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INVESTMENT ENJOINED BY TAXPAYERS

Washington School Funds Must be Held, Says the Court

For the Investment is Not Considered a Safe One

In connection with the following article which shows the trials and tribulations of a newspaper it may be explained that Port Townsend has voted for and issued city bonds to the face value of $250,000. The Governor of Washington has tried very hard to prevent the state authorities from buying these bonds at face value with State School funds on hand belonging to the state, but the state regents have overruled the Governor, and are attempting to complete the deal. Now comes an injunction from a State of Washington taxpayer against the regents, claiming that the bonds are illegal, and that State money must not be invested in them. It is shown that the total taxable property in Port Townsend as shown by the Assessment Rolls is only $750,000. The State law says that only 10 per cent. of indebtedness can be incurred or $75,000.

It is in this connection the opposition to this purchase of bonds, that the Post-Intelligencer is attacked.

It may be remembered that if one wishes to compare, that the total assessable value of Ladysmith is about one half as much as is Port Townsend, yet if Ladysmith was to issue bonds to the amount of $125,000, we might look a good while for a purchaser.

"Port Townsend, April 15.— The Port Townsend Chamber of Commerce met today in special session and addressed a letter to the Seattle Chamber of Commerce. The substance of the letter is as follows:

"Seattle Chamber of Commerce, Seattle, Wash. — Gentlemen: By a unanimous vote of the members of the members of the Chamber of Commerce of this city, I have been instructed to inform you that the malicious, libelous and unwalled-for attacks made upon this city by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, has made it necessary for the business men of Port Townsend to [illegible] solution pledging them[illegible] all commercial re[illegible] usiness men of Se[illegible] n or patronize that

"Over one-half of the supplies or materials of all kinds sold or used in this city, amounting to thousands of dollars weekly, are purchased from commercial firms in Seattle. The Port Townsend Chamber of Commerce believes that the Seattle business men have an effective weapon with which they can prevent such wholesale misrepresentation and uncalled-for attacks [illegible] investigation whatever [illegible] made by that paper [illegible] its detriment and t[illegible]nt of cordial business [illegible] existing between Port Tow[illegible] and Seattle."

The letter adds a [illegible] attack by innuendo against the motives of the controlling owner of the paper, and concludes as follows:

"I am further directed to inform you that Port Townsend is abundantly able to substantiate every claim which it has made in the matter of its sale of water bonds to the state, and will continue to expend its best efforts toward reaching a just and fair conclusion to the wise and unprejudiced action taken by the board of state land commissioners.

"Kindly acknowledge receipt and furnish notice of action contemplated hereon. Very truly yours,

"N. S. SNYDER."

JEFFERSON IMPROVED.

West Palm Beach, Fla., April 19.—The condition of Joseph Jefferson, the actor, was reported today as better than yesterday. The patient improved perceptibly during the night. The doctors are much encouraged.

Charles B. Jefferson, son of Joseph Jefferson, is authority for the statement that his father apparently is much better today. He is taking and retaining nourishment and hopes of his recovery are renewed.

A RAILROAD STRIKE.

Tiflis, April 19.—A general strike of railroad men has broken out here and at Baku. The train service is entirely suspended. The employees of the tobacco factories at Baku have also struck.

"THESE ALLIES OF JAPAN"

Russian Terrorists are Thus Referred to By the Authorities

Sergius' Assassin Will Hang Within a Fortnight

(Associated Press Despatches.)

St. Petersburg, April 19.—The plea at Moscow of Kalieff who was sentenced to death for the assassination of Grand Duke Sergius, that a state of civil war exists in Russia and that he was a prisoner of war, and not an ordinary prisoner accused of crime, is considered here to indicate the position which the terrorism will assume hereafter. Naturally, such a position is not acknowledged by the government, but the terrorists will persist in the fiction. Kalieff having been tried by a special commission of state against which there is no appeal, will be hanged probably within a fortnight.

The circulation of revolutionary literature among the troops throughout Russia has now spread to the regiments of the Imperial Guards and a general order has been issued to the guards forbidding them to read proclamations thrust into their hand in the street or to listen to "these allies of Japan." The ministry of finance has authorized $35,000,000 for new railroad construction in 1905. It is understood that the extension of the Semtemisto system seems to be regularly followed by similar extension to the Causcusus and Russian Poland.

A despatch from Viataka, European Russia, says the local Zemstov has passed a resolution which will be forwarded to the government that the only means of quieting the people is to inaugurate immediately the promised reforms, namely the conversion of a representative assembly and the granting of liberty of the press and of meetings, etc.

MAKING MANY ARRESTS.

St. Petersburg, April 19.—The police are making numerous arrests of working men and intellectuals, and working men and intellectuals, and the prisons are full now to overflowing. Practically all the delegates to the Schledveski mission which was created in February last to investigate the cause of discontent among the working classes, are in custody.

