
Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch	September 23.
The Girl from Kay's	September 25.
Merely Mary Ann	September 28.
In Old Kentucky	October 5.
Harold Nelson	October 11-12.
Florence Roberts	October 16-17.
The Tenderfoot	October 21.
Madame Hermann	October 23.
Dichard Pringle	October 26.
The Marriage of Kitty	October 28.
When Knighthood was in Fower	November 1.
The Sultan of Sulu	November 6.
Peggy from Paris	November 8.
Arizona	November 11.
Andrew Mack	November 24.
Haverley's Minstrels	December 14.
Prince of Pilsen	December 18.
Shoo Gun	December 28.
Buster Brown	January 1.
College Widow	January 12.
Polly Primrose	January 15.
Louis James	January 25.
Effie Ellsler	January 26.
English Grand Opera Co.	February 15.
Nance O'Neill	February 19-20.
Chas Hanford	February 24.
Woodland	February 26.
West's Minstrels	February 28.
Way Down East	March 5.
Paul Gilmore	March 15.
Beauty and the Barge	March 22.
Miss Galatin	March 26.
Babes in Toyland	April 1.

ACTRESS AND POET.

Ethel Barrymore has announced her engagement to Colonel Harry Graham of London. Graham was formerly of the Coldstream Guards, and achieved fame first by writing Ruthless Rhymes for Heartless Homes. Later he wrote Misrepresentative Men, consisting of immensely funny burlesque biographies in verse of great people, including President Roosevelt, Marat, Joan of Arc, Nero, Adam, and others. This book was dedicated to Miss Barrymore, though she was not specifically mentioned, merely her portrait appearing under the dedication. Following the portrait were these verses to its original:

"My verses in Your path I lay,
And do not deem me indiscreet,
If I should say that surely they
Could find no haven half so sweet
As at your feet.
Unworthy little rhymes are these,
Tread tenderly upon them, please!

"One single favor do I crave,
Which is that You regard my pen
As Your devoted humble slave.
Most fortunate shall I be then
Of mortal men;
For what more happiness ensures
Than work in service such as Yours?

"Should You be pleased, at any time,
To dip into this shallow brook
Of simple, unpretentious rhyme,
Or chance with fav'ring smile to look
Upon my book;
Don't mention such a fact out loud,
Or haply I shall grow too proud!

"Accept these verses then, I pray,
Disarming press and public, too,
For what can hostile critics say?
What else is left for them to do,
Because of You,
But view with kindness this collection,
Which bears the seal of Your protection?"

Songs We Sing

Little Girl You'll Do.
Good Night My Beautiful Star.
Tell Me With Your Eyes.
My Honey Lou.
Reina.
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Hon. Richard McBride, Hon. R. F. Green, Mr. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., of Victoria, and Mr. C. W. Clifford, M. P. P. for Cassiar, have gone north en route for Hazelton, where the first three gentlemen will be the guests of Mr. Clifford.

Theodore Herchimer and Miss Genevieve Tilley, both of Grand Forks, were married in Spokane on the 3rd inst., the bride's parents and a few intimate friends witnessing the ceremony. The happy couple left immediately after the nuptial knot had been tied for a wedding tour to the Lewis & Clark exposition in Portland. The bride is a popular young lady of this city. Since her removal from Toronto with her parents about two years ago she has been employed part of the time as stenographer in the Granby offices. The bridegroom is superintendent of the Betts & Hesperus mine, and is one of the most popular young men in the city. He is a veteran of the Boer war, and passed through a number of thrilling experiences in that struggle. He was wounded three or four times, and was once left on the battlefield for dead. Mr. and Mrs. Herchimer will make their home in Grand Forks.

No. 256.

CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

I hereby certify that the "Ellis Granite Company," has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the "Companies Act, 1897," to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the Company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at Seattle, King County, in the State of Washington.

The amount of the capital of the Company is thirty thousand dollars, divided into three hundred shares of one hundred dollars each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at Law Chambers, Bastion street, Victoria, and Frank Higgins, Barrister-at-Law, whose address is the same, is the attorney for the Company (not empowered to issue and transfer stock).

The time of the existence of the Company is 50 years from the 22nd day of March, 1905.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 3rd day of August, one thousand nine hundred and five.

(L.S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which this Company has been established and registered are:

For itself and for others to carry on in the State of Washington and other States in the United States of America, and in British Columbia and other Provinces of the Dominion of Canada, the business of quarrying, dressing, buying, selling and building with granites, sandstones, marble and all other classes of stone and other material for building, monumental and all other classes of work, with full power to do any and all things that may be necessary and lawful in and about the premises for the proper conduct of the business aforesaid.

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LICENSE TO AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

Canada:
Province of British Columbia.
No. 274.

This is to certify that the "Hartford Fire Insurance Company" is authorized and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the Company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

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The amount of the capital of the Company is one million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, divided into twelve thousand five hundred shares of one hundred dollars each.

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Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 1st day of August, one thousand nine hundred and five.

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The objects for which the Company has been established and licensed are:

To make insurance on dwelling houses or other buildings; on ships and vessels of every description and on the stocks; also on goods, chattels, wares and merchandise and other personal estate of every name, nature and description, and shall be liable to make good and pay to the several persons who shall be insured by the said corporation for all losses they may sustain by fire in their houses or other buildings, ships or vessels, goods, chattels, wares, merchandise or other personal estate as aforesaid. a5

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"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

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The head office of the Company is situate at the City of New York, in the State of New York.

The amount of the capital of the Company is one million five hundred thousand dollars, divided into fifteen thousand shares of one hundred dollars each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at Victoria, and J. J. Bostock, Insurance Agent, whose address is Victoria, is the attorney for the Company.

The time of the existence of the Company is thirty years from the 6th day of March, 1902.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 28th day of July, one thousand nine hundred and five.

(L.S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

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Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which this Company has been established and licensed are:

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"COMPANIES ACT, 1897."

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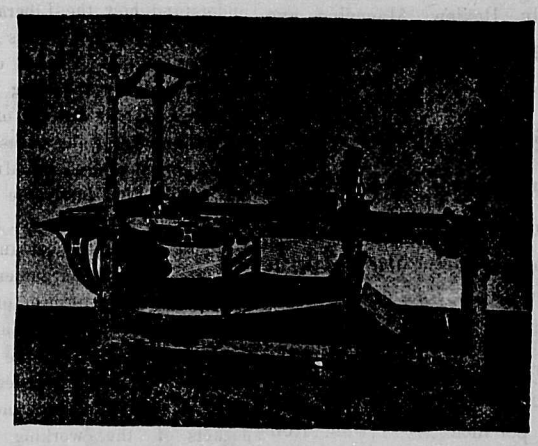

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BRITISH POLITICS.

The political situation in Great Britain at the present time is of unusual interest to the people of the British colonies. If the political prophets of the Old Country are to be believed, there is every possibility that the Liberals, under their dull Scottish leader, Sir William Campbell-Bannerman, will be returned to power at the next general elections. To the "Britons beyond the seas" this result would be most discouraging. Ever since the late Mr. Gladstone adopted the Irish Home Rule platform, the Liberals have been in a bad way. The party is too narrow and bigotted and too unenterprising to command either the respect or confidence of the colonials. The Liberals are identified in Greater Britain with the Little Englanders—pro-Boerish people who carp and criticize and retard the wheels of progress, and who offer the nation no alternative policy that is worthy of consideration. It is not, therefore, surprising that the Liberals have taken up an attitude of absolute hostility to the fiscal policy of Mr. Chamberlain. Mr. Chamberlain has championed the cause of the Empire, and that is quite sufficient to ensure the enmity of the Liberals. But, as has frequently been the case of late years, the Liberals have proved themselves to lack political foresight. Sooner or later, Mr. Chamberlain's policy will triumph, and the resulting prosperity to all parts of the Empire will demonstrate the fallacy of the arguments now advanced against this reform. Old Country people would be surprised if they knew how unanimous colonial opinion is on this question. We believe that if the colonies were allowed to elect representatives to the House of Commons at the next general elections, there would not be a single Liberal elected in Canada or Australia, or in any of the other colonies, except perhaps in South Africa, where the Dutch element, mindful of the support accorded Britain's enemies in the late war by many of the Liberals, might take the other side.

If the Empire is to remain intact, colonial opinion must some day influence the colonial policy of the Imperial government. We are entitled to some say in matters that especially affect us, and Mr. Chamberlain's policy is of as vital importance to the colonies as it is to Great Britain. It is difficult for us to understand how the Liberal party can justify its position in this matter. We can realize that political capital easily can be made by appealing to the poorer classes of Great Britain on the ground that the price of the necessaries of life would be increased by Mr. Chamberlain's policy, but surely the conscience of the Liberal party has not fallen so low as to take advantage of an unreasoning prejudice with an argument so fallacious? The mild form of protection involved in Mr. Chamberlain's proposals need alarm nobody on the score of the price of food, and the general prosperity resulting would put more money into the pockets of the working classes, who would be the first to benefit by the improved conditions in home industries.

