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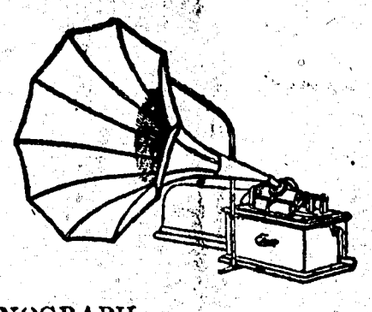

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Re Automobile Question

Mr. Editor:—

"Cuddy" considers that the public who have a slight objection to daily riskink their lives on the highway, are simply giving vent to their idle and jealous thoughts. The first term is perhaps rather badly chosen as there appears to be only one or two, who rightly or wrongly have sufficient leisure to give their time to the luxurious auto, and as to jealous, ye gods! how many out of a hundred would of their own free will, travel surrounded by so much rattle, dust and stench. Cuddy has also decided that it is only "foolish talk" on the part of those who have the presumption to complain on arriving home in pieces, and compares the advent of the present auto with that of the steam train. Now there is foolish talk in large quantities. Anyone not wishing to make a close acquaintance with the steam train, on account of young horses etc., could avoid going near them, but where, how, and when are we free from the terrors of the tin-pot?

However, the main reason for raising this question, was the fact that our womenfolk were deprived one of their few pleasures, and it was thought those who held such a strong hand would be generous and help us to take the medicine in easy doses for a time at least.

TAXPAYER.

DIED—At Comox, August 17, 1908, Daniel Stewart, aged 80 years. The funeral will leave the family residence. Comox, at 2 o'clock, on Wednesday afternoon, Aug., 19th, for the Presbyterian cemetery, Sandwick.

Mrs. Townley, of Vancouver, is paying Cumberland a visit, and during her stay, is the guest of her cousins Mr and Mrs. H. J. Theobald.

Provincial Exhibition Victoria B. C.

From the present outlook the Provincial Exhibition in Victoria this year will eclipse anything heretofore attempted; the interest in all branches of exhibits being much greater, and the entries commencing to arrive much earlier than in any previous year. The Horse Show features which are being put on every evening in the new Horse Show Pavilion erected this year on the grounds are attracting particular attention, a great number of entries having already been received from prominent horsemen in Seattle and Vancouver.

One of the most prominent Judges of Live Stock in the United Kingdom, Mr. W. Staley Spark of Berkhamstead, England, has consented to act as Judge of the Light Breeding classes and Horse Show Classes. The new Buildings being erected this year are nearing completion, and while they were thought to be large enough to accomodate all the exhibits, it has been found that owing to the great interest that is being taken this year, it will be necessary to add further buildings another year to accomodate the exhibits offered, every inch of available space in the Buildings having been allotted already, six weeks before the Exhibition opens.

The town presented a very busy appearance on last Saturday—it being pay-day. Several of the Union Bay people took advantage of the free train. It is stated that it was the largest number that came from the wharf, yet, on pay-day.

The City of Nanaimo will arrive on Tuesday and Thursday of this week and will leave on Wednesday and Friday.

City Council

City Council met last evening, there being present Aldermen Campbell, Horwood, McDonald, McLeod and the Mayor.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Accounts—E. C. Emde, $2.35; Dr. McNaughton $62.50; Elec-Light $36.28 Lamps 80c C. Tarbell 85c; R. Grant & Co., $15.58; Cumberland News, $6.75;

Collections—Scavenger, $103.25; Police Court Fees, $41.00; Hall Rent, $11.00; Scales, $5.00; Window Glass City Hall, $1.25; Dog Tax, $1.00; Night Watchman, $77.50;

Tenders for drain; $3,200 Hayman & Co; $1 per cubic foot; Jim Bradshaw & Wm. Gray $800

Tenders for bridge Jno. Jenkins and John Smith $150.00 Wm. Hayman and Jno. Stant, $100.00

Tenders laid over for special meeting.

There being no further business the council adjourned.

Miss. Minnie Horbury left by Saturday's boat on a visit to Vancouver.

