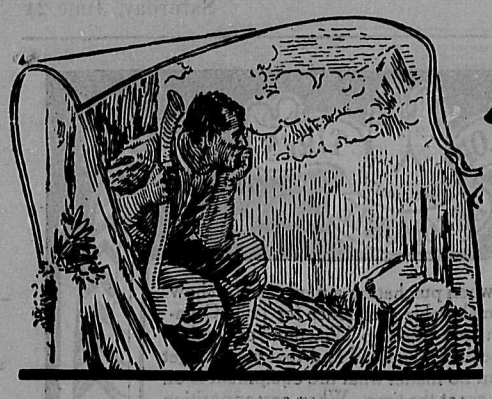

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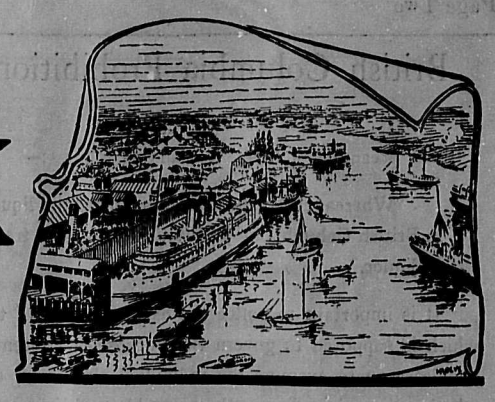

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Progress of the War

AFTER a lull the daily report of Russian advances in Bukowina and Galicia are resumed. General Brusiloff's armies have penetrated further Westward than the most sanguine estimates had ventured to indicate, and at the time of writing are fifty miles west of Lutsk. They are menacing the Kovel-Lemberg railway, running to the north, on which the Teutonic forces depend for their main line of communication. This means that the Russian forces are due north of Lemberg. Obviously General Brusiloff is aiming at isolating the Teutonic armies, which are threatened with envelopment by his strategic movement, the rapidity of which has paralysed the enemy's powers of resistance, and produced panic. The severity of the Russian onslaught is attested by the removal of 120,000 German soldiers from the West Front, and an unascertained number of Austrians from the Isonzo. From neither point can they be spared, and the policy is one of danger and desperation. The Russian forces are vastly more numerous and are known to be well equipped, there is therefore no reason to anticipate at any point more than temporary checks to their triumphant advance. The most sensational development of the week has been the rebellion in Turkey, the seizing of Mecca and Medina, and the spread of disaffection among the Arabs from the Red Sea to the Persian frontier. Thus the Holy War has turned against the Turks, instead of becoming an instrument for crushing the Entente. In the present disorganized condition of the Turkish Empire, it cannot long withstand the enemy within its gates and the enemy without, and even if Turkey does not speedily withdraw, she will probably cease to be a serious factor in the war. Meanwhile the rapid Russian advance in Galicia will soon threaten the communication between the Central Empires and their Ottoman ally, and the end of the unholy alliance will be reached. Whilst bloody fighting continues to be waged on the Western Front, and the assault on Verdun is maintained with almost unprecedented ferocity, Germany is being held to her lines, and the only result she has to show for her stupendous efforts are the terrible fruits of sacrifice. To crown all, she can no longer disguise her true internal conditions. It has been suggested that Germany has purposely exaggerated the effects of the British blockade for diplomatic reasons, just as she initiated a Peace propaganda. But, if so, the stage of make-believe has passed. The evidences of actual food shortage are too general, and two specific, to make such an explanation plausible now. Cologne, the city of substance and solidity, has spoken, and her message is that "We are now passing through an internal crisis for which our enemies have waited since the beginning of the war." This no doubt reflects the true conditions, and taken in connection with the uncontradicted reports of food riots in many parts of Germany, clearly indicates that the goal towards which the Allies are struggling is, though still distant, within sight.

The Red Cross Society

THE WEEK is in receipt of a synopsis of the annual report of the B. C. Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society for last year. It comes too late for publication this week, but will appear in the next issue. The total receipts at the Toronto Headquarters reach the noble sum of $865,477, and in addition, no less than $160,000 was contributed direct to the London office. This is a fine showing, which speaks well both for the general organization of the Canadian Red Cross Society and for the generosity of our people. Not the least gratifying feature of the report is mention of the fact that the Victoria Branch stands first in the Province in the amount of money received and paid out. The Hon. Sec., Mr. Charles Williams, states that the average of receipts is being well maintained for the present year. This is due chiefly to his own splendid and unflagging zeal. Ever since the local Branch was established he has devoted practically the whole of his time, from early morning to late at night, to the duties of his office, without fee or consideration, except the satisfaction of doing his "bit," and the respect of all who know how faithfully and modestly he has performed a great work.

Slandering a Province

TORONTO possesses a brilliant journalist, who writes over the signature "H. F. G." His brilliance is of the Leacock order, and he sacrifices everything, even truth at times, to a smart quip, or a picturesque phrase. During the session he occupied a seat in the Press Gallery at Ottawa, and from that vantage ground wields a vigorous pen over the failings and foibles of the Members, especially those in the Government side of the House, for he is a Liberal. The Victoria Times naturally publishes these letters, they are good political ammunition, especially as in addition to a "pretty wit," H. F. G. possesses a mordant style, with a fine touch of satire and more than a soupcon of ridicule. His latest effusion deals in characteristic style with the revelations of the Fuse Commission in which he naturally revels, and let no one say him nay. But with the articles of "H. F. G.", as with some other things, "the sting is in the tail." He has his fling at the graft disclosures at Ottawa, in New Brunswick, and in Manitoba (of course Ontario is immune), and winds up as follows: "The tale of graft and exploitation in British Columbia is already familiar to the public. It is all of a piece with the revelations at Ottawa, Winnipeg and Fredericton." Now, if H. F. G. knows what he is writing about he knows that at Ottawa graft has been actually proved in connection with the Fuse contracts, Binoculars, drugs, etc. That in New Brunswick ex-Premier Fleming was proved guilty of misappropriating $100,000 of public money. That in Winnipeg ex-Premier Roblin and his Ministers have been sent for trial on far graver charges. Is this "all of a piece" with British Columbia? After three months of daily investigation the Liberal Opposition failed to find one single instance of fraud or graft of any kind on the part of the Government, or any member of it. As a result, although the Government made mistakes, it goes to the country with a clear record so far as honest administration is concerned. Even H. F. G. could hardly say on these facts that British Columbia is "all of a piece" with the cases he mentions. Obviously he is ignorant of the facts, or his partizanship has run away with his pen. British Columbia never gets a fair show from a Toronto journalist, and it looks as if H. F. G. had a talk with Mr. Brewster, when the latter was in his "blue ruin" campaign in the East.

The Late Bishop Scriven

IT is no exaggeration to say that by the death of Bishop Scriven the Anglican Church in British Columbia loses one of its brightest ornaments, and the Province one of its best citizens. He was all that a Bishop should be, a Christian, a gentleman, a scholar, and a brother. Few men combine all these qualifications for the Episcopacy, but he possessed all of them in a high degree. As a rule Bishops are dignified and austere. He was dignified, but with the dignity of simplicity. He could not be austere, because he had a heart too gentle and loving. He attracted by his kindly, modest, sympathetic personality, he ruled by his nobility of character. Everyone loved and trusted him. To him everyone could tell their troubles, and never without receiving the keenest sympathy and the soundest counsel. The clergy and members of his own Churches were hardly more appreciative than those of other churches, for he was so broad minded and Catholic that he recognized all as brothers in Christ. He died in harness, as he would have wished. He died after a strenuous life's work in the noblest sphere in which mortal man can toil. He has left a memory truly blessed, and an example which all men can emulate, though few will be able to attain. In her irreparable loss the sympathy of the whole community will go out to his devoted wife.

Johnson Street Bridge

THE WEEK, in making a statement in last issue on the subject of the Johnson Street Bridge, made one slip in saying that the property to be acquired had been purchased for the purpose of securing a high price from the city in arranging for the approaches. As a matter of fact, it was acquired by the present owners long before the Bridge scheme was thought of. The point, however, is that for some unexplained reason the scheme has been delayed from time to time, until no one seems to know what is likely to be done. This is the explanation offered by the owners for maintaining a price which, however reasonable it may have appeared during boom times, looks "big" now. Surely the fairest way would be to expropriate and force the decision to an arbitration. There is no justification for continued dilly-dallying. The City needs the bridge, the railway companies need it, and now is the best time to build it.

Liquor and Logic

THE Editor of the Vancouver World says, "Liquor and logic do not mix." Then why try to make them? He struggles manfully, though rather woefully with his daily contribution to the discussion of the Prohibition issue, but never gets very far from the lachrymose. Hence his editorial note in reply to the able article reprinted in the last issue of The Week from the Lillooet Prospector. That writer pointed out, what Mr. H. B. Thomson first noted on the floor of the House, that the Bar would be transferred to the home under the new Act. The Editor of the World asks: "Could not private houses have bottles before? Surely, but is this what he calls "logic?" UNDER THE NEW ACT THE "PRIVATE DWELLING HOUSE" TAKES THE PLACE OF THE BAR, but with this difference, it will not be "bottles," but "cases." Who will get a bottle when he has to import it from outside the Province? No one is shedding tears about the abolition of the Bar, least of all the Editor of The Week, but a great many people would like to know, and the Editor of the World ought to be able to tell them, being a prominent member of the Prohibition Committee, why he and his colleagues, when closing the Bar, did not place the British Columbia Prohibition Act under the Doherty Act, which would have made it impossible to convert the home into a saloon, because it would have prevented importation. Mr. Brewster asked this question in the House, but got no explanation. Will the Editor of the World give a straight answer. We may then see the true connection between "liquor" and "logic."

Editorial Notes

Pluck is admirable at all times, and the pluck required to start a new weekly just now is superlative. The appearance of the first number of the Kamloops Sentinel in this guise is a tribute to the enterprise and optimism of its promoters. It is an excellent first issue, typographically neat and attractive, printed on the good "stock," which other weeklies seem unable to get, and well conceived and carried out as to its reading matter. Here's wishing success to the new venture!

In the shortest and last speech Pitt made he said: "Europe is not to be saved by any single man. England has saved herself by her exertions, and will, I trust, save Europe by her example." And so again history is repeating itself. England will be saved by her men—not by any man, or superman. As for her exertions and her example, we are told with fresh misanthropic yells every morning that they amount to nothing but muddle and futility. Let us see. England has now voted for the war £2,382,000,000. She is lending to our Allies £1,500,000 a day. And this is what M. Clemenceau, the eminent Frenchman, says about her: "Ships wanted? England. Coal? England, Explosives? England, Steel? England, Trucks and Locomotives? England. Meat, bread, money? England!" If Pitt could revisit the earth to-day, gazing over our Empire's five million fighting men, and on the work of the British Navy, he would testify with an added glow to the glory of his country's exertions and her sublime example.

Dr. Robinson, Superintendent of Education, is a man who has the courage of his convictions, otherwise he would not have been so outspoken and frank in dealing with the subject of enlistment by school teachers. He thinks the time has come to do away with male teachers in the Province, and to put women in their places, and that the school trustees should give notice to all male teachers of military age, who are medically fit, that their services are no longer required. Dr. Robinson is right, although it does not appear that his suggestion has been received with any enthusiasm. Trustee Short put the thing very neatly, and it is to be hoped that his excellent advice will be taken. But why stop at the teachers? There are many civil servants just as fit as those teachers who have not enlisted, there are quite a number in the Parliament Buildings and in the Registry Office. Those people who look for the Government to take the lead in everything might well ask them to take the lead in this.

There are some things which no man can understand, and one is the manner in which the local authorities dealt with the case of Earnest W. Jackson, the Toronto youth who had sailed as far as Hong Kong with a trunk of seditious papers. He had made himself obnoxious on the voyage by disloyal utterances. He admitted being a propagandist with a mission to stir up trouble with India with the Government. He was the recognized agent of a seditious Hindoo in Canada. The local press says that our emigration authorities did not take him very seriously, but the British authorities at Hong Kong thought him sufficiently serious to be deported. Our authorities calmly let him go, expressing some doubt that his mind might be slightly unbalanced. The Week has a shrewd suspicion that a short term at New Westminster would quickly have restored his mental balance, and in any event he ought to be under lock and key if only "Pour encourager les autres."

The Vancouver Province has finally come to the conclusion that some distinguishing badge should be provided for young men who, stirred by patriotic impulse, have offered their services to their Country, and have been unable to pass the medical examination. We advocated this more than a year ago, and the urgency of the matter is greater now than it was then, because a far larger number are now enlisted, and therefore the proportion of the slackers has increased, and it becomes all the more desirable for the public to know who are slackers and who are unfit. When the Hon. Mr. Cook, an Australian Cabinet Minister, rates his own people for slackness in recruiting, it is certainly time that Canada began to look into the subject. The glories of Gallipoli have been matched during the last few weeks by Canadian troops on the Western Frontier. Their supreme sacrifice is the call to every young Canadian, those who can go should go, to a man, those who cannot should not longer lie under the imputation of shirking.

There will be general gratification at the promptness with which the Cameron Company has decided to embark in shipbuilding at Victoria. Also a word of commendation for the promptness with which the City Council, brushing aside red tape, facilitated the enterprise. At the present moment shipbuilding is a gold mine for the lucky investors. Many English firms of shippers are paying from 100 to 500% in dividends. The recent balance sheet of the Japanese shipping line, which plies on the Pacific, showed enormous profits. A cable despatch dealing with the steamship lines of Holland, which was published this week, shows dividends ranging from 27% to 500%. There is no doubt that not merely the operating, but the building of ships is one of the most profitable enterprises in the world today. Seattle and Vancouver have taken the lead, Victoria now follows, but there is no reason why, with our splendid facilities, we should not lead the greater cities of the Sound.

Look at the Map!

THE German Chancellor asks us to look at the map. Yes, let us look at the map. We see facts there which have apparently escaped Bethmann-Hollweg's observation. We see all the oceans of the world swept clear of German ships. We see Kiao-Chau, German S.-W. Africa, the Cameroons, all the German colonies in the hands of the British. We see British transports unmolested conveying reinforcements from Canada, Africa, Australia, and even Russia to the help of the Allies. We see Hamburg, Bremen, and all the German ports in a sleep of stagnation, their quays deserted, their warehouses closed, their business dead. We see the vaunted German High Seas Fleet bottled up in a canal by the unassailable might of the British Navy. Yes, "look at the map!" but let it be this map, because it is the only map on the basis of which the Allies will ever decree Peace.

William Blakemore.

British Columbia Prohibition Act

The preamble of this Act reads as follows:—

"Whereas it is expedient to suppress the liquor traffic in British Columbia by prohibiting Provincial transactions in liquor."

It is important to notice the exact wording of this preamble which is supposed to govern the purpose and intent of the Act, and later on to examine the individual clauses in order to see whether they give effect to the preamble, and if so to what extent.

There are two strong words here, "suppress" and "prohibiting." The latter is assumed to be a means to an end, the end being expressed by the former. Critics of the Act have based their objections very largely on the fact that the clauses of the Act are not consistent with its avowed purpose, there is no actual "prohibition," and therefore there is no "suppression."

The whole Act is one of regulation, and if it can be shown that while it restricts and regulates, it does not prohibit, then it must be inconsistent with this preamble and with the earnest desire of many sincere prohibitionists.

One can have respect for any man who believes that the drink traffic is an evil, that it should be suppressed, and that Prohibition is the best means of suppressing, and undoubtedly there are many such.

But one can have no respect for an Act which professes to achieve this purpose, and blazons it forth in its preamble, but, as our analysis will show, makes no attempt at actual Prohibition, and in the matter of regulation creates numerous evils which far outweigh the value of its restrictions.

The title is given in Clause 1 as follows:

"1. This Act may be cited as the British Columbia Prohibition Act."

It may not be generally known that the promoters of the Bill tried to gain an unfair advantage over the electorate by substituting another title, "The British Columbia Temperance Act." But under pressure they were compelled to withdraw this. After reading the Act no one would be surprised except the sincere prohibitionists, who are really in favour of Temperance, and who fondly believed that their leaders were giving them a Temperance Act. A more misleading title has never been attached to a Bill.