Let the working classes of Great Britain compare their condition with that of the workers of Canada and America, protectionist countries, and they will soon turn a deaf ear to the "dear food" cry of the Liberal party.

VARIOUS VIEWS.

CHANCE FOR AN EDITOR.

Why is it that from the inception of this paper to the present time we have not had an editor to sojourn in our midst? Other professions have been represented. Of preachers we have had enough to furnish substance to an African chief for a year; of doctors enough to depopulate a state; and lawyers enough to establish a good-sized colony in Hades. But of editors, not one.—The Penitentiary Prison Mirror (Minnesota.)

AND LET 'EM BE PRETTY.

Give us more girls. Somebody ought to be induced to import a few dozen at least of good, intelligent girls, who are willing to accept positions in hotels and private families as housekeepers. The wages are good and there appears to be a large demand for this class of labor. Girls are very much preferred to Chinamen.—Armstrong Advance.

QUITE UNPROFESSIONAL.

A trio of newspaper men were in town this week representing their various papers, W. W. Clarke of the Vancouver News-Advertiser, Percy Godenrath, and A. O. P. Francis, of the Kamloops Standard. For some weeks past they have been treading on one another's heels through the country rustling business, and in chase of the nimble dollar. The trio met here unexpectedly, and naturally one of them suggested a little liquid refreshment. On adjourning to the nearest bar each one called for a "soft drink." There was amazement on three faces, and explanations following it was discovered that the "water wagon" was in great demand.—Revelstoke Herald.

AN APPRECIATION.

As bright and witty a journal as there is published in British Columbia is The Week of Victoria. It sometimes grows caustic, but its wit and straight talk leads up to what is sought—the point. It is an unusual but pleasant thing to find a paper untrammeled in its utterances in Victoria.—Sandon Mining Standard.

CRANBROOK HAS IT.

Cranbrook has every reason to feel proud of her water supply. It is one of the best in the province.—Cranbrook Herald.

THE NEW SPORT.

C. H. Gibbons, the Vancouver newspaper man, who had shot an individual who had been too attentive to Gibbons' wife, was acquitted at his trial last week. Since the shot gun is now the established weapon of defence at the Vancouver hearthstone, a lot of fellows who prefer to show attentions to some other man's wife will be more careful in the future. Long live the shot gun.—Cranbrook Herald.

POLITICIANS' PAY.

The Victoria Times, mouthpiece of Senator Templeman and official organ of British Columbia's "Sordid Seven" attempts to justify the salary garb consummated at Ottawa during the closing days of last session, and in doing so extends a gratuitous insult to what that enlightened (?) journal is pleased to call "old man Ontario." The Times, however, does more, for it exposes the spirit of graft which moved the members of the Dominion House in voting to themselves salaries (we can no longer call them sessional indemnities) in excess of the commercial or professional earning power of a majority of the members in the House. The Times says: "Canada has outgrown its baby clothes. We have no business to entrust men with the destines of the nation who are not worth a fourth as much as a good lawyer." On that statement we can, even at the risk of being a little more personal than polite, bring the matter right home and ask how many of our own "Sordid Seven" have proved earning capacity of $5,000 per year. Two of them are wealthy men, but we venture to say that $5,000 is more than any one of the remaining five ever earned during any one year of their business careers.—Kamloops Sentinel.

BAD SHOTS.

Editor Lowery took a few parting shots at Mayor Stork in the last Ledge to be printed in Fernie. Fred Stork will continue to do business at the same old stand.—Fernie Free Press. ....

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF BERRIES.

Many parties have taken advantage of the huckleberry season for a pleasant day's outing. The berries are very plentiful this year.

THE CEREMONY AND AFTER.

A chum of ours who was married three weeks ago, says he wondered at the wedding why everybody cried when they kissed the bride, and grinned when they shook hands with him, and now he wonders why the women look at him as if they thought some one had got the better of him.—Cranbrook Prospector.

THE SUNDAY TREAT.

Twenty-five steady boarders wanted at the Province hotel. Chicken and ice cream dinner every Sunday.—Advt. in Grand Forks Sun.

UNLOVELY TRUTH.

The unsigned letter received at this office has been consigned to the waste basket. While a great part of the letter may be true, it would not look well in print, and perhaps it is just as well the writer did not sign any name.—Cumberland Enterprise.

BENEFITS OF RAILROADS.

Golden is wild with joy over the commencement of work on the Kootenay Central, and over at Windermere the local editor is putting butter on his bread. —Fernie Ledge.

THE GOLDEN NORTH.

(Atlin Claim.)

The news of a gold strike always carries with it great excitement and causes a desire in the breasts of many, especially in those of that restless class, the real frontiersman—who are always in the van—to get there, and that quietly. The news of the find on Iron Creek, just over our boundary, in the Yukon district, has been no exception, and already has started the rush, which gives promise of being as large as any of recent years. Atlin is supplying its quota to swell the number. This district, lying as it does in the gold belt zetween Cassiar and Klondike, and always looked upon as a land of promise, is practically unexplored, only a few men having been on any of its rivers or creeks. Iron Creek is a tributary of and about 90 miles up the Nisultin, which flows into Teslin lake, and the diggins are about 25 miles from the main river. The three ways of reaching the Nisultin, the gateway to the gold fields, are, up the Hootalinqua to Teslin lake; up the Stickine to Telegraph and across to Teslin; and from Atlin lake across to Teslin. Looking at the map the latter way seems to be the easiest and most practicable route, especially for winter travel, Teslin being some 65 miles a little east of the north end of Atlin lake. The divide between the two lakes is low, the country open and level, and at present there are two trails. A small expenditure of money would put through a first class trail for both summer and winter travel. This should be built at once so as to aid in a small way the efforts of the men—whose lot is not the easiest—who are opening up our country.

When The Red Gods Call.

Civilization, which means, after all, merely the organization of society, is not infrequently unsuccessful as regards one class of individuals, says a writer in an exchange. The tramp printer could never be reformed, but he left along his trail many material suggestions that were of value to the country press of a quarter of a century ago. He revolted at the calm monotony of prolonged life in one country town. He went to another—and to another, until he located finally in the Valley of the Shadow.

It might have been, if it were not for the defeat of the Armada, that Francis Drake would not only have gone down to posterity unknighted, but classed with Morgan, the pirate. If it were not for the army and navy, the Western prairies of America, the free life of Rhodesia, the sheep-runs of Australia, and the gold fields of the Klondike, how many thousands of the British race would now be living in passive, if not active, antagonism to the existing order of things which we call modern civilization?

Conventional society stands aloof from them except under extraordinary conditions, as when Drake was called by Howard of Feversham to defend the English coast against the Spanish invader, or when a severance of the Empire is threatened, as in the Boer war. A great many scientific instruments would not have been perfected if there had not been men "rolling down the Ratcliffe road, drunk and raising Cain," willing to enlist on Polar expeditions. The lighthouses of northwestern settlement, the Hudson's Bay Company trading posts, would long have remained unlighted if it were not for the rebellion in the hearts of adventurous young Scottish Highlanders against the quietness of the life in Highland clachans. And so there have been more members of the complex British race who have been pioneers, discoverers, soldiers of fortune and adventurers than any other. It may also be said that the majority of tramps in the world claim English as their native tongue. There may be an ocean of difference in degree between the spirit that animates a John Franklin who leaves a home of luxury and refinement to brave the vicissitudes of the Arctic regions, and that of the man who turns his back on comfortable respectability and lives a precarious life as a sailor on the North Atlantic, a waiter in Chicago, a cowboy in Montana, and a dock laborer in San Francisco; but after all it may be that both in their own way and according to their own standard and an inherited nature, are answering the call of the Red Gods that Kipling sings about.

But nature knows no waste, and the wanderers, the Bohemians who are frequently the discoverers and pioneers of new fields of industry and the providers of new sources of enjoyment, are factors in the great scheme of things, unrewarded as they may be from the standpoint of materialism. Knight-errantry was not the worst outcome of the feudal chivalry of the middle ages.