NOTICE is hereby given, that one month after the date hereof, I intend to apply to F. S. Hussey, Superintendent of Police, for a Licence to sell intoxicating Liquors by retail, on the premises known as the Port Harvey Hotel, situate at Port Harvey, on lot 408, range 1, District of Crayeroft Island.

ALFRED ANDREWS.
Cumberland, B. C. August 18th 08

Mr. Poff returned by Thursday's boat for Vancouver.

Inspector Dick returned to Nanaimo, by Thursday's boat.

Miss Muriel Bate, accompanied by Miss M. Gaskill, left by Saturday's boat en route for Nelson, B. C.

Mr. B. R. Allen, Principal of the Cumberland school returned from his vacation by Wednesday's boat.

Miss. M. McKay, Mrs. R. Cessford and Mr. Cessford's mother returned by Wednesday's boat from Denman after spending a very enjoyable time.

The Cumberland Public School will open Monday August the 24th

Valley Notes.

The C. T. and M.I.S. met on their usual night of meeting and it was decided that next Friday, the gentlemen were to serve refreshments, and the ladies were to entertain the boys to best of their ability.

Mr. Hugh Morrison is erecting a new barn on his premises.

A large party of young people held a garden party on Mrs. McPhee's lawn, on last Friday afternoon. We are informed that a most enjoyable time was spent.

Our butcher was seen the other day running up the hill at a very rapid rate of speed. We wonder if he is training for the fall sports?

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TUESDAY, AUG. 18, 1908

Our Invaluable Water-Powers.

Flowing from the great forest-clad hills and mountains of the Dominion are numerous perennial streams which in their descent from water-powers of immense possibilities and value and furnish supplies of moisture to the plains beneath, plains which in many cases require a substantial addition to the scanty rainfall which they receive, if they are to be cultivated successfully.

The possibilities of electrical development and other uses of the energy furnished by these streams open immeasurable limits to Canada's industrial future. In some situations the very existence of such water courses depends upon the preservation of the forests at their sources, and in all cases the forests regulate their flow. In Southern France the slopes of the Pyrenees, the Cavennes, and the Alps were deforested at the beginning of the last century and left bare to the action of the elements. The results were the transformation of even-flowing streams into rushing torrents, the erosion of the slopes into gullies and ridges, and the occurrence of destructive land-slides to such an extent that some 8,000,000 acres of once fertile land were rendered unfit for agriculture by the deposit of silt upon the plains beneath. To repair this condition of affairs and restore the forests upon the bare eroded mountain slopes, France has already spent $20,000,000 and it is estimated that more than $30,000,000 must be expended before the area which the Republic possesses (only some 800,000 acres) will be restored.

The point of the story is that Canada does not hold any special dispensation from Providence, and that a similar transgression of the law of Nature will inevitably bring about the same results. Is there not reason, therefore, that the question of forest preservation should be given the most careful consideration by all seriously interested in the future of the country.

In London last week the popularity of the government's Licensing Bill was demonstrated by a gigantic gathering in Hyde Park. The estimates of the crowd vary from 300,000 to half a million. It was made up mostly of the members of temperance societies from all parts of London and the suburbs. There were 120 speakers, including such men as Mr. Winston Churchill, Dr. Oldfort, Lord Cheyne, and a number of members of the House of Commons. A hundred bands livened the proceedings, and there was a remarkable scene when, at a given signal, they all struck up the hymn, 'Onward, Christian Soldiers,' in which the demonstrators joined. The proceedings came to an end with the passing of a resolution demanding that both Houses of Parliament pass the Bill without delay.—World Wide.

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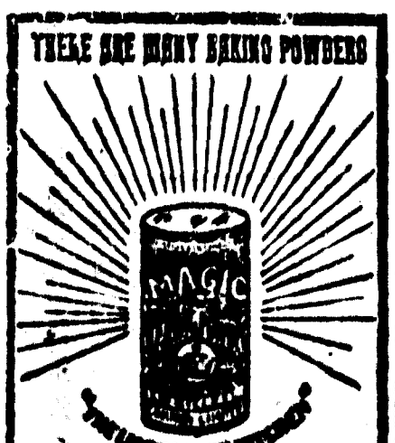

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START EXCURSIONS TO CAMPBELL RIVER.