Clause 2 proceeds to define the various terms used in the Act. It is a lengthy clause, and is necessitated by the large number of persons entitled to vend or handle liquor under a so called "Prohibition Act." These include Dentists, Druggists, Hospitals, Physicians, Superintendents, Veterinaries, and Vendors. As later clauses of the Act will show, the specific manner in which all these persons or institutions are permitted to deal with liquor, it is not necessary to make further comment, except to point out that with such a variety of persons handling it, there is plenty of room for leakage.

Clause 3 deals with a very knotty point, and is devoted entirely to a definition and elucidation of the meaning of the term "Private dwelling house." The reason why such a lengthy definition is necessary is that the private dwelling house is the only common ground on which the users of liquor can meet, it takes the place of the bar and of the club and of the warehouse, and no doubt the framers of the Act felt the extreme difficulty and delicacy of converting the home into a drinking shop, and of leaving it without any protection as to the quantity of liquor that might be purchased and stored there. As will be seen when the clauses dealing with this point are reached, there is neither restriction nor prohibition, and the regulation creates a new evil of greater magnitude, home drinking, by suppressing an old one.

The principal features of this definition in Clause 3 are that

"A private dwelling house means a separate dwelling, with a separate door for ingress and egress, and actually and exclusively occupied and used as a private residence."

So far, so good, but one of the worst features of the Act here for the first time shows its cloven hoof, and that is the feature of "Class Legislation," because neither

"A boarding house nor a lodging house where there are more than three lodgers, other than the members of the family"

can claim the privilege of a private "dwelling house," nor does it include,

"Any house or building, the rooms or apartments in which are leased to different persons."

But in Subsection (b) we read:

"Notwithstanding the above restrictions 'private dwelling house' shall include also a suite of rooms in an apartment block in the City, separated and closed off by walls from all other rooms in such block."

This is obviously a differentiation in favour of the "apartment suite" occupied by well-to-do people as against the "lodging house" or "boarding house," which is the resort of so many thousands of working men in this Province who have no other homes, and whose income does not permit them to enjoy the luxury of an "apartment suite." Mr. Parker Williams, M.P.P., the veteran Labour leader, was amongst the first to point out this unfair distinction. It was this which caused him to brand the whole Act as a piece of "Class Legislation," and no doubt the same idea had much to do with the decision of the Trades and Labour Council to denounce the Bill in an unanimous resolution.

PEACE

Victoria, B. C.,
20th June, 1916.

Editor The Week:—

Sir,—Many writers have expressed opinions on peace, so much desired by millions in all lands, but none have touched the main bugbear and difficulty—The German Navy. If Germany walked bag and baggage out of France and Russian tomorrow, that would not bring peace, as long as the Germany Navy is in being. This will prove the chief obstacle to peace. Germany has to be crushed within her own borders before agreeing to dismantle her Navy, and render it unfit for service for years. The food question and no money coming in for exports will be factors making for peace.

W. J. MACDONALD.

PANTAGES THEATRE

A rare treat is promised for music lovers at the Pantages Theatre next week. It is unfortunately rare during these times that an opportunity offers for listening to Grand Opera selections. well rendered. The La Scala Sextette, from "Lucia," "Il Bacio," "Carmen" and "Rigoletto" are given with rare merit, as is an "Ernani" excerpt, and the "Soldiers' Chorus" and Marguerite's prelude to the hereafter, from the final act of "Faust."

The opening act on next week's bill shows the Five Florimonds on unsupported ladders from which they give a very skilful performance in juggling and trapeze work. The use of revolving ladders is a feature of the act which is described as being particularly clever and strikingly presented, with the aid of remarkable electrical devices.

Harry Breen upholds the comedy end of the bill. He is tremendously entertaining.

There are three other acts, all well presented. The tenth instalment of "The Iron Claw" serial detracts nothing from the tremendous popularity of the preceeding episodes of this interesting and compelling film.

The management of the Prince George Hotel announce that for a limited time they will make a rate of $8.00 per room, per month, including hot and cold water in each room. In a first-class hotel of the character of the Prince George these rates seem increidble, but Mr. Willsher, the manager, says that in these times of the strictest economy that he must meet the public demand.

THE 88TH REGIMENT VICTORIA FUSILIERS

The 88th Regiment Victoria Fusiliers at the commencement of the war was performing its duties as prescribed by the Canadian Militia Act —its particular duty being to drill twice a week in the evenings.

The Active Militia cannot be called on for Overseas Service, its purpose being essentially the protection of Canada.

When war commenced a great proportion of the then 88th volunteered for Overseas Service, and transferred from the 88th Regiment to Overseas Battalion as e.g., the 16th, 30th, and the 48th.

As men transferred for Overseas the gaps were filled up in the 88th Regiment with new recruits, and after supplying about two thousand men for various Overseas Battalions the Regiment asked to be allowed to form one Overseas Battalion exclusively from its own strength.

This privilege was granted, and as a special favour the Battalion was permitted to take the same number as the Regiment.

One effect of this which had not been foreseen was that though the 88th Battalion and the 88th Regiment had entirely separate entities, a certain confusion arose, and they came to be wrongly regarded as the same thing.

The unfortunate result was that the 88th Regiment of Active Militia practically ceased to exist.

This was not realized, or at all events, was overlooked until the 88th Battalion left for the front.

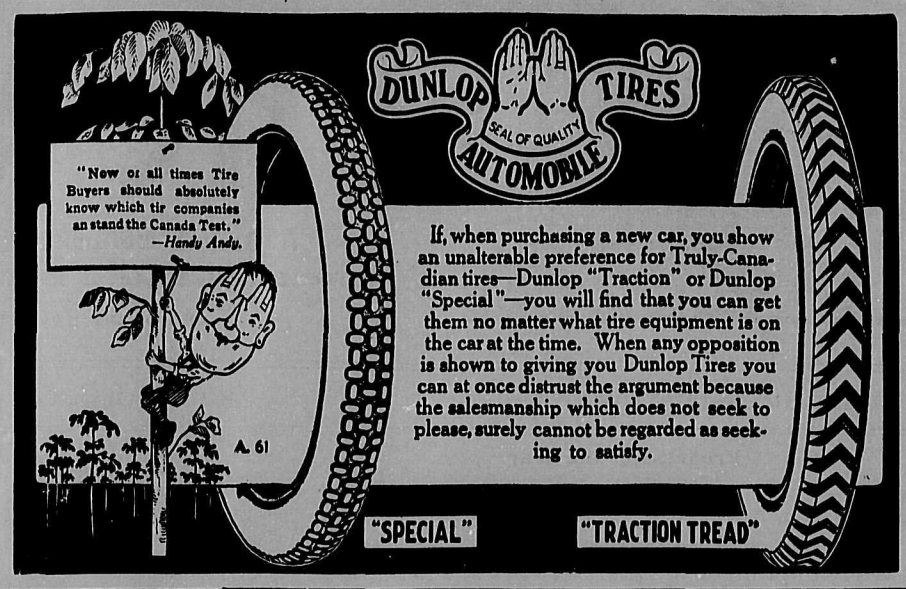
It is now urgently desired to reorganize, and recruits are wanted.

There are a large number of men of all ages in Victoria quite capable of bearing arms.

These ought not to be so indolent or selfish as to grudge giving up two nights a week in the service of Canada.

It is the least they can do, and a great deal less than those who are protecting them at the front.

If in peace times the Active Militia is looked upon as necessary to protect Canada against invasion, surely in war time with millions of our enemies actually residing in a neutral country just across the borders, it obviously btcomes a hundredfold mort necessary than ever.



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At The Street Corner

BY THE LOUNGER

I have heard many complaints about the removal of the Timber Wolves and the Bantams from Victoria to the newly established camp at Sidney. Of course it is a matter entirely in the hands of the Military Authorities, and that ought to suffice. But as some people think they know better than the men charged with the responsibilities of training our soldiers, it may be as well to point out that the change was decided upon for two reasons. First, because of the unsanitary conditions prevailing at the Willows. Everyone knows the difficulty in the matter of drainage, etc., in that locality, and after continuous occupation for nearly two years by an average of three thousand men, it needs no laboured argument to prove that a change is desirable. There have been abundant evidences of this which I need not particularize. The other point is in respect of training. It was announced a few weeks ago that at the suggestion of the War Office there would be a change in the policy of sending men overseas, and also a change in the arrangements for training. It has not always made for efficiency that a thousand men should be left to the tender mercies of a bunch of junior officers with no military experience, who were rushed through a short course in a few months, and then placed in control. The system has accumulated hundreds of so-called Canadian officers in England, who are incompetent and cannot be used as such, and there are said to be five thousand in Canada, many of whom are of the same class. In future there will be fewer officers, and a larger sprinkling of experienced military men. This will work for greater efficiency, as well as greater economy of human life. Surely, against such weighty considerations, the matter of personal inclination, inconvenience to relatives, disappointment to "flappers," and the possible loss of a few dollars in shopping should not be allowed to count. In any event it will not count.

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For years I have been a chronic kicker in the matter of sidewalks, boulevards and street nuisances of various kinds. With the advent of the cement sidewalk my "bete noir," the wooden plank with a nail that stubbed your toe disappeared. With the asphalt or wood paving those pools of mud which not ten years ago glorified both Government and Douglas Street, and were graphically and pictorially shown on the front page of The Week, also became a fond memory. Now-a-days I have very little of this kind to kick about. Therefore, imagine the glee with which I noted that the worthy Secretary of the Board of Trade had unearthed a real nuisance on his own account, to wit: The deposition of Tally-Ho ladders and steps on the boulevards near the C. P. R. Wharf. Everyone knows that Mr. Elworthy is an ideal secretary, and personally I think he is quite a good letter writer. The Mayor, however, seems to think otherwise, for suavely as the letter was written, it seemed to touch somebody on "the raw.' I am sure this was never intended, and on reflection our worthy Mayor will be the first to regret that, instead of meeting the complaint in the spirit in which it was tendered, the Mayor allowed himself to make a personal report of a derogatory nature. This is not like him, and I think something must have got on his nerves, either the Johnson Street Bridge, or Captain Worswick's letter. However, it is not a very serious matter, when there are so many matters more serious demanding attention. In any event, there is no doubt that the Streets Committee will have the ladders removed, and they should write a letter thanking Mr. Elworthy for calling attention to their own neglect.

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As I am no politician, and as in any event politics are taboo at these times, I will not attempt to discuss any political topic, but there is one little matter from which I am deriving considerable amusement, and that is the condemnation of Mr. Brewster's political tactics by two of the leading lights of the Liberal Party, Mr. Joseph Martin and Mr. Ralph Smith. Both are old politicians, they have forgotten more about the game than Mr. Brewster will ever know, because they are "to the manner born," and he is not. When the good, honest citizen butts into politics, he lays up a world of trouble for himself, and when, in addition, he listens to bad advisers, the conditions are even more onerous. This is about where Mr. Brewster has landed with his legal action to bring the business of the Province to a standstill. Both Mr. Martin and Mr. Smith have shown that Mr. Brewster has done the wrong thing. They do not say what he might have done to achieve his purpose, yet if men of their experience and acumen had been consulted, the Leader of the Liberal Party would have been saved from making a "aux pas," which may seriously impair his political prospects. There is one phase of the question on which the veriest tyro could have advised him, and that is that under no circumstances would the Courts take action which would stultify the proceedings of a Legislature throughout a whole session. It would not be "in the public interest," and there are times when that consideration is weightier than the merits of a case. It looks to me as if Mr. Brewster is "barking up the wrong tree," but not being a lawyer I refrain from suggesting the course which he might have pursued if he really believed that he had any ground for complaint.

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I want to add my few words of tribute to the memory of a good Bishop. The Church papers and the daily press will run the gamut of the noble virtues which this Christian gentleman exemplified. But I had a tender spot for him as "a man and a brother." He was the most broad-Church dignitary I ever met or heard of; the most genuinely humble; the most kindly, and the broadest-minded. He was absolutely devoid of the cant of Church. He had the widest toleration for the weaknesses of his fellows. He was the best of companions, and many a delightful hour have I spent with him over a smoke. I leave the higher critics to deal with his more clerical attributes, but I must say that in spite of the traditions and dignity of the Episcopacy, of which no man was more conscious, he never changed a hair's breadth from what he was when those dignities descended on him.

Lounger.

Social News

One of the most interesting social and artistic events of the season was the art exhibition, held last week at Miss M. Kitto's studio, Union Bank Building. The rooms, which lend themselves admirably for exhibition purposes, were charmingly decorated for the occasion, and, together with the beautifully executed works of art, presented an appearance which was a rare treat to the eye.

The first room was devoted to a fine showing of the picturesque big timber of British Columbia, represented by photographs kindly lent by the Government. These photographs aroused a great deal of interest, especially among visitors from the East, some of whom were greatly disappointed that the pictures were not for sale. In this room there were also some interesting water colour studies of flowers and bird life, among the contributors being Miss Kitto, Miss Terry, Mr. Pocock, and some studies of big timber by Miss Wylde and Miss Carr.

The second room was hung with many charming framed pictures in oils and water colours, the artists including such well known exhibitors as Miss Crease, Mr. Bamford, Miss Terry, Miss Freeman, Mr. MacLure, Miss Monton, Miss Kitto, Miss Chambers, some striking pictures by Mrs. Mary Riter Hamilton, Miss Chambers, Mrs. Louie Burrell. A very interesting table showing lovely examples of handmade jewelry was exhibited by Miss Lisle. Some beautiful needlework was shown, and an old ddoll, exhibited in a glass case, attracted much attention. Master Monte Bridgeman lent a plaster model entitled "The Wounded Bomb Thrower," a very creditable piece of work for so young an artist.

The third room was entirely devoted to sketches of Indian life, by Miss Carr. The walls were hung with Indian rugs and baskets, the whole effect being strikingly original and attracting much attention from a large number of tourists.

About two hundred people visited the exhibition, and were greatly delighted, many expressing the hope that a permanent exhibit might eventually be the outcome of Miss Kitto's successful individual effort. Its value as a publicity agent has already proved considerable, and has greatly impressed Miss Kitto with the possibilities offered in this direction, while some the pictures have returned to their owners, people who were unable to attend last week will find many still on view, as Miss Kitto is keeping the studio open to visitors daily for the present.

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Mrs. Georgison and Mrs. Mallock have taken up residence at 1647 Hampshire Road.

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Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Morse, of Winnipeg, are registered at the Empress.

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The engagement is announced of Miss Marion Trenchard, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Trenchard, "Mount Edwards," to Captain Hugh C. Lawrence, 7th Royal Munster Fusiliers, now stationed at Salonica. Miss Trenchard, who has many friends in Victoria, left here last August with the nurses and medical staff, who are now attached to No. 5 B. C. Base Hospital, Salonica.

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Miss Margaret Campbell, Vancouver, is the guest of Mrs. and Miss Walsh, Oak Bay. Miss Campbell is very popular in Vancouver society and musical circles.

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Mrs. G. L. Foulkes and the Misses Foulkes are guests at Roccabella.

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The Voluntary Aid Detachment entertained a number of convalescents from Stadacona Hospital at a picnic on the Willows Beach, last Monday.

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Miss Lawder left on Wednesday en route to England, where she will join her mother, wife of Captain Lawder, 103rd Battalion.

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Miss B. Mears has returned to Portland, after an extended visit in Victoria, where she was the guest of the Misses Bodwell.

*

Mrs. R. H. Ley leaves on Sunday for England, where she will join her husband, Captain Ley.

*

Dr. C. Denton Holmes, with his wife and daughter, are leaving today for a trip to England, but expects to return by August 5th. Dr. Holmes, as a member of the Advisory Board of the Committee of Returned Disabled Soldiers, will spend considerable time while in the Old Country investigating the workings of the various Boards of Returned Disabled Soldiers.

A LYING SPIRIT ABROAD

Victoria, B. C.,
June 22nd, 1916.

To the Editor The Week.

Sir,—Owing to absurd rumours going around this City, it became necessary, a few weeks ago, that the Honorary Secretary of the local branch of the Red Cross Society should, through the press, emphatically state that no salaries were paid to the Secretary, President, or any other person doing executive Red Cross work.

