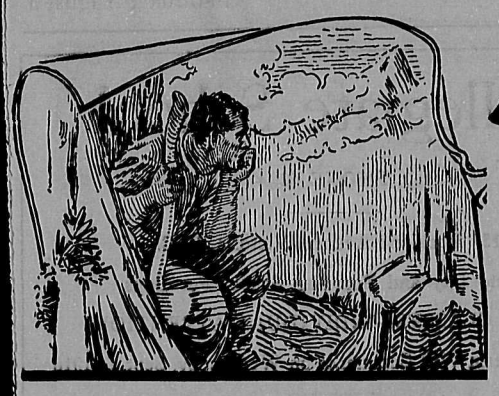

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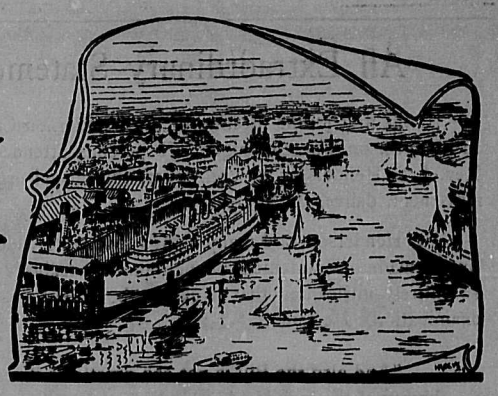

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Mr. Balfour's Statement

EVERYONE should read Mr. Balfour's statement, published on the second Anniversary of the Declaration of War. A more lucid, cogent, and convincing manifesto has not been published. His brilliant intellectuality shines in every sentence. It is a deliverance of which his countrymen will be proud, for it sets the great Battle of Jutland in its true light, and whilst demonstrating the true character of the victory achieved by the British Navy, also traces the effect of that victory in every department of that War. Mr. Balfour is a master of phraseology and some of the paragraphs of his statement are gems of exposition. His analysis of the judicial murder of Captain Frayatt goes to the very heart of that outrage on civilisation. How admirably he sums up the German character in the following words: "What blunderers they are. They know how to manipulate machines, but of managing men they know less than nothing. They are always wrong, because they always suppose that if they behave like brutes they can cow their enemies into behaving like cowards." He sums up the whole situation so far as German domination is concerned when he says: "The freedom of the sea means to Germany that the German Navy is to behave at sea as the German Army behaves on land. It means that neither enemy civilians nor neutrals may possess rights against militant Germany; that those who do not resist will be drowned, and those who do will be shot." No other man could have expressed the matter as clearly as the brilliant statesman whom good fortune has placed at the head of the Admiralty in these crucial times.

The Coming Elections

ON Thursday the nomination for Members of the Local Legislature were completed, and they included forty-seven Conservatives, forty-six Liberals, twelve Socialists, one Prohibitionist, and nine Independents. The only Constituency in which a Conservative nominee is not opposed by a Liberal is Newcastle, where Mr. Parker Williams, who still classifies himself as a Socialist, in spite of the protest of the organization, is once more trying a fall with Dr. Dier. The outstanding feature of the nominations is the unity of the Conservative Party, and the excellent prospects for its success. The Campaign is being conducted, as The Week pointed out in its last issue, along clear-cut lines. Mr. Bowser is appealing to the Electorate solely on his record. He makes no promises for the future, but points to the practical legislation of the last session as the best justification for his return. He and Mr. H. B. Thomson in their Provincial tour have tried to point out that the one essential of the moment is to strain every effort to develop our natural resources in land, lumber and mining. The Legislation for which Mr. Bowser is responsible has this for its main object. The demand of the moment is for business Government. Trifling issues upon which politicians diger simply because they belong to different camps are being relegated to the background. The times are too serious to regard them, and the public is indisposed to consider anything but the successful prosecution of the War, and the development of business as an essential thereto. This is Mr. Bowser's policy, and he asks for the confidence of the Electors, because of the evidence furnished by his legislation that he can be trusted to carry it into effect. The Liberal Policy is equally clear. It has nothing to do with business or the development of natural resources. It consists of an attack upon the personal characters of the most prominent men in the Conservative Party. It consists of a tirade of abuse, vituperation and insult. It necessitates the preaching of a Blue Ruin Campaign in the Financial circles of Eastern Canada, and an hysterical attempt to hold up the business of the Province at home by blocking the wheels of progress. It is so blinded by its partizanship that it cannot distinguish between an honorary and a paid position, nor can it understand the difference between a destructive and a constructive policy. It comes before the Electors for the fifth time since Party Government was adopted in B. C. with the same programme as has ensured its defeat at every contested election. It has nothing new to offer, and the fact that it has failed in a most palpable manner to justify any of the charges which it made before the last Session of the Legislature has not only taken all interest out of its campaign, but has even eliminated the element of curiosity which enabled it to pose successfully at the Bye-Elections. It is no perversion of a well known text to anticipate that the verdict of the constituencies on the Liberal Leaders and their policies will be: "Weighed in the balances and found wanting."

Wilful Misrepresentation

ON Thursday the Government announced the appointment of Mr. H. B. Thomson as Superintendent, and Mr. Frederick Buscombe, of Vancouver, as Director of the Shipping Commission. Both positions are Honorary, and the view of The Week is that the Province is fortunate in securing the services of two such responsible men for positions which will involve a considerable sacrifice of time and the application of thorough business acumen. Mr. Thomson has been intimately associated with the Legislation for the encouragement of Ship-Building in British Columbia. He piloted the Measure through the Local Legislature, and is probably more fully acquainted with its provisions than any other man. One would have thought that such appointments would have met with universal approval, yet the Victoria Times, ignoring altogether the honorary character of the work, speaks of the appointments as "political jobs," and charges Mr. Thomson in particular with "grabbing" at it, and securing it because of his "political pull." It also says that he refused the portfolio of Finance because he was afraid the Government would not be returned, at the same time "grabbing" the superintendency of the Shipping Commission because he considered "a bird in the hand worth two in the bush." This would be amusing, if it were not disgusting. Of course Mr. Thomson labours under the disadvantage of having been in political life, and of helping to victory on many occasions a political party which had put the Victoria Times and its party out of business. This is the head and front of his offending. Now Mr. Thomson happens to be a man of such strength and force of character that he cares about as much for the vapourings of the Victoria Times as for the buzzing of an insect. But there are other men who are not so thick-skinned, and who find the abuse and misrepresentation to which public men are subjected by the Liberal Press unendurable. The result is that the services of many of the best men are not available. If the object of the Liberal Press is to keep such men out of politics, it must be admitted that it is fairly successful. But among the many things which are going to be remedied "after the War," The Week ventures to think that this is one, and that public opinion will be so strengthened and purified by the "cleansing fires" through which the world is passing that there will be no place in the sun for disreputable journalism or for political jackals.

Our Educational System

IN all parts of the world there is dissatisfaction with the educational system generally in vogue. This is, however, more true with respect to the countries within the British Empire than any others. It is also a striking fact that however widely scattered the countries may be, the complaint is the same, viz.: lack of thoroughness and practicality. An old teacher, who is perhaps as well posted on the subject as anyone, Mr. F. Andrews, recently discussed this subject very intelligently in the columns of the Victoria Colonist. Writing with a thorough understanding of the subject, he said that the evil lay in a too extensive curriculum, which left insufficient time to study the vital subjects thoroughly. This is the experience of all business men who have occasion to employ pupils from our schools. For instance, how many hundreds of boys and girls seek positions in offices as stenographers, or secretaries, yet how many of them, even after passing through our public schools and the High Schools, have any real knowledge of the English language? Perhaps this subject, which is certainly one of the most important, will serve to illustrate the deficiency as well as any other, although the same lack of thoroughness exists all along the line. The Week has had occasion during the last ten years to test many High School pupils for office purposes. It had occasion to do so last week. The pupil was sixteen years of age, had been in a Victoria Public School for seven years; had always been near the top of the class, and recently passed the High School examinations with credit. The test applied was a very simple one—the reading of a short paragraph from a standard English work by one of our classical authors. The dictation was taken slowly, and the pupil was asked repeatedly if he wished it dictated more slowly, but he assured the reader that he was getting the words all right. When he had finished, the result produced was as follows:

"Dear Sir:—

Lord of the Indies to whom Budist, Wild Pathan, Parited Sick and genial Hindu about thou moontime with heat of flame been like that of Mount Everett, wild is in the night and to thou that oldest judicially thee, Talcate, balance between civil and momentary, come to this cottage and its big tunnel with you, come through the greatest of offices for a couple of hours, always sure of rejoicing me. Have made way to good reading get As for me this low temperature wrecks me, mortoring sleep. The death of Lady Gray distressed me."

For the enlightenment of our readers, who certainly will not be able to make sense of the dictation, the original is appended. In the opinion of The Week it forms not merely a striking comment, but a condemnation of any school system which breaks down so utterly before a practical test.

"Dear Lord of Indies, to whom Brahmin, Buddhist, wild Pathan, bearded Sikh, and gentle Hindoo bow, thou meantime with head aflame above the hosts, like the peak of Mount Everest while the world is in night; and O thou that holdest judiciously the delicate balance between Civil and Military—come to this cottage and its picnic dinner when you can throw off the cares of office for a couple of hours, always sure of rejoicing me. If ever you want good reading, get the Comte de Gobineau's book on the Renaissance. This low temperature racks me, murdering sleep. The death of Lady Gray distressed me."

It Can Wait

WHILST it would be improper to discuss the merits of the action which Mr. H. C. Brewster has launched against the Attorney-General, it is permissible to emphasize the remarks of the learned Judge who has on two occasions heard argument in favour of the Motion. On the first occasion the matter was brushed aside after a feeble salvo of light artillery. On the second occasion the heavy artillery was brought into action in the person of Mr. S. S. Taylor, K.C. of Vancouver, undoubtedly one of the ablest Counsel in the Province, but for the nonce the result was the same. In spite of all the pleading and special pleading of Mr. Taylor, the Judge decided that this tremendous suit which was to determine the fate of the Attorney-General, and incidentally of the Government, was "not a matter of urgency," it was not such a case as called for a departure from the Rules of the Court under which only "urgent" cases are taken during Vacation. It therefore has to wait. Naturally this fact was carefully obscured in the report of the proceedings which appeared in the Victoria Times. But facts are stubborn things, and whatever forensic victory Mr. S. S. Taylor may have gained, the fact remains that the application was "stood over." The Times tried to make it appear otherwise in his headlines, but their claim was very much like that of the Kaiser to a victory in the Battle of Jutland. He may have won, according to his own ideas, but the British Fleet are still in possession of the seas.

Editorial Notes

Not all the women want to vote, or march in parades, or speak in conventions; but practically all of them demand the right to run as large bills as they see fit in dry goods stores; and no grumbling from the men who pay the bills. Thousands of men refuse to marry because they dread the inevitable dry goods controversy.

The great Liberal bluff is begining to wear thin, and the light is showing through. The immaculate leader, who had such a walk over in the Bye-Election in Victoria and was to have another walk-over at the General Election, in hanging out signals of distress, and in the effort to ensure a safe harbour is running for two ports—Victoria and Alberni. This ill accords with the optimistic declarations of "sweeping the country" and burying the Government under a slide. It looks a great deal more like a case of "sauve qui peut."

Roger Casement has paid the penalty of black treason. There never was an instance in which it was more imperative that the full penalty should be exacted. A man of birth and education, and withal one who had been honoured by his King and Country, there was not a shadow of excuse for his traitorous conduct. Failure to carry out the sentence of the Court would have excited a dangerous state of feeling in England. All the same, it is certain that the whole truth of his story has not been made public, and probably never will. If it could be, it would create the most stupendous sensation in modern times.

If only the opinions of the American financial magnate who has just sailed for New York, after dining with the Kaiser in Berlin and dining with a prominent politician in London, could be given frankly to the world, they would prove one of the most interesting features of the inner history of the war. He left Berlin in the full certainty that Germany is resigned to the fact that she has lost any hope of victory, and that now her sole satisfaction is in doing as much damage to Great Britain as possible. It was admitted in Berlin on all sides that Germany canont hope to go on after December.

The Victoria Times, professing to know all about it, opined that there would be lots of Independent candidates, and suggested that they would be put up by the Conservative Party to split the Liberal Vote. The complete list of nominations hardly bears out this prediction. It would greatly tax the credulity of any one who knows them to believe that the Conservative Party brought out Dr. Ernest Hall, or Mr. A. J. Morley, the latter has figured on a Liberal ticket and the former expected to do so. It looks as if there is no necessity for the Conservatives to split the Liberal Vote—the Liberals are doing it themselves.

We must get at the truth in everything; and, in spite of our fine gallantry, we must finally get at the truth in the sex question. The truth is fifty-fifty; which means half and half. Other figures may be talked about, but in the final analysis they are not accepted by anyone. As a writer, as a talker, man is tremendously gallant and liberal, but in his personal relations with women, he insists upon fifty-fifty. Whatever he may say, in public, behind the closed doors of his home it must be fifty-fifty, if his women folks hope to get along with him. We can disturb nature, but it will finally assert itself. A man knows he is entitled to an even break, and will submit to nothing else.

Our Bella Coola contemporary takes exception to the views of The Week, which denominated the Referendum as an "American Abomination," and argues that while a referendum may have its drawbacks, in this case at least it is entirely justified by the circumstances. Its argument is based upon the plea that since there are Prohibitionists and Anti-Prohibitionists, Suffragettes and Anti-Suffragettes in both political parties, it would have been unwise for the Government to make it a Party Measure. This is all very well as far as it goes, but what objection could there be to the proposals of Sir Richard McBride, which involved a plebiscite and not a referendum? The objection of The Week is based upon the fact that the constitutional British method is for the Government to obtain a mandate from the people, and then to shoulder its own legislative burdens, not to accept a measure prepared by a coterie of irresponsible persons.

It was rather amusing to read the bulletin announcing the hanging of the arch traitor, Casement. Said bulletin having been prepared in New York and issued by the Associated Press, it was to be expected that the phraseology would at least be picturesque. It might also have been taken for granted that the hyphenated Americans connected with the Press Agency would not lose so excellent an opportunity of throwing a sop to the discontented Irish in the States. They therefore veraciously reported in their bulletin that when the black flag which signalized the hanging was hoisted, the crowd gave vent to a "jeering yell." It is a safe bet that nothing of the kind ever happened, and that the "jeering yell" was manufactured in New York for home consumption. Cut this out and keep it until the London papers come to hand, and you will see who is right. Incidentally you will have collected another piece of damning evidence against the anti-British proclivities of the Associated Press.