The week end excursions from Vancouver to Crimpbell River, Vancouver Islands, inaugurated last summer by the C. P. R., will be started this season next Saturday afternoon with the sailing of the Stermer Joan at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon. The finest tyee salmon fishing on the coast is to be had at Campbell River and when the excursions were started last seasons scores of fly casting enthusiasts took the trip every week. Reports from Campbell River state that the fish are now making their appearance there.

Sailing from Vancouver at 1:30 o'clock the Joan will run to Nanaimo, leaving there at 5 o'clock in the afternoon for the fishing grounds and arriving there that evening. Fisherman will have all day Sunday on the grounds, the steamer leaving Campbell River at 6 o'clock on Sunday evening for Vancouver via, Nanaimo. She will arrive here at 10:30 Monday morning. The fare for the round trip' including meals and berth will be $10.

Synopsis of Canadian Homestead Regulations.

Any available Dominion Lands within the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be homestended by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

Entry must be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter brother or sister of and intending homesteader.

The homesteador is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans;

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased), of the homesteader resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

Six months' notice in writing should be given to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of intention to apply for patent.

COAL.—Coal mining rights may be leased for a period of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 per acre. Not more than 2,560 acres shall be leased to one individual or company. A royalty at the rate of five cents per ton shall be collected on the merchantable coal mined.

W. W. CORY.

Deputy of the Minister of the Interior

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NOTICE is hereby given that 30 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a licence to prospect for coal and petroleum under the foreshore and under the lands covered by water opposite the foreshore of Denman Island, Comox District, B. C., and described as follows:—Commencing at the south east corner post of the north east fractional quarter of section 4, Denman Island, British Columbia; thence south 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 70 chains, more or less, to the high water mark; thence following the sinuosities of the foreshore to point of commencement; containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated Denman Island, B.C., July 30, '08

R. KAWAMURA,
K. Koto, Agent

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Dated, Denman Island, B.C., July 30, '08

S. NAKANO,
K. Koto, Agent

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Dated, Denman Island, B. C., July 30, '08

K. KOTO.

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Dated Denman Island, B. C. July 30, '08

MOTO KOTO
K. Koto, Agent.

TAKE NOTICE that 60 days after date, I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a lease of the foreshore of Denman Island, B. C., described as follows:—

Commencing at a post planted at the south-west corner of the fractional north east quarter of section 5, Denman Island, B. C.; thence west 40 chains; thence north 40 chains; thence east 27 chains more or less to the high water mark; thence following the sinuosities of the foreshore of said Denman Island, to point of commencement, containing 100 acres more or less.

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NORTH BOUND—Read Down

Passenger Trains Stations,	Daily No. 1	Sunday Wed. Sat. No. 3
Victoria,	Dc. 9.00	Dc. 15 00
Russels,	9.04	15 04
Shawnigan,	10.17	16.15
"	10.22	16.18
Cobble Hill,	10.40	16.30
Cowichan,	10.48	16 41
Kokailah,	10 53	16.47
Duncan's,	11.00	16.58
Somenos,	11.07	17.10
Westholme,	11.18	17.22
Chemainus,	11 32	17 35
Ladysmith,	11.57	17.55
South Wellington,	12.18	18.19
Nanaimo,	12.35	18.30
Wellington,	Ar 12.53	Ar 18 45

SOUTH BOUND—Read Up.