The Patriotic Fund is now suffering from a rumour that Mr. F. Nation, a man of wealth and position in this City, in fact a reputed millionaire, has been drawing a salary for his recent work in collecting the names of people who were only too willing and wishful to help the dependents of those who have the privilege and honour of fighting our battles.

A certified statement has been published in the press, showing the expenses incurred in administering the Patriotic Fund, and by that statement it is quite clear that no salary has been paid Mr. Nation. If the Government had paid a salary, or, as is vulgarly termed, given Mr. Nation a rake off, such salary would have to be shown in the public accounts at some future date, but now is the time to stamp out the infamous lie that a man of Mr. Frederick Nation's financial position has been drawing a salary equal to that of a deputy minister for doing work that he has been proud to do gratuitously, and has done so well.

Yours very truly,
A. C. H.

Amongst those registered at the Brentwood Hotel during the past week are: Lieut.-Commander and Mrs. Bertram E. Jones, Captain Powlett, Lieut.-Commander Sparrow, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Johnston, Miss Mildred Johnston, Mrs. J. T. Ryan, Dr. Helen Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. D. Spencer, Miss Florence Spencer, Mrs. A. F. Mitche, Mr. and Mrs. D. Leeming, Mrs. Hotham, Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Picken, Mr G. H. Dawson and Miss Dawson, Mrs. Fleet Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. K. A. McLennan, Miss D. Kirk, Mrs. Carruthers, Senator MacDonald, Miss MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Burns, Mrs. Burge, Miss L. Bowran, Mr. Alan Tomlinson, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Izard, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Elliott, Dr. and Mrs. T. W. Butler, Mr. J. P. Shaw, M.P.P., and Mrs. Shaw, Miss Shaw, Miss McIntyre, Mr. J. A. Mitchell, Mr. J. E. Mitchell, Miss Kate Adair, Mrs. J. Acworth Angus, all of Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Matthews, Shanghai; Mr. and Mrs. Bryant, Honolulu; Mrs. A. D. McAllister, North Vancouver; Mrs. Charles V. Vickery, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thompson, Winnipeg; Mrs. Chas. Foster and family, Tacoma; Mrs. Strain and family, Winnipeg; Mrs. MacGowan, Vancouver; Mr. S. P. Way, Vancouver; Mrs. L. J. Mylins, Mrs. Alex. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan, Winnipeg; Mrs. W. J. Risk, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jackson, Regina; Dr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Henry and family, Seattle; Miss McLean, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. Store, Glasgow; Mr. H. W. Treat, Seattle.

Guests registered at the Westholme Hotel this week are: Thos. Aird, Nanaimo; J. McClune, Seattle; A. Thomas, Portage La Prairie; E. L. Peers, M. Davis, M. Frame, R. W. Prenter, H. W. Drost, F. G. Geering, R. C. Sim, C. R. Dippie, Vancouver; Mrs. McNeal, Somenos, B. C.; M. N. Shaw, Seattle.

APPLICATION FOR THE TRANSFER OF HOTEL LICENSE

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria at their next regular sitting, after the expiration of thirty days from the date of this notice for the transfer of the liquor license held by me in respect of the Tourist Hotel, situate at the South East corner of Broad and Johnson Streets in the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, to Thomas H. Horne, of the said City of Victoria.

Dated this 24th day of June, 1916.

THOMAS GARVIN.

June 24th July 29th

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Telegraph Wire" will be received at this office until 4.00 P.M., on Monday, July 10, 1916, for 163,500 lbs. of Galvanized Iron Telegraph Wire delivered at Montreal, Que.; or 128,500 lbs. of same delivered at Kamloops, B.C., and 35,000 lbs delivered at Vancouver, B.C., early dates of delivery desired.

Specification and forms of tender can be obtained on application to the office of the General Superintendent of the Government Telegraph Service at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa; also at the office of Mr. J. T. Phelan, superintendent of Government Telegraphs at Vancouver, B. C.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p.c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forefeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the contract. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest of any tender.

By order,
R. C. DESROCHERS,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, June 13, 1916.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.—63727.

June 24 July 1

VICTORIA ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

TAXPAYERS are hereby reminded that Friday, the 30th day of June next, is the last day on which discount will be allowed on the taxes for the year 1916, on land, personal property and income, also rural school rates. Taxpayers will also notice that the local collector's office is now situated at Rooms 117 and 118, Belmont House, opposite the general post office, Victoria, B. C. Office hours 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

E. E. LEASON,
Provincial Assessor and Collector,
Victoria Assessment District.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 17th day of June, 1916.

June 24

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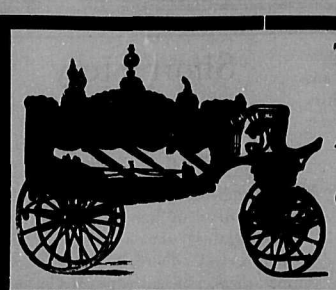

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SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS

Coal mining rights of the Dominion in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Applications for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub Agent of the District in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

Deputy Minister of the Interior.
W. W. CORY.

N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for. march 23.

VICTORIA LAND DISTRICT

District of Saanich

Take notice that Daniel Woodward, of Brentwood, B. C., by occupation a retired farmer, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described land: Commencing at a post planted at high water mark distant 46 feet westerly from the southwest corner of that parcel of land known as the northerly fifty-five feet of the north one hundred and ten feet of Lot 16, of part of Section 12, Range 2, West, South Saanich, Map 1824; thence westerly a distance of 80 feet; thence northerly a distance of 66 feet; thence easterly a distance of 80 feet to a point on high water mark distant 50 feet westerly from the northwest corner of the said parcel of land, the said last mentioned point being situate on a continuation of the northerly boundary line of the said parcel of land; thence southerly, following the shore line at high water mark, to the point of commencement, and containing half an acre, more or less. The said land applied for is situate at Brentwood Bay, and the date of location thereof is the 25th day of April, 1916.

Name, DANIEL WOODWARD,
Residence, Brentwood, B. C.
Occupation, Retired Farmer.

May 20 July 15

LAND REGISTRY ACT

IN THE MATTER of an application for a fresh Certificate of Indefeasible Title to Section 9, Spring Ridge, Victoria City, excepting the Easterly 60 feet thereof fronting on Fort Street by an equal width for the entire length thereof to View Street, and excepting the Northerly 30 feet of the remainder.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of my intention at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof, to issue a fresh Certificate of Indefeasible Title in lieu of the Certificate of Indefeasible Title issued to Joseph Austin Sayward on the 11th day of May, 1906, and numbered 152, which has been lost.

DATED at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, British Columbia, this 23rd day of May, 1916.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar General of Titles.

May 27 June 24

Royal Victoria Theatre

ONE WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, JUNE 26, 1916

WILLIAM FARNUM IN

"SAMPSON"

BY HENRY BERNSTEIN

(THIS IS NOT A BIBLICAL PLAY)

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Matinee 10c., Evening 10c. and 15c. Boxes, 25c.

SOTTO VOCE

By the Hornet

That the Tourist Art Exhibition was worthy of being exhibited in a larger hall, where crowds would have been attracted.

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That it included many real works of art, and reflected great credit on a few Victoria artists.

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That the first entertainment for the Returned Wounded Soldiers was in every sense a success, and should be repeated frequently.

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That the Veterans' Club and the Returned Soldiers' Club are doing good work, and there is room for both.

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That there are people in this town who need a great deal more "waking up" than the Secretary of the Board of Trade.

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That there are times when the City Council might be placed in that category, especially when the Johnson Street Bridge is under consideration.

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That the movement to push this work into the hands of the Government is neither so disingenuous nor so disinterested as it appears.

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That if Captain Worswick has a story to tell, the proper place to tell it is in Victoria, face to face with the men whom he accuses.

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That meanwhile the Council had better go "easy" in the matter of publication.

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That the public would have more sympathy with the local strawberry growers, if the boxes held more berries.

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That the weight has gradually fallen to 10 ounces, and the limit is not reached.

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That the Fruit Inspector has landed one case of improper packing.

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That all imported boxes are considerably heavier than the locals.

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That last "Dollar Day" was the best yet, and people were very pleased with their bargains.

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That it has not taken the Cameron firm long to begin ship-building, nor the Council long to sanction the works.

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That the City fathers can "get a move on" when they are really in earnest.

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That the display of georgeous dress at the Kitchener memorial service in Christ Church Cathedral exceeded the glory of Solomon.

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That the Premier and his party are pursuing their victorious campaign in the North.

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That the general enthusiasm with which they have been received is a surprise to—the Liberals.

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That the Police Magistrate is having a pretty easy time these days, thanks to the general condition of order which prevails.

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That it is a pity the City could not afford to send the Fire Chief to the convention at Cincinnatti, it is an investment that pays.

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That no party seems to want the "Radical Doctor" on its ticket, but that will not discourage him; he will make a ticket of his own.

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That it is a pity that a man who can write so sympathetically about "Bird Life" should always dip his pen in vinegar when he writes about politics.

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That he might at least show little respect for the judiciary and the Courts of Law.

That the Eastern Canadian papers are a unit in denouncing the blatant egotism of the Minister of Militia with respect to the alleged Kitchener letter.

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That they nearly all treat it as a story made out of "whole cloth."

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That with the warm weather approaching, it will soon be muzzling time for mad dogs.

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That everyone is asking as to the identity of N. W. Baker, Secretary for War, the general impression is that he must have been an understudy of Lord Kitchener.

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That in any event he is a "dark horse" who comes to light for the first time.

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That some people thought Lloyd George was the only man for the position, but apparently they had another guess coming.

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That the Associated Press evidently believes that Mexican War News is of much greater importance than European War News, judging from the space assigned to each.

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That they are not alone in their opinion, President Wilson shares it.

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That the rumour as to the Duke leaving Canada before the end of the war is the veriest canard.

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That the silliness of the rumour is only exceeded by the suggested that Earl Curzon might succeed him—Pigs might fly.

OBITUARY

The despatches from the front this week brought the sad news that Harry McIver Hepburn had been killed at the front. Although not generally known in Victoria, he was well known in Vancouver, where he had resided for six or seven years. He was a man of sterling character and attractive personality, straight as a line, trustworthy and successful in the many important enterprises with which he had been connected. He was the son of Mr. George Wright Hepburn, C.E., an eminent engineer, for many years an officer in the British Army Works Corps in which he served through the Crimean War, and subsequently distinguished himself on the construction of the Punjab and Delhi Railway in India, and in canal works on the Urugay River, Brazil. His son inherited the engineering instincts of his father and had been associated with engineering works of various kinds in the Old Country, in Arizona, Mexico and in British Columbia. For the last five years he had been employed with his brother, Mr. Arthur Hepburn, C.E., of Vancouver, in exploiting mineral properties in B. C., and had located at least two coal properties of great value. Mr. Harry Hepburn went to the front only a few months ago with Major Coulthard's Engineering Corps, and in consequence of his engineering experience was quickly requisitioned for special work near the firing line. His loss will be deeply lamented, not only by his many relatives, but by all who knew him.

At the Westholme Hotel next week the artistes will be Miss Watson, the celebrated Pianist from the Guild Hall School of Music, London; Miss Jo. Hovland, soprano; Miss La Mar, Ragtime performer; Miss Nan Andrews, Ballad Singer, and Mr. P. Murphy, the Irish Tenor. Commencing at 8 p.m.

HER DUTY

An anaemic, thin, maiden lady of uncertain years, who looked as if she might have as much maternal affection as an incubator, sized up a broad-shouldered cockney who was idly looking into a window on the Strand, and in a rasping voice demanded: "Why aren't you in the trenches? Aren't you willing to do anything for your country?" Turning around slowly, he looked at her a second, and replied contemptuously: "Garn, ye slacker! Where's your war-baby?"

Short Story

THE CONDUCTRESS

By C. D. Leslie.

Though the Dear Old Lady had retained most of her Victorian prejudices against women doing anything their grandmothers hadn't done before them, she had conceived a great admiration for the female 'bus conductors.

They looked so smart and businesslike, she thought, in their uniforms, and they were so anxious to please, to justify their usurpation of men's work. One especial favourite she had on the route she chiefly patronized—a little woman with a slight tilt to her nose and a pugnacious chin. Never flurried was this caapble conductress, but always bright and smiling and mistress of the situation.

It was the 'bus of this particular conductress that the Dear Old Lady caught one evening as she was going home from a Red Cross meeting. The hour was late for London in 1916, which for the most part seems to go to bed soon after sundown; and there were only a few people in the 'bus. These soon got out, leaving only the Dear Old Lady and a later passenger—a big, untidy, morose-looking working man.

"Fares, please," said the conductress to the male passenger. He looked at her with lazy contempt (or so the Dear Old Lady read his unintelligent countenance), and his first words confirmed her fears that he was going to be "nasty."

"Wot yer goin' to charge me?" he drawled.

"No more than anybody else," she retorted.

"Ho! Fancy yourself, don't yer?"

"Fancy you're going to pay."

Scowling rudely at her, the man at length produced a penny. "Crown

"A penny only takes you to the corner of Rupert Street. It'll be a ha'penny more to the Crown."

"That's all yer'll get out o' me."

"Then Rupert Street is as far as you'll get on this 'bus."

"Ho! is it?" he sneered.

Apaprently unconcerned the condustress, pouching her penny, returned to the step, humming blithely to herself, while the Dear Old Lady waited for what was coming. All too soon the 'bus drew up at Rupert Street. No one got in.

"Rupert Street!" called the conductress to the mael fare. "Rupert Street. Going on?"

"Aye?"

"Another ha'penny, please."

"Get no 'a'penny out o' me."

"Then step out, please." The man declined to move. The condustress, standing in front of him, firmly but politely, and with much reiteration, laid before him the choice of paying or going. The fare's attitude was more than threatening. Again and again it seemed to the Dear Old Lady that he was about to strike the dauntless conductress; yet, in the end growling and muttering, he made a slow, protesting exit. As he stepepd off the conductress rang her bell, and the 'bus plunged into the darkness.

"Oh, my dear," gasped the Dear Old Lady. "I was afraid he was going to hit you. How splendidly you managed him. How brave you are! Have you no fear?"

The young woman smiled brightly. "Lor! I'm not afraid of him. I know how to manage him all right. He's my husband," she added, "and I won't 'arf tell 'im off for this when I get home!"

AS IT WILL BE

Mr. Goodfellow had dined out six nights in succession. On the seventh he turned up at home for the evening meal. When he was seated Mrs. Goodfellow rose in her seat and, addressing the other occupants of the table, said: "Children, we have with us tonight a guest of whom you have all heard, even if you do not personally know him. He is a man who has a reputation for conviviality and cheer in every club and cafe in the city, and this evening we are to have the honor and pleasure of being numbered among the admirers of his brilliant and entertaining qualities. Therefore, it is with the greatest pleasure that I present to you—your papa."

KIRKHAM'S CASH Grocery

"There cabby, you haven't given me enough change."

"Well, Mister, ye can't expect to hire a hoss an' kerridge an' a expert accountant for fifty cents a mile."

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Dr. Prices or Royal Baking Powder, tin	40c	34c
Shredded Wheat Biscuit, pkg.	15c	12c
Kelloggs Corn Flakes, pkg.	10c	9c
White Swan Washing Powder, pkg.	25c	19c
McLaren's Cheese, jar	35c	24c
Johnston's Fluid Beef, bottle	$1.25	99c
Hard Wheat Flour, sack	$1.75	$1.54
Standard Brand Teas, lb.	50c	47c
Rolled Oats, 7 lb. sack	35c	27c
Krinkle Corn Flakes, pkg.	10c	8c
Puffed Rice, pkg.	15c	13c
Lux or Old Dutch, pkg.	10c	8 1-3c
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BRIBERY CHARGE IS SENSATION

Former Paving Contractor Sends Letter to Mayor Reflecting Upon Members of 1911 Council

Something of a sensation was sprung in the City Council last evening, when Mayor Stewart thumbed a voluminous-looking document and announced that he had received a letter from Capt. W. H. Worswick, of the Worswick Paving Company, containing charges against a number of the aldermen of the 1911 Council and other citizens in connection with contracts let by the city in that year. Personally he did not think Capt. Worswick's allegations should be read publicly, because he felt that they were of a libelous nature. He asked for the opinion of the city solicitor.

