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"IMPRESSIONS OF Vancouver," Subject of Interesting Lecture by Rev. J. T. Conn.

Vancouver's Great Future—Asiatics Menace to White Man's Country and Need Controlling.

The Rev. Mr. Conn delivered a most interesting lecture in the Court House on Monday evening, the subject being, "Impres ions of Vancouver," which place the reverend gentlemen has just returned from.

The lecturer after giving a general idea of what he had seen, said he was struck with the immense possibilities of the terminal city and the enormous facilities it presents to all classes While there he had seen and heard considerable about the Asiatic question. As far the Japanese are concerned Mr. Conn believes they are largely to blame themselvas for the ill-feeling against them, owing to their too forward and almost impudent manner toward the white man, to whom Canada belongs. The native of Japan could never become a subject of King Edward in the true sense, owing to his sworn serviility to the Mikado, which is as binding as death. The white race could never assimilate with the Japanese

The lecturer said the white man would be compelled to assume the mastery over the little brown man or he would ere long be mastered by him.

The Chinese were less to be feared, but they were a detriment to the country. Every cent made by them in this country was sent home to China, and we got nothing in return.

The learned speaker considered the Hindoo's cast the greatest hindrance to their progress in Canada and one cannot go along the streets of Vancouver without being assured of this fact.

In conclusion Rev. Mr. Conn expressed delight at his trip to the coast and predicts that Vancouver is the coming commercial centre of this great Dominion.

IMMENSE SALT BEDS.

Immense salt beds are reported to have been discovered in the Peace river valley, in the country north of Edmonton. Prospectors, boring for oil, struck a bed of salt of great depth and apparently covering an area of several hundred miles in extent. This discovery is considered of great importance and will prove to be one of the most valuable assets of the country.

Japan and China threaten to come to blows. A scrap between them would to a large extent solve the Asiatic immigration trouble.

BURNS WINS.

Tommy Burns, Canadian, champion heavyweight fighter, knocked out Jim Roche, the Irishman, at Dublin yesterday, in the first round, in a battle for the championship of the world.

LIBERALS TO CONVENE.

The executive of the Yale-Cariboo Liberal Electoral Association have issued notices calling a convention for the nomination of a candidate for the next Dominion election, said convention to be held in Vernon on Tuesday, April 14th next. The basis of representation agreed upon at the last Dominion convention, and which will govern the convention, is as follows: One delegate for each fifty votes, or portion thereof, polled at each sub-polling division in the recent Provincial elections. That such delegates must have credentials from the Liberal Association having jurisdiction over the polling sub divisions they represent, or from the chairman and secretary of a meeting of Liberals called to elect delegates where there is no Liberal Association. That proxies be allowed, but no delegate shall be entitled to hold more than five proxies.

WORK FOR ALL.

In a recent interview at Vancouver Mr. Wainwright, second vice-presideni of the Grand Trunk Pacific Ry., stated that work from Prince Rupert east would be started by May 1st. He stated the work would be rushed with all possible speed, and that there need be no idle people in British Columbia for the next hree years as his company would furnish work for every laborer seeking employment. Mr. Wainwright set at rest all speculation respecting the date when the townsite of Prince Rupert will be placed on the market. He stated that no lots would be sold before September next and that no favoritism would be shown, everyone gettlng an even chance to purchase lots.

MINING LAW CHANGES.

In the "Placer Mining Act Amending Act, 1908," some important changes have been made in the sizes of the various claims that may be located under the provisions made for this class of mining. A "creek diggings" claim will in the future be 250 feet long in the direction of the general course of the stream and will extent 500 feet on either side, measured from the center of the stream. In the matter of "bar diggings" a piece of ground will be allowed, on any bar that is covered by high water, to measure 250 feet square, or a strip of land 250 feet long and extendiug from high-water mark to extreme low-water mark. The dry diggings claims will be 250 feet square, taken in any manner that suits the ideas of the locator.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Two Miners Blown to Pieces at Nikel Plate Mine on Wednesday Last.

School Inspector Visits Princeton—Robins Arrive—St. Patrick's Hop at Keremeos.

Another of those fatal accidents, now becoming all too frequent, occurred at the Nickel Plate mine last Wednesday, in which two miners, Mons Hansen and another, whose name could not be learned, lost their lives. The men were, without the slightest warning, blown into piecees by the discharge of a missed shot, caused by the drill which they were operating piercing into it. Needless to say if they had known the charge was there it would been guarded against. Thus, through the negligence or carelessness of some one or more persons, two lives were snuffed out. A coroner's inquest was held, the result of which has not yet come to hand. Mons Hansen was well and favorably known about Princeton and was a partner of John Peterson in a ranch up One-Mile.

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Tink French and daughter arrived from Portland the last week. Miss French will make her home in Princeton in future.

C. O. French has returned from an extended visit to Spokane.

A E. Howse returned to Nicola on Sunday morning.

School Inspector Gordon paid an official visit to Princeton last week and was pleased to find the school much improved since his last visit. Mr. Gordon paid a high tribute to Miss Rowan's ability as a teacher.

Robin red-breast, that harbinger of spring, has arrived in Princeton and the flowers will soon follow.

The 17th of Old Ireland was observed yesterday in Princeton by the wearing of the green by the sons of the Emerald Isle and others. Quite a number drove to Keremeos to attend the grand ball there in the evening.

The merchants of Princeton held a meeting last week organized a sort of protective association.

The Provincial Legislature prorogued last week after a somewhat strenuous session.

It is about time the baseball players of Princeton got together and organized for the season. There will likely be some lively times in the baseball line this summer and the home team should endeavor to hold the championship of the Similkameen.