I knew a man once, a grave, middle-aged, seemly-living gentleman, married and blessed with a decorous family, in whom the latent Bohemianism which is said to exist in every son of Adam would burst forth whenever a fire occurred in the little Ontario town where he lived. It was a marvel for years why an otherwise self-respecting and respected citizen should, through the excitement of a local fire, go on a prolonged debauch. At last the explanation was given. The great-grandfather of the respectable but occasionally erratic citizen had been one of the sailor-firemen on the organization of the London fire brigade when modern fire-fighting was systematized and when the most reckless sailors were recruited. It was a case of reversion to type or ancestry when the fire-gong sounded. How very easily a white man of little strength of character can assimilate with the Indian, and how difficult it is to civilize the red man. It is a case of reversion. Civilization as we understand it is, after all, modern, and it is not surprising that scattered amongst us are men to whom the conventionalities and restraints of civilization are irksome bonds.

Scratch a Russian and you will find a Tartar, and touch a particular chord in any man's nature and he is as much the natural man as his savage forefathers.

If I may become distinctly personal for a moment, I will confess that never can a Highland regiment swing past in the garb of old Gaul to a stirring march skirled from the war-pipes, without my heart beating tumultuously and the tears streaming down my cheeks. I may laugh and scoff at it and feel ridiculous, but I have little doubt that it is all due to a barelegged ancestor who followed with battle-axe and bullhide shield his clan down from the Highland hills behind bonnie Charlie to fight for the lost cause of the kingly Stuarts. This feeling, lying latent in the breasts of all men, explains the leniency with which the sins of the Bohemian are treated. It is merely a fellow feeling making us wondrous kind.

Defiance of social laws has not caused any loss of interest in the works of Byron and Burns. The story of the most loved sailor of British history would be incomplete without Lady Hamilton. It adds much to the human interest of the life story of the greatest of British admirals. Lord Charles Beresford, the idolized "Lord Charlie" of Britain's present naval establishment, is not loved less on account of the wild episodes of his unsettled youth.

The stories that men love to tell of Daniel O'Connell, John A. Macdonald, D'Arcy McGee and other much-loved men cannot all be told in a drawing-room.

And when the Red Gods call in the conventional habitations of men for volunteers for the trekless places of the earth, they are always answered by many who desire to solve for themselves the problems of life, refusing to remain where the great question of human happiness is confined within defined bounds which they are compelled to accept, or starve. They are not to be blamed, for according to the best authorities they inherit qualities from generation after generation extending back to the common ancestor of all, Adam, who, the best authorities also agree, had himself a quality which many of us possess—the habit of being tempted by our wives and Old Nick.

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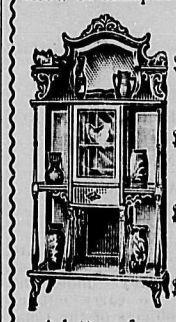

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Through The Islands

No.2—Notes on Maine and Galiano Island—Prosperous Settlers and Future Prospects.

(Staff Correspondence of The Week)

Of all the islands of the Gulf, Mayne and Galiano, forming Plumper (or Active) Pass, through which travel the steamers plying between Vancouver and Victoria, are perhaps best known to residents of other parts of the province. Mayne Island has excellent means of communication with Victoria and New Westminster, for both the steamer Iroquois and a C. P. R. steamer call there for freight and passengers. This little attractive island has two hotels, which in summer time entertain a large number of visitors, chiefly from Victoria and Vancouver. These hostelries are the Mayne Island hotel, under the management of the Messrs. Cayzer, and which is situated close to the wharf, and the Point Comfort hotel, situated on a fine site at the entrance to Plumper Pass, and managed by Mr. Maud. The Point Comfort hotel was built by Mr. Warburton Pike some years ago. It is a handsome house. The Mayne Island house is the property of Mr. Archibald Ingles, formerly a prominent business man of Montreal, but who on a visit to British Columbia some years ago was so attracted by the charms of Mayne Island that he decided to settle there. Mr. Ingles owns a considerable quantity of very good land on Mayne Island, as well as some desirable cottage sites along the shore near the wharf.

Steamer Iroquois, Pender Island Canal.

There are some excellent farms on Mayne Island. Mr. F. Robson's farm in the centre of the island has been a good paying proposition for many years. Mr. Robson has expended a large amount of labor on it, and has a big acreage in cultivation. Besides raising an excellent quality of hay and grain, Mr. Robson does a good deal in the way of dairying and poultry raising, and has also some excellent fruit trees. Mr. Dean's farm is another profitable undertaking. He is a practical farmer with good judgment in the matter of horses and cattle, and carries on a general farming business on intelligent lines. Mr. Bennett's farm, situated not far from Mr. Robson's place, is noted for its fruit, dairy and general produce. Mr. Bennett is the fortunate possessor of stalwart sons who have taken to the agricultural life, and who render valuable assistance on the farm. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett are very popular on the island, and their hospitable home often is the scene of pleasant gatherings of young people.

One of the best known of all the Islanders is Mr. Collinson, who is a pioneer of the province, and had a wide and varied experience before he settled down to a quiet life on Mayne Island. Tom Collinson is postmaster and runs a regular little country store, which is a favorite haunt for masculine gossips. He has reached a green old age; his years sit lightly upon him, for he is still one of the best shots with gun or rifle on the islands, and he is as hale and hearty as many a healthy young man. In addition to his business, Mr. Collinson has a fine orchard, and produces first class apples and small fruits.

Another old-timer is Mr. W. Robson, brother of the farmer, who for many years was host of the Mayne Island hotel. He has lately retired from that business, and has started a poultry farm on an extensive scale. His chicken houses are built on the most approved plans, and are large, airy and easily kept clean. He says that, so far, he has no reason to complain of the results of his enterprise, and points to the splendid market for broilers as offering the most profitable business for poultry raisers. Mr. and Mrs. Robson have a large family of grown up sons and daughters, and many grand-children to boot.

Mayne Island has a very pretty little Anglican church, under the charge of the Rev. Canon Paddon, who now resides on the island. Services are held every Sunday.

Some of the best land on Mayne Island is included in an Indian reserve, which many of the residents of the island hope will some day be available for white settlers. People who are on the lookout for a home in a quiet and beautiful place would do well to pay a visit to Mayne and Galiano Islands. The climate is delightful; the scenery charming, and the cost of living is remarkably low. There is plenty of good sport to be had with deer, duck and grouse, and salmon trolling in the season. Boating is a popular pastime around these islands. The tides are rather swift, but the mystery of their moods is soon mastered, and they are utilized to assist instead of retarding progress. There is plenty of social life on the islands. Picnic, concerts and dances, and even theatrical entertainments, serve to amuse young and old, and except for the spoilt dweller in big cities there is no reason for feeling dull at any time of the year.

As the islands become better known there is sure to be considerable settlement. On Galiano Island there is plenty of fair land available, but with a few exceptions there is not much systematic farming carried on there as yet. Mr. Grubbe, who is an excellent judge of cattle, has some fine animals on his ranch on this island, and is said to have done very well with them. He is a constant exhibitor of stock at the agricultural shows, and has taken many prizes. Mr. Joseph Page, J. P., is busy clearing his ranch, and should have a nice place in another year or two. His house is one of the handsomest on the island, and is the scene of many island parties.

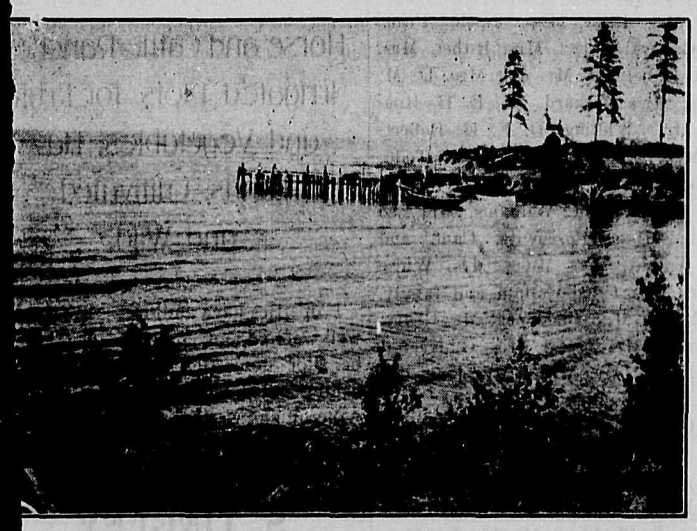
The land on these islands is not easily cleared, and it is likely that many of the future settlers will devote themselves more to small farming, fruit growing and poultry raising than to agriculture.

There are two schools on the island. One is presided over by Mr. J. W. Sinclair, who has been school teaching on the islands for many years—long enough to see some of his former pupils take positions as teachers themselves—and he has had great success with a large proportion of his pupils. The other school is at present in the charge of a young Victoria lady. The Messrs. Burrill supply the islanders with the necessaries, and some of the luxuries of life in their store, which has grown into a thriving business.

Galiano, like Mayne Island, is chiefly served in the way of transportation by the popular little steamer Iroquois, which calls at all island points one, two or three times a week, and handles freight and passenger traffic in an efficient manner. The Iroquois is one of the island institutions, and is well beloved by all islanders.