Mr. R. W. Hannington, the solicitor, gave it as his opinion that it would be most inadvisable to allow the letter to be read. He had seen it, and so was in a position to know of what he was talking. He declared that the tenor of the letter betrayed personal animus. In only one instance was evidence given which would be acceptable in court, and that was where the "briber" claimed he gave money to the bribed. Cases were recited in the letter where money was said to have been paid to intermediaries, and it was presumed that it reached the parties for whom it was alleged to be intended. But there was no proof that it had, as far as could be seen by Capt. Worswick's statement.

The charges were grave, the solicitor opined. Each alderman might read them, but he could not recommend that either letter (it was disclosed that there were two, one being in the nature of an enclosure) be made public. A large proportion of what was said appeared to be based on heresay. It was true that the writer agreed to come here to give evidence, if his expenses were paid, but in spite of that the solicitor found himself unable to agree to publicity at this stage.

Alderman Fullerton regretted that the Mayor had not taken the Council into his confidence with regard to the original letter from Capt. Worswick, before anything had gone to the newspapers. Surely the aldermen were as entitled to such information as the reporters. He thought, however, that something should be done about the matter without delay, and that nothing should be covered up. He recommended, in view of the solicitor's remarks, that a private session of the Council be held as soon as the regular business was disposed of, to consider the letters.

Alderman Todd did not know what Capt. Worswick's disclosures were, but he did not think they should be side-tracked. Personally, he would prefer to have them read. He moved that copies be typed and sent to each of the aldermen and to the City Prosecutor, the latter being requested to investigate, and, is satisfied that there was ground for action, to take the necessary steps.

The Mayor assured Aldermen Fullerton and Peden, both of whom were members of the 1911 Council, that their names were not mentioned.

Alderman Fullerton observed that there were some ex-aldermen.

The Mayor remarked that the matter had gone for five years now, so he did not see that there was any special hurry.

Alderman Cameron was doubtful as to the wisdom of having copies made, because if twelve were issued, it was certain that the press would obtain access to one or more. He said this without reflection on any of the aldermen. (Laughter.) They could go to the file in the City Clerk's office and read for themselves.

Alderman Peden thought that if there was any truth in anything that was alleged it should be got out.

Alderman Porter moved that the letters be laid on the table for a week and that in the meantime copies be forwarded to each alderman. This was carried, Alderman Todd dissenting.

SEES PACIFIC TRADE IN HANDS OF JAPAN

Are Busy Building Ships to Carry Freight and Passengers

OTTAWA, June 19.—That the carrying trade of the Pacific Ocean will practically all pass into the hands of Japan is the prediction made by J. W. Ross, Canadian Trade Commissioner at Shanghai. Mr. Ross notes that despite the difficulty experienced in securing building materials all the Japanese shipyards are busy with the construction of fairly large steamers of from six to eight thousand tons with good passenger accommodation.

"The rate of progress which the Japanese are making in the construction of ships," Mr. Ross observes, "unless other countries soon make a start to do likewise must ultimately place the Pacific carrying trade practically all in the hands of the eastern nation."

SOLDIER GETS NINE MONTHS

Told Military Authorities He Had Wife and Got Separation Allowance.

VANCOUVER, June 19.—Obtaining separation allowance from the Government under false pretences was what brought Private W. J. Hawes, alias W. J. Hall, before Magistrate Shaw in the Police Court this morning. It was proved that he had enlisted saying that he was a married man and in this manner received separation allowance cheques, to which he forged the name of his fictitious wife. He was sentenced to nine months in jail. He was defended by Mr. Frank Lyons. The investigation aws conducted by Lieut. Tweedale, the district intelligence officer.

When Hawes enlisted he told the army authorities that he was married, and gave the address of his wife as a house in the East End. When these cheques were sent, he would get them and sign his supposed wife's name and after cashing them, use the money for his own purposes. Owing to the vigilance of Lieut. Tweedale and his assistant, Sergt. Moulton, the man succeeded in obtaining but $6 in this manner, for his actions aroused their suspicions, and his case was immediately investigated. The man has quite a long record with the police, having served one year in jail here before for entering vacant houses and stealing plumbing and other fixtures. Lieut. Tweedale stated to The Province this morning that he had another charge against the man, one of desertion which would probably be prosecuted in the near future.

PORTLAND PROTESTS

The Prohibitionists of Portland Dissatisfied With a So-called Prohibition Which Does Not Prohibit.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 5.—The Oregon Prohibition Law is not satisfactory to the prohibitionists of the State. The provision which allows for the importation of liquor from outside points on permits granted by county auditors is forming a loophole, which makes the enforcement of the law a very difficult problem. The State central committee of the prohibition party has taken this matter up and decided that the only way to meet the condition is to provide for full and complete prohibition. On this basis the committee will at once propose an amendment to the act which provides that no intoxicating liquors shall be imported into the States except for medicinal, scientific, sacramental or mechanical purposes. It is proposed to have a vote on this amendment at the November election and a petition for an initiative measure is now being circulated.

ELK RIVER RAPIDLY RISING.

FERNIE, B. C., June 17.—During the last 24 hours, the Elk River here has risen with astounding rapidity and is causing considerable apprehension. Last night three small bridges, one at Olsen and two at Hosmer, east of here were washed out and in the event of being carried down stream toward this city will prove to be a serious menace to the larger bridges here.

The 225th Battalion, which has been quartered in the skating rink here, has been obliged to abandon their quarters owing to the advance of the floods and have been transferred to the city park.

DOUKHOBOURS MAKE CANS

Operate New Factory at Brilliant—Establish Another Brickyard—Look for Big Berry Crop.

NELSON, June 19.—Construction has been completed by the Doukhobor community at Brilliant of a plant for the manufacture of tin cans for use in the society's jam factory at that point. It is proposed to turn out about 150,000 cans this year. Can-making operations have already commenced.

John Sherbinin, business agent for the community, also announces that the society has established a new brickyard. It has one at Grand Forks and has now commenced operations near Winlaw where brick is being made from blue clay.

Another enterprise of the Doukobors which is being operated at Brilliant is a wood-pipe factory. This is run whenever the community needs pipe for irrigation works or other purposes.

Mr. Sherbinin anticiaptes that the strawberry crop this year will be exceptionally heavy. It is late, but the crop gives evidence of being very large. Mr. Sherbinin was not prepared to say whether the Doukhobors would be in the market this season for berries from ranchers. The high price of sugar, he said, made it problematical as to whether the community owuld jam or can any except its own produce. The community is buying its sugar from Vancouver this year.

CONTRACTORS CLAIM DAMAGES

McIlwee & Sons Figure Out Profit of $800,000 on Rogers Pass Sub-Contract

VANCOUVER, June 19. An action to assess damages in which a sum of over $800,000 is being claimed started before Mr. Justice Morrison this morning in the Supreme Court. The plaintiffs, McIlwee & Sons, of Denver, have already obtained a Privy Council judgment deciding that they are entitled to whatever profit it can be shown they might have made in building the centre heading and pioneer bores in the Rogers Pass tunnel. The defendants are Messrs. Foley, Welch & Stewart.

The courtroom is more like a lecture room in a mining college. Large diagrams showing the geology of Mount Sir Donald, and some hundreds of samples of the rock taken from the great bore under the mountain are in court. Other diagrams show the progress of work on the bores month by month, and the cost and profits made by the two firms.

Work on the contract was started on April 3, 1914, a bonus of $250,000 being held out as an inducement to the contractors for very rapid work. The plaintiffs made profits at the rate of about $600 a day and bade fair to take the entire bonus when work was stopped, following disputes over the amount of compressed air used. Later they were given the opportunity to resume work, but declined under the conditions.

Suit was brought instead in which Mr. Justice Clement decided that the contractors were entitled to $34,000 damages for the time they were stopped until they were given an opportunity to resume. The Court of Appeal and Privy Council later decided on appeal that McIlwee & Sons were entitled to profits on the entire contract, just as if they had completed it without hindrance.

Mr. S. S. Taylor, K.C., for McIlwee & Sons, pointed out to his lordship that the work had gone on faster after Foley, Welch & Stewart had taken it over, and that the so-called Sir Donald quartzite, which it was said would hinder the work, proved as easy or easier than the other rock encountered. Mr. Taylor estimated the profits his clients would have made on the work to be over $800,000. The tunnel is five miles long and now forms an important feature in the C. P. R. system.

Mr. R. P. Stockton is assisting Mr. S. S. Taylor, K.C. The defendants are represented by Messrs. E. P. Davis, K.C., and E. V. Bodwell, K.C.

"SCOTTY" M'KAY WOUNDED AGAIN

Victoria Soldier-Boxer in Hospital Recovering From Wounds Received in Mine Explosion

OTTAWA, June 18.—Scotty McKay, the well-known Victoria boxer, has been wounded again. On this occasion he has had the misfortune to have his foot badly injured in a mine explosion, while serving as a bomb-thrower. He has been in the hospital at Ramsgate for nearly two months. In the next bed to Scotty is Ernie Sutton, the ex-amateur lightweight champion of Canada. This is the third time that Scotty has been wounded. On the first occasion he was hit in the leg and the second time was leg and the second time was wounded in the arm by an explosive bullet.

SCORES ACTION OF LIBERALS

Joseph Martin Says Brewster's Writ Is Absolutely Ridiculous—Has No Legal Standing.

VICTORIA, June 13.—Mr. Joseph Martin, K.C., a lifelong Liberal and former Premier, and a former attorney-general of British Columbia, does not think very much of the Brewster writ. Mr. Martin, who is here arguing a Dofinion Trust case before the Appeal Court, was asked his opinion this forning of the suit entered by the Liberal leader against the Premier to declare null and void all legislation since March 14 last.

"I have no hesitation in saying that form a legal standpoint the Brewster writ is absolutely ridiculous," declared Mr. Martin. "I have been of that opinion since the first, and the fore I consider the more certain I am that the Liberal contention in this regard is nonsense. I will go even further and say that the extension of the life of the Legislature passed by the Premier on March 15 was not necessary. The House could have continued without any extension act up to June 1, which I think was the date mentioned in the election proclamtion four years ago. The legislation covering the subject of holding elections never contemplated that the so-called date of return of the first writ should govern the life of aPrliament. That is the position taken by Mr. Brewster, and it is absurd," laughed Mr. Martin, who added that this contention would be equivalent to saying that by the whim of any returning officer in the Province the date of the life of the Legislatures could be fixed. Mr. Martin's view is that the date mentioned in the election proclamation is what settles the matter and that on this basis Hon. Mr. Bowser's extension act passed under dramatic circumstances between midnight and one o'clock on March 15, cured a disease which did not exist.

Mr. Brewster's writ was aimed at the alleged overpayment per mile of government guarantees of the Pacific Great astern Railway. In shooting at this bird, Mr. Brewster threatened about forty-five other beautifully plumaged fowls which stood in the way. If his charge of buckshot was to knock out the P. G. E., it had to send broadside through a whole flock of legislative ducks and drakes named workmen's compensation, weekly half-holiday, shipping bill, aid to miners, woman's suffrage, prohibition, etc., etc.

The public may feel that these enactments are just as legally passed as any other on the stattue books of British Columbia. "There is no question of their legality," said Mr. Martin. He added, however, that on the simple question of the alleged over-payment in connection with the Pacific Great Eastern, he was disposed to take issue with the Premier. The Legislature, it will be remembered, voted a mileage guarantee to the railway. Mr. Brewster's charge is that all the guarantee was used up with part of the railway uncompleted. On this point, Mr. Martin said:

"I can not see what power the government had to allow this over-payment. The cabinet ministers were simply trustees appointed like any other trustees to do exactly what they were told to do and empowered to do. But I hardly see how Mr. Brewster's present suit can get at that," and again Mr. Martin laughed at the proposal to declare illegal all the work of the House during the last ten weeks of the session.

CALLING A SPADE A SPADE

Plain Speaking by Commissioners Meredith and Duff at the Royal Fuse Commission.

OTTAWA, June 17—The Meredith-Duff Royal Commisison inquiry into the Kyte charges in regard to certain fuse contracts let by the Shell Committee, which netted a million in commissions, of which Col. J. Wesley Allison pulled down $200,000, concluded its hearing Friday evening last, after sitting six weeks, htiw noe last, after sitting six weeks, with one week's adjournment. During the addresses of counsel, particularly during the address of Mr. J. F. Hellmuth for the Government, some very interesting and significant expressions were voiced by both Commissioners, especially by Mr. Justice Duff.

Mr. Hellmuth, in his final address to the Commissioners, again argued that practically the only question at issue was as to the honesty of the Minister of Militia and the members of the Shell Committee.

Both the Commissioners intimated, however, that they were not disposed to think that their duty was limited to a finding as to the honesty of the parties concerned. They indicated that their report would cover a wider range and would include the connection of Col. J. Wesley Allison with the fuse contracts.

The question of Allison's commission figured largely at the morning sitting, when G. F. Henderson, counsel for Allison, was speaking on behalf of his client.

A portion of the dialogue between the Commissioners and Mr. Henderson relative to the Minister and Col. Allison was as follows:

Mr. Henderson—I have heard the names of many prominent men connected with these contracts, and I think it would have been better if they had been here. You must pardon me if I say that I don't think there was anything illegitimate on the part of Col. Allison in this matter.

Commissioner Duff — The whole thing is that Col. Allison, the confidential agent of the Minister of Militia and Defence, dips his hand in the till to the tune of $200,000 in connection with these contracts.

Mr. Henderson—That is strong expression.

Commissioner Duff—Of course it is. I intend it to be strong.

To Mr. Henderson's argument, later o,n that, if Col. Allison had openly insisted on his right to a commission, he would have been accorded it,

Commissioner Meredith comemnted —If that argument for commissioners had been before the Shell Comptroller to be signed, what would have happened?

Commissioner Duff — If General Pease had seen it, for instance?

Mr. Henderson—It probably would not have been signed. That is an extreme suggestion.

Commissioner Duff—Do you think so?

Commissioner Meredith—We don't want in this inquiry to unduly castigate the small men.

Mr. Henderson—We have to realize that big profits are made on war contracts because of big prices.

Commissioner Duff referred to an incident where Mr. Balfour had been accused on the hustings of making his money out of war profits. "Everyone knows," he said, "the odor which hung around war profits during the Indian Mutiny and the Crimean war."

Mr. Henderson—Yes but the armies must be equipped.

Commissioner Duff — You recollect the incident where General Picton threatened once to shoot a war contractor. The war contractor told the Duke of Wellington, and Wellington told him he had better be careful, because Picton was just the sort of man to do what he said. Don't you think he was justified?

Mr. Henderson—We cannot get along without war contractors.

Commissioner Duff—Then try to make them honest.

The official explanation given to the Legislature on the over-payment question was that it was an expedient to provide for the employment of many hundreds of idle men then in Vancouver and the rushing forward of the work; and that in any event the money went into the job.

HOWARD FULLER IS KILLED IN ACTION

VANCOUVER, June 18.—Mrs. Douglas Armour received word yesterday that Howard Fuller had been killed in action. He was formerly on the business staff of The Daily Province, and enlisted as a private with the 29th aBttalion, going through the severe fighting which resulted in distinction for Captain Gwynn. His conduct throughout this action was such as to earn him promotion, and he was given a commission with the 15th Battalion, an Ontario force. It was during his first fight as an officer that he met death. He was a native of Hamilton, Ont., where his parents live, and it was from them that Mrs. Armour received word yesterday.

ATLIN VISITED BY SEVERE FIRE

Mining Camp Almost Wiped Out in Second Fire of Year

ATLIN, June 17.—Atlin was again visited by a severe fire which almost wiped out the town on Friday. The Royal Hotel, store, stable, garage, storehouse and residence of Louis Schultz was destroyed, also Kershaw's hardware store. Eggert Jewelry, Pillman and James McIntosh stores, bakery and residence, restaurant, blacksmith shop, new, unoccupied store, five residences. Very little was saved in some cases. The fire lasted one hour and a half, and burned rapidly owing to the strong wind. An area of about five acres was burned. An estimated loss is $75,000, with no insurance. The Dominion Government telegraph office and postoffice was saved owing to its location.