William Blakemore

An Extraordinary Statement

At the first public meeting of the Prohibition Campaign, held in Victoria on Tuesday night, 175 persons attended to hear the Rev. J. S. Henderson, of Vancouver, the official organizer of the movement, deliver an address.

Mr. Henderson said many things that were wide of the mark, but he made one statement of such an extraordinary character and so entirely misleading that it cannot be allowed to pass without examination. He said:

> **"And also the Bill is not too drastic as it respects the liberty of the individual in his home. It respects the right of every man's home, and every man's right in his home."**

The speaker did not quote the Clauses of the Act on which he based his statement, nor did he quote the clauses which in the opinion of all impartial judges constitute an unwarrantable violation of the very principles which Mr. Henderson professes to advocate.

These provisions are contained in Clause 48, Section (1) and (2), and read as follows:

> **48. (1) The Superintendent and any police officer, policeman, or constable shall, for the purpose of preventing or detecting the violation of any of the provisions of this Act, at any time have the right to enter into any and every part of any building or place wherein refreshments or liquors are sold, or reputed to be sold, or where he believes liquor is kept contrary to the provisions of this Act, and to make searches in every part thereof, and of the premises connected therewith as he may think necessary for the purposes aforesaid; and for such purposes may, with such assistance as he deems expedient, break open any door, lock, or fastening of such premises, or any part thereof, or of any closet, cupboard, box, or other receptacle which might contain liquor.**
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> **(2) Every person being therein or having charge thereof who refuses or fails to admit any such Superintendent, police officer, policeman, or constable demanding to enter in pursuance of this section in the execution of his duty, or who obstructs or attempts to obstruct the entry of such Superintendent, police officer, policeman, or constable, or any such searches as aforesaid, shall be guilty of an offence against the provisions of this Act.**

It would be interesting to know in what particular manner Mr. Henderson thinks that this clause "respects the liberty of the individual in his home." Whether it is technically legal or not does not touch the point. It cannot be denied that it does away with the one protection for the home which has always been recognized as a reasonable safeguard against intrusion—the necessity of a Search Warrant. It also does away with the requirement that an information should be laid before entrance is made.

This wise condition precedent is brushed aside, and under Clause 48, a policeman may enter any house without notice, unarmed with a Search Warrant. He may break in the door, and if he sees fit burst open every cupboard in the house, or every private drawer, to look for whiskey. A protest by the householder would be regarded and treated as interference. If the search fails to yield any results, the aggrieved pater-familias has no remedy and no compensation. The law does not even provide for repairing the damage which may have been done. It was a mistake, and that is all there is to be said.

Now notice the gross unfairness of this, and the opportunity it furnishes for the perpetration of rank injustice. The policeman who commits this outrage may do so simply on his own initiative. He need not even possess information, he may suspect, or say that he suspects, and on that suspicion is authorized to proceed to all the high-handed actions detailed in the Clause.

It is not necessary to assume that the majority of policemen, who are themselves honourable, decent men, will proceed to such extremes without reasonable evidence; but it is not against such men that the law-abiding citizen needs protection; it is against the minority, who for various reasons cannot be expected to administer the Act with any greater degree of considerateness than the bare letter of the Law demands. And against such the householder is defenceless.

And yet these are the Provisions of which Mr. Henderson says, "The Bill is not too drastic—it respects the liberty of the individual, it respects the right of every man's home."

In view of such an extraordinary statement, it is certainly justifiable to say that the householder needs protection, not only against officers of the law, who are endowed with such extravagant powers, but against "blind leaders of the blind," who indoctrinate their followers with such unsound principles.

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On the 20th inst, at Holy Trinity Church, Fethard, Co. Tipperary, Mr. John Sinclair MacLachlan, B.A., B.L., M.Inst. C.E., M. Can. Soc. C.E., son of J. B. MacLachlan, Knockturna, Killimer, Co. Clare, was married to Miss Catherine Florence Hughes, youngest daughter of the late J. W. Hughes and only daughter of Mrs. Hughes.

The Church was decorated very beautifully with white flowers, and the service was conducted by Rev. R. C. Patten.

The bride wore a suit of powder blue cloth, and a large lace hat trimmed with blue velvet flowers under the lace, and was given away by her brother, Mr. A. N. Hughes.

Mr. M. R. Hughes acted as best man, and after the ceremony a reception was held at Ann's Gift by the bride's mother, who wore a toilette of violet satin with a smart black hat.

During the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. MacLachlan left for a short honeymoon before sailing for Canada.

The wedding was very quiet, only about forty relatives and friends being present, owing to the absence at the Front of the bride's elder brother. The presents numbered about fifty, and included many costly and beautiful gifts.—Irish Society and Social Review.

CLASSIC DANCERS AT PANTAGES

First in the list of the attractions for the Pantages Theatre next week come the names of Athena and Verna Mercerau in their elaborate classical dancing offering entitled, "The Brides of the Desert." Both of these artistes have risen to the top in their interpretation of artistic dancing. Athena and Mercerau have appeared ndivdiually as a single act in nearly every theatre on the coneinent; and now they have joined forces as co-stars and have assembled the largest company of classic dancers on the vaudeville stage. The offering is one of the most elaborate ever brought to this city. The scene represents one of the old temples of ancient Egypt, with all the magnificence of the early ages.

Ed. Blondell and Company come next week as a second feature in a comedy playlet called "The Lost Boy." The critics have pronounced this piece one of the most successful of the season. Mr. Blondell has just completed the eastern circuits. Those who have seen Mr. Blondell in his famous character of the fat boy on previous occasions will not soon forget this characterization. His fat boy is one of the standard roles of the stage today. In this new sketch, he is just as funny as ever and promises a real treat to Pantages audiences next week.

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AFTER THE WAR

Victoria, B. C.,
July 31st, 1916.

Editor The Week.

Sir,—Many people who reside in B. C. seem to be under the false impression that when peace is declared there will be a rush of settlers to come out here and buy farms and land upon which to settle. This conclusion seems to be borne of ignorance of conditions and the attractions which will be offered to soldiers and intending settlers from Europe in other countries will be very great indeed.

At the present time many may not realize that British arms have won and held German colonies all over the Globe, which in area amounts to more than five times sthe total area of B. C., and with climate conditions and advantages fully equal to our own.

Take German East Africa for example, with its huge areas of splendid land, good climate and almost boundless possibilities; Great Britain will want to people this with men of our own blood, and Canadian soldiers, and more particularly B. C. soldiers will doubtless be offered great attractions to go to such a splendid colony.

To this end it is up to us who are here to get things going and in good shape against the time when so many of our own kith and kin will be looking for new homes under the British Flag.

Does any one realize what a great hindrance it will be to us here if such a calamity should happen as the passing of the Prohibition Referendum at the coming election? This to my mind will have a most serious effect, and in suggesting it would be good business for us all to vote against it, I am not doing it from an anti-temperance point of view, but simply looking at things in a cold-blooded business way as to how we can best help ourselves.

Yours truly,
BRITISHER.

"Every creature is here for a purpose," announced the teacher. "Now, what do we learn from the mosquito?"

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At The Street Corner

BY THE LOUNGER

A lady subscriber writes me very flatteringly on the subject of the exposing of grievances. She seems to think that my particular calling lies in that direction, and that if I can dispose of blue-bottle flies from meat stalls, I can do almost anything. She recalls the fact that Lounger was largely responsible for the design of the parapet on the Ross Bay Sea Wall, having fought a hard fight to secure the artistic design in concrete which adorns it in lieu of the abomination of ironpipes which were used for fencing purposes on the Dallas Road. Now she wants me to try once more and induce the City Council, the Streets Committee, the Parks Committee, or the Cemetery Committee, which ever happens to be the right body, to furnish seats at intervals along the Ross Bay sea front. She says it is one of our most popular esplanades, and that a few seats would be a great boon, especially to delicate persons who frequent that locality for the sake of the health-giving breezes. I am sure the matter has only to be mentioned and our energetic Chairman of the Parks Committee will do his best to meet the request. I know it is not a time for spending money unnecessarily, but the cost would be trifling, and both at Ross Bay and at other points between the Rifle Range and Douglas Street additional seats would be a great attraction.

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Not since St. George, of blessed memory, went out to engage in deadly combat with the Dragon of Wantley and certainly not since that other illustrious knight, Don Quixote, went forth armed cap a pie to tilt at windmills, has there been any historic incident comparable in significance and deadly import with the sallying forth of a little band of Crusaders, headed by that modern night, Sir John Dilworth, to wage war upon a deadly enemy of our race. The sallying forth occurred on Thursday morning, the rendezvous was the City Hall, from which, after properly equipping the modern champions and consecrating their swords, they were provided by eager and expectant citizens with a Pegasus on wheels and hied them, as in a triumphal chariot, to the battlefield. After much skirmishing and deploying the enemy was located hiding behind a rocky rampart. The rampart was scaled, the brave knights with lances poised lunged at the monster, pierced him in vital parts, transfixed and held him aloft, the while their excited followers chanted a paean of victory. Just as heretics are burned and not buried, so this victim of their prowess was committed to the flames, and in a few brief moments the whole episode ended in "smoke." More as a reminder of their glorious victory than out of any feeling of regard for their victim, they carved upon the rocks, with the point of their spears, the magic words CAMO MILE alias "Noxious Weed" aetat 43, survived by one brother, Big Gooseberry, and one sister, Sea Serpent.

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A good deal of space has been taken up in the papers in discussing the latest feminine fashions. Personally I never discuss fashions. The last thing I would waste ink and paper with would be to enter any protest against the vagaries of women's apparel. Of course one cannot help noticing it, but the more it is noticed, the more certain is it that the particular style, whatever it is, will be perpetuated, since the raison d'etre of all styles is to attract notice. Looking back over a lifetime, I can recall many atrocities in this line, each one of which at the time was considered to be the "worst ever." Finally we got down to hobble skirts, which, whatever else might be said about them, were undoubtedly ridiculous. Then we had the sheath gown, which most people thought was the limit in its frankness of display of those beautiful, poetic, curvilinear outlines which our grandmothers left to the imagination. We have, however, got a long way past that, and an eminent New York Divine is strongly of opinion that at last the "limit" has actually been reached. He says that even he cannot keep his thoughts concentrated on sermons and texts when he walks down Broadway on a fine afternoon and finds himself confronted with a throng of lady butterflies in diaphanous garb. Perhaps the worthy Divine will be surprised to hear that displays of this kind are not confined to New York, nor are the devotees of the new fashion confined to those who rejoice in "fine lines." If anyone doubts the suggestion of Lounger, let him copy the example of half a dozen men whom I saw at the Brown Jug Corner one day this week. It was our brightest sunshiny day, eventide approached, old Sol was sinking in the West, in other words, the limelight was exactly opposite the end of lower Fort, which formed a telescope, and when numberless ladies, clad in the latest fashion, passed from the Bank of Commerce corner to the C. P. R. corner, the interested onlookers saw a picture before which the most brilliant "movie" fades into insignificance; a picture in silhouette, with chiaroscura effect. If any of my readers doubt this, let them put it to the test. The only reluctance I have in betraying the secret is that if the New York Divine is correct in his surmise, the effect will be to popularize the fashion with the ladies. Incidentally I am informed that the reason the policeman was removed from Point duty at this site was because he made the discovery, and thereafter was useless to regulate the traffic, in fact his own life was endangered through inattention to his duty.

Lounger.

Local Improvement Notice

Pursuant to section 33 of the Local Improvement Act, public notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision will be held on Thursday, the 24th day of August, 1916, at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., at 10 a.m. for the hearing of complaints against the special assessment of lots abutting on the following works of local improvement respectively, namely;

1. Constructing a surface drain on OSWEGO STREET between Simcoe Street and Dallas Road, and lateral connections to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

2. Constructing boulevards on south side of QUEBEC STREET between Menzies Street and Montreal Street, and on north side between Menzies Street and Oswego Street.

3. Constructing sidewalks of concrete on both sides of COWICHAN STREET between Cowan Avenue and Quamichan Avenue.

4. Constructing a sidewalk of concrete on the south side of FISGARD STREET between Government Street and Douglas Street.

5. Grading, draining and paving with an asphaltic pavement CORMORANT STREET between Blanshard Street and Quadra Street, and constructing curbs and gutters where necessary on both sides of said street, and a sidewalk of concrete on the south side, also laterals to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

6. Grading, draining and paving with an asphaltic pavement ST. ANDREWS STREET from Simcoe Street to its northerly termination, and constructing curbs, gutters and sidewalks on both sides of said street, also lateral connections to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

7. Grading and paving with a light asphaltic pavement ASH STREET from Fort Street to Begbie Street, and constructing sidewalks of concrete with curbs, gutters and boulevards on both sides of said street, also a surface drain and laterals to sewer, surface drains and water mains.

8. Grading and paving with an asphaltic pavement RICHMOND AVENUE from Pandora Avenue (formerly Oak Bay Avenue) to Cowan Avenue, and constructing a surface drain and laterals to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

9. Constructing sidewalks of concrete on both sides of AMPHION STREET between Pandora Avenue (formerly Oak Bay Avenue) and Gonzales Avenue, and constructing a surface drain and laterals to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

10. Constructing boulevards on both sides of ST. ANDREWS STREET from Simcoe Street to its northerly termination.

11. Constructing boulevards on both sides of BANK STRET from Pandora Avenue to Cowan Avenue.

12. Grading, draining and paving with an asphaltic pavement BANK STREET from Pandora Avenue to Cowan Avenue, and sidewalks of concrete with curbs and gutters on both sides of said street, also lateral connections to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

13. Grading, draining and bituminous macadamizing SHELBOURNE STREET from Edmonton Road, now Bay Street to Haultain Street, and constructing sidewalks of concrete with curbs and gutters on both sides of said street, also laterals to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

14. Painting curb and gutter and paving with an asphaltic pavement PEMBERTON ROAD between Fort Street and Rockland Avenue.

15. Constructing a sidewalk of concrete and boulevard on the south side of COLLINSON STREET between Vancouver Street and Cook Street.

16. Grading HENRY STREET from Esquimalt Road to Mary Street and constructing a surface drain and laterals to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

17. Constructing a surface drain on ROSE STREET between Topaz Avenue and Hillside Avenue and lateral connections to sewer and surface drain mains.

18. Constructing sidewalks of concrete and boulevards on both sides of McCLURE STREET from Quadra Street to Vancouver Street.