WELCOME HOME.

Rev. J. Thurburn-Conn returned to Princeton Sunday afternoon from the coast where he went after attending the Presbytery meetings at Kamloops the end of February. While in Vancouver Mr. Conn preached two Sundays in the pulpit of St: Andrew's to large congregations. He also delivered two lectures, one at Central Park, and addressed the Home Mission Society in St. John's church, Vancouver, and altogether had a busy time of it. The papers speak very highly of his ability as a preacher and it would not be surprising if a call were extended him from the Terminal City. In fact he was urged to remain and occupy St. Andrew's pulpit during the present absence of the past, Rev. Mr. Wilson, who is enjoying a rest.

The Province describes Mr. Conn as a man of 55, and speaks of one of his sermons being taken from the "well known verses of the second book of Hebrew." The one statement is as far off as the other. Mr. Conn is 35 years of age, and as far as the Star knows there is no such thing as the second book of Hebrews. Maybe the Province can locate it.

As a result of the Presbytery meetings at Kamloops Princeton and Hedley have been made augmented charges, with Rev. Mr. Cameron, of Keremeos, as moderator. In answer to a petition of Princeton and Hedley congregations a meeting will be held in the church at Hedley on the 25th inst. at 8 p. m. for the purpose of moderating in a call to a minister, when the Rev. Mr. Conn will be formally called.

FINDLAY RIVER DIGGINGS.

Mr. W. Ellis, described as a gentleman of wide experience in mining all over British Columbia, and who is interested in the opening up of the Findlay river district, sends a note of warning to those who are disposed to take for granted the rumors that have been coming out of that section. Mr. Ellis although believing the country to be rich in gold, says it is too soon for people to rush in, as to date it is not known as to what extent these gold bearing grounds exist and it costs a lot of money to get in there, and as yet there is little to depend on in the way of supplies.

500 HOMESEEKERS.

Last week a trainload of 500 homeseeking immigrants reached British Columbia under the direction of the Salvation Army. They are from the Old Country and have been carefully selected to meet the requirements of the west. Every one of this large number, included in which were sixty single women, have secured employment, they greater portion finding positions in the Kootenays and the Okanagan, as farm hands. Only 160 reached the coast. Another batch will likely be brought out later on. Farming and other industries should be able to secure sufficient hands for the season's work.

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A DISCREDITED POLITICIAN

The Hon. George Eulas Foster, that great financial genius of the Dominion Conservative party, the man who parades under the guise of all that is pure and holy in politics, has received another severe bump to his already shattered reputation, which leaves him a political wreck at the foot of the altar of deception and dishoney at which he has so faithfully worshipped. The latest exposure of this pillar of Conservatism was brought about, strange as it may seem, by Foster himself. The estimates of the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, Mr. Brodeur, were before the Dominion House just recently and the Opposition, under the leadership of Foster, wasted a whole week in trying to prove the minister guilty of fraud in handling his department.

Foster charged the Minister of Marine and Fisheries of stealing from a vote, that is, taking money voted for one purpose and devoting it to another. Having based obstruction upon the ground that the minister had stolen money from a vote, Foster was confronted with a case in which he had done the same thing. He was thereupon compelled to withdraw the offensive words and apologize to the minister. Foster made his accusation, he made his retraction, and admitted being guilty of the act charged against another. In the meantime the people of Canada are being led to believe that Foster and his fol lowers were fighting for some great principle and that the Minister of Marine and Fisheries had been guilty of some serious breach of trust.

Upon many occasions this stormy petrel of Canadian political life, Foster, has been the cause of great expense to the country. When Finance Minister he added millions to the public debt. He has been the subject of investigation before a Royal Commission, and the fact that he was found guilty of violating the law with respect to the handling of trust funds is the only compensation the people have for the great expense to which the country was put. Now the affairs of the country have been neglected for days at enormous expense and with disastrous delay to public business, and the net result was to provide additional evidence of the undesirability in public lite of a man whose political record is stained, and whose actions in the past have been so equivocal that they are not qualified to criticize others.

This is the kind of man who is virtually the head of the Conservative party in the Dominion today, and, should the Liberals suffer defeat at the forthcoming election, this is the man who will control the finances of the country. You who are voters and as such are responsible for the future destiny of this glorious Dominion, are you going to assist to power, to place in a position of trust, this man George Eulas Foster and the party he controls? Give this matter your serious consideration, and when the time comes vote to keep this discredited politician and his pals out of power, and the present prosperity of the country will be maintained and the future assured.

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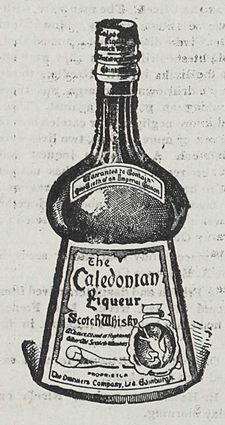

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It is fortunate for Attorney General Bowser, says the Nelson News, that it is not proposed to make the amendments to the Dominion Elections Act retroactive. One of the amendments is to the effect that any person circulating false statements with a view to affecting the election of a candidate for parliamentary honors shall be liable to a fine of $500 or two years' imprisonment. It will be remembered that Mr. Bowser at the last provincial campaign gave voice to the false statement that the Liberals were conniving with the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Co. to import 50,000 Japanese to work on the construction of that road. This utterly foundationless statement seriously affected the chances of several candidates and under the new law "Napoleon" Bowser would have been justly sentenced to a fine of several thousand dollars or to serve a term of several years in the penitentiary.

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Dated this 12th day of February, A.D. 1908. 8-16

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