	No. 2	No. 4
Victoria,	Ar. 12.00	18.57
Russels,	12 02	18 51
Shawnigan,	10.51	17.35
"	10.46	17.30
Cobble Hill,	10.40	17.22
Cowichan,	10.15	17.03
Kokailah,	10 08	17.03
Duncan's,	10.02	16 58
Somenos,	9.47	16 3
Westholme,	9.37	16.32
Chemainus,	9 25	16.22
Ladysmith,	Dc. 9.00	Dc. 15 58
"	Ar. 8.50	Ar. 15 58
South Wellington,	8.28	15.27
Nanaimo,	8.15	15 15
Wellington,	Dc. 8.00	Dc. 15 00

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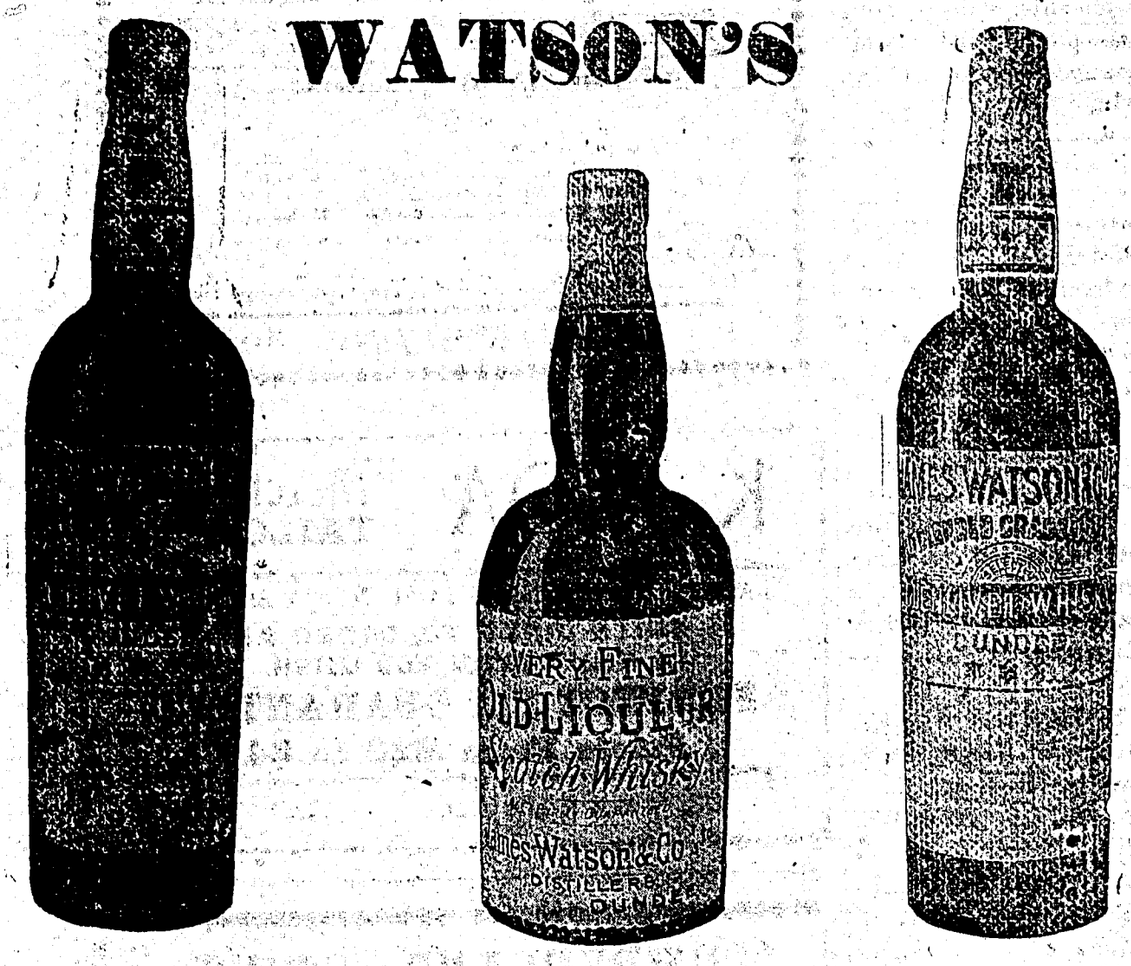