19. Constructing a sidewalk of concrete and boulevard on the south side of QUADRA STREET between McClure Street and Collinson Street.

20. Grading, draining and paving with an asphaltic pavement STANDARD AVENUE between Richardson Street and Fairfield Road, and constructing sidewalks of concrete with curbs and gutters on both sides of said Avenue, also lateral connections to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

21. Grading, draining and paving with an asphaltic pavement GORGE ROAD between Manchester Road and Carroll Street, and constructing curbs and gutters on both sides of said road, and lateral connections to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

22. Grading, draining and paving with an asphaltic pavement EMPRESS AVENUE between Cook Street and Chambers Street, and constructing sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said Avenue with curbs and gutters and boulevards and lateral connections to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

23. Draining DUNEDIN STREET from Gorge Road to the westerly limit of Lot 17, Block B, and constructing sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said street, also laterals to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

24. Constructing sidewalks of concrete on both sides of BELMONT AVENUE between Denman Street and Edmonton Road (now Bay Street) and constructing a surface drain on said Avenue between Pembroke Street and Edmonton Road (now Bay Street) and laterals to sewer, surface drain and water mains.

The special assessment rolls in respect of the above mentioned local improvement works, will be kept open for inspection at the office of the City Clerk, at the City Hall, Victoria, B. C., for at least ten days next before Thursday, the 24th day of August, 1916, the day appointed for the next sitting of the said Court of Revision.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk.

City Clerk's Office,
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SOTTO VOCE
By the Hornet

That it is significant that most of our War Workers are now engaged on Piece work.

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That some Victoria ladies should remember that to dress extravagantly in War time is "bad form,"—at any rate in the present fashions.

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That when the Kaiser recently referred to his Navy's feat off Jutland, he meant that it showed a pair of clean heels.

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That in England "Tag Day" Girls are being advised to go on farms, where they would be milking the kine instead of mulcting the kind.

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That a worried London housewife recently asked her husband where she could buy the Oval matches which last three days.

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That an American referring to the Allies offensive, said "Somme fight" to which a soldier replied, "Quite true, and some don't."

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That many in the ranks of the 88th are hoping they may meet their officers in Victoria "after the war."

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That there is little doubt that the rencontre would be touching.

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That the London milkmen are like British Columbia miners—they are extracting gold from quarts.

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That in view of the great demand for men in the Motor Transport service, all able-bodied chauffeurs automobilise.

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That Prohibition until six months after the War is the latest bright thought of the unco' guid.

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That surely the boys who take part in the "Big Push" need not be robbed of the relief of a "Long Pull" when it is over.

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That the Liberal party in Vancouver is hopelessly split, and the responsible element in open revolt.

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That the Victoria Times has done its best to hamper the taking of the Soldiers' Vote—and failed.

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That the Defenders of the Pacific are paying another visit of courtesy to Victoria.

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That it is greatly to be regretted that they are not receiving the usual social courtesies.

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That they are objects of curiosity to the many American Tourists who come to town.

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That the latter are anything but delighted to be told that they too owe the safety of their shores to an Oriental Navy.

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That the Mexican campaign seems to have petered out, and still Villa is at large.

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That it is about time the Boy Scouts of Victoria were recruited to strength—seventy-five is a farcical number.

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That sometimes too many cooks spoil the broth, an done manager is enough for one show.

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That the next public fete should be managed entirely by the Committee in charge, and "butters-in" should not be allowed.

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That criticism, like chastisement, is not always pleasant, but it is sometimes necessary, and occasionally effective.

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That the nomination papers "let the cat out of the bag"—it was a Social Democrat who secured the Saturday half-holiday.

Social News

It is with deep regret we learn of the death of Mrs. Rochfort, at Folkstone (formerly of Runnymede Avenue), where she and her daughter, Miss Cherry Rochfort, have spent several months, to be near her five sons, who are all on Active Service now. Mrs. W. Doyly Rochfort, a daughter-in-law is at Runnymede Avenue with her young son.

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Mrs. E. P. Newling has returned from a short holiday spent with her brother, Mr. Phiker, at Duncan.

*

Mrs. G. M. Turner, of the Gorge Road, left on Sunday for New York, en route to England, where she will spend several months with friends. Lieut. Turner is remaining at Banfield Creek.

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Miss Lottie Wark has gone to Cordova Bay, where she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Beauchamp-Tye, at their summer residence.

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Mrs. Birchall, a cousin of Mrs. W. J. Roper, is staying with her at "Sherborne."

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Mr. W. Roper Hull, of Calgary, and Mr. J. R. Hull, of Kamloops, are staying at "Sherborne," the residence of their uncle, W. J. Roper, Esq., who still lies seriously ill.

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Mrs. A. C. E. Shaw left for the Upper Country during the week to spend a few weeks with her husband, Major Shaw, who is in charge of an internment camp.

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Mrs. George Jay and her daughter have gone to Seattle to spend a few days with friends there.

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Lieut. Johns, of the 143rd, who has been on a recruiting trip in the Saskatchewan district, has returned to Victoria, but expects to go for a few days leave to Vernon, where Mrs. Johns is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer.

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Mrs. Robert Gibson, York Place, gave a charming "garden tea" on Thursday afternoon, in honour of her mother, Mrs. Small, her sister, Mrs. Powell, and the Misses Small.

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Mrs. John Lee-Johnston and Miss Johnstone, of Calgary, are guests for the summer at the "Angela."

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Miss Sybil Street left during the week for Vancouver, where she is the guest of Miss Brougham, "Thorley Park."

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Mrs. Ewing, a sister of Dr. Lafferty, Calgary, is spending a short time with Mr. Niblock, James Bay.

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Mrs. E. V. S. McClintock, of Alberni, is at "Rocabella" for the summer months.

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Miss Payne, Beech Drive, Shoal Bay, is spending the summer at her country home at Comox.

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The week extends its profound sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Crawford on the death of their son at the front.

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Just on going to press The Week learns with regret of the death of Mr. W. J. Roper, one of British Columbia's foremost and most estimable citizens.

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Mr. Hartley Holmes, son of Lieut.-Col. W. Holmes, of the 48th, has arrived home from "Kingston Military College" and is staying with his mother, Mrs. W. Holmes, at Oak Bay, for the summer holidays.

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Mr. Dick Jones, "Kingston Military College" is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jones, Rockland Avenue.

THE LATE HENRY FRANCIS LANGTON

In the death of the late Henry Francis Langton, Victoria has lost a good man and a good citizen. Although he was not destined to play a prominent part in public affairs, he had during nearly twenty years residence surrounded himself with a large circle of friends, who esteemed him highly. He was essentially a man who from day to day and year to year plodded along in the path of duty. Always industrious, he never knew an idle moment, and if one task did not fill up the day, he sought another. In all business relations he was strictly reliable and punctilious. A loyal and devoted son of the Roman Catholic Church, he never lost an opportunity of advancing its interests. It is safe to say that neither in public nor in private life had he a single enemy. His death at a comparatively early age would have come both as a shock and a surprise to the many who have known him as an active, energetic athlete, but for the fact that his health broke down a year ago, and he never really rallied. To the members of his family The Week tenders its respectful sympathy.

VICTORIA AND DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION

I must confess to having a little sympathy with the Secretary of the Victoria Cricket Association, who felt called upon to resign because the Committee would not carry out the rules which they had made. It is true that Cricket Rules are not absolutely like the Rules of the Medes and Persians, unalterable, still the game has always been played according to rule, and has taken a high stand in insisting on the observance of all the admitted regulations. It does not seem to me that the Committee has much excuse for its action in the present case. If the Incogniti wished to play a man who had been connected with another team, they should at least have seen to it that he was properly qualified to make the transfer. One qualification rested entirely with himself, but the other, that of registering him forty-eight hours before he was played, was so simple and so easily complied with that there is no excuse for neglecting it. I am therefore bound to say that I think Mr. Radcliffe pursued a much more manly course, and one more in consonance with the traditions of the game, than that followed by the Committee, who deliberately broke their own rules without the slightest justification.

W. B.

AN INTERNATIONAL BANK

The announcement may be looked for shortly of the intention of the Government to found an International Bank, the primary object of which will be to assist British traders in different parts of the world. It will be more a bank of affairs than an ordinary deposit bank. The joint stock banks of this country will be largely financially interested. The original idea was that it should deal solely with British interests. During the last week or two the question of France and Russia co-operating in it has been considered and as one result of the Economic Conference in Paris the probabilities are this will be the case. Sir Edward Holden, Bt., chairman of the London City and Midland Bank, will be the chairman of the new organization.

FROM MESOPOTAMIA

We've marched nigh on an 'undred mile
Across the bloomin' sand;
We're jest about as thirsty as
A regimental band.
(I wish I'd never seen this 'ell-
Ish Heaven-forsaken land.)

The flies is gnorin' orf our 'eads,
An' chewin' up our feet;
The Colonel's face is red an' blue
An' bustin' with the 'eat.
('Is language is enough to make
The blinkin' Turks retreat.)

An' this is where old Adam lived
Along o' Mother Eve!
Well, I'm no Doubtin' Thomas, but
I'm darned if I believe
That they was really 'orrified
When told to pack an' leave!

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POLITICAL SUIT IS SET ASIDE

MOTION FOR JUDGMENT ON WRIT COMES BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MORRISON

VICTORIA, July 29.—When the motion for judgment in Mr. H. C. Brewster vs. Hon. W. J. Bowser, Attorney-General, came before Mr. Justice Morrison yesterday morning in Supreme Court Chambers, Mr. H. C. Hall, for the plaintiff, asked that it be set over for a week, explaining that his senior counsel, Mr. R. T. Elliott, K.C., had been unable to attend.

Mr. W. J. Taylor, K. C., who appeared for the defendants, took the position that the issue was not one warranting a hearing in vacation.

His Lordship—This is not a vacation matter, Mr. Hall.

Mr. Hall—I think it is and have some authorities which I would like to cite.

Mr. Justice Morrison—The rules are quite clear.

Mr. Taylor then quoted from the rules, outlining those exceptions for which provision is made for vacation hearing, and pointed out that the case in question is not included.

Mr. Hall argued that every legal proceeding which might be dealt with in vacation could be heard with equal propriety during vacation.

His Lordship asked why an exception should be made in the present instance. The fact that large properties and money were involved was not sufficient reason.

Mr. Hall stated that it was contended that $6,700,000 had been paid out of the public funds illegally. Inasmuch as no defence had been filed it was to be presumed, under the rules of the court, that this was admitted. It also was asserted that the last session of the Provincial Legislature had expired prior to March 15, and for th same reason as that given, it had to be inferred that this, too, was admitted. Then, despite the expiration of the Legislature on the date given, an Act had been passed under which $10,000,000 was being borrowed. This money was being obtained—it was assumed, there being no defence—illegally and without authority. He thought that, under these circumstances, the urgency of the matter would be apparent.

As the case stood, with no defence on record, it had to be assumed, counsel declared, that each and every one of the allegations made were admitted. This, he believed, made it clear that the proceeding was one which should be disposed of at the earliest possible moment, for surely no person or persons should be permitted to borrow such a sum and proceed to spend it without authority.

Mr. Justice Morrison—But would you be advanced in your object if you were awarded judgment now? He asserted that there was no doubt that the defendant would be allowed all kinds of opportunity to have such an order set aside. Counsel might earn a few more dollars in costs by a judgment as had been used could be advanced in almost every case for the plaintiff in a claim for damages.

Mr. Hall contended that a judgment now might effect a suspension in the disbursement of unauthorized borrowed money.

His Lordship replied that it would be affectation to say that such a case would not have to be fought out in the courts. He declared that it would be and ought to 1be so ventilated.

Mr. Hall maintained that there had been plenty of time for the filing of a defence. The writ had been issued on June 6. Subsequently a letter had been written to the Attorney-General to which there had been no answer.

His Lordship wanted to know whether the defendant had been served in person.

Mr. Hall referred to Rule 1013.

His Lordship interrupted to know whether the Attorney-General had been available at the time.

Mr. Hall, quoting Rule 1013, argued that it provided that service on the Deputy Attorney-General, such as had taken place in the present instance, was sufficient. The section onwhich he based his contention reads as follows:

"All writs, notices, pleadings, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings and written communications, to be served on the Attorney-General shall be served on him only at the department of the Attorney-General in the City of Victoria, and shall be sufficiently served if left during office hours with the Deputy Attorney-General or the chief clerk of said department at the said department."

Mr. Justice Morrison—Are you suing the Attorney-General?

Mr. Hall—Yes, as Attorney-General.

LUMBER MEN WORK UP TRADE

H. R. MacMILLAN BACK FROM WORLD TOUR RECOMMENDS MEANS TO DEVELOP BUSINESS

VICTORIA, Aug. 1.—H. R. MacMillan, Provincial Chief Forester, has just returned from an eighteen-months' tour of England, France, Holland, South and East Africa, Burmah, Australia and New Zealand, which countries he visited as special trade commissioner of the Dominion department of trade and commerce, to inquire into export possibilities for lumber products of the Dominion. Before he considers his study of the question complete he will visit China and Japan, for which places he anticipates leaving in a short time.

His tour has left Mr. MacMillan convinced of the necessity of co-operation of the lumbermen of British Columbia, a keener study of market conditions, and the securing of cargo space. Inter-imperial trade would only hold out successfully by operation along the best business lines, and this meant that exporters must offer competitive prices, fill orders to specification both as to quality and quantity. In connection with the difficulties of exporting lumber which have been so much felt since the war, Mr. MacMillan endorsed the building of ships locally. Cargoes of British Columbia lumber would never go begging.

Nevertheless, said Mr. MacMillan, it would be something of a surprise and disappointment to people of this Province to learn that few of the importers knew other than that the lumber was grown in the United States. Practically all the British Columbia raw materials were shipped through United States firms, who billed it as American lumber. San Francisco and other American ports on the Pacific Coast had studied the export situation, organized, and now controlled the charters in such a way that it was practically by their consent that British Columbia got the export opportunities she had.

FUSILIERS OFFICERS

Number Who Left Here With 88th Have Been Sent to Other Battalions

VICTORIA, July 28.—Information has been received in Victoria that Lieut.-Col. Cullin, commanding the 88th Battalion, is ill in hospital in London. Major Pym, Capt. Mackenzie and Lieuts. Day, Morkill and Bridgman have been sent to the 7th Battalion; Lieuts MacKenzie is with the 2nd C. M. R.; Lieut. Crease with the 29th in France, and Lieuts. Howard, Hart and James are with the 16th Canadian Scottish. Two hundred and seventy of the 88th are in training at Lydd, England, the rest of the battalion having been sent as drafts to the front.