The channel between Mayne and Galiano Islands is not wide enough to separate the residents from each other, and entertainments on either island always are shared in by the people from the other side. Galiano Island is not so much so settled as Mayne, and the roads are not so good or so plentiful, but considering the scattered character of the existing settlement they are fairly good.

A few views of Mayne Island are printed on this page, and others showing scenes on Galiano will be printed later.



Lighthouse, Mayne Island.

A notable exhibit in the Berlin Hohenzollern museum consists of the "death dice." About the middle of the seventh century a beautiful young girl was murdered, and suspicion fell on two soldiers, Ralph and Alfred, who were rival suitors, for her hand. As both prisoners denied their guilt and even torture failed to extract a confession from either, Prince Frederick William, the Kaiser's ancestor, decided to cut the Gordion knot with the dice box. The two soldiers should throw for their lives, the loser to be executed as the murderer. The event was celebrated with great pomp and solemnity, and the Prince himself assisted at this appeal to divine intervention, as it was considered by everybody, including the accused themselves.

Ralph was given the first throw, and he drew sixes, the highest possible number, and no doubt felt jubilant. The dice box was then given to Alfred, who fell on his knees and prayed aloud: "Almighty God thous knowest I am innocent. Protect me, I beseech thee!" Rising to his feet, he threw the dice with such force that one of them broke in two. The unbroken one showed six and the broken one also showed six on the larger portion, and the bit that had been split off showed one, giving a total of thirteen, or one more than the throw of Ralph. The whole audience thrilled with astonishment, while the Prince exclaimed "God has spoken!" Ralph, regarding the miracle as a sign from heaven, confessed his guilt and was sentenced to death. It is probable that Alfred ever after did not number himself among those who look upon 13 as an unlucky number.

Two changes in the management of Okanagan papers recently have taken place. Mr. P. B. Pelly has taken over the management of the Kelowna Clarion from Messrs. H. M. Spedding and W. J. Clement, and Mr. Backley has taken Mr. Fraser's place on the Armstrong Advertiser.

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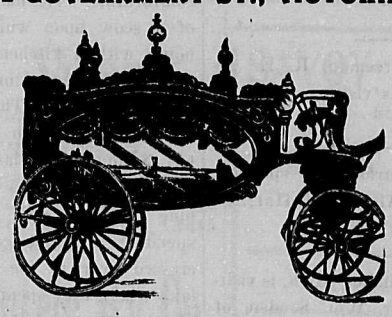

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That he stayed right at home, poor man,
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of some men—
'Tis impossible, quite, to deny it;
But 'tis true that quite often the trick
has been done
Before ever a woman could try it.

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"And you?" said the musician.

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Mr. Robson's Cows, Mayne Island.

Sam Collinson, Mayne Island.

Social

Dr. O. M. and Mrs. Jones expect to arrive home by the 14th.

Mrs. W. Monteith, of Lampson street, entertained at the tea hour on Tuesday.

Miss Woodill returned this week from San Francisco after an absence of a few months.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Chamberlain and son, of Spokane, are staying at the Dominion.

Capt. William Freeman, R. E., arrived on leave, and is visiting friends in Saanich.

Mrs. and Miss Harlock are spending a few weeks at St. Alice hotel, Harrison Hot Springs.

Mrs. White, of Calumet, Mich, is visiting her brother, Mr. Wm. Souden, of Amelia street.

Miss Florence Wey, of Vancouver, is visiting Mrs. Butchart, of the "Chalet," Rockland avenue.

Mrs. George Taylor gave a most enjoyable evening, Monday, in honor of some of our visitors.

Mrs. Fordham, of Vancouver, was a guest of her mother, Mrs. (Dr.) Powell, for the tennis week.

Miss Etta Peppett, of North Sydney, left for home on Sunday after a visit of two months in Victoria.

James Grier and wife, of Port Arthur, Ont., spent some days in Victoria this week, staying at the Driard hotel.

Miss Violet Pooley and Miss Violet Powell are guests of Mrs. Fordham for the tennis week in Vancouver.

Capt. and Mrs. Watts and Miss Watts spent a few days in Vancouver, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henshawe, before proceeding to Halifax.

Mr. Kenneth Forbes, of the Molson's bank, Montreal, left on Tuesday. He will spend a few days in Vancouver before proceeding East.

Mrs. S. S. Burt, Miss Burt and Miss Edith Burt left this week to visit the Portland fair, and will spend some time at Long Beach before returning home.

Mrs. P. C. Dunlevy has returned from New York, and is at present staying a few weeks with Mrs. Lubbe, of Quadra street, before leaving for her home on Soda Creek, B. C.

Rev. A. Mullineux is spending a well-earned holiday with Mr. Galletly, of Rockland avenue. Mr. Mullineux is well-known in Victoria, having been chaplain on board the H. M. S. Amphion on her last commission.

Amongst the Victorians that went over to Vancouver to take part in the tennis tournament are Mrs. Wright, Miss Bell, Miss Pitts, Miss M. Pitts, Mrs. E. C. Baker, Miss N. Todd, Miss Violet Pooley, Miss V. Powell, Miss Mara, Mr. T. Cornwall, Captain Wright, Captain Williams and H. Pooley.

Mrs. Croft gave a very jolly children's party at her residence "Mount Adelaide" on Monday last in honor of her nephew, Master Bob Harvey, of Comox. Mrs. Croft was assisted by Lady Musgrave and Miss Olive Bryden. The afternoon was spent in games of all sorts, after which high tea was served, amongst the children present were: Misses Allison and Angela Beanlands, Miss Gwen McPhillips, Baby Wright, Miss Angela Bland, Jessie Prior, Nora and Ruth Jones, Bob Harvey, Torquin Burns, Paul Beanlands, Tommy Lampman, Roy Bland and Albert McPhillips.

Miss Dorothy Cayzer held a most enjoyable bathing party at Gossip Island last Monday. Amongst those present were Mrs. Steward, Mrs. Goepel, Mrs. Winstanley, Mrs. Sturdy, Miss Bonsall, Miss W. Cayzer, Miss Grubbe, Miss Beatrice Winstanley, Miss Leamy, Miss M. Cayzer, Miss Winstanley, Mrs. T. Cayzer, Mr. J. Burrill, Mr. Worge, Mr. A. Cayzer and others.

Friends of Mr. J. R. Rome, of the Eastern Townships Bank, will be glad to hear he has been transferred from Grand Forks and promoted to the position of teller in the new branch of the bank just opened in Vancouver.

J. M. Robinson, of Summerland, accompanied by his wife and family, and Dr. and Mrs. Lipsett, of Peachland, passed up the lake, Tuesday, en route for hte Landing to be present at the regatta, says the Kelowna Clarion. Mr. Robinson's mode of travelling is decidedly comfortable. He has procured the hull of a scow upon which he has built a house with a kitchen and dining room, and sleeping accommodation for ten or fifteen persons. This house boat is drawn by a staunch launch. The party left Summerland last Saturday and came by easy stages up the lake, stopping two days at Peachland. After spending a couple of hours here they crossed over to the other side of the lake where they spent the afternoon and night. Amongst others who left to-day with their launches to compete in the regatta at the landing were noticed Messrs. Bowes, DeHart, Hingston and Newby. All the boats had quite large parties on board.

The excursion on Wednesday in aid of the children's ward of the Jubilee hospital was a great success, and everyone enjoyed the trip, although they were again disappointed in not getting to the fish traps, the weather being unfit the destination was altered to San Juan island, Mosquito and Henry islands, coming back by Sidney spit, reaching Victoria about 6 o'clock. Mrs. Hasell, Mrs. Charles Rhodes and Mrs. Machin looked after the refreshments, assisted by the Daughters of Pity and Mr. J. S. Byron, the steward. On arrival home Rev. J. O. Foster proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Babcock, which was seconded by Mr. Bryden and carried with three cheers. Amongst those who enjoyed the trip were Mrs. J. D. Pemberton and party, Mrs. W. Munsie, Mr. Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Worsfold, Mrs. Templeman, Misses Dupont, Miss Hallam, Rev. J. O. Foster, Miss Erskine, Madam de Herge, Miss Webling, Miss Bullen, Mr. Challoner, Mrs. McTavish, Mr. and Miss Leverson, Mr. and the Misses Galletly, Mr. Mulliman, Mr. Lawson, Chief Justice and Mrs. Hunter, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Duff, Mrs. Lampman, Mrs. Bell, Misses Bell, Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. H. Hanington, Mr. and Mrs. T. Johnson, Miss Foster, Miss Moberly, Mr. and Mrs. Hulton Harrop, Mr. O'Reilly, Mr. Swinnerton and party, Hon. A. E., Mrs. and Miss Smith, Mr. J. O. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Pooley, Mr. Mara, Mrs. Mara, Mrs. C. W. Rhodes and party, Mr. J. M. Babcock, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, Mrs. Tatlow, Mr. and Mrs. Machin, Miss B. Dunsmuir and party, Mrs. Joquelin, Mrs. A. W. Jones, Miss Loewen, Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Hamfield, Capt. and Mrs. Bunbury, Mr. and Mrs. C. Phillipps-Wolley, Major and Mrs. Bland, Capt. Geary, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson, Mrs. Carmichael, Mr. Bridgman, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kirk, Mrs. Potts, Mrs. Newman, Mr. Justice Irving and party.