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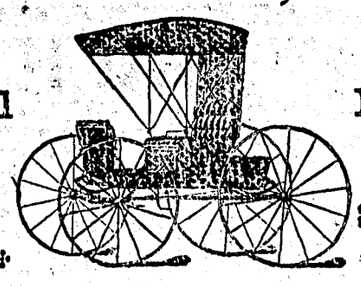

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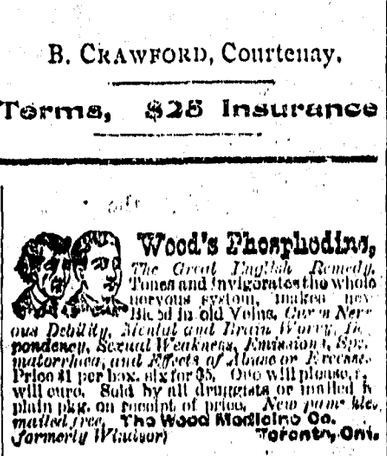

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Red Saunders

By Henry Wallace Phillips.

any "I have a cold." Now, in Fairfield, that is not likely lonesome in that respect, one of the principal objects in life was to conceal the poverty which would persist in sticking its gaunt elbows through the cloth of words spread over it. Red asked straightforward questions — shrewd ones, too—seeing that the other was one of his own kind and would not resent it.

Lettis wanted nothing better than a chance to expand on the subject. It was close to his heart. He had been a subordinate about as long as a proud and masterful young fellow ought to be. Now he was quivering to try his own strength, and, seeing, for his part, that his host was inspired with a genuine interest and not curiosity, he gave him all the information in his power.

"But a plant like that is going to cost some money, ain't it?" asked Red.

"Too much for me, I'm afraid," replied Lettis. "I have $5,000 to put in, and I suppose I could borrow the rest, but that's saddling the business with too heavy charges right in the beginning. Still, it may not be as bad as I fancy."

Red drummed on the table, thinking. "I wouldn't mind getting into a business of some kind as long as it was making things," he said. "I don't hanker to keep store much. Suppose I go along with you when you look up how much straw is raised and the rest of it?"

"Would you?" cried the young fellow eagerly. "By George, sir, I wish you could see your way clear to take hold of it! Could you stand $10,000, for instance? Excuse the question, but I'm so anxious over this"—

"Lord, what's the harm of asking facts?" said Red. Then, with a gleam of genial pride, "Ten thousand wouldn't break me by a damn sight."

Lettis' boyish face fairly glowed. "It was my good angel made me stop in front of your fence," he said. "I saw you all eating in here, and you looked so jolly that I thought I'd stop on the chance you might be the man I was looking for. Now I'll go right on and see Mr. Demilt and find out what he wants to do in the matter."

"Wait for the wagon and you can ride," said Red. "Boy's gone home to see his dad about working for me this afternoon. In the meantime, if you're not too proud to take hold and help us with this dod ratted fence, I'll be obliged to you."

"Bring on your fence! I'm ready," said Lettis.

"Come on, boys!" said Red, and the party rose from the table. Later the wagon came up.

"Well, good day, Lettis," said Red. "If you can't get quarters anywhere else, come on and help me hold the barn down."

"Do you sleep in the barn? Then I'll come back sure. Tell you how it is, Mr. Saunders. I've been stuck up in a three by nine office for four years—now held to 'A to M, western branch,' and if I'm not sick of it there's no such thing as sickness. To get out and breathe the fresh air, to see the country, to be my own master—well, sir, it just makes me tremble to think of it! I hope you find the strawboard what you want to take up."

"I shouldn't wonder if it would be," answered Red. "We'll make a corking team to do business, Lettis, I can see that—so cautious and full of tricks and all that."

The young man laughed and then subsided down. "Of course I know the whole thing would look insane to most people," he said stubbily, "but I've been in business long enough to see sharp gentlemen come to grief in spite of their fancy work. I don't believe a man'll come to any more harm by believing people mean well by him than he would by working on the other tack."

"Good boy!" said Red, slapping him on the back. "You stick to that and you'll get a satisfaction out of it that money couldn't buy you. Another thing, you'd never get a cent out of me in this world if you were one of these smooth young men. My eye teeth are cut, son, for all I may seem easy. The man that does me a trick has a chance for bad luck; and you can bet on that."