REFINING OF NICKEL

Incorporation of Canadian Company to Establish Plant Is Announced in Gazette

OTTAWA, July 28.—The incorporation of the International Nickel Company of Canada, Limited, is announced in this week's Canada Gazette. It is the necessary preliminary legal step toward carrying out the promise made to the Government last March by the Nickel Trust of the United States that a nickel refining plant would be established in Canada.

The Canadian Branch of the Trust is capitalized at $5,000,000, and the head office is given as Toronto.

CONSERVATIVES NAME TICKET

HON. ALEX. STEWART, R. HAYWARD, L. TAIT AND JOHN DILWORTH CANDIDATES AT ELECTION

VICTORIA, July 28.—Conservatives of Victoria, at one of the most enthusiastic conventions ever held here, last night selected their standard bearers for the coming Provincial campaign. They are Hon. Alexander Stewart, Minister of Finance; Mr. Reginald Hayward, President of the Conservative Association; Mr. Leonard Tait and Alderman John Dilworth.

Throughout there was the greatest unanimity among the ranks of the 240 delegates who thronged the rooms of the new Conservative Club, Union Bank Building, and the good feeling which prevailed was evidence of the fact that in the coming campaign the party candidates will receive the whole-hearted support of every Conservative in the city. Signal honor was done to Hon. Mr. Stewart, who was nominated by Mr. G. H. Barnard and seconded by Mr. R. W. Perry. It was the unanimous decision without recourse to a ballot, and as the new Minister was declared unanimously nominated to head the Conservative ticket the entire assemblage of delegates broke into enthusiastic cheers which were followed by the singing, "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and then repeated "three times three." The Ovation which Hon. Mr. Stewart received was spontanous and emphatic testimony of his spopularity.

Besides Hon. Mr. Stewart four other candidates were nominated, Mr. Tait, Alderman Dilworth and Mr. R. W. Perry. The balloting resulted in the first three being named. Mr. Perry, who showed himself to be the very best kind of loser, immediately moved that the nominations be made unanimous, which was done in enthusiastic fashion.

Mr. R. F. Green nominated Mr. William Mable, a nomination which was seconded by Mr. William Blakemore, but according to the rules of the convention no one was capable of nomination who had not expressed his willingness to accept if selected, and as Mr. Mable had been repeatedly urged to allow his name to go before the convention, but had refused, and as he was not present to speak for himself his nomination was not permissible. Mr. Mable's long service in the party ranks and his sterling worth were freely referred to, and it was with regret that it was found he was not available.

VANCOUVER MEN ARE NOMINATED

PREMIER BOWSER, HON. DR. McGUIRE AND MESSRS. MACGOWAN, TISDALL, DUKE AND LEEK ARE CANDIDATES.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 27.—Premier Bowser, Hon. r. McQuire, A. H. B. Magowan, Thomas Duke, C. E. Tisdall, Walter Leek.

The Conservatives of Vancouver have decided to stand behind the old guard. The voice with which they expressed that determination at the nominating convention in Dominion Hall last evening, augured well for the election of the solid six at the polls on September 14th next.

Refusing to accept the unanimous verbal vote of the convention before the ballot papers were distributed, the Premier received 219 votes, making his nomination practically unanimous in a gathering of 225 delegates, some of whom may not have voted.

Messrs. E. A. Lucas and M. S. Logan withdrew their names from nomination, the former explaining that the Young Conservative Association had decided not to place a candidate in the field, but had resolved to give their solid support to the nominees of the convention. He is president of the Young Conservative Association.

The balloting resulted as follows: Premier Bowser, 219; Hon. Dr. McGuire, Provincial Secretary, 177; Mr. A. H. B. Magowan, ex-M.P.P., 176; Mr. Thomas Duke, 162; Mr. C. E. Tisdall, 158; Mr. Walter Leek, 133; Dr. F. I. Patterson, 128; Mr. W. A. Contalon, 62; Mr. J. J. Miller, 50; Mr. J. D. Byrne, 45; Mr. James Reid, 33; Mr. J. D. Kenears, 13.

SOLDIERS' FAMILIES IN ENGLAND

LONDON, July 28.—Lady Drummond, interviewed yesterday at the Canadian Red Cross office, said too many of the families of Canadian soldiers are coming to England. Wounded men and those invalided out of the service are sent directly to Canada, while the family, lacking funds to return, remains practically stranded.

ASKS CITY TO PAY DAMAGES

CASE OF UNAUTHORIZED FIRING OF HINDU BARNS BEFORE CITY COUNCIL

VICTORIA, Aug. 1.—When early last Spring the Hindu barns on the property of Mr. McCann, on Maple Road, in Saanich Municipality, were purposely destroyed by fire, it was hardly anticipated that a couple of months later the matter would come before the Supreme Court, and that Chief Little, of the Saanich police, and Mr. J. B. Howes, dairy inspector of the Victoria City Health Department would be found culpable of having fired the premises without the proper authorization. The court decided that for this action the two men between them would have to pay damages and costs amounting to $1,144.75.

Yesterday a deputation from the Saanich Council headed by Reeve McGregor, begged the streets committee of the Victoria City Council to help Mr. Howes pay the part of the assessment levied on him by the court. The deputation said that Saanich was considering paying at least part of t ehdamages that Chief Little is ordered to pay.

"As far as Victoria is concerned, Howes did what he did for the protection of your citizens," said Reeve McGregor. "The Hindus were straining the milk through their trousers and then washing out the pails with their trousers and throwing them on the floor. Conditions generally were indescribable. The only way to immediately stop the production of milk under such conditions was to burn up the buildings. We tried to change the conditions, but the Hindus just put the milk in pails in the bushes at night, and at 4 o'clock in the morning along would come white men and take it into town with them. The city, if it helps pay Mr. Howes' assessment, will get off cheap in having scared other Hindus from such practices. It was diseased milk they were supplying, and the prevention of its consumption was vital to the health of the citizens of Victoria."

"The court divided the damages between these two officials who were acting in good faith," said Ald. Diggon, of Saanich. "Dr. White, the Provincial Government dairy inspector, was on the scene, but he escaped any assessment. It seems he had bad eyesight at the time and couldn't see anything that was going on. He was only the chauffeur and a convenient chauffeur at that. He took the men out in his car to do the dastardly deed."

INSPECTS FORTS

Brig.-Gen. Hughes Completes Work Here and Leaves for Camp Hughes

VICTORIA, July 28.—Brig.-Gen. Hughes, Inspector General of Military forces in Western Canada, this morning went to Work Point and inspected the 5th Regiment, the R.C.R., the R. C. G. R., and other units there and at the Esquimalt forts.

At Sidney camp yesterday Brig.-Gen. Hughes inspected every platoon of the 143rd and the 231st Battalions. There was also the usual company and battalion drill. The Inspector General was accompanied by the D. O. C., Col. Stuart and his staff. He inspected the tents of the men and the camp facilities.

General Hughes left Victoria on the afternoon boat today, for Camp Hughes, Manitoba.

BITTER COMMENT ON EXECUTION

KILLING OF CAPTAIN FRYATT AROUSES HOT WRATH IN LONDON

LONDON, July 29.—The morning newspapers today comment bitterly and at great length on the execution of Captain Fryatt.

Discussing the legal aspects of the case, the newspapers, almost without exception, quote the United States war naval code of 1900, article 10, clause 3, which reads:

"The personnel of a merchant vessel who in self-defence resists attack, are entitled, if captured to the status of prisoners of war."

The execution of Captain Frayatt has caused great indignation throughout Holland says a Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam and is generally compared with the execution of Miss Edith Cavell. The Amsterdam Telegraaf says: "The execution causes no surprise, but excites sorrow and indignation at a crime which is as mean as the shooting of the brave English nurse. It is a burning shame which calls for vengeance."

MEMBER FOR NANAIMO ENJOYS THRILLING RIDE

Mr. F. H. Shepherd Describes Sensations While Travelling in Aeroplane at Eighty Miles An Hour—Parliamentary Delegates Feted in London.

LONDON, July 29.—Half an hour before the overseas delegates of the Empire Parliamentary Association left their headquarters at the Windsor Hotel this afternoon en route for Birmingham and other industrial centres in England, I had a conversation with Mr. F. H. Shepherd, M.P. for Nanaimo, who is one of the ten Canadian delegates.

Mr. Shepherd spoke of the increased spirit of optimism among those representatives of Dominion Parliaments in regard to the final issue of the war, following the personal interviews they have had with cabinet ministers here; of the busy and important portion of their programme already profitably and pleasurably accomplished, and of the further prospects in view in the carrying out of the remainder of their arrangements, including a probable visit to the western theatre of war, and to the Grand Fleet.

But apart from and in addition to the strictly business part of the trip to the Motherland—which, of course, is for the purpose of inspecting the war organization in this country, and exchanging opinions with home members on questions arising out of the war—Mr. Shepherd told me how he spent his "Day of Days." That was the expression he himself used in referring to it; so it must go down as said, and, from what he remarked, I take it that Senators Belcourt and Dennis, and Mr. W. F. Nickle, M. P., of Ontario, also had theirs.

Trip in Aeroplane

For nearly half an hour on the afternoon of Saturday, July 8, Nanaimo's Member spent the time of his life diving through the clouds in a military aeroplane at an altitude of 1500 feet. Some of the time the speed was at the rate of 80 miles an hour, and, by the time he returned, delighted and eager for more, he had traveled well over twenty miles. "It was simply fine," said Mr. Shepherd, and when I saw him this afternoon, less than twenty-four hours afterwards, he was showing no sign of being any the worse for his eventful experiences.

The memorable occasion was a visit by the members of the association to Aldershot, and three other Canadian delegates also ran the risk of creating vacancies in Parliament at home. Two of these daring ones, however, were senators—Hon. N. A. Belcourt (ex-Speaker in the Dominion House), and Hon. William Dennis—while the other Member of Parliament who braved the perils of the air was Mr. W. F. Nickle, K.C. Three of the South African delegates (Senator H. G. Stuart and Messrs. E. Rooth and C. P. Robinson), two from Australia (Senator H. de Largie and Hon. P. McM. Glynn), and two from New Zealand (Hon. W. C. F. Carncross and Mr. E. P. Lee) also went up during the visit.

Mr. Shepherd was bashful about mentioning himself as one of the party of amateur aeronauts. "There were altogether eleven delegates who went up," said Mr. Shepherd, "including four from Canada—Senators Dennis and Belcourt and Mr. Nickle."

RETURN OF PROFITS

Minister of Finance Expresses Appreciation of Hamilton Cartridge Company's Action

OTTAWA, July 28.—Acknowledging and expressing appreciation of the generosity of the Canadian Cartridge Company at Hamilton, Ont., in returning $750,000 profits on its contracts, Sir Thomas White has written to F. W. Baillie, president of the company, as follows:

"Any fine public action, on account both of its quality and its example, should meet with expressions of appreciation from those who have the interest of the country at heart. When I learned of your magnificent donation of $750,000 to the Imperial Treasury I was, of course, delighted, but not surprised, because I have the advantage of acquaintance over many years with the generosity of your character. I desire to offer to you my most sincere congratulations upon this splendid gift, and to add an expression of my admiration for the high patriotic sentiment which actuated you to make it."

OVERPAID CHEQUE $700

Japanese Faces Trial Charged For Theft by Conversion

NEW WESTMINSTER, July 28.—Charged with theft by conversion, A. Amano, a Japanese, was arrested last night at a Powell Street house in Vancouver, and a probe has been started to find out what became of $700 alleged to have been received by the Japanese in alleged overpayment of a cheque at the bank. The circumstances as related by the teller of the bank, Gordon Stanley Graves, are to the effect that, following the endorsing of the cheque as "O.K." by the manager of the bank, the teller shoved fifty $20 bills through the wicket, along with other monies which was to make up the demand for a little over $438, believing that he had tendered fifteen $20 bills.

The shortage in the cash was discovered at bank balancing time and following the explanation of the teller a warrant was issued for the arrest of the Japanese. The case has been set over until next Monday. The Japanese denies having received the overpayment.

CHINAMEN OBSTRUCTED POLICE, IT IS ALLEGED

Royal City Authorities Trying to Eradicate Gambling Evil

NEW WESTMINSTER, July 27.—Sing, a Chinaman who the police allege is a watcher for a gambling joint in Chinatown, appeared in police court this morning, charged with obstructing the police. He was remanded pending developments which the police expect to uncover today.

Despite the recent effort of the City police to exterminate the Celestial gambler, they admit that the practice is still proceeding and that the offenders are growing bolder as time goes on. All day and well on into the night the gambling goes on and silent but exceedingly alert watchers, and heavily barricaded doors and windows make a sudden raid by the police, in order to procure paraphernalia before the wily occupants sweep it out of sight, an exceedingly difficult undertaking. The police think if they can secure convictions against the watchers on charges of obstruction, that one very difficult phase of the situation will be eliminated.

KITCHENER'S ORIGINAL LETTER SOLD FOR £6,000

The letter in which Lord Kitchener appealed for 300,000 recruits for the New Army was sold by auction at the Red Cross Gift House, Pall Mall, last night for £6,000. The purchaser was Mr. T. Fenwick Harrison, chairman of the Harrison Steamship Co., who has presented the Red Cross Society with a number of motor ambulances. Mr. Harrison intends to present the letter to the nation.

NOT AGAINST THE LAW

Cashing of Canteen Tickets at Bar Not Illegal

VICTORIA, B. C., July 24.—Following the discussion of conditions at the Sidney camp which appeared in The World last week, the Provincial Government made prompt investigation of the legality of the practice of cashing canteen tickets in the bar. There is a section in the recent Liquor Act amendments making it illegal to cash checks or any negotiable instrument in a bar room, but the legal advisors of the Attorney-General's department on being apprised of the facts by the Provincial police, came to the conclusion that a canteen ticket is not a negotiable instrument and hence that the practice violates no law of the Province.

As a matter of fact, the canteen tickets are not negotiable anywhere and would not be in the Sidney hotel but for the willingness of the manager to accept them.

If the practice is to be stopped it will have to be done by military regulations, as the police have no authority except to enforce the law.