The young ladies assisting in arrangements were Miss Dorothy Sehl, Miss Bryden, Miss Gladys Green, Miss Potts, Miss Beanlands, Miss Becker, Miss Williams, Miss Heyland, Miss McKay, Miss Tatlow, and Miss Toban.

A very pretty wedding took place on Tuesday afternoon when Mr. Alfred McConnell, was married to Miss Emily Holmes at the residence of the groom's parents. Rev. Mr. Thompson, of the Centennial Methodist church, performed the ceremony. The bride was most becomingly gowned in brown broad cloth trimmed with cream applique, with hat to match, and was given away by Mr. W. Souden. Miss Kate Palmer made a most charming bridesmaid, and wore a dainty gown of pale green voile trimmed with ecru lace and an ecru lace hat. Three little maids who acted as flower girls were Miss May Driesdale and Misses May and Adeline McConnell, nieces of the groom. Their dresses were of the sheerest white organdie trimmed with valenciennes lace with bebe hats to match. Humbert McConnell supported the groom. After the ceremony the wedding party consisting of 25 people sat down to the wedding breakfast. The happy couple then drove to the Princess Victoria en route for the Sound, where the honeymoon will be spent. The groom is well-known in athletic circles in Victoria, and has always been a general favorite. A great many lovely presents were received, amongst them a very handsome dinner set from the emplyees of Messrs. Weiler Bros., by which firm the groom is employed. The list of presents is as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Souden, carving set; bath towels, Mrs. Jones, sr.; lace quilt, Mr. and Mrs. Stark; china tea set and wedding cake, Mr. and Mrs. Souden; hand-painted plate, Mrs. J. Evans; salad bowl, Mr. and Mrs. Jones; silver jelly spoon, Mrs. Bramford; silver cutlery, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes; silver cake basket, Mr. and Mrs. Kermode; Doileys, Mrs. J. Reily; handkerchief and catchet, Miss Isabel Wilkins; hand-made lace, Mrs. Davey; sofa cushion, Mrs. Chadwick; silver spoons, Mr. Charles Armstrong; brass hot water kettle, Mr. and Mrs. Whittaker; cutlery and hand-painted china, Mr. and Mrs. McConnell; silver breakfast cruet, Mr. and Mrs. Gilchrist; cal. and silver butter dish, Mr. and Mrs. Young; cut glass and silver marmalade dish, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Dinsdale; silver forks, Mr. Clarence McConnell; clock and brass ornament, Mr. and Mrs. F. Kermode; rocker, Mr. and Mrs. C. Furnell; picture, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Phillips; teaspoons, Mr. Humbert McConnell; silver salt and pepper, Miss Kate Palmer.

The annual tennis tournament ended last Saturday before a large and fashionably dressed audience. There was everything to be desired; the courts were in good order and the weather perfect. The spectators looked for some very good games and were a little disappointed, especially in the finals of the men's singles between Captain Wright and Mr. B. P. Schwengers, the latter not being in good form, was forbidden by his medical adviser to play, but rather than disappoint the attendance he played all the matches he was down for.

Mrs. Cole beat Miss M. Pitts, 6-3, 6-1, winning the ladies' championship once more. Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Langley won the ladies' doubles, defeating Miss and Miss Marion Pitts by 6-3, 8-6. The mixed doubles was won by Capt. Wright and Miss Alice Bell.

After the games were concluded Mr. Musgrave made a few suitable remarks to the players, then called upon Mrs. Pooley to present the prizes which were won in the present tournament and that of the handicap events of a few weeks ago. The list of those who received prizes is as follows: Ladies' singles (handicap), Miss Marion Pitts; men's singles (handicap), S. G. Wilson; mixed doubles (handicap), Miss Wason and J. A. Rithet.

Open Events.

Ladies' singles, Miss M. Pitts.

Lady championship of B. C., Mrs. Cole.

Ladies' doubles, 1st, Mrs. Cole and Mrs. W. Langley; 2nd, Miss and Miss M. Pitts.

Mixed doubles, 1st, Capt. Wright and Miss A. Bell; 2nd, Mr. R. H. and Miss Violet Pooley.

Men's doubles, 1st, R. H. Pooley and J. A. Rithet; 2nd, B. P. Schwengers and F. A. Macrae.

Men's singles, championship B. C., 1st, Capt. Wright; 2nd, B. P. Schwengers.

Amongst those present were noticed: Mrs. Pooley ina handsome gown of black and white, with toque to match; Mrs. Robin Dunsmuir, in a very chic gown of black and white silk, wearing a smart black "Napoleon" toque, with white osprey; Miss Violet Hickey looked very well in pale blue silk, with a most becoming hat to match; Miss Eva Loewen was very much admired in a picturesque gown of pale blue flowered organdie with lingerie hat; Mrs. W. Langley, in a becoming gown of heliotrope voile, with a decidely Frenchy hat trimmed with shaded blue and green ribbon; Miss Daisy Langley looked sweet in pale blue muslin; Miss Wason in a flowered silk frock; Mrs. Little in a very smart black gown with girdle of Dresden silk; Mrs. Hussey in a smart white linen suit; Mrs. Beauchamp Tye in a smart white loliene gown trimmed with Maltese lace, wearing a large tulle hat; Miss M. Goddard in white; Mrs. Roper in a smart gown of grey voile; Mrs. Bland in a very elaborate gown of oyster grey, with Maxime Elliott hat trimmed with pink roses; Miss Loewen in white; Mrs. Charles Rhodes in becoming gown of mauve, with hat to match; Miss M. Butchart in a sweet girlish gown of point esprit; Mrs. Butchart wore a becoming gown of white; Mrs. J. Graham in mauve linen with black picture hat; Miss K. Gaudin wore a becoming gown of white; Miss Phipps in blue, with foliage hat; Miss A. Pooley in yellow organdie; Miss E. Lawson looked her best in white; Mrs. Langton, a smart frock of blue and white organdie over taffeta, with hat to match; Mrs. P. S. Lampman in a dainty frock of flowered muslin, with Page hat of blue and white; Mrs. Parry looked sweet in a white frock, with pale blue picture hat; Mrs. Griffiths, in a smart gown of mauve voile; Mrs. Gore looked very handsome in black voile with lovely lace; Mrs. R. H. Pooley, in sweet gown of blue and white organdie, with hat to match; Mrs. H. Barnard in a pretty gown of crepe de chine, trimmed with Maltese lace; Mrs. C. M. Roberts, in black and white organdie; Mrs. Bell looked very well in black.

A partial list of those present is as follows: Miss N. Newcombe, Mrs. McCallum, Mr. and Mrs. Ambery, Mrs. and Miss Smith, Mr. and Mrs. F. Barnard, Miss Olive Bryden, Mrs. and Miss Campbell, Miss Clute, Mr. and Mrs. B. Tye, Mr. T. Cornwall, Mr. J. Cambie, Mrs. Croft, Mrs. and Miss Devereux, Mrs. James Dunsmuir, Misses Dunsmuir, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Eberts, Major and Mrs. Bland, Mrs. Miles, Miss G. Green, Mr. C. Lance, Mrs. Foster, Miss Cecil Hardy, Mr. C. Schwengers Miss Wilson, Miss Leeming, Mr. J. Leeming, Mr. L. A. and Mrs. Genge, Mrs. Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Goward, Mrs. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Goward, Mrs. H. A. Goward, Miss Goward, Mr. G. Greasley, Mrs. Frank and Miss Hanington, Miss Wey (Vancouver), Mrs. Fordham, Mr. Ewart, Miss W. Johnson, Mr. and Miss Hunter, Mr. and Miss Brady, Mrs. and Miss Mara, Mrs. Ward, Miss Langley, Mr. H. F. and Mrs. Langton, Miss Macrae, Miss Mason, Mr. Alexis Martin, Mr. and Mrs. G. Matthews, Miss Monteith, Mrs. Hussey, Mrs. Moresby, Miss Beanlands, Mrs. C. M. Roberts, Misses K. and B. Gaudin, Sir Richard and Lady Musgrave, Mr. Lewis, Mr. and Miss Mainguy, Mr. Reid, Mr. and Miss Goward, Mrs. Gavin Burns, Mrs. and Miss McDonald, Mrs. and Miss Phipps, Mr. S. I. and Misses Pitts, Miss Williams, Mrs. Prior, Miss Jessie Prior, Miss Gladys Terry, Mrs. Rithet, Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Miss Barnard, Mr. E. H. Russell, Mr. Whiting, D. E. H. Robertson, Mrs. J. H. and the Misses Todd, Dr. and Mrs. Watt, Mr. B. Williams, Capt. and Mrs. M. Williams, Mr. Leo and the Misses Boscowitz, Capt. and Mrs. Wright, Miss Miles, Mrs. White Fraser, Mrs. C. McCallum and family, Mrs. Rome, Mrs. Blakelock, Mr. Geary, Mr. Yates, Mr. Keefer, Miss G. Keefer, Mrs. Roper, Mr. Miles, Mr. Jones, B. Prior, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Rhodes, Mrs. Tom Gore, Mrs. Gibb, Mrs. Gordon Gibb, Miss Green, Lieut. Fall, Miss Violet Powell, Mr. J. Bridgman, Miss Petty Drake, Mrs. and the Misses Loewen, Mrs. A. W. Jones, Mrs. Archer Martin, and others.