Mounted police yesterday attempted to suppress a demonstration of employees of the Putiloff Iron works after they had attended the funeral of a victim of a crane accident. A conflict ensued, the workmen firing revolvers, and the police using the flat of their swords. Many were injured and arrested.

add war

AMERICANS SHORT LIVED

Weisbaden, Germany, April 19. — Americans are shorter lived than the Germans, was the conclusion arrived at, by Dr. Blaquer, in his paper on social hygiene in the United States, submitted today in the international congress of medicine now in session here. Although more temperate in the use of alcohol than Germans and working an average of ten per cent. shorter hours the Americans are exhausted earlier in life. The doctor gave these figures for each thousand of the population:

The number of persons from 40 to 60 years of age are in Germany 173, in America, 170; persons over 60 in Germany, 78, in America, 76.

Dr. Blaquer did not undertake to explain the facts. He simply gave them as a result of enquiries during a visit to the United States in 1904.

RAISE THE MEAT PRICE.

New York, April 19.—A further advance of one to three cents has been agreed upon per pound, by the west side butchers in this city. At a mass meeting of the trade it was stated the packers had added another half cent to their raise last week, which makes an advance of three cents in three weeks. It was considered useless by those who attended the butchers' meeting to draft resolutions denouncing the Western Packers, or to frame a schedule of increased prices for Manhattan butchers, but all present agreed that they must raise their prices.

NEW BOAT LAUNCHED.

Tokio, April 19.—The torpedo boat destroyer Kuji was launched at Kure today. Her displacement exceeds 200 tons.

CAPTURED BY THE RIDING MASTER

Mr. Carnegie's Niece, Nancy, Was Secretly Married a Year Ago

Carnegie Says He is Quite Satisfied With the Match

(Associated Press Despatches.)

Saratoga, N.Y., April 19.—It became known today that Andrew Carnegie's neice, Nancy, was secretly married about a year ago to a riding master named Heaver. The news was confirmed by Mr. Carnegie. He said:

"Mr. Heaver was a riding teacher in the family. The family has no objection to the match. Mr. Heaver is an honest, upright young man. I would rather Nancy had married a poor honest man than a worthless duke."

Mr. Carnegie said that Mr. and Mrs. Heaver went to Europe immediately after their marriage. They returned a few days ago.

ROOSEVELT, AS SPORTSMAN

Glenwood Springs, Colo., April 19—Secretary Loeb has given out the following statement: Elmer Chapman a courier from the President's camp, arrived at the Hotel Colorado, Glenwood Springs, last night and reported everybody well at camp and having a fine time. Early Monday afternoon the dogs tracked a big black male bear. He was so big than he could not tree, but made a walking bay, killing one dog and crippling or wounding half a dozen others. By hard scrambling up the mountainside the President got near enough to shoot him.

FOR A HOLIDAY. A GOOD RIFLRMAN DEAD.

Alpena, Mich., April 19.— Martin Chase Bebjamin, a famous character of the Thunder Bay region, is lead at Hubbard Lake, aged 85 years. Benjamin was a wonderful rifle shot.

MARINE.

The Lorne coaled at the bunkers this morning and left for Chemainus to tow a lumber ship out to sea.

The tug Escort took on coal today and has gone north to tow down a boom of 750,000 feet of logs.

The ship Tricolor came in today and will load 6,500 tons of coal for San Francisco.

WITH SPLENDOR AUSPICIOUS.

Yesterday afternoon the arm of the civil law assumed a really official appearance, when City Constable Hannay for the first time went his rounds clad in a fine new uniform. The policeman's suit is certainly a well-looking "get-up", quiet and without any unnecessary display. It is of dark blue cloth with brass buttons on which is inscribed the word Ladysmith, on the coat. The uniform fits the constable like a glove, and the make and good appearance reflect credit upon the capable workmanship of the tailor, Mr. D. Matheson.

WITH PLEASURE.

Nanaimo, April 19., 1905.

Editor Ladysmith Ledger—Dear Sir:—Kindly publish in your first issue is that Adjutant and Mrs. Nelson of the Salvation Army, of Victoria, will be in Ladysmith in the interest of the yearly "Self Denial Effort" on Thursday, April 20th. A meeting will be held in the evening, with the specialties of good music and good singing. Respectfully yours,

ARCHIE COWIE.

IN A HURRY.

A well known Ladysmith gentleman was this morning seen to dash madly down to the train accompanied by two fine looking members of the canine tribe. Just as he arrived the conductor called "all aboard," and the gentleman seized his dogs frantically and regardless of their yelps hurled them on the train and sprang on himself mopped his brow with a pockethandkerchief and announced to the car conductor, "Chemainus."

A SUDDEN DEATH.

Huntingdon, Va., April 19.—Col. K. W. Emmons, founder of Huntingdon, was stricken with apoplexy at the breakfast table today and died within a few minutes. He was 78 years of age.

PRIMROSE DAY CELEBRATED IN LONDON

Beaconfields Statue is Lavishly Decorated With Flowers

In Boston Patriot's Day Events are Codducted on Grand Scale

Boston, Mass., April 19.—Interest in the outdoors Patriot's Day events centred very largely today in the Marathon road race, held under the auspices of the Boston Athletic Association. The course was 25 miles and along the highway from the Island to the clubhouse in Boston.

Eighty-four runners were entered. Among the contestants were John J. Gaffry of Hamilton, Ont., the 1901 winner who holds the course record of 2 hours and 23 3-5 sec, Michael Spring, Pastime A.C. of New York. Samuel Mellors, Mohawo A.C., New York winners of the race in recent years, and T. J. Hicks, Cambridge, Mass., Y.M.C.A., winner of the Olympia Marathon at the St. Louis fair in 1904.