REMAND IS ORDERED

Men Accused of Theft and Having Stolen Goods Remanded

VANCOUVER, July 28.—James Greenhalgh, J. H. Hadley and Harry Day appeared before Magistrate South, the first named being charged with theft and the other two with having stolen property in their possession. Greenhalgh was nightwatchman at the Hudson's Bay Company's store and it is alleged is responsible for the thefts of liquor and groceries valued at several hundreds of dollars. Detectives Crewe and Imlah made the arrests, and it is stated that goods to the extent of about $500, allegedly stolen, have been recovered. It is claimed that the trio worked systematically, and evolved a method which made the detection of the alleged thefts hard. No evidence was tendered at the hearing, the accused being remanded until Tuesday morning.

CHEMAINUS

Roll of Honour

Pte. George Lepper, whose name appeared in the casualty list of Saturday as wounded, came to Chemainus about twelve years ago. He worked for the V. L. & M. Co., as sawyer for a number of years. Six months after the war started he and his family left Chemainus for Vancouver, where he enlisted for home defence. He was transferred to the 62nd Battalion, and left for England last March. Soon afterwards he was sent with a draft to reinforce the 7th Battalion. His home is in Ore, England.

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Pte. F. W. Breedon, whose name appeared in the list of killed in action about two weeks ago, is now officially reported a prisoner.

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The V. L. & M. Co. have a gang of men getting out piles to build a bridge over Miller Creek. As soon as that is completed the rails will be laid and logging will begin in earnest. It is reported Mr. Andy Hands has received the contract for falling timber.

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Chemainus River bridge is to be lowered three feet, the approaches being too steep to allow motors to cross at the required rate of speed. The bridge gang are at work cutting the timbers for it.

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The many friends of Lieut.-Col. Griesbach will be glad to hear he is able to get around again, although he is making a very slow recovery.

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Mr. E. Evans motored Mr. and Mrs. Jack Long to Shawnigan on Saturday to attend a dance. They returned Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Casswell was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Dyne, Somenos, during the week. Mr. and Mrs. Talbot, of Crofton, and Miss Helen Petersen, of Saanichton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Howe on Sunday.

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The Rev. E. M. Cook and Miss Cook have returned home, having spent a much needed holiday in Seattle, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Frazier.

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At last Mount Brenton is clear of snow. This year has broken the record, snow having been seen on Mount Brenton from October 29th until July 22nd.

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On Monday of last week Mr. W. Roseboom was bidden farewell and presented with a silver rose bowl appropriately inscribed with his name and record of service as secretary of Chemainus General Hospital. Directors of the institution and the staff gathered for the occasion and Mr. Anketell Jones made the presentation. He alluded to Mr. Roseboom's six years of faithful hard work, and his successful efforts to save the hospital to the town when financial difficulties presented themselves. Mr. Roseboom responded fittingly. The matron, Miss Andrews, and the nurses, Miss Marwood and Miss Duncan, served refreshments.

MAPLE BAY

Cowichan Girl Guides are in camp at Bird's Eye Sove. They arrived on Monday last.

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Fishing is improving, the grilse affording good sport.

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Residents are wondering what has happened to the waterworks. They point out that water is wanted badly during the summer, not the winter.

SOMENOS

The following went from Somenos with the 103rd Battalion: George G. Macneal, Douglas Ford, Eugene Smith, Cecil Henslowe, Claude Highsted, Leo. Helen, Signaller Charles J. Greene, and Lieut. L. Brakespeare.

COWICHAN LAKE

The Red Cross dance given last Saturday (15th) at the Lakeside Hotel by Mrs. Keast and Mrs. A. Green proved a great success, both socially and financially, twenty-five dollars being added to the funds of the society. A large number of people were present, including a good many from Duncan. The rooms were very kindly given by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kippen, the refreshments being supplied by Mrs. Keast and Mrs. Green. The prize waltz was won by Miss Rudge and Mr. Douglas. A beautiful cushion, presented by Mrs. Keast, was raffled, Miss A. Carter being the lucky winner. The music was contributed by the following ladies and gentlemen: Mrs. Rushton, Miss Brown, Miss Rudge, Miss Campbell, and Mr. Wm. Kier.

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Work has been started by the hatchery staff in building a fish trap just below the forks on Nixon creek. A good number of trout were taken last season on this creek and if the trap proves a success it is likely that the catch will be considerably larger next season.

LADNER

The campers in tents are relating all kinds of experiences, dodging the rain that leaks through their shelters sometimes in one place, sometimes in another. Some think that the rainfall amounted to several feet and some express their opinion that the deluge had started. However, it is cheering to think that five days have already passed from St. Smithin's forty days, and there are only thirty-five left. The sun is now shining and the aspect looks more hopeful for a comfortable season.

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Nobody says "mosquitoes," that name is barred. The bathing is good as the weather has remained warm.

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The berries are reported plentiful at Chewassin camp.

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Ladner High School has passed six out of eight pupils writing at the midsummer examination.

SARDIS

A meeting of ardent temperance workers was held at Sardis hall on Tuesday, July 18. Mr. Chas. Evans was elected president, and Mr. Geo. Green, Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Macken was the chief speaker and gave a very lucid exposition of the British Columbia Prohibition Measure. Other speakers of the evening included the Rev. McLeod, of Chilliwack, and Rev. W. R. Welch, of Sardis.

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In response to an appeal from the finance department the Carman Methodist Church raised about thirty dollars on Sunday, July 16, for the People's Prohibition Movement.

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Whooping cought has taken a hold upon the parsonages of Sardis without respect of creed, finding four victims in the family of Rev. Rowe, including Mrs. Rowe, and the three children of the Methodist parsonage.

In the Duma a law was passed authorising the sale of wines in all wine growing regions of Russia during the war. After the war only the sale of wines containing not more than twelve per cent. of alcohol will be permitted in those regions in conformity with the law in force throughout Russia.—Reuter.

NEW WESTMINSTER

Mr. Aruthur O. Rogers, who has been attending college in the east, and who was prominent in amateur hockey circles here three seasons back, has enlisted in the Canadian Army Medical Corps, and will leave for Vernon in a few days.

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Captain B. G. Walker, quartermaster of the 131st Battalion, is spending a few days in the city from Vernon this week.

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Mrs. George T. Weir, who recently received word that her husband, a lieutenant in the 3rd Mountd Rifles, had been severely wounded in action, has arrived safely in Winnipeg, where she went to join her husband at his parents' home. Beyond the bare statement that he was seriously wounded and was being sent home, Mrs. Weir had no information regarding the injury when she left the city last week. She is the daughter of Mr. D. D. Bourke, Cariboo Street.

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The marriage of Edith Margaret Curtis, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Curtis, to Clarence Arthur Ackley, clerk in the office of the Dominion Fisheries, occurred in Vancouver this week.

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Word has been received by Miss G. J. McKenzie, of this city, of the death of her brother, Pte. James McKenzie, who was killed in action "somewhere in France" on June 13 last. Pte. James McKenzie is the youngest of the five sons of the late Mr. John McKenzie, of Kincardin, New Brunswick, all of whom are serving their king and country.

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Of some of the local men with the 29th Battalion who were wounded at St. Eloi last April, Pte. McCormack has recovered from his wounds and has returned to the trenches; Pte. Willis Patchell is improving but shrapnel is still being taken from several wounds which are healing slowly. Jack Bruce was quite ill following his wounds at last reports.

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Word has been received in the city that a draft of 500 men from the 47th Battalion is training in England, has been sent to France to reinforce Canadian battalions at the front. It is expected that the balance of the battalion will be used as reinforcements and that the 47th will never take the field as a unit.

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News reached the city Tuesday that Sapper Francsi Bradley Cunningham, 6th Field Company, Canadian Engineers, was killed in action on July 3. He was the third son of Lieut.-Col. F. H. Cunningham, 104th Regiment, Dominion Chief Inspector of Fisheries for British Columbia, and was only 19 years of age. His two elder brothers are also with the overseas forces.

HAZELTON

The annual school election was held recently. Mrs. Constance Cox was elected trustee for two years, and Wm. Grant was re-elected for the three-year term . H. H. Phillips was elected auditor.

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On Wednesday evening, W. G. Mennie, of Blaine, and Miss Inez Hope Starrett were married in St. Peter's Church by Rev. John Field. The bride and groom left on Thursday for a honeymoon trip to the coast.

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Wiggs O'Neill is planning an extension of his moving picture business, and expects to give at least one show a week in Hazelton. If suitable arrangements can be made, he will also show his films each week at the Rocher de Boule mine.

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D. B. Tilley, formerly of the Hudson's Bay Company's service and lately engaged at Babine Hatchery, is here for a day or two. He is on his way to Winnipeg to enlist.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Sargent and children, accompanied by Dean Sargent, left recently for a motor trip to Telkwa and Smithers. They will take in the Bulkley farmers' picnic.

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Dr. T. L. Walker, head of the department of mineralogy in Toronto University, is spending a few days in Hazelton, gathering first-hand information concerning the mineral resources of the district.

QUESNEL

Last week's casualty lists contained among the names of those killed in action that of Jos. Callanan, only son of Dr. M. Callanan, of Barkerville. Joe had many friends throughout the Cariboo, all of whom will extend their deepest sympathy to the doctor in his bereavement. But it i sa loss of which Dr. Callanan may well feel proud. Joe seen his duty, and like a man he went forth to perform it, and in doing so made the supremest sacrifice a man can make—laid down his life in defence of right and justice. Many of us will pass out when our times comes, and be forgotten, but Joe Callanan has won an imperishable fame for his memory. There is no lasting sorrow connected with a death like his.

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Frank Hunter, of Keithley Creek, enlisted with Lieut. Fox this week, and left Thursday morning in company with Harry Thomas, who was enrolled last week, to join the No. 4 Tunnelling Co. at Nanaimo. Peter Quinn, of Alexandria, also took the King's shilling this week, and will leave on the 17th for North Vancouver, to be attached to the 6th Field Co., Canadian Engineers. We hope the boys will all be spared to return in safety.

BARKERVILLE

H. C. Carry has taken a house in town. He purposes doing some development work on his claims near Sawmill Flat.

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The friends of Miss Nora Beaton, of Stanley, will be glad to hear that she is recovering from a severe attack of appendicitis, under the care of Dr. Callanan, of Barkerville, and Dr. Baker, of Quesnel.

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John Hopp is in town on his usual visit to his mines.

NELSON

At Nelson, B. C., Miss Annie Alice Fife, of Chilliwack, daughter of the late Robert S. Fife, of New London, P.E.I., was married to Mr. George Frederick Ward, of Pincher Creek, Alta. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. M. Wright, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. The bride was attired in a tailored traveling suit of navy blue serge and wore a blue hat. Both bride and groom were unattended. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Ward left for Edmonton and Winnipeg. On their return they will reside in Pincher Creek. Many beautiful gifts were received from friends in Prince Edward Island and in Chilliwack, where the bride was a member of the teaching staff of the public school for the past three years. On the eve of her departure from Chilliwack, Miss Fife was presented with a beautiful cut glass bon bon dish and carving set from her pupils, and a brass jardiniere from the teachers of the school, with whom she has been associated for the past three years.

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Among those reported wounded is Sapper Hubert R. Evans, formerly city editor of The Daily News, who went overseas with the 54th Battalion and was afterwards transferred ton an engineering unit. This is the second time that Evans has been wounded since he reached the trenches. The first time was on June 6. No word has yet been received regarding the extent of his present injuries. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Evans, live at New Westminster. His brother, Charles Evans, is also on active service.

ABBOTSFORD

Mrs. Thomas York, of Whatcom road was operated on by Dr. Swift in the Sumas hospital on Tuesday.

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Mr. George Blair left Wednesday evening for a trip to Vancouver for a few days.

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Mrs. Wm. Irvine left on Thursday for Vancouver to join her husband, who is working in North Vancouver.

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Notwithstanding the rain on Wednesday the Ladies' Aid had a good meeting with Mrs. R. Weaver's.

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The mosquitoes have chased a large number of our citizens out of town, some going to the seaside and others to the city.

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Mr. N. Hill's family returned from White Rock this week.

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Mr. Higginson intends leaving on the 22nd for New Westminster, hence to Vernon.

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Mrs. Brock and sister, Miss Christina Shortreed left on Monday for Los Angeles, and Miss Margaret Shortreed returned from Everett, where she has been visiting her brother.

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Miss Maud Hetherington is away on her holidays.

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The Ladies' Aid will give a raspberry carnival in the Masonic Hall on Monday afternoon and evening from 4 to 10 p.m. Lunch will be served and a fee of 15c will be asked.

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Mr. T. C. Coogan spent Sunday with his family at Birch Bay.

MISSION

The rain during this time of the year means many dollars to Mission district, as next to the rhubarb crop, the raspberry is the most important crop. The season should now be in full swing, but owing to the rain a great many berries will never be picked this year, and those picked will not reach the prairie markets in anything like the fine shape that they would in better weather. This hits the consumer as well as the grower. But a ray of hope struck Mission City yesterday, when for one whole day it did not rain, and the sun shone nearly all day. The berry is now full of water, but fine weather may yet save a large part of the crop.

CUMBERLAND

Sergeant Evans and Alex. King, of the Canadian Engineers were here on Wednesday on a recruiting trip. Intending recruits should apply to 606 View Street, Victoria.

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J. R. Lockard, General Superintendent of the Canadian Collieries, Dunsmuir Ltd., left for Ladysmith and Victoria on Wednesday.

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M. Manson, Conservative Candidate for the district has been visiting the southern half of the constituency during the past week, and he is very optimistic as to the result of the coming election. He has represented this portion of the Province in the Provincial Legislature for the last 8 years, and resided in the district for the past 30 years. He knows the district and its requirements from end to end.

UNION BAY

The following steamsr coaled at Union Bay for the week ending July 15th: S.S. Selkirk took on bunker coal en route for north; S.S. Waernarim after taking on coal cleared for Powell River to load 2,800 tons of paper; S.S. Mathilda, Penrith Castle, Blue Funnel liner Tuecer, coasting vessels Coquitlam, Prince Royal, Camosun, tugs Dola and scows, Erin, Clayburn and scows, Gleeful, Definance, Dreadful, Naid, Dauntless, Artic, Nanoose, Qualicum, barges Baroda and Melanpo.

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The Prince Albert put in at Union Bay for repairs to her stearing gear.

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Messrs. Barton and Burnham of the Special Custom staff were visitors to Union Bay.

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Charlie and Jack have issued a challenge at Quoits to any team in British Columbia including Captain Robarts.

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Miss Johns, of Nanaimo, is on a visit to Mrs. Renwick.