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Kootenay Notes

Nelson, August 5.

The chief topic of the Kootenays during the past week has been the booming of Midway. Midway is, rather was, a deserted village, and its only title to distinction was that in some far gone by epoch it had some smelter aspirations, quelched by the towering success of the Granby, and is the terminus, for the nonce, of the C. P. R. extension Westward of their Crow's Nest branch. Fifty-seven years ago, the oldest inhabitant, or what really ought to be the oldest inhabitant, says that he came to Midway and bought up ranches. There was neither a Spokane, nor a Seattle nor a Vancouver. Still he came there and bought land, and now he has sold it to the contractors, who are putting up boarding houses (they never heard of the Kelly Act) or the rushing merchants of all descriptions, who are piling into Midway, till the town, like the newly hatched chicken with the egg shell still sticking to its head, will not believe that it was never the village of a couple of months ago. The V., V. & E. have started to build westward. The Vernon & Midway railroad are doing more or less work. They had to or they would have lost the charter, and Midway is booming, and is again talking of a smelter. The country around Midway is good. The C. P. R. halts at Midway and probably goes on, possibly over the Vernon-Midway line; the Great Northern are across the Kettle river, and presently will bridge it and run over the Canadian boundary, and as the western gateway to the Boundary country, Midway undoubtedly has a future.

Locally there is nothing much stirring except the fair and the tourists. The big star is blazing, and there is nobody here sufficiently strenuous, except John Houston, and he is off to the coast, to worry over anything except to find the shadiest side of the house or office, and the place where the coolest beverages are dispensed. The week before last the advertising committee of the Great Northern started upon a tour through this Kootenay country with a view of attracting tourist travel hitherward. The C. P. R. are talking along the same lines. The Great Northern people are talking of putting up hotels and sending out extensive literature among the people who do spend money in the East and want a climate whose hottest summer days hardly average above 70 degrees Farenheit in the shade. Hence in the Christ line Nelson, and, indeed, the Kootenays generally, are waking to the situation that the scenery here compares favorably with anything any other old continent possesses. Nelson is getting strenuous this way. It has discovered it has a lake, a magnificent sheet of water twenty miles long and a mile or so broad, entering into Kootenay lake, of far greater dimensions. Deer come down and drink at the lakeside, bear abound in the steep wood-covered hillsides beyond, and numberless trout abound in the waters. Each side rise mountains varying from 5,000 to eight and nine thousand feet in height with a few glaciers here and there. Nelson's mayor has inaugurated a park, and the citizens generally go out on the lake and listen to the band. But here the movement will not stop. Already there is talk of the exhibition buildings being municipally owned, of the laying out of a golf links, a tennis court and a town water. The lake swarms with launches and row boats and canoes, and latterly a very crazy old dinghy that will hold water at all has been pressed into service. Without the infinite charm of the Lea, but plus the mountains and the forest bordered lakes, Nelson will press that beauty spot Victoria, hard in the attraction of the tourist. The tourist associations of the two places should join hands, for the one place is but the complement of the other.

This week, it is again stated, John Houston will have a legal battle with his recalcitrant council. It is to come off on the coast in the form of an application for the dismissed civic employee, Coulter, late fire team driver, to the Supreme Court for all kinds of pains and penalties against the mayor. The latest is that affidavits have been sent down declaring that as Coulter is not a ratepayer he has no business to make the application, in fact it is "demnition impudence" on his part, as the well-known Mantalini would say. The other side declare that he is a ratepayer, and are awaiting eagerly the result of the great battle. But the Houstonites are just as confident, and as the mayor's paper has not been vituperative of late probably they have some reason for their confidence. But the main reason for the visit of the mayor to the coast is a further application of his wicked enemy, the West Kootenay Power & Light Company, to do things upon the Kootenay river in alteration of their plans for the erection of their power plant. One says the mayor's enemy, for he really does make a personal point of it, and like King Charles, head in the memorials of the lamented Mr. Dick, West Kootenay is never out of the columns of the Tribune. Well the company can stand advertising. Most Western concerns can. The mayor says that if the Kootenay river is played with by these people the city power plant will either be out of sight under water or swamped with additional expense. Hinc illate lachrymate.

SPORT.

On Saturday last the Victoria Cricket Club's "A" eleven were defeated by the Garrison team by 206 runs to 155.

The Cranbrook lacrosse team lost to Lethbridge on the latter's grounds last week in the final game for the Levasseur cup decision. Lethbridge won, and the cup goes back to the Prairie town.

The Seattle lacrosse team defeated Portland on Sunday last by 8 goals to 7, the combination play of the Puget Sound men outclassing their opponents, who nevertheless have some excellent individual players.

Victoria players have been to the fore in the annual tournament of the Vancouver Lawn Tennis Club, which has been in progress during this week. Among those taking part are Capt. Wright, Capt. Williams, Miss V. Pooley, Miss Mara, the Misses Pitts, Miss N. Todd and Miss Bell.

The annual regatta of the North Pacific Association of Amateur Oarsmen commenced at Esquimalt yesterday, and will be concluded to-day. As the more important events take place to-day the report of the races is held over until next week. Some very close races are expected this afternoon, and there is sure to be a big assemblage of spectators.

Very creditable marksmanship was displayed in the annual shoot of the Victoria Gun Club at Langford Plains on Sunday last. Mr. Weiler won the trophy with a score of 14 out of a possible 15, the next man being Mr. Adams with a score of 13. In the first round Messrs. Weiler and Adams tied for first place with 25 out of 30, and Messrs. Short and T. Peden tied with 24 each.

There was great joy in Victoria lacrosse circles on Saturday last when the Victoria lacrosse team defeated the Vancouverites by six goals to four. The visitors came over confident of an easy thing—which it must be admitted they have enjoyed when playing Victoria for some time past—but the Victorians played the game of their lives, and came out on top. The result is confirmation of the idea many people have that a lacrosse game is one of the most uncertain things in the realm of sport. On previous form nobody could have expected Victoria to win, and now we shall begin to look for more victories. It is quite possible that Victoria may have a championship bunch by next year, especially as many of the veterans of the New Westminster team appear likely to make this their last season. The last quarter of Saturday's game was rather rough, but Referee Geo. Snider kept his weather eye open. The goals were scored as follows: Victoria: White, 2; Baker, 2; West, 1; Sargison, 1. Vancouver: Douglas, 1; Cao, 1; Godfrey, 1; Matheson, 1.

The annual tournament of the Victoria Lawn Tennis Club was concluded at the commencement of the week with some fairly well contested finals. The chief event of the tournament was the men's championship, which was won by Capt. Wright, who defeated Mr. B. P. Schwengers after some hard games. The captain's victory was popular, although Mr. Schwengers was not in his best form owing to an accident earlier in the day. Mrs. Cole sustained her claim to the ladies' championship by defeating her challenger, Miss M. Pitts, 6-3, 6-1. Miss Pitts, however, won the ladies' single handicap. The ladies' doubles were won by Mrs. Cole and Mrs. Langley, who defeated the Misses Pitts, 6-3, 8-6. This was by no means an easy victory. Messrs. R. H. Pooley and J. A. Rithet won the men's doubles, defeating Messrs. B. P. Schwengers and F. A. Macrae, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2. Miss A. Bell and Capt. Wright won the mixed doubles after beating Miss V. Pooley and Mr. R. H. Pooley, 6-4, 6-2. Mr. S. G. Wilson won the men's singles handicap, and the mixed doubles handicap went to Miss Wason and Mr. J. A. Rithet. These latter events were won some weeks ago. The prizes were given away by Mrs. Pooley.