PRIMROSE DAY IN LONDON.

London, April 19.—Primrose Day was observed today with undiminished zeal. Lord Beconsfield statue was decorated on a generous scale. An enthusiastic free trader utilized the occasion by placing by the side of the statue a shield of primrose bearing the well known quotation from Remarks of the Deceased Statesman: "Protection is not only dead, but is dead indeed," picked out in for-get-me-nots.

AMATEURS CAN FIGHT

Albany, N.Y. April 19—The Senate, by a vote of 92 to 16 passed the bill of Senator Frawley authorizing 15 minute boxing bouts by amateurs with eight-ounce gloves under the rules and auspices of the amateur Athletic Union of the United States, or any domestic amateur athletic association now incorporated and under the sanitation of the Union. The bill prescribes that such bouts must be between registered amateurs, may not exceed 15 minutes in length nor be fought more than once in any 24 hours between the same two participants and that it must be for medals or prizes, other than money.

KILLED AT NOON.

Winnipeg, Man., April 19.—Joseph Powers was killed at noon today, heavy girders, while being conveyed up Ross avenue, falling on him.

DEATH OF AN EARL.

London, April 19.—The Earl of Stanhope (Arthur Philip Stanhope) died this afternoon. He was born in 1838.

NEW AMBASSADOR.

New York, April 19.—A Berlin despatch to the Herald says: A despatch from St. Petersburg says Baron Rosen, former Russian minister to Japan, will succeed Count Cassaini at Washington.

MAKES A RECORD.

After establishing a towing record that is not likely to be equalled for many a month, the steamer Leelanaw, Captain Meyer, and the talk John C. Potter, Captain McCarty, arrived at the Tacoma smelter Wednesday night, says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. The steamer and talk brought a very valuable cargo of concentrates from the Treadwell mines, close to Juneau, Alaska. According to the figures in the customs house, the Potter brought 1,258 tons valued at $62,900, while the Leelanaw had 650 tons worth $32,500. As soon as the vessels berthed at the smelter, the work of discharging was begun and it is expected that the Leelanaw will be able to get away tomorrow. She returns down sound for coal and other supplies for the mines. During the voyage, which took five and a half days, Captain Meyer reports good weather. The trip was made by the inside passage. Two records were established. This is the first time a vessel the size of the Leelanaw has attempted to tow a barge down the inside passage and, again, the time marks an epoch in coastwise trade. The best time made by a tug towing the Potter was six days and eighteen hours. Not a mishap hampered the towing experiment and yesterday Captain Meyer's friends were congratulating him upon the feat.

FRANCE NOT GUILTY OF BREACH OF NEUTRALITY

The Temps Claims That There is No Proof That French Neutrality Was Violated

Tokio Dispatch Says That Rojestvensky Intends Staying in Kamranh Bay Until May

Paris, April 18.—The semi-official Temps this evening publishes a statement that bears evidence of authoritative inspiration, saying: "While international practices upon land are well defined, that upon the water is not so exact, differing with different nations. Great Britain and some countries limit the duration of a belligerent's stay in their ports to 24 hours, but France has never fixed a limit for the stay of belligerents in French ports and contents itself with interdicting the use of her ports in preparations for acts of war."

The Temps proceeds to show that territorial waters mean, under the French law of March 2, 1888, three miles from low water mark.

"It is established," continues the Temps, "that Admiral Rojestvensky did not enter this limit while off Madagascar and nothing yet warrants the assumption that he has been less careful in the waters of Indo-China. Therefore, the Tokio despatches go too far in declaring that France permits Russia to employ her ports for offensive operations. There is no proof supporting any such assertion of the violation of French neutrality.

The Japanese legation has not yet received instructions relating to French neutrality. Therefore, the question has not yet taken an official form and appears to be confined to the utterances of Japanese newspapers. If an official protest is made, the Temps' statement probably indicates the terms of the French response, namely, that the facts do not yet establish that Admiral Rojestvensky has entered within the 3-mile limit, and that France is observing all the requirements of neutrality according to her established regulations upon the subject.

The French government has taken every precaution to secure the observation of neutrality in French waters in Indo-China. Instructions have been sent to the governor general of Indo-China calling his attention to the regulations concerning the observation of neutrality issued at the outset of the war. These are identical with the neutrality rules in force during the Spanish-American war. It is believed that Admiral Dekonquieres, commander of the French naval forces at Saigon, in proceeding to Kamaranh bay, (where part of the Russian Second Pacific squadron has been seen) is following the governor general's instructions. The latter were not the result of the report that Japan contemplated making representations on the subject. France has from the outset acted voluntarily in seeking to maintain the neutrality of her waters. This, however, is increasingly difficult at some points not connected by telegraph. Nevertheless the instructions sent to M. Beau contemplate the full observance of neutrality. It is probable that this has been made known to the Russian naval commander. The officials here have no information concerning the length of stay of the Russian vessels at Kamaruh Bay.