GRAND FORKS

In a letter to The Sun man, A. N. Mowat, at one time a member of The Sun staff, and who left Canada with the 202nd Battalion, writes from Bordon Camp, Hampshire, England: "This is a very large camp, where the Australians, South Africans, New Zealanders and others are training. The number I dare not mention. We are stationed about four miles from what is left of the 54th camp. I have spoken to many who enlisted at Grand Forks and vicinity. They were all eager for news. All our boys are well and enjoyed the trip across the continent and Atlantic, and especially did we enjoy the journey from Liverpool to this place, about fifty miles southeast of London. Our battalion forms part of the —th division, and our colonel told us we would be in France in a month. We are under very strict training and made to toe the scratch—no excuses go here. As we are leaving for the front in a short time no one was granted the usual seven days' leave, and therefore our impressions of England are limited, but our impressions formed while looking out the car windows are very favorable."

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Mr. Carle, manager of the motor truck company, which has the contract for hauling ore from the Union mine in Franklin camp to Lynch Creek, is in the city this week. Two motor trucks have been sent up to Franklin this week. One has a hauling capacity of four tons and the other five tons.

*

Dr. Macdonald, of Sardis, received a visit from his mother during the week end.

HARPER'S CAMP

Mr. and Mrs. John Meek, of Seattle, parents of Mrs. John Flenner, arrived here a short time ago, and intend taking land in this vicinity.

*

Born—At Black Creek, on Sunday, July 2, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Roy Jones, a son.

*

Mrs. W. A. Mackenzie and children have returned from Vancouver, and passed through here recently en route to Wood Jam ranch.

*

H. A. Rogers left here a short time ago on a visit to Uncle Sam's domain.

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A meeting wil lbe held here soon to organize a branch of the Canadian Patrioic Fund, and elect a committee.

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There has been a change in the weekly mail service. The stage now leaves here Sunday, at mid-day, returning on Wednesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Walters and family have moved into their new residence. However, it is not, as yet, completed.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cowan entertained a number of gentleman friends on Thursday evening, in honor of the former's birthday.

BELLA COOLA

Walter Rateliff had to come back to see how his interests prosper up the valley. He has been absent for a number of weeks visiting his people in Oregon. He must be considered to be one of the grittiest among pioneers, as his ranch is located in the wilderness far away from neighbors some seventy miles up the valley. Men of strong character like his are those who build a nation enduring and strong.

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A. C. Christensen is at Smiths Inlet on a visit to his cattle ranch.

*

Olaf Fosbak, on his way home from town last Tuesday night, disturbed a big black bear and a cub at the side hill near the Bella Coola bridge. Nobody was hurt, as the bears took to the woods and Olaf did not want to fight.

*

John Widsten, our vigilant fishery officer, caught one fisherman violating the law on Sunday afternoon, last week. It seems the unfortunate party in his anxiety to earn an honest dollar was unable to restrain himself until the legalided time of six o'clock, but throwed out his net at an earlier hour with the result that he had to appease outraged justice by the payment of five dollars and cost. The court was lenient as the poor man very penitently promised never to do so again.

PHOENIX

Geo. W. McAuliffe left on Monday for his ranch at Shuswap.

*

Private R. Fuller left last Friday to join the 225th at Vernon camp.

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Liquor license fee for Phoenix hotels have been reduced from $650 to $500 per year.

*

E. E. Jackson was in Rossland and Trail this week inspecting mining and smelting operations in those centres.

*

R. R. Brown, of Vancouver, Grand Master for the I.O.O.F., will visit Snowshoe Lodge, Phoenix, on Wednesday evening, July 25th. On the occasion the semi-installation of officers will take place.

*

Private P. C. McWha returned Thursday after a three weeks' visit to his partental home in Nova Scotia, which he had not seen for some ten years. He will proceed to Vernon shortly to join the 225th Battalion.

LAUGHED AT KITCHENER'S DEATH

Jules Westhoven, 36, and Joseph Van Aelst, 27, Belgians and hallporters, were, at Marlboroughstreet, yesterday, fined £2 each, or in default 21 days' imprisonment, for, it was stated, having laughed at the loss of Lord Kitchener. George Mozart, the comedian, gave evidence to the effect that he saw Van Aelst buy a newspaper in Tottenham-court-road announcing the death of Lord Kitchener. Van Eelst shouted in broken English to Westhovens, "Lord Kitchener is drowned!" and both men laughed loudly. They were also charged with not complying with the requirements of the Aliens (Amendment) Order, 1915.

CHILLIWACK

A rare and very happy event was commemorated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Carleton, Yale Road, on Thursday afternoon, when this happy and highly esteemed couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. A few of the neighbors and immediate friends of the family were present on the occasion to express their joy and pelasure in the good fortune of the principals in being so long spared to each other, to their family, and to a very large circle of warm friends. Mr. and Mrs. Carleton are of that type who always appear to be able to extract from and make good use of the things worth while in life, with the result that their lives are a benediction and wholesome inspiration to those with whom they come in contact. Three members of the family were present on Thursday evening: Mr. S. S. Carleton, Capt. D. E. Carleton and Miss Carleton. Mrs. (Major) T. E. Caskey, now in England, is also a daughter, and another son, Mr. Lawrence Carleton, resides at Manitoulin, Ont. The many friends Mr. and Mrs. Carleton have made in Chilliwack since coming here, and a host of old ones in Kincardine, Ont., and district, will unite in congratulating the bride and groom of fifty years ago, and wish for them many years in which to enjoy all the blessings of a happy and well spent married life.

*

Miss Pearl Fuller, who left with hre parents on Wednesday for Seattle where the family will reside in future, was very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. W. E. Bradwin on Tuesday afternoon, by her young lady friends, the Camp Fire Girls. The girls made up a beautiful box of delicious homemade candy and presented it to their guest.

*

Mrs. Geo. L. Cross has just received a letter from her cousin, Lieut.-Col. J. W. Warden, telling her of his safe arrival in England with his battalion, the 102nd which was recruited on Vancouver Island and trained at Comox. This is Col. Warden's second trip to the fighting lines. He was wounded early in the war, and on recovery returned to Canada and raised a Battalion which he has now taken to England.

*

Mrs. W. T. Jackman, who has been residing with her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Severance, at Seattle, for some months, returned to Chilliwack on Sunday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Severance and Miss Severance, who will spend a week or so in Chilliwack. Mr. Jackman met the party at Sumas City on Sunday.

*

Mr. J. T. Maynard has been commissioned by the Agricultural Association to sell five hundred membership tickets before the middle of August. It is proposed to erect a suitable building for root and vegetable displays at the fair with the proceeds. Every farmer at least should be a member of the association, which is essentially his own, and the price of the tickets, $1.50 for an exhibitor, and $1.00 for membership only, should be well within the reach of all. These tickets include admission to the grounds.

NEW DENVER

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Harris, of Armstrong, are visiting at the Bosun ranch. Colin has enlisted, and his battalion is at the camp at Vernon. He is in the transport service of his battalion.

*

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid social was held on Thursday in the Bosun hall, and although the day was more or less cloudy with some rain, still the social was quite a success, both in point of attendance and financially.

*

A car load of sheep for H. Clever arrived on Friday. This is the first mutton shipment this summer.

*

J. W. Bengough will be in town again on Wednesday evening. From the sample of what Mr. Bengough can do, both with his crayons and his lecture, he is sure of a good turnout.

*

Mrs. W. A. Cameron and family, who have been holidaying at the Rambler mine, returned home on Saturday.

*

Two new teachers have been engaged for the New Denver school, and it is hoped that they will be fitted to deal with the local teaching problems.

*

Mrs. Rankine, a sometime resident of New Denver, is visiting at the Bosun ranch. Mr. Rankine, who used to be a school teacher here, has enlisted and is at present at Camp Sewell, near Winnipeg. Mrs. Rankine will go to England with Mr. Rankine when his battalion crosses overseas.

KASLO

Considerable anxiety was felt in town a few days ago on account of a reported leprosy case down in the Chinese quarter. A Chinese gentleman informed George Drennan that he considered himself a victim of the disease, and George promptly notified City Medical Health Afficer Read. An examination of the suspect was made in due course, but it was found that all the scare amounted to was several rather large pimples on the forehead and one on the back of the neck.

*

It appears as if mine host Latham of the King George has an affinity for the lake, or else the lake has an affinity for him. Last Friday, while engaged in rounding up sundry logs in the King George's wood supply, he gently dropped into the playful wavelets with all his clothes on. He emerged from the wet with the duds still one, but alas and alask had parted company with several square inches of cuticle from off that portion of his anatomy which is popularly known as the shin. Arnica, Zam-Buk, plasters and bandages! Ouch! Ouch! Blankety-blank-blank-blank. Amen. This is a cruel world.

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Mr. and Mrs. Denoreaz, of Argenta, are enjoying a holiday, part of the time being spent in Kaslo.

*

Several acres of driftwood floated down from the north on Thursday and added considerably to the stocks of fuel on hand.

*

Little Ralph Garland is rejoicing in the ownership of a bicycle, the reward earned by passing the entrance examinations.

*

Geo. McCready, who is operating the Caledonia near Sproules, was among the visitors from up the line points in town last week.

*

The strawberry harvest for this year is about done, but the raspberries and cherries are now coming forward, and shipments of these fruits to outside markets will be under way shortly.

QUESNEL

J. A. Fraser paid a business visit to Barkerville this week, going up on Thursday's stage.

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Quite a number of citizens are afflicted with rheomatism at present, caused by the protracted wet spell.

*

J. Frank Hill left yesterday for a few days' holiday at 4-mile Creek Ranch, Alexandria.

*

R. W. Haggen, Dom. and B. C. L.S., left on Tuesday with a party for the Quesnel river district, where he will spend a couple of months in survey work for the government.

*

Alex. Lodke was taken to the hospital on Tuesday, suffering from a generally run down system. His many friends hope he will soon be restored to his usual good health.

*

Some of the guests during the past week at Stan-Hom Lodge were: J. Callaghan, J. Jacobson, Miss J. Fraser, Master D. Fraser, Mrs. P. Wilson, J. S. Kennedy and A. Remsen.

*

A gang of men were started this week at 4-mile Creek, getting out pileing timber for the P.G.E. Foreman Hibbard is in charge. Most of the men composing the gang were secured in Prince George.

NICOLA VALLEY

Mason Pye, from Iron Mountain, was doing buisness here the first of the week.

*

Visitors to the city from the Coldwater section report the hay crops in first class condition.

*

T. J. Donohoe, head of of the Donohoe Mining Syndicate, with property at Stump Lake, left here on Tuesday morning for Seattle.

*

Charlie Huston, late mechanic at the Nicola Valley Garage, left town on Tuesday for his home at Golden.

*

All members and friends of the Red Cross Society are reminded that a "Tacking Day" will be held on Thursday next.

*

A. E. Howse went on a business trip to the coast on Saturday. The A. E. Howse Co. own five stores in the Interior of B. C.

Lieut. Allen, accompanied by his wife and mother, stayed over at the Coldwater Hotel last Sunday, being en route from Prince George to the Boundary country.

*

T. T. Grimmett, brother of Lawyer "M.L." who has been visiting here for a week, left on Tuesday for the coast accompanied by his daughter.

KAMLOOPS

Messrs. J. A. Magar and T. J. Wilcox, of this city; J. P. Shannon, of Beresford, and John Redmond, of Knutsford, visited Vernon on Monday and with J. P. Shaw, M.P., motored to Kelowna, where they met Premier Bowser and party and had an interview regarding some matters pertaining to this district. The ministerial party left yesterday in a launch for Okanagan Landing, and will go east from that point.

*

Among the names in the casualty list printed in the Vancouver papers was that of Cyril Brown, who joined the first contingent while in the Imperial Bank of this city. Of the four who joined from this bank, Mr. Brown is the first one reported dead. The young man had a large number of friends in Kamloops who will be shocked over this news as he was one who made friends and retained them.

*

Capt. J. T. Robinson reports that although the season is against the enlistment of any large number of men there has been a steady stream of offerings. On Tuesday five recruits were accepted and passed the medical examination on Tuesday four and yesterday eleven recruits were secured at Chase. Some of these were for the 172nd, but the majority were for the railway construction battalion being recruited under the command of Lt.-Col. Stuart.

*

The Board of Control of the Royal Inland Hospital are being praised these days for the handsome appearance of the hospital grounds. The lawn is simply magnificent, and at night with the standard lights aglow the scene is one that attracts the local resident as well as the many strangers who comment so freely on the beauty of the place.

*

A marriage of unusual interest to her many friends in Kamloops was celebrated at Los Angeles on Wednesday last, when Miss Nora W. Hayden, eldest daughter of Mr. W. F. Hayden, of this city, was united in marriage to Mr. F. A. Richardson, son of Dr. A. A. Richardson, of New York City. It is the intention of Mr. and Mrs. Richardson to make their home in Los Angeles.

ASHCROFT

Fully two-thirds of the members of the 172nd Battalion have secured a month's leave from the training camp at Vernon, a number of the Kamloops boys arriving home for that period. The general leave is being given to allow the men to work in the harvest lelds.

*

A meeting of the Ashcroft Board of Trade was held on Wednesday evening last at the courthouse, forty members and others being present. A great many interesting and urgent things were discussed appertaining to the welfare and development of the town. At a meeting, to be called later, new officers will be elected, and the Board will take up in earnest the needs of the town.

*

"I worked on the Journal about July 1st to Sept. 1st, 1900, and will always remember the first place I worked away from home. Alfred Bloor." The above reached this office a few days ago. Mr. Bloor has evidently been married recently, for in his communication he also announces the safe arrival of Master Walter John Bloor, born July 2nd, 1916. The mother's name is given as Frances Mary Vigrass. The home of the happy ones seems to be Ingersoll, Ontario.

GOLDEN

Miss Elizabeth Moore, of Calgary, was a guest at the Columbia on Wednesday.

*

R. T. Ferguson and R. Margetts, of Vancouver, were visitors to Golden on Wednesday.

*

Mrs. Peters, who has been visiting in Spokane, Wash., returned home on Friday.

*

Miss A. Irwin, of Kamloops, was a guest of her brother, Dr. Irwin, D.D.S., for several days this week, and returned home on Tuesday.

*

Miss Elsie McEwen and Miss Lee, of Revelstoke, neices of Mrs. J. T. Wood, who have been her guests, departed on Tuesday for Athalmer, wehre they will spend two weeks with their aunt, Mrs. Joseph Lake.