LIBERAL MAJORITY IN SENATE NOW BUT SIX

OTTAWA, June 19.—The death of Senator Dan Derbyshire, of Brockville, will reduce the Liberal majority in the Upper House to half a dozen when all the existing vacancies are filled. The vacancies now number five in Ontario, two in Nova Scotia, two in British Columbia, and one in Manitoba. These vacancies can be filled at any time. When the present Parliament expires the Government will have authority under the terms of the recent amendment to the British North America Act to increase the senatorial group from eighteen Western Canadians to twenty-four, making it of similar numerical strength to the Ontario, Quebec and Maritime Provinces group.

EARTH SHOCK AT NANAIMO

Residents of City Startled by Early Morning Tremor—Probably of Local Origin

NANAIMO, B. C., June 10.—Residents of this city were startled at ten minutes to six o'clock this morning by a shaking and tremor, which many thought to be an earthquake shock, while others were of the opinion that an explosion had occurred in the vicinity of the city.

Inquiries made at the several powder plants in this locality elicited the information that no explosions had occurred in their plants, and the only solution of the incident is that an earthquake had taken place.

The shake was so distinct that hundreds were awakened from sleep, windows rattled and buildings were shaken, but no damage is reported to have resulted in any section of the district. The shock was distinctly felt by the miners underground, their impression being that an explosion had occurred somewhere on the surface.

There was no record of any earth disturbance made on the seismological instruments at the Gonzales Heights observatory in Victoria yesterday morning, which could be in any way connected with the shock mentioned in the Nanaimo dispatch. It is pointed out, however, b yMr. F. Napier Denison, Dominion Government Seismologist at this station, that shocks of a like character often take place in a mining region of a purely local character and of insufficient strength to make a record at any appreciable distance.

VICTORIA

Sometime within the next two weeks the Liberals of Esquimalt riding will hold their convention at the Rex Theatre to select their candidate to contest the riding at the forthcoming general election. Two names are likely to figure at the convention, those of Mr. Arthur W. McCurdy, president of the Esquimalt Liberal Association, and Mr. Henry C. Helgeson, a Metchosin farmer. Mr. J. Charles McIntosh, who has been active in Liberal circles in the district for some years, is almost certain to be proposed, but he stated last night that he would not accept the nomination if it were tendered him. The convention is to take place in the Rex Theatre, and it will be addressed by Messrs. H. C. Brewster, Leader of the Opposition, and Mr. M. A. Macdonald. The event will mark the commencement of the Liberal campaign in Esquimalt, preparations for which are being consummated this evening at a meeting in Jones's Hall.

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The B. C. Electric Railway Co. has brought action against the Silver Spring Brewery Co. for payment for power used by the latter in the operation of its plant. The defence is that this figure is offset by the use by the railway of the brewery company's land. Messrs. H. B. Robertson and A. D. King are appearing for the B. C. Electric, while Mr. Thomas Miller is acting for the brewery. An adjournment was requested by Mr. Miller on the ground that amendments had been made to the statement of claim, and copies of documents included which went back as far as 1897, which might entirely change the defence. Mr. Robertson argued that as the defendant company had known of the amendments since Thursday, it should be prepared to proceed. The trial was set down to commence this morning.

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Mr. F. Elworthy, Secretary of the Board of Trade, wrote the City Council last night complaining that step ladders used by tally-ho drivers for the taking on of passengers near the C. P. R. depot, are left on the boulevards when the vehicles were elsewhere. He thought that they were objectionable and that the practice should be discontinued. The Mayor observed that he was surprised to find Mr. Elworthy "waking up." "If he always was as sharp with other things as with this trifling matter he might be a useful citizen," said His Worship. Ald. Dilworth moved that the matter be referred to the Police Commissioners. The ladders were unsightly. It was ridiculous that they should be allowed to remain. Mr. Elworthy was justified in his complaint. His suggestion was adopted.

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One of the fruits of the British Columbia Government's policy of granting assistance to shipbuilding—a measure which was passed at the last session of the Legislature—was disclosed at the City Council meeting last evening, when the Cameron—Genoa Mills Shipbuilders, Ltd., applied for permission to proceed with the construction of shipyards and the installation of necessary equipment on a site in the vicinity of the Point Ellice Bridge.

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With slightly under 100 probationers in attendance, the new Royal School of Infantry opened yesterday morning at Work Point, being attended by some amusing incidents which relieved the dullness of military routine.

Subalterns from all parts of the Province were present, and it was not long before it was discovered that the course of instruction to which they were to be subjected was altogether different to that of the past. It was apparent that while provisionally lieutenants in the C.E.F. units to which they belong, they have no more standing in the school than the ordinary rear-rank private. And it is to their credit that all entered into the spirit of the think so thoroughly that the wisdom of the new regulations as a practical means of military training already is demonstrated.

One of the changes is that all officers must live in barracks until they have qualified. It surprised them, however, when they were shown skeleton mattresses, empty pillows and a pile of straw, and were told to prepare their beds. In a few seconds, however, what was wanted was realized, and the entire class raced away and began industriously to fill their "ticks" and find favorable locations for their resting places in the several buildings set aside for their use.

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Lieut.-Col. J. L. Biggar and 191 other officers and men of No. 13 Field Ambulance Corps left by the Vancouver boat on Sunday on overseas duty. In spite of the late hour of their departure there was a large crowd out to see them off, and the soldiers were heartily cheered as they filed on board the steamer at the C. P. R. depot.

In the afternoon the band of the 5th Regiment, C.G.A., gave a concert at Macaulay Plains, where the unit was camped, and where it did its training. Several hundred civilians, the majority being relatives and personal friends of the officers and men, attended to spend a few hours with those they knew and, also, to enjoy the music.

Col. Biggar's command will be joined en route by a draft of fifty officers and men of No. 11 A. M. C., Training Depot, now at Vernon. The latter are in command of Capt. Gibbs of Vancouver, who some years ago was well known here as a physician with a considerable practice.

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The suggestion made by Ald. Todd that a committee of aldermen and the Water Commissioner make an inspection of Elk Lake and the land which the city controls in that locality with a view to ascertaining what may be done to convert the area into a recreation centre, was discussed by the City Council last evening and adopted. Alderman Todd, Peden and Dilworth were appointed to make whatever recommendations may seem wise at next week's meeting.

VANCOUVER

A quiet wedding took place Sunday at Christ Church, when Private Louis Blancard, 47th Battalion, was united in marriage to Miss Emily Withers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Withers. Mr. Withers is now serving in the 62nd Battalion in England. Private Blancard is the son of the well known physician, Dr. Blancard, who was formerly in Vancouver, but who now resides at Mauritius Island. Private Blancard was returned from England on account of ill health.

The bride was supported by Mrs. Thomas Ireland, of South Vancouver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Withers. Her husband is also serving in the 72nd Highlanders. The bridegroom was supported by his brother, N. P. Blancard. The house was decorated by Mrs. Paven and a quiet party was held for their relatives and friends at the home of the couple.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Rogers and a party of friends had an almost miraculous escape when their large seven-passenger touring car rolled over a steep embankment on the road between Ladner and New Westminster, turning turtle and landing at the bottom a few feet away from the dyke which runs along the road. The six occupants of the car were pinned beneath it, but none were seriously injured except Mr. Rogers, whose limbs were quite badly jammed. The remainder of the party escaped with nothing more serious than bruises, sprains and cuts. The accident was caused by a piece of the road, which is new and apparently not fit for travel, slipping from under the car, and but for the fact that the car was moving at a very slow rate the accident would undoubtedly have had fatal results.

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Writing to a friend in Vancouver, Lieut.-Col. Victor W. Odlum, officer commanding the 7th Battalion, tells that when in Poperinghe recently, he and other Canadian officers hunted up the grave of the late Lieut.-Col. Hart McHarg and had it greatly improved.

"One of our men, Private Bryenton, by name, who is an amateur artists," adds Lieut.-Col. Odlum, "made a painting of the old cemetery, with its French, Belgian and British graves, and the neighboring Belgian military hospital. This I am sending to the Hart McHarg Auxiliary, No. 5, General Hospital, Vancouver.

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Mr. C. W. Sawers received word to-day from Ottawa that his son, Lieut. Norman Stanley, who was injured twice within the past year, was dangerously wounded in the recent fighting on the Canadian front. Norman is suffering from a compound fracture of the skull and slight hope is held out for his recovery.

He is well known in Rugby, rowing and athletic circles and is one of three sons Mr. Sawers has at the front.

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Mr. Nelles Stacey received a cable from Lieut. George E. Chaffey this morning stating that he was now in the Daughters of the Empire Hospital, London, and that his condition has improved so that he is able to be up and about again.

He was a prominent member of the Vancouver Rowing Club, and went overseas, with the 48th Battalion. Russell Chaffey, his brother, who went with the first contingent and was wounded at St. Julien a year ago, is now a staff-sergeant in the Canadian pay and records office, London.

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Word was received yesterday by Rev. James Cameron, of 4424 James Street, that his son, Lieut. John Scott Cameron had been severely wounded and is now in No. 14 General Hospital at Wimereaux, France. He was a member of the 41st Battalion and before enlisting was a prominent barrister in Winnipeg.

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Mr. Samuel H. Reynolds, chairman of the Greater Winnipeg District Water Commission and former managing director of the Pacific Coast Coal Mines Company, on Vancouver Island, died suddenly on Friday afternoon from heart failure at the residence of a cousin in Chicago. He was on his way back to Winnipeg, after having been in New York on a business trip.

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Lieut. F. C. Underhill, son of Dr. F. T. Underhill, medical health officer of the City of Vancouver, has been wounded at the front, according to the official casualty list, issued at Ottawa. Lieut. Underhill, who is about 25 years old, was a member of the firm of Underhill & Underhill, land surveyors prior to the war. He is a well known Vancouver boy, and his numerous friends will be glad to know that his wounds are not fatal.

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Five sub-lieutenants of the Motor Boat Patrol Service left Vancouver for England on Sunday night on the C. P. R. transcontinental. They were Lieutenants R. W. Holland, F. W. Holland, Max Downing, Owen Powers and Walter Hillam. The party was under the direction of Lieut. R. W. Holland.

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Lieut.-Col. J. A. Biggar, commanding 13th Field Ambulance, arrived in Vancouver this morning from Victoria, with ten officers and eighty men, en route for the front. The detachment left for the East on the C. P. R. train.

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According to a report received in this city recently, Pte. Clement Davies, whose parents live on Seventh Avenue, has been wounded at the front. He was a well known pressman in the city, and his welfare is eagerly watched by a large number of friends. He was attached to the 47th Battalion.

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R. Macklin, otherwise P. C. (44) Macklin, appeared before Magistrate Shaw, charged with harbouring a vicious dog. The complaintant, J. Stelmachchuk, stated that he was a peddler, and that as he was going round the side of defendant's house the dog bit him. Defendant told the court that the dog had been very kind to children, and Magistrate Shaw took a lenient view of the case owing to the fact that complainant was on Macklin's premises, everything pointing to a dismissal of the case, when the defendant informed the court that the dog was destroyed on Saturday, and then, of course, the case fell through.

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B. Cook, who was found guilty of an assault on an old man named Barber, but of whom Magistrate Shaw said he felt that he had received some provocation, the fault not being all on one side, was fined $50 and cost, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment. His Worship remarked that if he did not feel there had been provocation on the other man's part, he would have sent the accused down without the option of a fine.

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Over $100 was realized for the Soldiers' Sock Fund Saturday afternoon last by the garden fete under the auspices of the Strathearn Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire, for which Mrs. J. W. Stewart very kindly lent her beautiful grounds on Shaughnessy Heights.

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Construction work on the new Broadway Theatre is proceeding apace and indications points to a completion of the building in the course of two months. The new building will be a notable addition to the business section of Mount Pleasant and will prove a commodious and comfortable home for the Broadway under the guiding hand of Manager Gow.

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Two accidents occurred at local wharves during Saturday and Sunday, the first being at 10:20 Saturday night, when F. St. John, a longshoreman, sustained fractures of several ribs through being crushed by a heavy packing case. He was removed to the General Hospital. At 10 o'clock on Sunday morning, Robert Smith, of the American Robert Dollar Company, was severely injured about the hands when a hatch on the Bessie Dollar slipped, jamming his fingers.

Popular Captain "Tom" Taylor, of the 29th Battalion, who was wounded at the front some months ago, is now convalescent and expects to return to his regiment from the London hospital, where he has been resting, according to a letter received in this city on Saturday. "Captain Tom" is one of the most popular of the many officers which Vancouver has sent to the front. He is a son of Mr. A. D. Taylor, K.C.

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Owners of canine friends who like to see their pets disport in the briny, will have to go further afield than the local bathing beaches in future, for the powers that be are determined to invoke the aid of a by-law passed some years since, by which dogs are barred the use of beaches where humans bathe. The practice of many owners of dogs of letting their animals go in at the beaches, thereby creating a nuisance for the bathers, is to be stopped, the owners of dogs wearing city tags being fined, while those dogs which are untagged will be taken to the city ponnd and destroyed.

WOOD LAKE

Many of the children here have excellent home gardens. Indeed, some of these gardens could hardly be beaten by professionals, and will more than supply the family table. It has been suggested that an exhibition of products from these gardens be held in the school-house in the fall and that prizes b egiven for the best exhibits on that occasion. It is hoped that this idea will be successfully carried out. The Government is doing its share in trying to arouse in the hearts of the children an interest in farm-life, and the hearty co-operation of parents, trustees and teachers in this important work will aid greatly in the development of the immense resources of our beautiful Province.

KELOWNA

Quartermaster-Sergt. Walsh, of the 30th B. C. Horse, came into town on Friday last, from headquarters at Vernon for a few days leave, prior to his leaving (with the rest of the fellows who are attached to the same unit and also from Kelowna) for Victoria for special training before going overseas.

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Mr. Guernsey and family arrived in the city on Saturday last from Kamloops, and have taken up their residence in a house on the K. S. O. bench lately vacated by Capt. Brush.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fox and family arrived in town from Strathmore, Alberta. Mr. Fox was formerly a resident of the K. L. O. Bench, some few years ago, and his many friends are glad to welcome him back amongst them. Mr. Fox has obtained a position as Water Bailiff for the Canyon Creek Irrigation Co.

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Pte. E. England left the city on Friday morning, together with Mrs. England. He has been attached to the B. C. Pioneer Regiment, who, we learn, will be leaving for overseas in a few days.

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Private Anderson, who has been spending a few days holiday in the city with friends, left on Saturday morning to rejoin his regiment, the 172nd Battalion, now training at Vernon.

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Messrs. J. E. Reekie and G. S. Allan, members of the Okanagan United Growers Exchange, returned from Vernon on Saturday last, where they had been to attend a special meeting of the board.

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Lieut. C. W. Dickson, of the 172nd Battalion, is paying a short visit to Kelowna.

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Mrs. O. C. Etter, of Westbank, visited Kelowna on Saturday last.

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A large smoker in honor of the return of Lieut. Barlee was held last Tuesday in Raymer's Hall. The programme was arranged by the members of the Volunteer Reserve, and Mayor Jones took the chair. Lieut. Barlee was received with enthusiastic cheers and the singing of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" was most hearty. He gave a very graphic description of his doings since he left Kelowna. He referred during the course of his remarks to many of his and Kelowna's friends who had been killed in action, and he feared there would be many more before this terrible war was over. Tse Rev. Thomas Greene and Capt. Dr. G. S. Campbell also addressed the audience. The musical part of the programme included songs by Messrs. Dibb, Hicks, McFarlane, Grant, Ferrier, Stocks and Sergt. Chaplin. Violin solos by Mr. Drury Price, while Mr. T. Boyd presided at the piano.