Japanese newspapers in London regard the breaches of neutrality by France in allowing the Russian second Pacific squadron to remain over time on the Cochin-Chinese coast as one of the most serious developments in the situation. Minister Hayashi and Baron Suyematsu, former Japanese minister of the interior, when seen today, were disinclined to give a hasty expression of opinion or to anticipate omcial advices giving the facts as to the period the Russian ships may stay in French waters. Minister Hayashi was particularly reticent and said he preferred to wait confirmation of the reports which have appeared to indicate a serious breach of neutrality. Baron Suyemarsu, who took a view that was far from an alarmist, said that if the reports were true, Japan would have good excuse to complain. Japan, however, had no intention of picking a quarrel with France. He added: "Japan is far from coveting Cochin-China, as has been imputed in some quarters. I do not think the French are encouraging the Russian squadron to misuse French friendship. I think, on the contrary, that France is really anxious to avoid trouble on account of the second [illegible]

DOINGS OF ROJESTVENSKY.

London, April 19.—A despatch to a news agency from Tokio says: [illegible] formation received here is taken to indicate that the Russian squadron proposes staying in Kamranh Bay until May. Admiral Rojestvensky, in the meanwhile, sending out cruisers to overhaul merchantmen proceeding along the trade route to the straits of Formosa. The transports accompanying the Russian squadron are reported to be plying between Kamranh Bay and Saigon under the [illegible] chant flag of Russia.

[illegible] cific squadron. In fact, I think responsible Frenchmen regard the squadron as an unwelcome guest, and therefore I am fully convinced that France will manage these matters in such a way as to avoid being compromised."

SQUADRONS ASSEMBLING.

London, April 19.—The correspondent at Gibutil of the Daily Mail, learns that some ships of the main Russian fleet joined the third Pacific squadron near Sekotra and thence proceeded for Diego Garcia, where they will await the fourth Pacific squadron.

St. Petersburg, April 19.—The British ambassador, Sir Chas. Harding, started today for England on month's holiday.

LIFE INSURANCE WAR

New York, N.Y., April 19.— The general agents of the Equitable Life Assurance Society met again today to discuss the society's affairs and the advisability of forming a permanent position of the general agents, for mutual support and protection. Before the meeting began corridors of the Hotel Savoy were crowded with groups of agents discussing the over-night developments in the controversy including a statement made by Henry H. Knowlesi until a few days ago a superintendent of agencies of the Equitable, to the effect that the society's troubles had been caused by Mr. Alexander and Vice President Tarbell, in an effort to oust Mr. Hyde from the first vice presidency and hape Mr. Tarbell succeed Mr. Alexander when the latter should retire from the presidency. Mr. Knowles who was suspended from his position on Monday last on the charge of insubordination, after forty years of employment with the society, also declared that the present meeting of general agents was a snap affair arranged in the interests of Messrs. Alexander and Tarbell. Many of the agents today denied emphatically that the meeting had been arranged in anybody's favor, and said the gathering was a representative one with no object except the welfare of the society and the removal of existing conditions which they said made the work of soliciting agents exceedingly difficult.

A friend of President Alexander made a statement today in reply to the charges of H. H Knowles, one of the Equitable supervisors of agencies. "So far as Mr. Knowles' statement is concerned it calls for no reply from Mr. Alexander, whose position in the matter is very simple. Mr. Knowles, who is one of the society's many supervisors, disobeyed the orders of the president that he go south and take charge of an agency made vacant by death. Mr. Knowles was suspended pending an investigation of his action."

THE OAR.

San Francisco, April 17.—The crew of the Washington university beat the Stanford four by about one and a quarter lengths over a two-mile course this morning at Sausalito. Those who were interested in the race left San Francisco by the 9.15 a.m. boat, but the Washington shell did not reach the San Francisco Yacht Club house at Sausalito till about 10.35, being brought over from Oakland Creek on the power boat Gazelle.

The Washington crew put out from the float first, being followed soon afterward by the Stanford four. As the Washington shell carried no coxswain, Gloster, the bow oarsman steering with his feet, thirty-nine pounds of shot in bags was placed in the stern of the shell to compensate for the coxswain, weighing 142 pound of the Shanford boat.

After a short preliminary spin the crews rowed to the north of the ferry slip, and were instructed by J. C. Knight, the Washington coach, who acted as starter. No. 3., in the Washington boat had broken his oar, and was provided with a new one. The word was given and the crews were sent off at an even start. After rowing a few strokes, No. 8, in the Washington boat broke his second oar, and the crews were recalled. At 11.30 they were sent away again to a good start, and no mishap occurred.

Stanford had the station nearest the Marin shore, and Washington be outside position. Both crews pulled a stroke of about thirty-four to the minute, but the Stanford beat had no life, and the men lacked swing and style. The Washington four pulled well together, and the boat seemed to travel. The starter and other officials followed the racing boats on the launch Flyer, but could not tell the result, as the launch was too far astern. The water was smooth, only a slight breeze blowing. The judges at the finishing line were E M. Garnett, the coach of the University of California crew, and R. H. Gaither, who helped instruct the Stanford men. They were stationed on the shore at Waldo point. The distance was estimated at two miles, and was covered in 10.30. The The winning crew was made up follows:

Richard Gloster, bow and steersman; G. Tilden, No. 2; Owen Cria, No. 3; and D. Pullen, stroke.