THE STAGE.

"The College Widow,' considered a very amusing play by Easterners, is to be produced at the Victoria theatre this season. It is written by the lively humorist, George Ade.

The conductors appointed for next year's Cincinnati Musical Festival are Mr. Frank van der Stuecken and Sir Edward Elgar. The latter will conduct his own oratorio and perhaps greatest work, The Apostles.

Subscriptions towards the stock of the company which proposes to build an electric railway from Chilliwack to New Westminster are reported to be coming in well. In Chilliwack alone about $25,000 already has been subscribed. This is an index to the prosperity of the fertile Chilliwack valley, and also to the progressive spirit of the people. The railway should prove a splendid thing for the country to be traversed, and also a profitable investment.

Some very interesting letters by the composer of Carmen, who in his day was also one of the "Roman Prize" winners, are printed for the first time in the second June number of Die Musik (Berlin). In one of these Bizet thus sums up his opinions on Italian composers: "After reserving two-thirds of Norma, four numbers of the Puritani, and three of La Sonnambula, two acts of Rigoletto, one act of Il Trovatore, and perhaps one-half of La Travatiata, adding to these Don Pasquale, you may throw the rest on the rubbish heap! As regards Rossini, he has written his William Tell, his sun—the Barber of Seville, one act of Otello—for the sake of these we will pardon him for his horrible Semiramide and all his other sins. . . Verdi is no longer Italian; he wants to play 'Wagner.' . . . There's neither head nor tail to that. . . . He has lost his old faults, but without retaining his good qualities. . . He is anxious to create a 'style,' and doesn't get beyond mere pretensions. . . It is intolerable. . . absolutely deplorable." Concerning Gounod, Bizet says in another of these letters: "Gounod wants to go to Rome to be ordained. . . He is completely crazy! His latest compositions are pitiable." All of these letters were addressed to a young composer, Paul Lacombe, who wanted to take lessons of Bizet.

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By "BABETTE"

Dear Madge,—All last week the elite of Victoria thronged to the tennis courts, in fact each day seemed to bring forth more smartly dressed women and sporty young men than the preceeding. Of course every one turns out in their best "bib and tucker" to the tournament; it is the thing to do. Even the near-sighted old ladies are present in their heavy black silk gowns, their chief occupation being to gossip furiously about "so and so," whom they manage to distinguish in the distance. The portly old gentleman is also there; he is perhaps a little hard of hearing, and grumbles to himself about the umpire not singing out the score loud enough. However he takes great interest in the game, and gives voice with the multitude in the usual "ah!" when a particularly telling and clever stroke is played, or a mournful "oh!" when a brilliant smash goes into the net. Proud and anxious relatives are much in evidence, and usually arrive a quarter of an hour before time, to be sure of a "good seat" to watch their dear ones perform. And, oh, the black looks they occasionally cast in the direction of the linesmen are terrific, especially when he happens to give a decision in favor of the "wrong side." Then they are "perfectly certain that the ball was in" or "out," as the case may be. But now I know that you are longing to hear about some of the pretty frocks worn on these occasions, so I will tell you of one that I thought particularly charming.

It was of a soft moss-rose shade of pink crepede chine, the full skirt gathered to the waist and trimmed with narrow frills at the foot. Three rows of the frills were put on straight, and three rows above them in festoons. The little, short, square bolers was narrowly tucked in small squares, and it was open down the side and back seams, connected by small, flat silk bows and gold studs. The embroidered batiste shirt was crossed by bands of the embroidery continued below the pointed silk belt, and which were edged with very narrow pink silk pleatings. On the puffed elbow sleeves bands of similar embroidery were crossed to make a little point at the back of the arm.

The hat to go with this dress was of the popular Tuscan straw, with the wide bent-down back, and was bordered with ecru tulle tucked and folded. An enormous pink ostrich feather was brought all round the crown and threaded through the brim, the tip falling on the hair to one side, near the back. The bandeau was of the ecru tulle surmounted by a Louis XV. pattern worked out in little Pompadour roses and green foliage. White muslin dresses were very popular, and are always dainty and pretty. One especially I noticed was in open embroidery, consisting entirely of round holes. The skirt was trimmed with three frills of Valenciennes lace, and was mounted on shell-pink silk. The pretty little bodice was full in the front, and caught into a folded and pointed satin belt matching the pink foundation, and the yoke and neckband were of lace, with a few little flat pink satin bows. The large girlish hat was composed of frills of Valenciennes lace, and round the large crown soft shell-pink satin ribbon was twisted. A semi-wreath of roses and green foliage was laid on, the roses peaked up to a point on one side. The bandeau was of pink satin, with bows of the same, and wide strings to match were tied under the chin. Many of the latest model hats, Madge, have a very wide bent-down back, and look very ugly in the hand, but very smart and becoming on the head, provided the head be coiffured in a style to suit the shape of the hat, a point frequently forgotten by many ladies. A novelty in a cream straw hat, is one that resembles a large Breton sailor with a shallow brim; it is turned somewhat brusquely up at the side, and is exceedingly smart in its simple way. It has folds of white muslin or lawn inside the curve of the brim and just a knot where it turns up at the side. Very new also are the hats of different colored linens, the crowns adorned with spotted lawn kerchiefs folded three-cornerwise, the ends being slashed through and swathed across the bandeau, finishing in a sort of wheel rosette on either side. In blue and white this is a charming model, and one can "see" other colors equally well in one's mind's eye. Linen dresses have been a good deal worn of late, not only in the morning, but in the afternoon. The art linens are now dyed in such beautiful shades that a dress made up of any one of them ceases to be the plain simple thing, which a linen dress formerly was. A very smart and dressy linen gown I saw the other day worn by an American tourist. It was of olive-green linen, cut out in sharp points round the skirt, and bolero, over light green linen, the effect was most artistic. Smaller vandycks of the light green came in about the cuffs and round the neck, and the skirt was of embroidered cream batiste, caught into an olive green kid belt, with buckle and clasp studded with cut steel. The hat worn with this dress was severe in style, and at the same time chic. It was really so quaint that I must describe it to you, Madge. It was of olive-green straw, sharply pointed in front, like a torpedo, but redeemed from being a copy of this shape by the little dome-shaped crown, and the back turned up and dinged in to make a hollow in the centre. The trimming was utterly original. Covering one side was a long wing of the exact shade of the straw, the small feathers at the top coming over the front of the hat and covering the outside of the brim for a little space. The opposite side of the brim was overlaid by half a kid belt, similar to that worn with the dress, the buckle and slide being used, and all flat to the side of the hat.

The fad of the moment, my dear Madge, is to have in your possession an afternoon Japanese tea service, tray and all complete, and I assure you nothing is more dainty. Weiler Bros. have a very choice stock in this line, that has lately arrived from Japan. Their papier mache trays finely finished in black and gold, or in one color, red or green, are really quite the nicest I have ever seen. One has such a choice in shapes, too; they are either round, square or oblong, and in all sizes. As for their assortment of "Jap china," it is simply "par excellence." One tea service that I particularly admired, was in pale blue and gold, the pattern was simply a mass of pale blue daaisies on a background of gold, and the tea-pot, sugar bowl and cream jug to match, were such pretty and quaint shapes. I little wonder at the tourists making Weiler Bros. such a "rendezvous," when they have such a display of fascinating china, etc.

The "bicycle face" has long since been relegated to the limbo of antiquated jokes, but it's successor has arrived on the scene in the shape of the motoring complexion, the keen breezes, dust and sun incidental to this popular sport being decidedly inimical to the preservation of a delicate skin. Terry & Marett have in stock a splendid collection of delightful skin lotions, which are cleansing, and in addition preserve the purity of the complexion and keep it soft and free from the harsh ruddy tint which too often distinguishes the face and neck of the sportswoman. They have also a lovely French toilet soap called "Violette des Champs," which I have tried and find most beneficial to the skin this hot weather.

My drawing room is again "topsy turvy," I am rearranging everything. This time the cause of such disturbance is that I wish to find a suitable situation for my new music cabinet that I purchased a few days ago at Fletcher Bros. Really, Madge, it is a dream, and like the rest of my drawing room furniture is of rosewood. What an improvement on the old-fashioned music racks are the handsome and useful cabinets of to-day. I often wonder why more people do not invest in these necessary articles of furniture, at least I consider a cabinet of this kind necessary. I have frequently visited beautifully furnished drawing rooms, and invariably have I seen the song books and sheet music piled up on a stool or chair, and sometimes on the floor, this to my mind looks most untidy. Now, Madge, "adieu," the afternoon wanes, and I am dining out to-night. Till next week.