"Lord, I believe you!" replied Lettis, taking in the dimensions of his new friend. "Well, goodby for the present, Mr. Saunders. Thank you for dinner and still more for the heart you have put into me."

At 6 o'clock the fence was quite finished.

"If you'll stay with me [illegible] thing's done, I'll stand another all around," said Red. "I don't [illegible] to stare me in the face to [illegible]"

The eldest spoke up [illegible] with you, Mr. Saunders, but we don't want any money for it, do we fellers?"

"No," they replied in chorus, well meaning what they said.

"Why, you're perfectly welcome to the cash!" said Red.

"And you're welcome to the work," retorted the boy. "We're paid plenty as it is."

"If that's the way you look at it, I'm much obliged to you," said Red, who would not have discouraged such a feeling for anything. He said to himself, 'This don't seem much like the kind of people I've heard inhabited these parts. Those boys are all right. Reckon if you use people decent they'll play up to your lead, no matter what country it is."

At 7:30 the fence was done, gorgeous in a coat of fresh red paint, and the hands departed, each with a slice of Miss Mattie's chocolate cake, a thing to make the heathen gods feel contemptuous of ambrosia.

They went straight to the blacksmith's shop, where they were anxiously expected.

"Good Lord!" he said a little later, "if you fellers will talk one at a time, p'r'aps I can make out what's happened. Now, Sammy, s'p'ose you do the speaking?"

Whereupon Sammy faithfully chronicled the events of the day. The boys had behaved themselves as if there was nothing out of the common happening while they were with Red, being held up by a sense of pride, but naturally the splendid physique of the cowman, his picturesque attire, his abandoned way of scattering money around and the air of a frolic he had managed to impart to a day's hard work—all had effect on imagination, and the boys were very much excited.

"I'd like to know how many injuns that feller's killed!" piped up the youngest. "Hy! He could grab hold of a man and wring his neck like a chicken."

"Aw, tst!" remonstrated the blacksmith. But the elders stood by the younker this time.

"Yes, he could, Mr. Farrell!" said they. "You ought to seen him when he rolled up his sleeves! He's got an arm on him like the hind leg of a horse, and he uses an ax like a tack hammer. He got mad once when he pounded his thumb and busted the post square in two with one crack."

"Well, he looks like a husky man," admitted the blacksmith. "But why didn't you boys take the extry dollar when he made the offer? He 'pears to know what he was about, and it looks kind of foolish to say 'no' to it."

There was a moment's silence. "We wanted to show him we were just as good as the folks he knew," explained the eldest somewhat shamefacedly.

The blacksmith straightened himself. "Quite right, too," said he. "We air when you come to that." A little pride is a wonderful tonic. Each man of that gathering felt himself the better for the display of it.

In the meantime Red was repairing the ravages of the day opposite Miss Mattie at a supper table which was bountifully spread. Miss Mattie put two and two together and found they meant a larger sum of eatables than she had hitherto felt sufficient, and, with a little pang at the thought of the inadequacy of her first offering to her cousin, provided such fatness as the land of Fairfield boasted.

They discussed the events of the day with satisfaction.

"My!" said Miss Mattie. "You do things wholesale while you are about it. Will, don't you?"

Red smiled in pleased acknowledgment. "I'm no peanut stand, old lady," said he. "I like to see things move."

Then Miss Mattie broached the question she had been hovering around over since her guests had taken their leave.

"Do you think you'll really go into business with that young man who was here to dinner?" she asked.

"Why, I think it's kinder likely," said Red.

"But you don't know anything about him, Will," she continued, putting the

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Mr. and Mrs. John Dalby and Miss. E. Dalby returned to Victoria by Saturday's boat.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Walker returned home by Friday's boat.

Mr. and Mrs. Colling and family returned by Wednesday's boat.

Mrs. McGill arrived by Wednesday's boat and is the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. D. Thomson.

BIRTH—On August 16th, to the wife of Mr. Alex Gray, a daughter.