The Stanford crew were made up of heavier men than the Washinton. The crew consisted of H. G. Butterfield, bow; R. Bryan No. 2; F. Zimmerman, No. 3; W. H. Dole, stroke and captain and F. W. Turner, coxswain.

Both the coaches and the spectators pronounced Richardson's bay an excellent course for a rowing race. The crew of the University of California is desirous to meet the Stanford four, and expresses its readiness to do so at any time on any course. If the Stanford varsity crew will not meet the Berkeley senior four, the California freshmen are ready to tow against the Stanford freshmen crew.

GREAT BRITAIN'S PLANS.

Vienna, April 19.—The Associated Press is informed at the foreign office today that the negotiations between the powers regarding Great Britain's plans for the financial reform of Macedonia will probably be terminated at the end of April. Some doubt is entertained here about Germany's attitude on the subject.

PIERPONT AND THE KING.

Rome, April 19.—King Victor Emmanuel today received in private audience J. Pierpont Morgan, who thanked his majesty warmly for the grand cordon of Saints Maurice and Lazarus which he wore. The king was most cordial in his manner and expressed personal gratification at the generous act of Mr. Morgan in returning to Ascoli the cope stolen from the cathedral there and sold to some unknown person. The conversation which ensued was carried on in English and lasted half an hour.

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HUNTING IN COWICHAN

The following article on the game of Cowichan district is taken from a special issue of a paper gotten up by Mr. H. Smith of Duncans, issued December 5th, 1903. The description of game here given is, the reader will agree, good, and told in an interesting way.

Having been asked to write a short article on the above, and at the same time being assured that it would be a very easy subject to write about, especially as only a short article is wanted, the writer in a weak moment promised to do so. The great difficulty is to write shortly and include all game. It would be an easy matter to write a column on any one species of animal, but a hard one to mention all game to be obtained in the Cowichan district and make the remarks short. I will first touch upon the big game.

Black Bear.

Black Bear are fairly plentiful in parts of the district, and may be dropped upon occasionally. They are seen and shot in the Cowichan Lake district more frequently than any other part of the district. About ten to fifteen are killed yearly.

Panther.

Panther, like bear, are fairly plentiful, but seldom seen unless treed by a dog. Most are shot in this way, and as a rule are to be found where there are sheep. They are afraid of man, and no person in the district has ever been known to have been attacked by one. Two years ago, on the Glenora settlement, at one of the farm houses, a small child was sitting on the front steps with a dog, when suddenly a panther jumped over the fence, seized the dog and made off with it; the child, however, was not touched. The year previous to this in the same district an old settler was walking on the main road when a panther sprang out and seized his small dog. He saved the dog's life by clubbing the panther on the head with a heavy club. The panther made off but was, a few weeks after, found dead, within a 100 yards of the place, with a fractured skull. About a dozen of these animals are yearly brought to the government office for the bounty. This year, on Mr. Shearing's farm in South Cowichan, a panther and bear had a hard fight, presumably over a sheep that had been killed by one of them. From the damage done, it was quite easy to tell what had been fighting. It is a pity the fight was not witnessed, as it would have been most interesting to have watched their mode of fighting. I think the betting would have been fairly even.

Wolves.

These animals as a rule keep well back from civilization, but during the winter months some come down to the outlying farms. They are very shy and seldom show themselves but will follow a man, keeping out of sight and howling around him. They are not considered dangerous. A few years ago Mr. Baylor, of Cowichan Lake, who at the time was trapping at the head of the lake, when one day visiting his traps, heard a wolf howl; he answered it. The next moment six wolves were on him. He shot two without putting his rifle to his shoulder, shot another clubbed a fourth with the butt of his gun—the butt was all chewed to pieces. The rest then made off. The question is, did they know him to be a man, or did they think he was a *strangewolf?*

Last year a band of about thirty were seen on the Cowichan Lake road, three of which were shot, but only one was picked up. There were three men with rifles at the time; how do you think those wolves would have behaved supposing there had been only one man and he unarmed? I should not like to have been in that position.

How is it that wolves do not increase in numbers? They do not appear to. They have no enemies except man, and he kills very few. I think the reason is this: They suffer greatly from mange, which kills numbers, and they are their own enemies. They often get killed in their fights, and also the dog wolf will eat the youngones if he can find them. The she wolf, however, does her best to hide them. Only two or three as a rule are brought into the Government office during the year.

Wapita.

These, I think, are the most magnificent of all deer species. A few are to be found in the district—in certain places. A friend of mine who lives in this district, and who at one time went in greatly for hunting, and whose word is good, told me that one time when out, he got amongst fourteen buck elk, but never fired a shot at them, the reason being he was a good long way in, and had a good pack and could not have brought in the heads. That man I call a sportsman; and if every man were like him, there would be a good many more elk than there are now, I fancy. There are not, as a rule, more than two heads brought out during the season.

Black Tail Deer.

The common deer of Vancouver Island are numerous and easy to get, if a man knows anything about hunting but as a rule it means a day's work. I have known some men on some occasions, who have come up for a day or two's hunting and gone away without a deer, slanging the district and saying they were told there were lots of deer, but they found none, etc., etc. As a general rule you will find that these men know nothing at all of hunting. They go crashing through the bush, and if there are two of them probably keep cooeing to each other, for fear of getting lost, and then they expect to see a deer. There is only one way to hunt deer.