*

J. P. Forde, Dominion engineer, with headquarters at Nelson, paid Golden a visit on Wednesday and Thursday, and while here made an examination of the region affected by the recent floods, and also the river banks, with a view, it is presumed, to make recommendations to the Dominion Government as to what should be done to prevent a recurrence of the overflow.

LILLOOET

Mining is going on in full swing up the Bridge River, a large number of men are employed, and good results are reported.

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Water from the mountains has been higher this year than ever known before, causing considerable damage to the P. G. E. near Seton Lake.

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Our genial friend, Mr. Bourke, agent for the P. G. E., has been transferred to Squamish as dispatcher. He deserves all the promotion possible.

*

A letter from George Tosh, formerly connected with the Government *Telegraph here, states that he is on* leave from the front, and temporarily located at 18 Empire Parade, Sydenham, London, S.E.

*

Citizens of Lillooet sympathize with friends and others who suffered by the recent fire at Ashcroft. It is to be regretted that the water system was not equal to that of Lillooet, which is second to none outside of the coast cities.

*

Ray Bishop continues improving in the Granville Canadian Hospital, Ramsgate, England. He suffered a relapse recently which affected his knee. He is also shell-shocked, but hopes to return to B. C., some time in September.

*

There are many tourists here this summer from all parts of the country coming here for rheumatism and other ailments. This climate is highly recommended on account of its pure mountain air which filters through snow-capped peaks, and for its mineral spring water.

COTTONWOOD RIVER

At last they have started to build a road from Quesnel to this district, for which we are thankful, as it will give us a chance now to get to town with a team; also it will give the boys of this district a chance to make a few dollars to carry them through the winter. Gerald Ayers is foreman of the first gang to start work, but it is hoped that another gang will soon be sent out, so that we can have a road through before the winter arrives.

*

A certain homesteader in this district should be able to make good money writing fiction, as he only has to hear about the carcass of a bear being dug out of the snow and he makes up a hair-raising story about it, which somehow gets published in one of the leading papers of this Province.

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Sam Gillis has struck another good vein of ore in the new tunnel he has started to drive.

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There is a chance of some of the mining properties in this district being turned over in the near future.

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Tom Caulfield and August Echtenbach are starting up development work on their claim, which shows a good prospect so far. It is hoped that they will strike a good lead, as everything found now will go a long way to bring this part of the country to the fore.

REVELSTOKE

A quiet wedding took place at Yale yesterday when Miss Beatrice Billings Vicars, eldest daughter of Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. J. R. Vicars, became the wife of Capt. C. W. Gordon of the 172nd Battalion, C.E.F. The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. Croucher, rector of Yale, in the presence of only the relatives of the bride and a few intimate friends. The honeymoon will be spent at Victoria where Capt. Gordon is now taking a field officer's course before rejoining his regiment at Vernon. Capt. Gordon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon, of Revelstoke.

*

A paper mill at Appleton, Wis., is installing a plant for the manufacture of wood alcohol from digester liquor, a waste product in the manufacture of chemical woodpulp. From a liquor waste of 250,000 gallons daily, it is expected to secure 3,000 gallons of wood alcohol, if the process should prove the success claimed for it by its inventor. The present cost of producing wood alcohol by the distilling process is approximately 27 cents per gallon, but, by the new process, it is claimed that the cost will not exceed 14 cents.

*

Bert. Neill and J. Patterson, who enlisted some time ago with the 231st Seaforth Highlanders left on Monday for camp.

*

Osborne Adamson, special representative of the Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia, paid Revelstoke a business visit on Wednesday.

*

J. B. Harkin, of Ottawa, Commissioner of Dominion Parks, and Capt. E. N. Russell, Superintendent of Revelstoke National Park were guests at the Hotel Revelstoke on Tuesday.

*

The death occurred on Wednesday morning of Mrs. John Nichol of 22 Mile Board, Arrowhead. The funeral took place from Howson & Co.'s Undertaking parlors on Thursday morning, Rev. M. Freeman officiating.

HAZELTON

D. B. Morkill, B.C.L.S., has completed the survey of the Debenture group and returned with his crew on Tuesday.

*

Mrs. Peel and Miss Elaine Peel, of Grenfell, Sask., are visiting at the home of R. S. Sargent, Mrs. Peel's brother.

*

Mr. and Mrs. Mennie returned from the coast on Monday, leaving on Thursday for their home at Babine, where Mr. Mennie is in charge of the Hudson's Bay post.

*

Mrs. H. W. Sharpe has received a letter from her husband, who is with the 102nd, saying that the Battalion is comfortably located at Borden Camp, Hampshire.

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The 56th Howitzer Battery, in which H. C. Kinghorn, A. A. McDonald, and H. M. Mathews are serving, is erpected to leave Petawawa camp for England shortly.

*

The public works department has issued orders for the construction of the bridge over the Bulkley river at the site of the Hazelton ferry, and this very necessary work will be under way in a very short time. It is eypected that the structure will be completed before the ice forms.

MERRITT

A. Howarth, of Iron Mountain, reports the crops in his section as good as previous years. He was in the city on Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. Guichon and party were visitors in the city on Sunday, lunching at the Coldwater Hotel.

Principal Morrissey of the local schools left Tuesday, with beaming face, for Seattle, where he will spend part of his summer vacation, and be one of the principal's in an interesting ceremony.

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

OTTAWA.

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 b ythe applicant in person to the Agent or Sub Agent of the District in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyer 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 acer.

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.

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

N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for. march 22.

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.

NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION ACT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN on behalf of Canadian Explosives Limited, doing business at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, that the said Company is applying to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada in Council, for approval of the plans, site and works proposed to be constructed on the East side of James Island, British Columbia, and is depositing the plans and description of the site with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof with the Registrar General of Titles at Victoria aforesaid, and that the application will be proceeded with at the expiration of one month from the time of the first publication of this notice in the Canada Gazette.

Dated the 19th day of July, A. D. 1916.

CREASE & CREASE,
410 Central Bldg., Victoria, B.C., Solicitors for Canadian Explosives Limited.

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

In the matter of an application for fresh Certificates of Indefeasible Title to Lot 10, Block 18, and Lot 1, Block 24, of Section 57, Renfrew District, Map 1771.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of my intention at the expiration of one calendar month from the first publication hereof to issue fresh Certificates of Indefeasible Title in lieu of the Certificates of Indefeasible Title issued to Ellen Cheesman on the 30th day of October, 1914, and the 17th day of July, 1915, respectively and Numbered 20374 I and 23494 I, which have been lost.

DATED at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., this 10th day of July, 1916.

E. S. STOKES,
Deputy Registrar General of Titles.
july 22 august 26

A WAR WORKER

"'Allo, matey! And where are you orf to? Not out of work, I 'opes?"

"Nah, I'm not out o' work. I'm engaged at present at a domino factory."

"Wot branch? D'you make the boxes or the dominoes or what, matey?"

"I make the spots on 'em."

"An w'y ain't yer a makin' spots 'n 'em terday, then?"

"Why, I've got a 'oliday terday. They are makin' double blanks."

The Path of Dalliance

Cocktails, Dancing and Cigarettes Are Milestones on Women's Primrose Path, Declares Evangelist, Who Thinks Their Clothes Are More Immodest Than Eve's Fig Leaf.

NEW YORK, July 29.—"Drinking is increasing among women and decreasing among men. Many more women are yielding to the cigarette craze. There is a great wave of immorality among men and it is caused b ythe suggestive dress of women. They demanded the new liberty, but already they have made of it the new license."

The speaker is Rev. Bob Jones, the Billy Sunday of the South. He is also the very latest Adam to offer the world-old excuse, "The woman tempted me." He has been telling New Yorkers about their sins at Tent Evangel, but it is feminine sinners who have come in for the largest share of his attention.

"You can't walk up Broadway without realizing there is something wrong with the women," he declared the other evening. "There are 10,000 hells in New York City, and they exist largely because women are looking for something exciting all the time. The women, to a great extent, are responsible for the base natures of men, and God will hold the women responsible at His judgment bar. The problem of Christian work is the woman problem."

I called on Mr. Jones at the Hotel McAlpin to inquire about this indictment of my sex. And the first question I put to him was this:

"If the short skirts and decolletee gowns of women tempt men from the paths of righteousness, why is not the virtue of women equally endangered by the sport shirt and the masculine bathing suit? Quite as many square inches of tissue are exposed in the one case as in the other. Apparently some of women's moral standards are stronger than those of men."

"Oh, I admit that," said Mr. Jones readily. "A man has to fight harder than a woman to be good. Then ought women to do anything to make his battle more difficult?"

Having neatly torpedoed my pet argument, Mr. Jones proceeded with some of his own. I had leisure to note that this youthful exhorter from "Alabam" (as he calls it) possesses a pair of football shoulders, a pair of big brown eyes and one deep, velvety, wholly successful voice—although he has preached with it ever since he was 15 years old.

"There is a text in the Bible," he said, "which is absolutely descriptive of many modern women. It is this: 'They have eyes full of'"—and then Mr. Jones finished his quotation with a word freely used in the Testaments, but which we in New York delicately disguise under the term "the statutory offence."

"I believe in one moral standard. I believe that in the eyes of God a sin is a sin, whether a man or a woman is the sinner. But we must admit that, socially speaking, certain sins committed by women have worse consequences than the same sins committed by men. And it seems to me that 'one standard' today means that women, instead of drawing men up to their level, are descending to the level of men.

"These are the three mileposts on the road to ruin—drink, dancing, cigarettes. And the most fashionable women, the society leaders after whom young girls will pattern, set the seal of their approval and practice upon these modern social vices."

"But do you think that women's clothes are as revelatory as they were three years ago?" I asked. "Then I remembered that you criticized the closely-fitting gowns. We use a lot more clothes now."

"Every line of the fashionable dress of today is filled with immodest suggestion," Mr. Jones replied, inexorably. "It tempts a man constantly. Only the other day I saw a woman who is a respectable member of society and the daughter of a well-to-do man, yet who appeared in a public place wearing a most immodest dress. And I overheard the sneering comment of another man who was present. He turned to a friend of his and said, 'Yet they hang men in this country for'"—Again Mr. Jones used a shorter and uglier word, which I must translate by the phrase "criminal assault."

"The craze for short skirts is decidedly inconsistent," he continued. "For a number of years woman has been demanding that men pay attention to her head, that they admit it to be as good a head as their own. Yet now it is her feet which she chooses to bring to their notice. She wears shoes that cost a great deal of money and are conspicuous for their decorative effect, and she shortens her skirts so that the general public shall have every opportunity to see her ankles. And neither women nor girls dress this way through innocence. There's been too much talk about sex for that.

"Everywhere sex emphasis offers temptations. It is to be found in women's costumes, in modern dances, in shop windows, at the theatre, between the covers of novels. And all these agencies make their sex appeal primarily to women. For them the novels and plays are written, the clothes designed. A young girl who falls in love with the immoral rake who is the hero of a novel cannot herself be pure at heart, however circumspect her actions.

"I said two years ago that the only difference I could see between New York and hell was that New York was completely surrounded by water. But there is plenty of sin in other places. I believe the war, as well as women, is responsible for the outcropping of the bestial in men's natures. Since the war we have more prize fighting and cock fights in this country."

And then Mr. Jones recommended what your truly simple and primitive man considers a sure panacea for all feminine aberrations.

"In a normal society," he declared, "every woman between 20 and 40 should have a baby every two years. A century ago men married at 21 and women at 17 or 18. They settled down, raised large families and were happy. There wasn't this constant chase, on the part of women, after the illusion of 'a good time.'

"What women need is more home life. They are so idle today. That is why many of them fill up their time with drinking, smoking and wearing immodest clothes. I believe that women are still better than men, but they must stop traveling in the wrong direction."

But its wrongness all depends on where women want to go. And many of them—even those who neither smoke nor drink—don't want to go back to Mr. Jones' period of maternity in perpetuo.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS IN BERLIN

There is an idea that we are so indifferent to Armageddon that we seek the bubble of pleasure even in the cannon's mouth, while the German thinks of nothing but how best to win the war. Without saying that we are any more serious than we ought to be, here are extracts from German papers which suggest that, anyway, Hans and Gretchen are no better than Bill and Mary. Says the Berlin Kruzzeitung:—

"The people are living a life of such repulsive immorality and indecency, so shameless in its open ostentation and depravity, that soldiers returning home turn their heads away in horror, and ask themselves why shey should sacrifice their lives for such a people. Did these heroes know more of the secret of what is really going on, they would see that, dark as the picture is on the surface, it is far blacker underneath."

Dilating on what it calls the "abandoned immorality" of the Hun civil population, the Deutsche Tageszeitung remarks:—

"The divorce courts are busy, and nearly all the cases involve wives of soldiers. It is a quite common occurrence for a young soldier to return from the battle line to find his wife carrying on a liaison with another man. . . . Plays are being produced so nauseating in their depravity that they may well fill our soldiers, purified in the fire of war, with disguest at this decay of the national morals."

When being invited to contemplate our own shortcomings, there is some satisfaction in knowing that the Hun garden isn't all sweet mignonette either.

A NOBLE CHIEFTAIN

"I hope the time is soon coming when, at the head of my men, I will die fighting," said Lieutenant-General Sir Pertab Singh Bahadur, the Grand Old Man of India, who in his 70th year, is in the fighting line in France.

"That is how every Rajput wants to die. If I die fighting I go straight to God. If I die in bed with a doctor looking on, take a long time to get to God. I have not yet had my chance, but soon I hope to charge the Germans at the head of my Lancers and die for the King-Emperor." A patriot surely, if there ever was one!

CLASSIFIED

"You haven't forgotten us, have you, waiter?"

"Oh, no, sir. You are the two fried smelts."

An Immoral Husband

(By Robert Watson Boyce)

Did you ever stop to think that there are an awful lot of perfectly good people in this world who get themselves into all kinds of trouble and dsorrow and woe, by jumping at conclusions? Now as a matter of fact, one should approach a conclusion soberly, somberly and with a deal of thought. In fact, it would be better to sneak up behind a conclusion and give it the once over and the through and through before grabbing it by the neck. In other words, it is foolish to ever be in a hurry about fetching up with a conclusion, because a real good God-fearing, law-abiding and self-respecting conclusion, never tries to get away.

For instance, let a policeman be accused of grafting and instantly these Hasty Conclusioners decided that all policemen are crooks. Not so. Many policemen are fine and brave and upright and true and daily risk their lives for duty's sake and eighty dollars a month.

These Hasty Conclusioners see, or smell, a man take a drink and instantly become convinced that all drinkers are drunkards. Wrong again. Not one man out of a hundred abuses his right to drink, whereas on the other hand ninety-nine men out of a hundred abuse their right to eat.