BIRTH—On August 15th, to the wife of Joe Hudson, a daughter.

Mr. Abe Haywood returned by Wednesday's boat.

Mrs. G. W. Clinton and daughter left by Thursday's boat for Vancouver.

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In the small debts court, yesterday, Thos. Dwyer, of the New England Hotel, obtained a judgment against Robert Lockhart, for $20.25, on account of board etc., and $4.00 costs. H. A. Dillon appeared for plaintiff and P. P. Harrison for defendent.

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The regular review was held on Thursday evening last, in K. of P. Hall there was a good attendance, Mrs. Kemp was very pleased and congratulated the ladies on the way they were getting on with their work, and upon the interest shown. Several of the ladies came up from the beach to attend the meeting thus showing their interest in the Order, Comox Hive held their regular review in Courtenay, on Aug. 13th. Mrs. Kemp was present and initiated a candidate for them. There was an almost full attendance of the Hive. At the close of the review refreshments were served.

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The Auto Question.

To the Editor of the News.

Sir: In answer to letter published in your issue of August 11th, by Taxpayer No. 2, as he signs himself, he is quite personal in his remarks, regarding me and the auto question. Now, if Taxpayer No. 2 wants to do any good for the District, why don't he get a petition signed, by the Taxpayers of Comox District, to have the roads widened, and presented to the Government, so that the autos could pass a team without any trouble, instead of butting his thick head against a stone wall, trying to stop the autos, when they are here to stay. When Taxpayer No. 2 mentioned, there being no autos in P. E. Island, I guess I know more about P. E. Island than Taxpayer No. 2 does. Now the reason there are no autos there, is because there is not enough money on the island to buy one. Taxpayer No. 2 ought to go back to P. E. Island, where he belongs, among the icebergs, where they live on fish in summer and starve to death all winter. I also think that Taxpayer No. 2 ought to apologize in his next letter to the Taxpayers of Comox District, for the slur he cast upon them, when he said that no Taxpaper in the District, has an income which would allow him to have one of these little "horsecarers." Now, dear Editor, I think this will be my last letter, to your paper, as I have come to the conclusion that my time is too valuable to waste, trying to put brains where none an ex ist in such ahead as Taxpayer's No. 2; and I should rather live the piggie's life, than be ashamed to sign my name to anything I ever wrote. Thanking you for the space in your valuable paper.

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Official Administrator's Notice, County Court of Nanaimo, holden at Cumberland. In the matter of the Estate of Sakuragi Kichigora, deceased intestate

TAKE NOTICE that by order dated 6th day of August, 1908, and signed by His Honor, Judge Harrison, William Wesley Willard, Official Administrator for part of the County Court District of Nanaimo, was appointed Administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the said Sakuragi Kichigora, intestate.

P. PHILLIPPS HARRISON,
Solicitor for official administrator
Cumberland, B.C., Aug.6, 1908.

WHY HE WEPT.

During a fashionable wedding ceremony one of the old family servants was observed to be weeping as though his heart would break.

"Well, well!" exclaimed a bystander. "It is so picturesque to see old servants weeping at a grand wedding. I suppose you are weeping because you hate to see the bride leave the old mansion?"

The old servant brushed his eyes with his sleeve. "Tain't that, sir," he sobbed' b-but the blooming duke that's won her borrowed 50 cents from me to get some clean collars, and when I asked for it all I got was a good booting. 'Nough to make anybody cry."—Chicago News.

It is not very often that the American negro has an opportunity of retaliating upon people who do him an injury or interfere, as he supposes, with the rights that he possesses. But just at present the negro of the Southern States have a chance of making themselves felt very considerably. The colored population have not forgotten the Brownsville incident, but until now they had no chance of expressing their resentment in any practical manner. But the Presidental election has given them this opportunity and if they really feel as injured as they say they do over it there will be few, if any, colored votes registered for Taft, because, although, Taft was not primarily the person who dismissed the battalion, he was Secretary of War at the time, and as such directly connected with the incident.—Nanaimo Herald.

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