When you start to hunt, go slowly, quietly, and keep your eye open. Don't try to cover seven or eight miles of ground; two or three is quite enough. It is hard to estimate the number killed during the season, but two or three hundred must be shot if those that are killed by Indians are included.

Beaver.

These animals are not so numerous as they used to be, but are to be found and trapped around several of the lakes. A few are killed yearly at Somenos Lake within a mile of Duncans.

Otter.

There are few of these to be found in the district lakes and streams, and an occasional one is trapped.

Pheasants.

These birds were first introduced in this district about eleven years ago, a few being hatched and turned out in several places. Now they are numerous, and the cock birds are allowed to be shot, the hens being protected. The Cowichan Valley is an ideal home for them, there being plenty of food and splendid cover. They have done so well that some of the farmers are complaining about them, and would like the Act amended so as to allow the hens to be shot. Personally I think if hens were allowed to be shot, they would soon be exterminated, as the hen is a much easier bird to be shot than the cock, sitting closer and not being nearly so wild. If any alteration in the Act is made in this respect, the open season for hens should not be more than fourteen days in the year. I estimate that about two thousand pheasants have been shot this season, and there still appear to

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Quartz—Persons of eighteen years and over and joint stock companies holding free miners' certificates may obtain entry for a mining location.

A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five years, upon payment in advance $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a Royalty of 2½ per cent. of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining—Manitoba and the N.W.T., excepting the Yukon Territory—Placer mining claims generally are 100 ft. square, entry fee$5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may

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be plenty left. Pheasants during cold weather with deep snow, require to be fed; they can stand the cold, but cannot stand the deep snow. During weather of this kind, I always scatter grain about my place for their benefit, and during the winter there are always birds right up to the house. I suggest that others do likewise.

Blue Grouse.

Blue Grouse are the natural game of the country,—and are to be shot in numbers in different parts of the district. Some people claim there are not as many as there used to be, which is correct as far as the more populated parts of the district are concerned, but there appear to be as many as ever in South Cowichan and south of Shawnigan, and on many of the hills. Personally I have shot more blue grouse this year than any of the seventeen years I have been in the province. Some men shot 25 to 30 birds on the 1st of September. About the second week in September they all go back to the higher mountains, and unless you go up there, nothing more is seen of them until spring—when they come down to breed.

Willow Grouse.

Willow Grouse are the best flavored bird in the province, and the hardest to shoot (unless they tree.) They have this unfortunate habit, and get potted off in consequence. If they could get over this failing, I don't think there would be so many killed as there are. I know of no bird that starts his flight at such a pace, or takes better advantage of cover when on the wing. These birds have certainly decreased in numbers in this aistrict. But what can be expected when birds tree, and almost every man and boy carries a gun? I think it is perfectly safe to say that today compared with ten years ago, five times the number of guns are out. Some people put the decrease down to pheasants driving them off. This I do not agree with. How many pheasants do you think would be left in the district, if hens as well as cocks were allowed to be shot, and they, too, treed? I have shot thirty brace so far this season, and I am quite content.

Mountain Quail.

In my opinion the handsomest native bird of the province. Pretty shooting, and delicious eating. I know of quite a number of covies this year. They appear to stick to the same locality and nest in the same place year after year. They can stand the winter all right.

California Quail.

There are a few of these birds, but not many. I know of about six covies this year. I cannot account for the reason they do so well near Victoria and Saanich, where some seasons they are in hundreds, and never seem to increase in this district. You see about the same sized covey in the same place every year, but they never seem to increase. How is it? I put it down to the snow lying deeper in this district. These birds cannot stand deep snow, it kills them right off.

Snipe.

This bird, I imagine, must be a favorite of cartridge manufacturers because if you get amongst a few of them as a rule a good deal of good powder is burnt—which of course, helps trade. These birds come in sometimes in fair numbers, and occasionally a good bag is made. They are in today and gone tomorrow. There is no certainty of finding snipe. You run across them sometimes in the most unlikely places—I once flushed one on top of a hill out of a bracken in a dry place.

Wild Duck.

This article of mine is getting far far too long, so it is utterly impossible to write up all the different species of duck and geese. Ducks are fairly plentiful, and as a rule you can depend on getting one or two any time you go out. Sometimes the flight shooting is very good on some of the lakes and at the mouths of some of the rivers— but it is certainly not as good as it was fifteen years ago, for the simple reason that they are never given a rest. Since Indians can now get a market for them they are out morning, noon and night, potting away. Cowichan Flats, where at one time good bags could nearly always be got, is not worth while going to. Of course, occasionally there you may strike a good day, but very seldom. The best bag of ducks I know of last year, was one of 58 between two men. They had to stop from want of cartridges. Speaking generally on the shooting of the district, I think it can be called distinctly good, and any man that can hold straight, can make a large mixed bag during the season and one not to be ashamed of. There are some men in the district that can account for four or five hundred head in the season, and if all the smaller bags were added to this, I think the grand total of game shot in Cowichan District would astonish everyone.

I will now close this article which I am afraid is getting prosy, with a few hints to lovers of the gun.

Always shoot a hawk when you get a chance.