Yours,
"BABETTE."

The objects of some wives in blowing up their husbands is to have them come down.

A Pennsylvania paper says: "Boston, populous Boston, may properly be described as the town in which hundreds of thousands daily live, move and have their beans."

Our London Letter.

London, July 25th, 1905.

Dear Victoria:—I must apologize for the lateness of my letter, but I have been busy and unable to sit down with my pen. The season, in spite of all gloomy prognostications, seems to have been very gay—plenty of balls for the young ladies and other galeties besides. For instance, the other day a girl whose father is in the Guards, told me she had been to 28 balls and had been asked to 34, and was even then rushing back to Lady Penrhyn's ball, which must surely be the very last of the season. Mortimer House is an excellent house for a ball, for besides being large it has a garden where one can wander, in between the dances. The chief event in the beginning of the month was the state ball at Buckingham Palace. Everything was very well done as usual. I did not go myself but some of my family did. They said the Queen was looking wonderfully well and beautiful as usual, though older. Her Majesty danced in the square dances. A court ball is not for general dancing; for one thing there is very little room. It is generally taken as a grand spectacle. At one end of the room is a circle where the royal family sit on a raised dais, and in front of which they dance. There are four entrances into the ballroom, which is large. At one end is a gallery where the musicians in scarlet and gold play. On each side are seats rising in tiers for the general public if they are minded to rest. But you can do as you like, walk, sit, dance or stare at the royal family. The ball commences with a royal quadrille, sometimes the great of the land are included, and this takes place directly after the royalties have "processed" into the room. The scene is really very splendid, all the men are in full uniform, orders, decorations and medals, and every woman has on her best frock and her most beautiful jewels, and as there are some very wonderful diamonds in England it is a magnificent display. The Queen usually wears a crown, or rather an all round tiara of diamonds, a dog collar of the same, and bracelets and ropes of pearls, besides innumerable orders, some of which are set in precious stones, so that she is not easily out-shone, especially as she has a very distinguished carriage. Then there are representatives of nearly every regiment in the British army, besides those of the Indian and the Egyptian armies, sailors and diplomats of every country, privy councillors and official people generally. So that, as you can imagine, the scene is full of splendor and variety. At twelve the band plays "God Save the King," and the royal family, preceded by the great officers of state, go to supper. After that the general public hurry off to eat, too. The food is always excellent, and the fine gold plate makes a dazzling display, though for my part I must say I prefer silver plate.

After supper the royalties process back again and there is more dancing, and at two o'clock the National Anthem is played again and they leave the ballroom. You all then hurry away and get your carriages. This is very well managed, as by a series of telephone calls the carriages are called up and there are numerous officials in magnificent uniforms and liveries to help. This is rather a long description, but I thought it might interest you.

A small dance was given by the Duchess of Sutherland at Stafford House, which is one of the most magnificent houses in London. The King and Queen, at the last moment, signified their intention of beig present, so that the Duchess had to send round to the clubs and houses where people were giving dinners for the dance to warn the men that orders, medals and breeches and silk stockings must be worn. Even then some didn't know and appeared without. The King, however, overlooked it, but as a rule he is very particular and will notice anything that is not quite correct. There was an interesting gathering, painters, poets, authors, bishops, actors and smart society persons, and it is said to have been a most successful entertainment. The Duchess is one of the best looking people in England, and always is beautifully dressed.

Lord Leconfield gave a ball in his fine house in Chesterfield gardens, and there was a great gathering of the Wyndham family and everybody was there.

The Duke and Duchess of Wellington gave a dinner party and a ball at Apsley House, which is another of the fine London houses. The Duchess wore some very fine jewels. Apsley House is full of interesting relics of the great Duke of Wellington, and has a splendid collection of pictures which he brought from Spain after the Peninsular war.

There have been many concerts. If you are well off there is nothing people appreciate more than a good concert; so that the "nouveau riche" should bear it in mind that if they want to get into society they should give the best music obtainable. Half the people who come will not really care a rap for music, and a great portion of them will not know one note from another, but that cannot be helped. They will come all the same. It is the most expensive mode of entertaining, but it is also the most popular. Lady Jersey has had some of her charming garden parties at Osterley, which is a fine Georgian house filled with art treasures, and which has some of the famous "Rose du Barri" Gobelin tapestry worth its weight in gold. The Duchess of Northumberland also has had garden parties at Syon. I am always puzzled to know which of the two houses I like best.

Lord's was, as usual, crowded for the Eton and Harrow match. Most people either have or have had a relation at either one or the other of the two schools, though I know of a great number of foolish people who go because they think it is smart and who have no connection with either place. It was one of the most exciting matches that have ever taken place. Everyone thought Eton would win, but Harrow did some fine batting and it ended in a draw. The Eton boys always play a brilliant game, but Harrow is more sure though not so interesting to watch.

The latest fashionable marriages have been those of the Queen's two maids of honor, viz: the Hon. Dorothy Vivian to Major-General Haig, and Miss Mary Dyke to Captain Bell of the Rifle Brigade. It was a double wedding; the ceremony took place at 1 o'clock in the Chapel Royal. Those present were the King and Queen, the royal household and near relations of the brides and bridegrooms. Miss Vivian wore a princess dress with a round train of white satin embroidered with lillies in chenile and diamonds, with vest and sleeves of Brussels lace and a coronet of orange blossoms; she was given away by her brother, Lord Vivian. Miss Dyke wore a white satin dress with a folded bodice and long train embroidered in Indian silver with vest cleeves and veil of Brussels lace. Sir William Hart Dyke gave his daughter away. Mrs. Haig wore as her going away dress white taffeta mousseline with lace, and Mrs. Bell wore white muslin, with a white lace hat and pink Bankshire roses. The King and Queen presented Miss Vivian with a diamond and pearl tiara and an Indian shawl. The Prince and Princess of Wales gave her a gold muff chain with a plume in diamonds. Princess Victoria gave a diamond saphire bracelet, and Princess Christian a travelling bag. Princess Henry of Battenberg, a gold-handled parasol; Princess Louise of Schleswig-Holstein, an enamel box; the royal household, a diamond and pearl ornament, and the Prince of Wales' household a silver bowl. The Queen gave Miss Dyke a tiara in diamonds and pearls, and a pearl and diamond pendant; the Prince and Princess of Wales, gold muff chain and plume in diamonds; and amongst other presents she had a diamond ornament from the royal household.

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There is great excitement in the po tical world as the government was d feated by three on a snap division Thursday night. The Unionists we slack and the opposition sly—they h away until the last moment and then a peared in full force. The credit of t ruse is given to Mr. Redmond, the Iri leader. All were agog as to whether t government would go on or Mr. Balfo resign, but this evening a private tel gram informs us all will go on for t present as before. For the sake of t country this is no doubt best, for this not a good time of year for a dissol tion. PAULINE.

THREE GOOD REASONS.

There is a good story being told j now of an Irish clergyman, who taki leave of his congregation, gave his re sons for going: First, you do nt lo sons for goins: First, you do not lo me, for you have contributed nothi to my support; secondly, you do not lo each other, for I have not celebrated marriage since I arrived; thirdly, t good God does not love you, for He h not taken one of you to Himself—have not had a single funeral.—The Ta ler.

PLACE OR SOUL.

A clergyman having obtained an a pointment as inspector of fisheries whi obliged him to give up his ministeri duties, was at a dinner party. On bei served with fish he inquired: "Is th place or sole?" His host replied: " it possible, Mr. ——, that you, an i spector of fisheries, do not know the di ference between place and sole?" "Don you know," said a witty Irishman, o of the guests, "that Mr. —— has bee so busy recently looking after place, h has had no time to think of soul?"—Th Tatler.

ETHICS OF FLIRTING.

Two young chaps were fined in Mo treal for "flirting"—really, I should su pose, for loitering in a street or a la and flirting with the female employe in a factory, the windows of whic owing to the hot weather, were ope Montreal rulings in social affairs a frequently peculiar; and while flirtin whatever that may mean, is not in statutory sense "agin the law," t flirtee and the flirtor ought to be consi ered as equally guilty. The employe of the girls made complaint that th were paying for time which the flirte were diverting to another purpose, a perhaps on the ground that the yout should not be lingering on the stree they were fined five dollars apiece, wh the girls went free. This does not see to me just. The young chaps were was ing their own time, while the girls we stealing the time of their employers order to throw kisses and flip handke chiefs, evidently no part of their jo The employee who steals the time of t one paying him or her is certainly mo to be blamed than the half-baked, hal grown chap who is willing to linger an where on his own time and at his ow expense to get a glance from a silly gir Flirting is really a fool business.—To onto Saturday Night.

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