We are sorry to have to report the news of the death of one of Kelowna's former residents in the person of Mr. Gilbert J. Slater, who has given his life in the Empire's cause. Mr. Slater came to Kelowna in 1912, and was connected with the Bankhead Orchard Company. He returned to the Old Country in the early part of 1914, with the intention of going into the fruit growing industry. When the war broke out he offered his services and was given a commission in the 8th Wosceters, of which he was adjutant. Since then he has seen much active service. On Ayril 29th last he was in the trenches and had just got up to answer a call on the field telephone when a bomb exploded near him. He only lived but two minutes, and was buried with military honors in the military cemetery.

OLALLA

The streams are steadily rising, and the Keremeos Creek has overflowed into the meadows, in consequence of which Wm. Shuttleworth and family have had to move from their home down to the Verdun house in Olalla.

The Similkameen Women's Institute held their annual picnic in the park at Keremeos on Saturday, June 3rd. Owing to the uncertain weather, the crowd was late in gatherl ing, but at four o'clock a goodly number had assembled. A bountiful supper was enjoyed by all, after which some races were held which would have been more interesting for the contestants if there had been any prizes. We would respectfully suggest that a sports committee be appointed to look after these amusements before next annual picnic.

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The many friends of Mrs. Surprise will regret to learn that she is not imyroving as rapidly as she might, evidently having caught cold, as the swelling behind her ear has re-appeared, and she seems very weak.

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A horticulturist employed by the Similkameen Land and Fruit Company came in to Lower Keremeos to take up his work, last week, accompanied by his family. The president of the same company accompanied by his wife, arrived on Friday from Winnipeg for a few weeks' sojourn in Lower Keremeos. They were enraptured with the scenery en route from Penticton via the auto route.

NAHUN

Our deepest sympathy is felt for Mrs. and Miss Somerset on behalf of the deaths of B. Somerset, who was killed in action, and of F. Vaughan, who so heroically died of wounds, both of whom were members of the 2nd C. M. R. (B. C. Horse.)

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There have been a goodly number of young fellows who have answered to their country's call from Nahun, and its surroundings. Those who have gone from this district include: G. A. Batchelor, (killed), P. Atkinson, J. Brixton, C. Crichly, J. R. Cheesman, G. St. J. Horner, A. Johnson, J. McPhair, J. Powell, C. Powell, T. Redall, B. Somerset (killed), L. J. Somerset, A. E. Stocks, F. Vaughan (killed), W. Legg, H. C. Seeley. Who can say that little Nahun is not patriotic? Consequently there are many residences uninhabited now. In spite of this, the country is looking very pretty with all the flowers in bloom. The wild roses are quite a sight worth seeing on the road between Mr. Kennard's store and Mr. Leney's ranch.

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There seem to be quite a number of grouse around this year, and we hope that those people with dogs will do their best to protect these birds, as last year there was a scarcity of them.

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Mr. Munro, from Okanagan Landing, has been making a stay of a few days up the hill for natural history researches. In the course of his explorations he came across a beaver dam and a large pond of about fifty yards long, the work of these industrious little creatures.

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A letter recently has been received from Lieut. A. E. Stocks, who is in the Royal Marines, and is stationed at an island in the Aegean Sea, telling of a bomb which was thrown from a Turkish aeroplane and which exploded near an ancient castle held by our troops, only 100 yards from where he and others slept. Luckily no damage was done.

ENDERBY

Mrs. R. Blackburn and son left last Wednesday evening for the Coast to spend the summer there.

The first trooy train that came through, killed a valuable cow of Mrs. Strickland's of Lone Pine Ranch.

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Clifford Grail has accepted a position as line-man with the Okanagan Telephone Company.

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The friends of Lieut. A. N. Evans were sorry to hear he was wounded in the shoulder and is now in a hospital in France. Mr. Evans' home is at this place.

*

Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon spent a few days with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James McMahon. They left Saturday evening by auto for Salmon Arm, to catch the train for Revelstoke.

*

Thomas Cameron, young son of Mr. Benjamin, has been very ill with pneumonia and measles; he is on the road to recovery.

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Letters from the boys in the trenches are still being received by the committee of the Enderby Tobacco Fund. Following are a few more extracts to hand this week, which will prove interesting reading to many:

March 16, 1916.

Dear Friend:—

The parcel containing socks, cake, cigarettes and tobacco, arrived yesterday intact,—thanks so much for the good things. Gifts and comforts of the description are very acceptable, and are the more appreciated, yerhaps, on account of the unknown donors. Through them one has sufficient proof that the welfare and the well being of we soldiers lies in the heart of each individual at home and in this way we realize our full responsibilities the clearer. Thanking you all,

PRIVATE G. SMEDLEY.

KALEDEN

Miss Robinson is staying at the home of her mother, Mrs. C. E. Robinson, for a few days.

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V. Witala and A. Hautmackie came in from Sicamous on Saturday and spent the week-end at Mara.

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Mrs. Richardson and children returned from Kamloops on Saturday last.

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Joseph Dean was a visitor to Vernon for three days last week, returning to Mara on Saturday.

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Mrs. Victor Witala was a visitor to Vernon on Wednesday last, and reports that her two children, Miss Elsie and Master Benty, who have been in the hospital at Vernon with an attack of measles, are progressing nicely and will shortly be home again.

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An old-time Mara resident in the person of Mr. Walter Owen, of Vancouver, paid a short visit to his brother, Mr. Wm. Owen, here on Friday last, coimng in on the morning train and leaving on the evening of the same day. Mr. Owen was one of the pioneers of this settlement, having been one of the earliest homesteaders to locate here. He gave up the ranch life about 20 years ago to take up an appointment on the Provincial police force, with which he has been connected ever since. During his short visit he renewed many old acquaintances in and around Mara.

RICHLANDS

Washington Ryan and a companion of the 102nd Regiment passed through Richlands twice recently to and from Edgewood in connection with the Internment Camp at Edgewood, commanded by Lieut. Harvey of Kelowna. In view of the road work done up at the Monashee here last season by the Internment Camp under Capt. Clarke, it is interesting to note that the work on the road from Edgewood along the Fire Valley trail is progressing famously well. The recent travellers over the trail report it in good condition for horseback travelling, and that the interned aliens are making a good job of the wagon road. During the recent winter, work was held up for a while because of the weather. A good change in plans has been made by diverting the road about half a mile from Edgewood around the falls there, thus securing a water level grade. There are oabut 160 prisoners in the camp, and the road is now built as far as what is known as "The Pre-emption," totalling about four miles now constructed, including diversion mentioned above.

Now that Saturday afternoon has been declared as the weekly half-holiday, the question is being discussed as to the advisability of making Friday the pay day.

PEACHLAND

Pte. Sam. Michael, now training at Vernon, is spending a few days at his home here.

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Mr. James Moore, of Penticton, who spent the week-end at his home here, journeyed south again on Monday's boat.

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Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Dan McMillan, of Kelowna, that their son, Collin, has been wounded at the front. The many friends here wish him a speedy recovery.

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The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. A. Smalls, on Wednesday afternoon.

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Mr. Arthur Cutbill is enjoying a visit from his brother, who arrived here from India on Wednesday evening.

*

Mrs. J. Seaton received word from her son, John, at Ottawa that, after a careful examination and training he had been promoted t othe rank of Sergeant.

ARMSTRONG

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. M. J. Wolfenden, wife of Major F. C. Wolfenden of the 172nd Battalion. Mrs. Wolfenden had a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday of last week while down town, and never regained consciousness, dying Wednesday morning. Mrs. Wolfenden had lived in Armstrong for years and was one of our most highly esteemed citizens. She was head of the Red Cross here for some time and was a faithful worker in the English Church. Major Wolfenden has th edeepest sympathy of the community.

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News was received here Saturday of the wounding of Capt. LeDuc, of the 2nd C. M. R. Capt. LeDuc was second in command at the time, owing to the casualties of so many of the 2nd C. M. R. officers. We sincerely trust that the wound is only slight and that Capt. LeDuc will soon be back at his post, as he is one of the best liked officers who have gone from the Okanagan.

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Mr. A. Munro left on Friday to join his regiment in Vancouver before it leaves for Sewell, Man., where they will do their summer training.

PENTICTON

Mrs. H. A. Turner returned on Wednesday from Vancouver, having been called there by the sad news of the death of her father, Mr. Lambert F. West.

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The ladies of St. Anne's Church gave an ice cream social on Thursday afternoon at the Presbytery grounds. Members of the church, together with numbers of visitors spent a most enjoyable time.

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Special Children's Day Services were held in the Baptist Church on Sunday. The Rev. N. McNaughton, of Summerland, preached at both services, and his sermons were greatly appreciated by the large congregations which assembled.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Fisher left on Tuesday morning for Hull, Quebec, where Mr. Fisher will assume the managership of a branch of the Bank of Montreal.

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Mr. G. O. Nesbitt, the new manager of the Bank of Montreal here, has arrived from New Denver. Mrs. Nesbitt and children, who are visiting in Vancouver, will follow shortly.

*

Mrs. Carson, wife of the new teller at the Bank of Montreal, arrived last week from Spokane. On Thursday afternoon a reception in Mrs. Carson's honor was given by Mrs. Lindsay Swan, at her home on Eckhardt Avenue.

*

The Rev. J. F. Millar left last week for Winnipeg, where he will attend the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, as a delegate from the Presbytery of the Okanagan. Mrs. Millar and little Bruce went by the same boat to Kelowna, where they will remain during Mr. Millar's absence.

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Word has been received that Lieut. J. H. McCoy has been killed in action. Some months ago, it was reported that he was severely wounded, and he was in hospital for a lengthy period. It apepars now that he had returned to duty and was in the recent heavy conflicts in France. Mr. McCoy was one of the most popular of the volunteers from Penticton. He was manager of the Bank of Hamilton here for a couple of years.

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Another delightful dancing party was held at the Aquatic Club House, Penticton, on Friday night. This was the first of the series of dances given for members only, and was exceptionally well attended. The "Trepannier" conveyed a number from here to the scene of festivities, and all reported a most enjoyable evening. The msuic furnished by Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Manchester was very satisfactory. Mr. and Mrs. Manchester have been engaged to play at the series of dances which will be held by the Aquatic Club this season.

NARAMATTA

Mrs. Suthreland, of Penticton, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Northcote, at Syndica House, for a few days.

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Rev. H. A. Solly, Summerland, held Anglican service here on Sunday afternoon.

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The Naramata Women's Institute held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday afternoon last. Roll call was answered by Proverbs. Papers were read by Mrs. Geo. Cook on "Corn Meal and its Uses;" "Canning of Fruits by the Cold Water Method."

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The Misses Gwen and Kathleen Robinson, Messrs. J. O. and W. A. McLean, F. Young and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Manchester walked to Martin's Camp on Sunday morning. After a most satisfactory lunch and a short eest they continued down the railway grade to Tunnel Camp, returning home late in the evening. They report the large log cabins which were erected by King, Walsh & Co., during the railway construction have ben recently destroyed by fire.

OYAMA

Mr. G. Knowlson left last week for Victoria, having joined the 11th C. M. R.'s at the time of its readiness to depart for overseas. Mr. Knowlson belonged at one time to the Yeomanry, and consequently is a seasoned soldier.

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Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Heddle have returned home again from their respective visits.

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The outlook for our district fruit crop is very favourable, in spite of some pessimistic views and expectations this early spring.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. Trask motored to the Shuswap Falls last Sunday with a party of friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clarke, one time residents of Oyama, motored up from Wenatchee and spent a week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Trask. Mr. Clarke used to own Mr. Bourne's lot, and Miss Miller's property here. He has a very bourishing drug business now in Wenatchee.

SALMON RIVER

Miss Agnes Smith, of Falkland, and V Johnson, of Enderby, were married on Wednesday at Falkland. A large number of friends were present. The Rev. G. Akett performed the ceremony. The valley unites in wishing every happiness to the young people.

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Mrs. Johnson is leaving the Glenemma school this term. She will be very much missed by the pupils, with whom she is very popular, and also by the neighborhood generally.

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We hear that Miss Violet McTavish has been very successful in her teaching course at the normal school, and has received great commendation from the principal.

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There is quite a little excitement over the road work just now. The road foreman has not yet been appointed and speculation is rife as to who will be the lucky? individual. The roads are beginning to need attention badly, and it is hoped by all the settlers that they will receive it this year.

KASLO

The thing is decidedly vicious. Bill Jones, for instance, who wants his mornin'-mornin' and his cocktails and his toddy before going to bed, will ship in from time to time, unmolested, any quantity of fire water that he may desire or consider sufficient to meet his needs. Or Bill Jones, half dozen or more cronies may decide to chip in with Bill to help to get the fire water, and have it come along in car load lots. According to the Act there is nothing to prevent them doing that. The dope is put in Bill's house, or in a nice sparious cement lined cellar, which has been built for this special purpose. Or they may have cellars of their own. They drink at their own houses instead of going to a hotel bar or to the club for a nip. They get away with just as much as they did before. The kids around the house observe that papa hits the decanter every so often, and arrive at the conclusion that it must be pretty good stuff or papa would not smack his lips so audibly. Result: Said kids, as they grow up take to the bottle and cultivate an appetite for booze. They become deceitful, sly and another generation of tipplers, that would not grow up under even the present system ,becomes a reality.—Kaslo Kootenaian.

LADYSMITH

Privates Thomas Robertson and Ernest Lauderbach were in the city for a few days and have returned to Victoria. This was their last leave, as their corps leaves for the front to-morrow evening.

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Dr. Lundahl, for many years a resident of Victoria, and Dr. Inkster, who has just graduatedd from the Dental College at Portland, are assisting Dr. Dier in his practice in Ladysmith.

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Mr. Thomas Graham, Chief Inspector of Mines for this Province, has been elected president of the Mine Inspectors' Institute of the United States. This is the most important organization of its kind on the continent, and the honors receivedd by Mr. Graham are a credit to himself and the Province of British Columbia.

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Mr. James Glenn has been notified from Ottawa that his son, Andrew, is missing. The family only yesterday received a letter from Andrew, and he was in good spirits at the time his letter was written. The young man was very popular in the city, and all who knew him will hope for the best.

*

Donald McLean, who was reported missing early in the week, has turned up in No. 4 hospital with a woundd in his right hand. His many friends in Ladysmith were pleased to hear that he had not fallen into the hands of the Germans and was still alive.

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Work on the long trestle being built by the Canadian Collieries, Ltd., is proceeding satisfactorily four hundred feet having already been constructed. About one hundred feet is yet to be built, but with eleven men on the job, that will not take long.

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The following is the result of the First Aid examination at Extension, held at the Canadian Collieries Co. office, Sunday, June 4, Dr. P. J. Emerson, instructor; Dr. W. F. Luton, examiner; Medallian, Mr. Andrew Campbell; voucher, Messrs. Strang, Michael Thompson, Robert Tait, Albert Fagattin, Percy Wilkinson and Colin Campbell; certificates, Messrs. James Martin, William Watson, John Virotko, John Anderson, George Bowater, Michael Virostko, Wilson Gordon.

GRAND FORKS

Referring to the Grand Forks Fall Fair of last year, the fifth annual report of the B. C. Agricultural Fair Association says:

"The individual ranch displays were noted by the judges as being the finest yet seen in the Province, being as good or better than the average District display."

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Strongly built corsets saved Mrs. John Tolmich, of Phoenix, from possibly fatal injuries from a knife in the hands of her husband, according to evidence adduced at John Tolmich's trial at Greenwood assizes when the prisoner was found guilty of wounding with intent to do grevious bodily harm. The sentence was two years less one day, and he was taken to the Nelson jail Tuesday by chief constable John Simpson, of Greenwood.

Jealously was the cause of the crime, which occurred when Tolmich returned home after having been interned as an enemy alien for about a year. The evidence showed that he attacked his wife with a knife and cut her severely on the hands. The most dangerous blows, directed at the woman's body, lost their force against her corsets, the nife being bent by the strength of the thrust.

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Another sad drowning occurred on the North Fork of the Kettle River last Wednesday afternoon, when Morris Baneson, son of H. Baneson, lost his life. The accident occurred about 300 yards north of Victoria Street, near where little Eddie Schliehe was drowned a fortnight before.