Blue jays and crows are good birds to shoot, especially the latter, which are increasing rapidly in numbers, and are very destructive to nests and young game birds.

Always shoot every cat you see in the bush, even if it is your neighbor's its an easy matter for him to get another, and perhaps the next will stay at home and not be a hunter. One cat in the nesting season, if it be a hunter, will kill as many birds as you will shoot during the season. Perhaps the remark to this may be' How about it, if the cat happens to be your own? My reply is, shoot it. I prefer to have game around my house in preference to a cat.

be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N.W.T., excepting the Yukon Territory—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have, or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2½ per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for first year and $10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten miles of mining Recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hald a free miner's certificate:

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the out put of which no royalty shall be chargen, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, $10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the alue of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying a fee of $2.00. A claim may be abandoned and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon official Gazette.

Petroleum—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories, and within the Yukon Territory, are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected, an area of 1920 acres for such period as he may decide. the length of width shall not exceed three times the breadth.

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LOCAL ITEMS

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FRICK & SCHENCK, Campbell's Corner.

Mr. Geo. Burtholme came down from Nanaimo this morning.

Miss Clara Mathes and her company arrived on the morning train from Nanaimo.

Popular for May at Knight's.

Thomas Craig, who at one time was a partner of David Murray in the blacksmithing business is in the city today. Mr. Craig, who has not been in good health of late, is living in Kamloops, and states that he is slowly regaining his health at that inland health resort.

The Clara Mathes troupe arrived this morning with trunks and scenery galore. This evening it will be The Russian Spy, tomorrow evening Tennesee's Partner. Tomorrow afternoon a matinee at 3.30 will be given.

OUT OF JAIL.

It will be recalled that on Saturday last John Shockean and Wm. Kostas, were committed to the Nanaimo jail by Magistrate Thomson for five days for contempt of court by reason of their failure to comply with instructions from the court to deposit certain moneys with the same. Barrister Simpson took out a writ of Habeas Corpus on their behalf yesterday in the supreme court at Victoria, and the men were ordered released from jail, and are now in Nanaimo.

A good variety of picture post cards, eighty different kinds at Knight's Book Store.

WITHDRAWN FROM SALE.

John Stewart, who has been for some time agent for the sale of the E. & N. Company's Ladysmith property, some $40,000 worth of lots at the assessed prices, received a telegram yesterday from the company instructing him to withdraw all of their holdings from the market. What this means is not clear. Those familiar with conditions can draw their own conclusions. It does not, however, indicate any falling off in real estate values in the city.

On Saturday last a discussion of somewhat spirited nature, took place between two ladies, as to the value of some ready-to-wear Hats on view in Simon Leiser & Co.'s Store; one lady declaring that she paid $1.25 more in price for a similar Hat last week in Nanaimo. Both ladies were convinced that the local store was the cheapest place to make their purchases of Easter Hats and Millinery.

WEDDING BELLS.

Amidst congratulations from their friends, many wishes for their happiness, and showers of rice, Mr. W. Bowes abd Miss N. Michie left Ladysmith this morning for Victoria, where they will tonight be united in the bonds of matrimony. The young couple are well known in this city, both being old residents. The bridegroom is the C. P. R. telegraph operator, and in that position has made for himself many friends, all of whom will hear with pleasure of today's happy event. The bride elect is most popular throughout the city, and her large circle of friends and those of Mr. Bowes will unite in wishing the young couple every joy in their new state of life.

In this morning's issue the Herald has the following:

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Miss Mabel Kate Priestly, of Nanaimo, to Walter Edwin Thompson, of Ladysmith. The ceremony will take place in St. Paul's church on Wednesday, April 26, at three o'clock in the afternoon

Mr. Walter Thompson, referred to in the above, is well known in this city. He is the eldest son of Mr. Geo. Thompson, the Government agent for this district. He is employed by the Wellington Colliery Company as assistant manager of the colliery wharf at this port. His many friends in Ladysmith join with the Ledger in extending to him and his young bride-elect every good wish for their future happiness.

ITEMS

A. Howe came down from Chemainus.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite went through—not, he said, with the object of advising the Premier.

Mr. and Mrs. Witome and Messrs. Dickie and S. M. Lamb went to town this morning.

The baseball team had a practice last night. They meet the original owners of the land in battle array on Easter Monday.

Six Indians were up yesterday for over-indulgance in "The cup that cheers," and each handed over $5 and costs to His Worship, J. Maitland-Dougall.

The Municipal Council held its regular meeting on Saturday, the 15th inst. Present, the Reve, Mr. S. Horace Davie and Councillors Bronsall, McL. Campbell, W. Bazatt and A. J. Bell.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed, three petitions for sidewalks were received, two from Duncan and one from Chemainus. Correspondence was read from Messrs. Crease & Crease, secretary of Reeves' Association, Barrister Brodwell, Jas. Evans, Road foreman's monthly report and Road Inspector's annual estimate for repairs to roads, streets, and bridges.