And there you have it.

Some years ago I gave up trying to reform the world and set people right, but I've got to do it just once more. There is a poor, deluded woman back in Chicago whom I intend, in this article, to take gently by the hand and lead out of the shadowy valley of apprehension, out of the slough of respond and the quagmire of unbelief, and help her to get next to herself even if I have to charm her by the dulcet strains of my sackbut. She is standing on her own foot now and can't walk a step. And I won't charge anything for helping her either. On the contrary, if I ever see her coming I'll run.

Her name is Mrs. Nora Perkins Jaenson, and as might have been expected, she is a suffragist and a social worker. And in this connection it might be said that I never yet saw a married female social worker and reformer who could hold her own husband, not even if she had him locked up in a padded cell. Not that I am trying to defend old man Jaenson, because I'm not—not believing in defending any man who gets caught, but just because Mrs. Jaenson stayed home long enough to figure up her old man's batting average is no reason for her believing that the rest of us married men have strayed from the paths of rectitude and have spent many precious hours whooping it up with the denizens of the nether-world. Many of us, you had better believe, have most emphatically not so strayed and whooped, and also many of us have never had the chance.

Listen to some of the stuff she recently spilled in a Chicago daily newspaper:

"Eighty per cent of husbands are immoral. Wives are bamboozled by the attentions of their husbands while being deceived. While my husband was sending me a letter and two telegrams every day, he was living in a hotel in St. Paul with a policeman's daughter. She told me afterward that she sat on his lap while he wrote me those devoted letters.

"When he was home he kissed my feet and shoes and refused to let me soil my hands in paring apples. All the time he was calling clandestinely on a Swedish sweetheart.

"The man who was devotion personified to me left me for other women. I talked with six of the women and I know. They told me things about my husband that I never dreamed of—that I didn't know myself."

At this juncture a sage remark might be sent hurtling into the faces of an astounded populos as follows:

"Old man Jaenson must have been a wonder!"

However, we reckon that Mrs. Jaenson's figures are not only a bit high but they also are a bit rough. Taking myself for an example, and also taking me as a whole, I don't believe that eighty per cent of me is immoral. Of course there may be a few spots, like specks in an otherwise perfectly good apple, but even so I'm not rotten enough to be used as a fertilizer and that also goes for the most of us. But to say that eighty per cent of us poor, downtrodden, slave driven married men are immoral is as foolish as would be a discussion of a whiskeyless drug store.

Eighty per cent of us couldn't be immoral, because there aren't that many of us who aren't afraid we'd get caught. And fear of an unfavorable and charter damning limelight, my dear Mrs. Jaenson, is what keeps a countless horde of people as pure and as immaculate as your own good soul.

Now let up open up your contentions and see what makes them tick.

You state that eighty per cent of husbands bamboozle their wives. I never bamboozled mine during the five years I have been buying groceries, and I wouldn't consider that any laurel wreaths of bamboozling victory had crowned your husband inasmuch as you frankly admit that he wrote you letters from St. Paul with a policeman's daughter sitting on his lap. And also, as proof of his bamboozling proclivities, you state that while he was kissing your feet and shoes, he was making love on the side to six other women, which fact would lead an innocent man like myselfto b elieve that old man Jaenson must have been some busy bird.

You state that he left you for six other women and if a foot was the most attractive thing about your person in the kissing line, I don't blame him. A calf must have plenty of green grass and fresh water and never could live on Sahara's sands.

You frankly admit you have the wasp on him with seven other women, and if he was attractive to seven women and unattractive to you, what's the answer? You guess. I haven't the heart.

But where does the bamboozling come in? Wherein has he pulled the fleece over your lamps? Instead of bamboozling you, it seems to me he must have taken you into his confidence. A man might get caught once but to get caught seven times in the same place certainly bespeaks a frank, open and honest soul on the part of your husband.

But perhaps you solve the problem when you say that those other women told you things about your husband that you never dreamed of—that you didn't know yourselv. And that my dear Mrs. Jaenson, is probably true. You were trying to hit bed rock without boring down an inch. A man is a peculiar boob and I have always maintained that a clever woman could do anything with him. Any wife with a nickel's worth of common sense, who will study the underlying principals of the old shell game, and who, taking advantage of said study, will keep her husband guessing as to which shell the little pea is under, will not be troubled with policemen's daughters or any body else, will find herself monopolizing her own husband's lap and will also ascertain that he will, without coaxing, find a much more attractive spot forh is kissing exercises than a foot.

Study the shell game, Mrs. Jaenson, and be wise!

TRUST

I think, if thou couldst know,
O soul that will complain,
What lies concealed below
Our burden and our pain;
How just our anguish brings
Nearer those longed-for things
We seek for now in vain,—
I think thou wouldst rejoice, and not complain.

I think if thou couldst see,
With thy dim mortal sight,
How meanings, dark to thee,
Are shadows hiding light;
Truth's efforts crossed and vexed,
Life's purpose all perplexed,—
If thou couldst see them right
I think that they would seem all clear, and wise, and bright.

And yet thou canst not know,
And yet thou canst not see;
Wisdom and sight are slow
In poor humanity.
If thou couldst trust, poor soul,
In Him who rules the whole,
Thou wouldst find peace and rest:
Wisdom and sight are well, but Trust is best.

LORD KITCHENER'S PLAN

Lord Kitchener before his death had planned to shut all Germans out of the lands over which the British flag flies.

He proposed to pass a law that no German for a period of 21 years after the war should be allowed to naturalize himself, to take up his domicile in the United Kingdom or in any part of the British Empire, to enter into partnership in a British business or to become a shareholder in any British company.

Lord Kitchener was not given to Chants of Hate. His business was to defend the British Empire. He did it in many quarters of the world and always successfully. Now he has left on record how he thinks the Huns in future ought to be treated by all patriotic British people.

If we honor Kitchener's memory we shall not neglect his warning and his plan.

THE COMING FRIGHTFULNESS

(A neutral reports that owing to the shortage of meat, especially of pork, the people of Berlin are eating dogs.)

Towever much they fret and fume,
A scarcity of hogs
Compels the Germans to consume
Their dogs.

But there are depths whose darkness stuns—
Abysses more profound
For famished, sausage-loving Huns
To sound.

When dachshund chop is obsolete,
And there are no more birds,
The Boche will then be forced to eat. . .
His WORDS!

E. L. R.

A PEERLESS PEER

The family of Sir Edward Grey, who is to become an earl, have a wonderful political record. Before the Houses of Parliament were built, when the House of Commons still assembled in Westminster Abbey, a Grey was amongst the members, and ever since, for the last 500 years, there has always been a Grey in the House of Commons.

Most of the Greys have been distinguished people, but the present holder of the title is, of course, the most distinguished of them all. Competent critics describe his great speech in the House of Commons on August 4, 1914, as the most remarkable Parliamentary utterance during the past 100 years. When he rose the House was divided in opinion regarding the necessity for British intervention. He resumed his seat in a House which was practically unanimous.

DOMINION M.P.'S VISIT BIRMINGHAM

The first city outside the capital to be visited by members of the Dominion Parliaments on their tour of the country was Birmingham, their objects being to inspect munition workshops and to exchange views on questions arising out of the war. Several hours were on Monday devoted to inspectoin of premises in and around Birmingham, and the immense and ceaseless efforts being made to produce munitions of war could not do otherwise even on a brief visit, than excite expressions of wonder and gratification. At midday the party were entertained to luncheon in the Council House by the Lord Mayor (Alderman Neville Chamberlain). The guests included the Hon. Sir George Foster, K.C. M.G., Canadian Minister of Trade; Sir James Carroll, New Zealand; the Hon. P. McMahon Glynn, K.C., M.P., Australia; and the Hon. R. K. Bishop, Newfoundland.

THE FLAPPER

One of the Problems Before a Society

Speaking at the conference of the Parents' Educational Union at Bedford College to-day on "Babies of the Nation," Dr. Barbara Tchaykovsky said a doctor had told her that it was all very well to cry for schools for mothers, but what they wanted was schools for fathers.

"We must have in the school curriculum instruction in preparation for parenthood. What I have said about sex education specially applies to the babies of Belgravia. Womanhood must be respected and reverenced whether it be the case of a washerwoman, kitchenmaid, or a woman who rides in her own motorcar."

Mrs. Goslett said one of their anxieties just now was the "flapper." They wondered what they could do to advise "flappers" on safer lines.

FLORAL NOVELTIES

A well-known architect up Westchester way was standing before one of his newly completed creations. Its mistress, plentifully sprinkled with diamonds at eleven in the morning, turned to him and said:

"It's grand! And I've just decided not to employ a landscape gardener. I know just what I want myself. Banked up right against the porch there I want a real thick border—now what is that name? You know; those bright-red flowers that look so dressy—yes; now I have it—saliva!"

The architect was staggered for a moment, but soon recovered and came back enthusiastically.

"The very thing!" he agreed. "And right in front a nice row of spitunias!"

AT SCHOOL

"Where did you get that stuff, boy?"

"I was teached it."

"Teached it? Who learned you to talk that way?"

OF COURSE

A young man and his best girl entered a well-known cafe and asked for tea for two. The waitress brought the tea, but omitted to provide them with teaspoons.

A short time after she passed for the purpose of clearing other tables, and the young man said to her:

"Can we have a spoon, miss?"

"Oh, certainly. I am just going, and you will have the room to yourselves."

UP-TO-DATE

An American lady at Stratford-on-Avon showed even more than the usual American fervor. She had not recovered when she reached the railway station, for she remarked to a friend as they walked on the platform: "To think that it was from this very platform the immortal bard would depart whenever he journeyed to town."

"I see you're limping. Tight shoes?"

"Yes; I call them my de luxe editions."

"You interest me—go on!"

"Oh, something in limp leather binding!"

THE ECHO

A certain glen in Scotland had the reputation of having a splendid echo. An Englishgentleman visited the place and asked his guide about the echo.

"Just shout 'Two bottle whiskey,'" said the guide.

The gentleman did as requested, and after waiting several minutes he turned to the Scot and said."

"But I do not hear any echo."

"Maybe no," chuckled the Scot, "but here's the lassie comin' wi' the whiskey."

Mrs. McTavish met Mrs. Brown on a country road near a Scottish town. The former was carrying a queer-looking parcel, and Mrs. Brown inquired as to its nature.

"Oh, ay it's just some ham fur McTavish. I always buy my ham frae Sandy in the toon. McTavish likes his ham better than any other."

"Indeed, so? Weel, my mon is verra fond o' ham. I'm thinking I'll be getting some for him at Sandy's." Arrived at Sandy's, she asked for a pound of ham.

"Whit kind o' ham will ye be wanting?"

"Oh, the same as ye serve Mrs. McTavish wi'!"

"Ah reet!" said the grocer, adding in whisper: "Whaur's yer bottle?"

AT THE LAST

In a recent examination paper for a boy clerk's post this question was asked: "If the Premier and all the Members of the Cabinet should die, who would officiate?"

Robert, a boy of fourteen, thought for a time, trying in vain to recall who came next in succession. At last a happy inspiration came to him, and he answered:

"The undertaker."

THE ZONES

While inspecting examination papers recently a teacher found various humorous answers to questions. A class of boys, averaging twelve years of age, had been examined in geography. The previous day had been devoted to grammar. Among the geographical questions was the following:

"Name the zones."

One promising youth, who had mixed the two subjects, wrote: "There are two zones, masculine and feminine. The masculine is either temperate or intemperate; the feminine is either torrid or frigid!"

The young man caller was staying late, and pater-familias wanted to go to bed. "I can't see," he exclaimed, "why that young man who is calling on Ethel hasn't sense enough to go home! It is nearly midnight!" "Oh!" returned little Willie, who had been peeping through the keyhole. "He can't go, gather. Sister's sitting on him!"

Mr. Lloyd George is getting so fond of lecturing us all on our duty that we shall soon be calling him the Minister of "Ad-monitions."—The Passing Show.

ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE

The Village Reprobate: "Both the dodctor an' the meenister have prophesied that I wud 'll a drunkard's grave, but I'll show them they're wrang."

The Visitor: "How splendid of you, Donald. You've made up your mind to be a teetotaler, eh?"

The Village Reprobate: "Na, na, I've jist made up my mind tae be cremated."

NO DIFFICULTY ON THAT SCORE

An old negro mammy who was addicted to the pipe was being lectured on the habit by a Sunday School teacher. Finally the latter said:

"Do you expect to go to heaven?"

"Yes, indeedy!"

"But the Bible says nothing unclean shall enter there. Now the breath of the smoker is unclean. What do you say to that?"

"Well, I reckon I leave ma bref behin' when I enter dar," was old mammy's response.

As a result of recent experiments the German food authorities have decided that coffee grounds, when dried and powdered very fine, can be employed as fodder for cattle. With characteristic German thoroughness, further experiments are now being conducted to ascertain whether cows fed upon this product can be induced to yield a marketable cafe au lait.—Punch.

Germany is now in a position to sympathize with that fellow who wanted somebody to help him let go of a bear.—Boston Transcript.

MIXED METAPHORS

Ben Tillett is full of good stories. There is one about an enthusiastic canvasser he had during an electioneering campaign. The man was doing his best to persuade a voter to give his support.

"But wot's the good of sending the likes of Ben Tillett to parlyment?" he demanded. "Why, 'e couldn't do nothin' if 'e did get in the 'ouse! Just look at 'is trahsis, fer instance! Think they'd listen to a bloke like 'im?"

"Oh," responded the canvasser wheedlingly, "Ben's trowsis may be a bit shabby, but 'e's got a honest 'eart under 'em!"

A REAL EXPERT

Mr. Rounder (at police station—Can I see the burglar who was arrested for breaking into my house last night?

Chief (hesitatingly)—Well I don't know. What do you want to see him about?

Rounder—Oh, there's nothing secret about it. I just want to find out how he managed to get into the house without waking my wife.

ABSENT MINDEDNESS

Mabel watched Arthur anxiously as he poured the milk on his breakfast porridge and tasted a spoonful.

"Do you notice anything about the milk this morning, dear?" she asked, with elaborate carelessness.

"Yes," replied her husband. "I do, now you mention it. It tastes like—there's something—it's more—er——"

"That's right!" exclaimed the young wife, triumphantly. "Our last milk was so poor and thin that four days ago I tried a new dairyman. And he has such splendid milk, Arthur, that I took in enough for a whole fortnight! I've been wondering every morning when you'd notice it!"