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A quiet, but pretty wedding was celebrated at the home of Mrs. J. G. Murray, Second Street, on Monday, June 13th, when Rev. M. D. McKee, pastor of Knox Prebyterian Church, united in marriage Mr. Duncan McMillan (Mickey) Mackay to Miss Annie May Reburn, both of Grand Forks. The bride was charmingly attired in a gown of cream silk crepe and carried a beautiful bouquet of white carnations. She was attended by her sister, Miss Maude Reburn, who wore a dainty dress of pink and white voile. The groom was ably supported by Mr. R. B. Curran.

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The sawmill at Cascade was closed down on Thursday and the men paid oq, the season's cut having been completed. A considerable number of the men go to a mill at Arrowhead, owned by the same company.

*

Pte. Ashley, who recently enlisted with the Western Universities unit at Vancouver, was in Grand Forks for a few days this week visiting his brother, Principal Ashley of the High School, leaving to rejoin his unit while en route to Sewel camp, Manitoba, for mobilitzation.

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The 22nd general meeting of members of the western branch of the Canadian Mining Institute will be held at Sandon, on June 27th.

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Mrs. Elmer Ness and son left Tuesday for Anyox, where they will make their future residence. Mr. Ness will join them in a few days.

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Last Sunday evening Rev. C. W. King, the pastor for the last three years of the Grand Forks Baptist Church, resigned to accept a call to Neepawa, Man. He will assume charge of the new field the first of July, spending the closing week of the present month with his brother, F. B. King, of Cooperstown, Dakota, just south of Manitoba. At his request his resignation was acted upon by the church the same evening.

*

Sam Baker, Tuesday morning, received a telegram from Ottawa, saying that his brother, William Baker, had been killed in action at the front. Mr. Baker, who enlisted at Vancouver, was a Provincial constable before he volunteered for active service. He was formerly a resident of the Boundary country.

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The Laurier mine, operated by the Laurier Mining Company, of which Dayton Stewart and E. K. Erwin, of Spokane, and Grant Stewart, of Laurier, are officers, is now making regular shipments of copper ore to the Greenwood smelter. One car a week has been sent out regularly, but last week three cars were shipped. The ore is said to net from $1.000 to $1,500 per car, after taking out all costs and charges, including mining.

CASCADE

The lucky cake, lawn supper and tennis were well patronized. An impromptu dance followed at Bertois hall, which brought the day to a close. The ladies in charge of the affair have expressed great appreciation of the liberal supports their efforts received from the community.

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The lawn social held at the home of Mrs. I. S. Spinks, last Wednesday, in aid of the Red Cross fund, netted over $100. The weather was ideal for an outdoor fete. Mesdames Spinks, Nutt, Leish and Ritchie had charge of the organization work in connection with the affair. Mrs. Nutt was in charge of the fancy stall, which netted over $60. The gypsy fortune teller, Mrs. Gunterman, proved to be very popular.

PRINCE GEORGE

The Minister of Lands is informed that while no sawmill timber is being logged in the Fort George forest district, present operations being confined to the taking out of timber for bridge and road construction, mining development and cordwood, the furture of the lumber industry in that country is looked upon as being hopeful. The prairie demand for lumber has enabled one firm to resume cutting from a stock of logs which has been on hand for years, while another concern is preparing to start up again. The recent reduction in the freight rate on lumber between that district and Edmonton will have a favorable effect and encourage the mills to cater to other than local needs.

A large number of settlers have joined the imperial forces for active service.

LADNER

Correcting a report that appeared in a Vancouver evening paper, Mr. and Mrs. T. Wilson, of East Delta, have stated that their son, Pte. Jas. Wilon, who wa recently reported wounded has not had his leg amputated as published. His parents also state that he is progressing favorably in the hospital in England.

ANYOX

Well over forty delegates and proxies, representing the various centres of the electoral district of Atlin, present at the Conservative convention yesterday, unanimously nominated W. X. Macdonald of this city as the party standard bearer in the forthcoming elections for the provincial legislature. There was no other candidate mentioned, and it is concluded that Mr. Macdonald is the strongest candidate that could be put in the field in this district. He is a Canadian, born at Granby, Quebec, and for years has been identified with the mining industry of British Columbia.

TRAIL

Miss Blanche M. Pope, for some time on the staff of the Trail hospital, was married last Monday, at Nelson, to John J. Jamieson, Rev. Father Altoff officiating. The happy couple returned to Trail this week and have taken up housekeeping in the cody new home on Columbia Heights, recently completed by the groom, who is employed at the smelter.

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A. G. Larson, receiver of the famous Lucky Jim zinc mine of the Slocan, was a recent visitor in Trail. The Lucky Jim, due to the high price of zinc and good management, has paid off some $20,000 of the mortgage which was a relic of the old regime, and it appears as though it would make some real money for the stockholders yet.

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Silver still keeps around 60 cents per ounce, which spells good profits to mines producing that metal. Prophets assert that much higher prices will prevail for the white metal, as bimetallism is being freely predicted for many countries that now have the single standard of gold. In addition, more is being used in manufactures than previously.

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This year 73 different mines have sent ore to the Trail smelter—from three provinces in Canada, and two of the States.

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It is stated that Granby's dividend, now and for some time on a six per cent. basis, will be increased at the next declaration.

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The warm weather of the past few days is causing the Columbia River to rise rapidly. The presence of great quantities of driftwood and the riled condition of the water is evidence of inundation of the lower lying sections.

*

James F. Schofield and Tannant Guernsey left Tuesday evening for Vancouver to join the 196th, known as the University Battalion, in which they had enlisted. Many friends and relatives were at the station to see them off, and wish them a safe return. Mr. Schofield, son of the Member from this riding, was presented with several useful articles by his former associates in the Bank of B. N. A. here. Mr. Guernsey, son of the superintendent of the Consolidated zinc plant, was made a presentation by the office staff at the smelter.

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Monday afternoon the public school had a holliday on account of the official inspection of the Trail Cadet Corps, No. 267, by Capt. B. P. McAlpine, of Victoria. The inspection took place at the park across the river, the cadets being put through the evolutions by the cadet officer, George McKay, with no little credit to those in charge. Short addresses were given the cadets by J. H. Schofield, M.L.A., and by Major F. G. Morin, of the Trail Home Guards, the boys being congratulated on what had been accomplished since they began training. Prizes for marksmanship were awarded.

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A payroll of $150,000 a month in a town of about 3,500 population is a pleasant thing to contemplate. Many places of double the size would welcome with open arms a payroll of half the amount.

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The East Trail water system is complete, with the exception of a couple of days' work on the reservoir. This reservoir has a capacity of 7,400 gallons. It will be covered so as to keep water cool in summer, and from freezing in winter.

KAMLOOPS

Major George Allan, who was recently reported as wounded was well known in Kamloops, when he was for some time on the city police force. Major Allan as in the band of the 102nd R. M. R., and since going overseas his promotion has been rapid. No details have yet been received of the nature of his wounds

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Troopers Dallas Slavan, Sydney Winterbottom, Charles Jackson and Adrian Thrupp have all left Kamloops during the week to rejoin their regiment, the 11th C.M.R., which is shortly leaving for service overseas

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Owing to there not being a quorum present the meeting of the local Irrigation Convention, called for Monday afternoon, was not hold, it being adjourned until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 19th, when members are requested to attend and report progress in the work allotted to them.

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Mr. Neale Harper, of the 102nd R.M.R., returned from Paul Lake after having caught a nice string of the speckled beauties which abound there.

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Mr. Herman Lidstone, of the 102nd R.M.R., who has been on lines of communication duty, is in town visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lidstone.

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Mr. Wm. Collier, who for a number of years was a member of the Leland staff, is the latest to join the ranks of the 11th C.M.R., and consequently left last night for Victoria.

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Mrs. J. H. Wilson and Mrs. Nelson will be in charge of the Soldiers' Comforts Club Home Cookery Booth on Saturday, and they will be very grateful for any donations.

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News was received in town on Tuesday that Mr. A. W. Geddes was wounded in the battle of Ypres. It will be remembered that Mr. Geddes left with the reinforcements to the Princess Pat's, and we join with his many friends in wishing him a speedy recovery.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. Querns, of Seymour Street, gave a farewell party to a large number of soldiers on the eve of their departure for Vernon on Monday night. A most delightful evening was spent in dancing, etc., and with such accomplished artistes as Ptes. Holland and Cullen among the guests, the musical part was well sustained.

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Mrs. Oscar Sjoquist is leaving Kamloops today for the Old Country to be near her husband, who has been at the front for some time with his regiment, the Royal West Surreys. It will be recalled that Mr. Sjoquist, who was an Army Reservist, was recalled to his regiment soon after the outbreak of war.

CUMBERLAND

Miss Stewart, chief operator of the British Columbia Telephone Co. for the last four years, has been appointed operator of the Canadian Collieries private exchange, and has been succeeded by Miss May Walker and Miss Sophia Walker as combination operators with Miss Gladys Dando as relief operator.

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D. C. Macfarlane has been appointed stenographer of the purchasing department of the Canadian Collieries, in place of H. Holling, resigned, to take effect July 1st.

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The celebration of the Jubilee of St. Andrews Parish will be held Wednesday, June 21st, at Sandwick. Special services will be held, at which the Lord Bishop of Columbia and the Dean of Columbia, Dr. Schofield, will take part.

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The Canadian Collieries are taking down their boilers at No. 6 mine, electric power having been installed at this mine sometime ago.

KALEDEN

Mr. and Mrs. Bywaters and children, of Penticton, were the guests, on Sunday, of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Rouke.

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The Kaleden auxiliary supplies for the Red Cross, which went to Vancouver on the 30th, consisted of 25 pairs of socks, 10 head bandages, 15 face cloths, 30 hot water bottle covers, 5 T bandages, 70 eye bandages, 24 face rags, 200 mouth wipes, 10 many-tailed bandages, 20 triangular bandages, 8 pyjama suits, and 10 laparotomy stockings. The shipment has been acknowledged by the Central Depot, at Vancouver, and pronounced excellent.

AS IT IS IN THE BRITISH NAVY

The attitude of the Admiralty is set forth in a letter to Admiral Fiske, dated May 17th, 1916, from Mr. A. H. Pollen (14 Buckingham Street, Strand, London), a noted writer on naval subjects and an inventor of naval instruments. Mr. Pollen's activities keep him in touch with naval men in England. He says:—

"In the British navy there is no prohibition. Grog, according to immorial custom, is still served to those who wish to take it. But non-alcoholic substitutes, such as cocoa, or the equivalent value of the grog in money to be spent at the canteen on alternative luxuries, is served to those of the crew who are either professed teetotallers or simply do not choose, either from time to time, or altogether, to take grog.

"In big ships there are two messes for officerst—he ward room and the gun room. Both of these are free to supply themselves with whatever cellar they like. There are no rigid rules governing the officer's choice of what he takes, but all monthly wine bills, which cover every form of dutiable liquor, from beer to liqueur brandy, are subject to the commander's and captain's supervision. And not orly youngsters, but even the senior lieutenants and the commander himself are themselves liable to the captain's censure if the amount of these bills seems to that potentate excessive. As a matter of fact, this method of enforcing moderation is very rarely necessary, as public opinion in the navy makes anything like overindulgence a sheer impossibility. I have spent considerable periods on board battleships and cruisers as temporary member of the ward room, and have not known a single case of an officer being the worse for liquor. Habits in this matter have undergone a complete revolution during the last generation and a half. While the number of officers who are teetotallers on some religious or quasi religious principle is not very great, a very large majority, as a afet, abstain altogether, even from the highly diluted whiskey, thin beer and the very light wines they would take when free from responsibility. Self-control, in other words, has now for a long time been the universal mark of British naval officers.

ALBERNI

At a joint meeting of Port Alberni and Alberni citizens at Port Alberni last night, Premier Bowser, in his address dealt with the government $10,000,000 loan bill. "We have splendid credit abroad, so why should we force the taxpayers, who can't meet a payment, to pay the pound of flesh, when a man has credit in hard times and wants to help to carry his debtors over?" said the Premier. "Let us go ahead and develop our resources. As business men you can see it is the proper course to pursue."

He reminded the gathering that the price secured by the Province for its bonds, while the Liberal leader was crying blue ruin, had been greater than that for which the Anglo-French debentures were sold, and but little less than that of the Dominion.

The Premier expressed the hope that this year the C. N. R. would secure the money for the completion of the Victoria-Alberni as well as other Vancouver Island branch lines, so that the wealthy timber areas of the Island would be exploited and the lumber dip over the main line of the railway to the Northwest Territories.

KELOWNA

Mr. Price Ellison, together with two or three of the officials in connection with the C. N. R., motored down to Kelowna from Vernon last Wednesday morning. An impromptu meeting was held in the Board of Trade room and after some discussion, it is really believed that in the possible near future Kelowna may be linked with other cities in the Okanagan by the means of a railroad.

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The Kelowna troop of Boy Scouts gave an entertainment in the Opera House on Thursday eevning last, and owing to the enthusiasm and businnesslike manner in which the members of the corps sold their tickets, the audience was a considerably lafge one. The programme, which was of a miscellaneous character, consisted of choruses, marching, dumb-bell drill, exercises on parallel bars, an interesting exhibition of bridge building, and in conclusion a one-act sketch. During the evening efficiency badges were presented to the boys by Lieut. Barlee, of the 2nl Canadian Mounted Rifles, C. E. F., who has reecntly returned from the trenches in France. Admission for the evening was 75c., 50c., and 25c. and the sum thus realized was well over $100. This money is needed by the troop in order that a camping holiday may be enjoyed. Until lately, the troop has been solely under the able guidance of Scout Master E. C. Weddell, to whom great credit is due for the growth and marked progress of the company. Now, however, two more Scout Masters have volunteered their assistance. We have every reason to believe that our troop will stand second to none in the Province.

NEW WESTMINSTER

The receipts from the tag day held on Saturday by the I. O. D. E. in connection with the Rose Festival, totalled $543.88. This money was collected for charitable purposes, and will be divided among the Providence and True Blue Orphanages, the Ladies' Auxiliary of Royal Columbian Hospital Society, and St. Mary's Hospital.

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Mrs. Bryce Brown, formerly Miss Scharley P. Wright, of this city, was on Friday, at Winnipeg, elected President of the Canadian National Association of Graduate Nurses.

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Judgment was awarded to Mr. H. Windebank, Mission City, in his action brought against Mr. Andrew Stewart, also of Mission City, which came before His Honor Judge Howay in the County Court this morning. Judgment was given for $23.85, the cost of lumber, including four cords of wood, and feed supplied to Mr. Stewart. The defendant did not dispute the claim other than stating that Mr. Winebank had previously said ten cords were supplied. He put forward a counter claim that Mr. Windebank, as president of Mission City Water and Light Co., had offered to supply him with water. Mr. Stewart laid his pipe for 150 feet up on the level with the dam, which resulted in no flow at all. Judge Howay pointed out that Mr. Windebank, as layman, could not be held responsible for delivery of the water.

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Both Robert Griffith and Stewart Burton, who met their death by drowning in the North Arm of Burrard Inlet yesterday afternoon at 2:40 o'clock are known in this city, being employed at the Canadian Western Lumber Company's plant at Fraser Mills. The late Mr. Griffith was forty years of age, and has been employed in the machine shop, while his companion, Stewart Burton, aged 22 years, was the shingle mill foreman. Mr. Griffith is a brother of Mrs. Alex. Garret, Sapperton, and has been around Fraser Mills, where he resided for the past six or seven years. Burton has lived at Fraser Mills for some seven months.

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Lieuts. Simpson, the assistant adjutant, Taaffe and Darling, of the 231st Battalion, will leave for Work Point Barracks this week to take the captains' school there. Six noncoms are also going over to take a school.

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When a jar of boiling water burst on a stove on which it was being heated at Second Beach, yesterday afternoon, four children, who were standing near by were scalded, two badly, but none dangerously.

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Two more cases of alleged speeding were noted yesterday afternoon by the officer on watch at the Twelfth Street hill, and summonses are to-day being issued. One of the autos is allaged to have come over the measured distance at a speed of 38 miles per hour.

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Fire halls Nos. 2 and 3 turned out early on Saturday afternoon to a fire in the house occupied by Mr. Cole, 238 Tenth Street. There was a stiff wind blowing, and the lean-to kitchen was completely destroyed before the ames could be got under control. The damage, however, is not very considerable.