Messrs. Crease & Crease were instructed to collect arrears of taxes. The securing of a lease of recreation grounds was left in the hands of Messrs. Wittome and Norcross, treasurer and clerk. Messrs. Dickie and Price interviewed the council with regard to levying a rate for fire protection by means of hydrants. Mr. Dickie showed that the obtaining of sufficient force involved an extra expenditure of $4,500, and he thought that rate which would yield the company five per cent. on this outlay would be reasonable. He also showed that this efficient service would effect a very great reduction in insurence rates, making a difference, on four places which he instanced, of about $200.

Messrs. F. Maitland-Dougall, W. H. Hayward and Secretary H de M. Mellin came before the council as a deputation from the committee meeting of the Agricultural Association, asking for a donation in aid of their fall show.

The treasurer's monthly statement and bills to the amount of $340 odd were passed by the finance committee. The road inspector's estimates were revised, and it was decided that the repair on Tyee, Chadwick and Chisholm roads should be done by day work.

Several by-laws were advanced a step, and the clerk was instructed to prepare a tax sale by-law for next Monday, which will be held May 20, when the council sits for revision.

Mayor Planta of Nanaimo was in this city this morning.

SPORTS

FOOTBALL.

The local footballers are requested to turn out in costume to practice tonight and Friday night in order that they may get in shape for the match with Nanaimo on the 23rd inst. The team will be published in to-morrow's paper

THE TURF.

Lexington, Ky., April 17.—Edward Corrigan, T. C. McDowell, J. M. Wynn and Capt. S. S. Brown, of the American Turf Association, held a meeting here today concerning the proposed conference between representatives of the Western Jockey Club and the new American Turf Association. It was decided not to treat with the Western Jockey Club until the Jockey Club should agree to rescind its outlaw rule.

NO FIGHTS.

Lansing, Mich., April 19.—Governor Warner has declared that he would not permit any pugilistic encounters in Michigan for large purses during his term as governor. The statement was inspired by a report which reached the governor to the effect that fight promoters were planning a battle in Kalamazoo between two pugilists of national repute for a purse of $10,000.

BASKETBALL.

Everett, April 17.—The Everett girls' basketball team has made arrangements to meet the Vancouver team at Vancouver on April 21. The Vancouver team is a strong one, and this is regarded as the most important game of the season. The locals have played six games but have not had a single defeat.

Clara Mathes' performance of Nell Gwynne last night was perfect in every detail. Every member of the cast had the proper manner and spirit of the character and of the time. The scenery was appropriate and the costumes correct, elegant and costly. Clara Mathes came heralded as the equal of Crosman and Rehan as Nell Gwynne, and her artistic rendition of the character proved that she has not received more than her due of public approval. Miss Emma Mathes gave a sweet and winsome performance of Lady Olivia, and the Misses Lawrence and Cleveland were equal to all demands of their characters. Mr. Roberts as Lord Jeffries was historically correct in conception and artistic in portrayal. Messrs. Elmore, Rowe, Van Cleve and others played their parts with vivacity and skill. The play itself is the best of many versions of the story of Nell Gwynne, and presents only the better side of the lives of Nell Gwynne and her contemporaries, and what faults Nell may have had were more than atoned for by her being the first to establish a home for soldiers and sailors and the founding of one of the largest hospitals.—Stockton Mail.

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and put them in a basin, pouring over them a pint of boiling water and leaving them to soak for twenty-four hours. At the end of that time he poured off the liquid and divided it into two equal parts. One part he drank in the next twenty-four hours and the other part he used for making hot fomentations, which he applied continuously outside the neck on the left side for two hours every night. Sometimes he used the leaves themselves as poultices on the neck. Sometimes he kept the fomentations on all night. He began this treatment, adds Dr. Gordon, on November 10, and was so much better by Jan. 23, 1905, that his employers sent him to me to show himself. The change was extraordinary. On the 20th, I saw him again. He had continued the violet leaves treatment just the same. Since Jan. 23 there was hardly any pain, and, except a hard scar, very little remained of the deep-ragged indurated ulcer of last November. The violet leaves were sometimes wild, sometimes garden grown. The patient thought the latter better, because they tasted stronger. Except the violet leaves treatment absolutely no remedy had been used locally or internally. Dr. Gordon says he is now advising a trial of this violet-leaves treatment in all cases of undoubted cancer and will in due course publish the results.

On November 14, 1901, it was reported that Lady Margeret Marshall had obtained similar results from infused violet leaves. She was suffering from cancer of the throat, but it was asserted that a fortnight of the violet leaves treatment completely cured her.

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CURE FOR CANCER.

A supposed remarkable cure of a cancer patient at Dover of violet leaves bears out in striking manner the statement made in the last issue of the Lancet as to the medicinal properties of this spring flower. The Dover patient was a well-known lady in a good social position, and the local medical opinion that she was suffering from cancer on the liver was confirmed by a specialist. As she grew worse a friend drew her attention to the alleged efficacy of the violet-leaf remedy. She was induced to try it, and the patient is now apparently quite healthy. The lady states that she made decoctions with boiling water from fresh violets gathered from the garden. She took a wineglass of this every few hours, as recommended, and also applied cotton-wool, steeped in the hot liquor, over the seat of the cancer.

The Lancet report was contributed by Dr. William Gordon, of Exeter. The patient, a man 53 years old, was told by five doctors that he had cancer of the tongue. He refused to undergo an operation and proceeded to treat himself at home as follows:—He took a handful of violet leaves

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