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Mrs. I. C. Miller, of Edmonds, Secretary of the New Westminster Beulah Rebekah Lodge, No. 5, was elected warden at the annual Rebekah Assembly held in Vancouver last week. The other officers elected were: President, Miss E. G. Gilchrist, Ladysmith; vice-president, Mrs. aKte Simpson, Kamloops; secretary, Mrs. F. A. Walker, Victoria; and treasurer, Mrs. Lottie Tait, Phoenix, B. C. Mrs. M. E. Keith, of the local lodge, past provincial president, attended the assembly as one of the speakers.

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Mr. Arthur Davis, who has been acting as honorary secretary of the Board of Trade, has resigned owing to pressure of other business and his health. The Board last night passed a resolution expressing the hearty thanks of the Board to Mr. Davis for his services.

Lord Kitchener

A MEMORIAL

Sermon preached by Rev. J. B. Warnicker, B.A., at First Baptist Church, Victoria, June 11th, 1916:

Psalm 1:19.

"The beauty of Israel is slain upon the high places, How are the mighty fallen!" These words were uttered by David at a moment of utter desolation in the fortunes of Israel.

King Saul and his son, Jonathan, had fallen on the field of battle. The rout of the Israelites was complete; the day for the Philestines was more than a victory, it was a triumph. As David hears the news of the disaster, he weeps out the sorrows of his country in the immortal words of my text. "The beauty of Israel is slain upon the high places. How are the mighty fallen!"

The mournful echoes of these pathetic words are singing their sad dirge throughout the length and breadth of our mighty Empire. The pride of Britain has fallen. A great National hero has passed from the touch of our hand, and the sight of our eye. The Empire is in mourning. "The beauty of Israel is slain upon the high places. How are the mighty fallen!"

"O noble Lord, so wise in thought,
O heart so true! O soul unbought,
O eye so keen to pierce the night
And guide the "Ship of State" aright,
O life so simple, grand and free,
The humblest still may turn to thee.
O King uncrowned, O Prince of men,
When shall we see thy like again."

The Career of Earl Kitchener

He was educated not so much by the renowned public schools of Great Britain, as by that of the time-honoured method of many English parents—a sutor clergyman. After spending some years under this instruction, he passed into the Royal Military College, Woolwich, and here he was not distinguished for quickness in any branch of study, save mathematics. In all other subjects he was considered dull. A slow coach climbing the hill of duty which has no dazzle of adventure at the crest.

When the Franco-Germon war broke out, Kitchener offered his services to France. A writer has thus described him. "There he stood before them, a solid twenty years of hale manhood, well over six feet, broad-shouldered, deep-chested, straight-legged and hard as steel, the face of him brown as sand, his courage resolute, his brain already versed in war science, his body already disciplined, his spirit clamorous for a fight. Well, they did not think twice."

This war was the turning point in Kitchener's career. The French troops were the most passionate and valorous in Europe. Troops which sang on the march the songs of their country's glory. Their patriotism was like a flaming fire, and their onslaught in battle like a whirlwind. But when they came face to face with the science of the German army, vain was their valour. Passionless and deadly scientific methods crushed and devastated these children of glory, and wiped the mout of the ranks of life.

Thus, at the very dawn of his Military career Kitchener went back from sentiment, as a factor in war, to the text books of science. He saw that science was a cold, merciless destroyer of glory. He learned in France the superiority of precision and purpose over emotion and rapture.

A brilliant biographer says "Kitchener's work has always been dull." And never was truer word spoken. In 1871 he was a lieutenant in the Royal Engineers, and went surveying in Palestine. But in a land of romance, he found no romance, for he spent four years in drawing maps, and poets do not usually sing the praises of even the most accurate map-drawers.

Next Kitchener went to Egypt, and began to arganize a native cavalry. Dull work again—dull plodding, unexciting labour.

Then he was presently appointed Governor-General of the Red Sea Litteral.

He built railway,s raised armies and became a business man on a large scale. And presently stood a victorious General at the gates of Khartoum.

The world was filled with the glamour of this man's name. A new pyramid was discovered in the ancient land of Egypt, but such was the modesty of the man that when editors and reporters sought to interview them, they found him a new Sphinx.

An American admirer of Lord Kitchener has said that the Kitchener method may be expressed thus: "Silence and work and silence and then—the end."

The description is true. The railways over the desert, the machine shops of Wady Halfa, the camel corps, and the thousand and one business details of the Soudan campaign might be called the "silence" of that war—the gates of Khartoum was its "end."

Modern Egypt is one of the wonders of the world, and Kitchener's hand is dusty and bruised, and blood-strained with the labour of that sublim eresurrection.

Characteristics of Kitchener

Lord Kitchener, although always occupied with dull, plodding tasks, has captured the immagination of the British Empire. No General so popular as he, no figure more eagerly scanned on moving picture screens as that of this tall, silent man. G. W. Stevens, the brilliant war correspondent, who accompanied the army to the Soudan is mainly responsible for the public interest in the Great Field Marshall. Steevens gave us what is now called the Kitchener Legend. It is a portrait that is graven on the hearts of all the sons of the Empire.

"He stands considerably over six feet high, straight as a lance and looks impereously above most men's head; his motions are deliberate and strong, slender, but well-knit; he seems built for tireless, steel-wire endurance, rather than for power or agility. Steady, passionless eyes shaded by decisive brows, red-brick, full cheeks. His face is harsh, and neither appeals for affection nor stirs dislike. The brain and the will are the essence of the whole man. You cannot imagine the Sirdar otherwise than as seing the right thing to do and doing it. He is more like a machine than a man."

Critics have said that the preface to Hugo's Cromwell is greater than the book; that is to say, the edifice is scarcely as striking as the portico. This was not true of Lord Kitchener. He was a most impressive personality. The Kitchener eyes was the common talk of an admiring army. A friend of his once said of them: "They strike you with a kind of clutching terror, you look at them, try to say something, look away, find your eyes returning to that dreadful gade and nocе more choke with silence."

"His eyes," said a private soldier, "are like the bloomin' Day of Judgment."

The presence of Napoleon was felt all the way down to the most unsignificant little private on the battelfield. This was also true of Lord Kitchener. When he took command of the Army in India, his perseverance, modesty and patience had preceded him.

A British officer in the Indian Army said:

"His **presence** in India was enough. A feeling pervaded the whole army that we never knew when he might descend upon us. It was as if we were invaded by an enemy. Every man worked harder simply in case Kitchener might suddenly appear in that particular district. It was simply his presence, the knowledge of his severity, and the faith in his justice, which most men entertained."

A lady said of him: "He sits in a chair as if he were a king."

He had a natural dignity and sensible Kingliness by the long exercise of autocratic authority.

Then, too, he always succeeded. But how? By careful foresight and industry. His working day was not one of light, but seventeen hours. He was original in his methods, too. No red tape bound him. He was not a stickler for the traditions of the hoary spat. What was the nearest and quickest route by which he could meet and overthrow the enemy? Kitchener would have smiled at luck and chance. These words were left out of the great General's vocabulary. Big busisess men never count on luck. No transcontinental railway was built by chance.

Washington once said:

"If a man cannot act in all respect as he would wish, he must do what is best under the circumstances."

This is what Field Marshall Kitchener ever did. He smashed all precedents, if precedents stood in the way of advancement.

Every man is clothed in the garments of Divine Royalty! Every man wields a sceptre! The pen is a sceptre; the spade is a sceptre; the yard stick is a sceptre, and so is the artist's brush, and the chisel of the sculptor. A king's sceptre is a foolish thing when compared with the rule in the hands of the architect.

In Millaits' picture of "The Angelus" it is not the spire of the church which stands out in the bold outline, neither is it the man and woman; but the great artist has revealed his genius in letting the sunlight fall upon the spade and wheelbarrow, thus making them the prominent things in the picture. Kitchener chose the spade and wheelbarrow by which to win battles if no better instruments were at hand. The tool was glorified by the use made of it.

The indifference of Lord Kitchener to praise or blame is proverbial, and people liked him the better for it. He never sought popularity. Neither was he ambitiously selfish. Place and power were only opportunities for larger and more efficient service for the Empire he loved so well.

There are many stories told of his last days at the War Office. Stories which now have a pathetic interest. All illustrative of this inborn humility.

"To win the War," he said, "that is the essential thing. It makes no difference who is working, so long as the work is done. People wanted me to take this task, I have done so. If they were dissatisfied, I would have no personal sensitiveness. If they replaced me by somebody more capable, I would willingly resign and would give place to a better man who would carry it on and win."

These are the words of a great man. All great men are the same at the core of them in that they look upon life as an opportunity for service. John the Baptist said: "He must increase, I must decrease." And the Divine Saviour said of himself: "The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many."

Kitchener, in later years, was resplendent with buckram and gold lace; but the trappings of his office did not spoil him. Within the man there was a certain dignity of soul, white robed and transfigured.

His value to the Empire at the beginning of the War can never be overestimated. The nation was stunned as with a blow. The little army of 150,000 had been hastily sent to help the French to stop the Germans, who were, with hastening feet, marching to Paris. Then Kitchener came to the War Office, and in the language of a distinguished journalist, "Britain breathed again."

The past of the War Secretary, coupled with the characteristics which had made him a National hero, inspired confidence. His value at the moment was a psychological asset. In him was no panic. He uttered no word which could even suggest hysteria. But calm and dignified, without haste, he set about the task of raising a huge fighting machine. And the people "breathed again." His great name steadied the nation.

Is he dead? Yes, in a sense.

"Close his eyes, his work is done!
What to him is friend or foeman,
Rise of moon or set of sun.
Hand of man or kiss of woman,
Lay him low, lay him low."

"Fold him in his country's stars,
Roll the drum and fire the volley!
What to him are all our wars?
What but death-be-mocking folly?
Lay him low, lay him low,
What cares he? He cannot know."

But in the best sense he is not dead. His colossal personality still moves amongst us, and the memory of his exalted service will be cherished by our children from generation to generation. Britain does not let her great ones die. Is Shakespeare dead? Is Gladstone dead, Is Disiaeli dead? Nelson and Hawke; Wellington and Roberts are names of familiar friends, who still shed the lustre of their great presence upon us.

"John Brown's body lies mouldering in the grave, but his soul goes marching on."

The soul of Kitchener has taken up its abode in every hamlet, city and nation of our mighty Empire.

But what of the land he loved and for whose welfare he gave his life? Let the stately words of one of our National Anthems answer for us, and for our enemies:

"Still more majestic shalt thou rise,
More dreadful from each foreign stroke,
As the loud blast that rends the skies
Serves but to root thy native oak.
Rule Britannia. Britannia rules the waves,
Britons Never Never Shall Be Slaves."

VERNON

A marriage notice in this issue will be of interest to many of our readers. To. Mr. and Mrs. Reinhard the News extends the heartiest congratulations and good wishes, and in so doing is voicing the feelings of their host of friends in this city and district. Mr. Reinhard is one of Vernon's rising young barristers, who by steady application and persistent industry has already attained a firm foothold in his profession, and before whom is opening a promising career. His bride also occupies a high position in the esteem of her friends, and if good wishes prove an augury for future happiness, the married life of Mr. and Mrs. Reinhard should be a long and unclouded one.

HOW MAUD VOTED

Maude Muller rose on election morn
As proud as a kid with a new tin horn.

For she was to cast a vote, and she
Was filled with angelic ecstasy!

She felt that men were common clay
As she, on that glorious woman's day!

That she was the equal before the law
Of any old hemale she ever saw!

She could almost feel the dress of the hims
In tubular form on her nether l—bs!

She dressed herself with unusual care
From her dainty feet to her fluffy hair.

In a party carriage she would not ride;
She'd walk to the polls in her mannish pride!

She started forth with a dashing swing,
As gay as a jaybird on the wing.

A milliner's window caught her eye,
And you know she could never pass that by!

Stepped into the waiting spider's net
To try on a hat; it was early yet.

She spent an hour 'mid the fairy show,
Then happened to think she would better go.

Some gowns in a window lay in wait
For girls who would bite at such a bait.

She glued her nose to the polished pane
And studied the styles again and again.

She wondered how she would look if she
Were dressed in such dreams of finery!

She entered the store and for half the day
Inspected the goods in a crazy way!

As the day was waning she stood before
The flashing gems in a jewellery store.

Passed on to a window filled with hose,
And nighties and other sacred clothes!

Went into an ice cream joint to get
A plate or two of the frozen wet.

She met a friend on the street, and they
Swapped talk till an hour had passed away.

Then again she hastened in graceful flight
To make a shy at her sacred right.

But, alas! as you no doubt have supposed,
She found that the mean old polls had closed!

They might have known, the condemned old set
Of men, that she hadn't voted yet!

They did it on purpose! It wasn't fair!
They were perfectly horrid old things!
So there! —Denver Evening Post.

THOSE SONGS

A party of four, just returning from the theatre, called in at the fashionable restaurant. The prim old maid who was the guest of the evening was charmed with everything, especially the music. While the waiter was standing by the table she asked him to find out the title of the piece the orchestra was playing. And the willing waiter promised.

But other duties claimed him for a time, and when he returned the lady had completely forgotten her request. When he bent toward her and softly whispered something in her ear she recoiled in horror. Then, recovering from the shock she turned with cold, relentless fury upon the hapless man who waited. "How dare you!" she cried. "How dare you!"

And it took the terrified waiter quite a time to explain why he had merely breathed the title of the piece so softly, "What Can I Do To Make You Love Me?"

WAR EUCLID

"A Soldier Equal to a Tommy Is Equal to Anything."

"The Lyonian," the organ of the Lower School at Harrow, has the following propositions in the current issue:

A subaltern is one who has position but no magnitude.

A Turkish communique lies equally on any point.

An obtuse officer is one more stupid than a superior officer, but less so than two staff officers.

A trench is that which has length, breadth, and stickiness.

Two officers in mufti from Brixton and Mayfair respectively cannot be in the same circle, and as they meet will cut one another.

A soldier equal to a Tommy is equal to anything.

An observer and a pilot who are in the same line meet in the same plane.

An "old dug-out" is often a plain figure with a Sam Browne belt round its circumference.

If things are double the price of the same things obtainable elsewhere, it is a War Office contract.

THE BETTER WAY

Raw spirits were a thing of the past on the 18th May, when Mr. Lloyd George's Immature Spirts (Restriction) Act of 1915 comes into operation. After that date all spirits offered for sale must be at least three years old.

Whiskey experts describe this act, from a health point of view, as one of the most beneficial measures ever passed. The existing shortage of spirits is due to the enormous quantity of alcohol required for making munitions.

Not since 1798 has Dublin been in the hands of revloutionaries, and then it was but for a few hours. The rebellion of Lord Edward Fitzgerald was ill-starred and abortive, and he paid the penalty with his life.

COULD TRUST THEM

Lord Morley tells a story of how a great political secret was kept by three poor Irish journalists. During the preparation of the Home Rule Bill of 1886 Parnell asked Lord Morley for a draft of its main provisions for submission to half a dozen of his confidential colleagues. The draft was given, duly returned, and not a word leaked out.

"Three of the men to whom I showed the draft were newspaper men," said nell, "and they were poor men, and any newspaper would have given them £1,000 for it. No wonderful virtue, you may say. But how many of your House of Commons would believe it?"

HIS RELIGION

Mr. Mellish tells a story of a Cockney who was aided by the parson that is worth repeating, because it is the best tribute to the chaplain that could be put on record. When the wounded man, who had hitherto been noted for his anti-religious bias, was safe in the base hospital, he told his mates how he had been saved, and asked, "What religion is 'e?" He was told, and made the answer, "Well, I'm the same as 'im now, and the bloke what ses a word agen our church will ave 'is —— 'ed bashed in."

Starting on Saturday, Mrs. Capt. Downes, of Pleasant Valley Road, will open her delightful grounds for the entertainment of the soldiers. In the afternoon on this and succeeding Saturdays during the summer, tea will be served on the grounds, followed by a substantial supper for which a very reasonable charge will be made. Games will be provided, and all soldiers may be assured of a warm welcome. The proceeds will be devoted to the Red Cross and the Prisoners of War Funds.