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SCHOOL BOARD AND TEACHERS MEET

Recommendations Made by Inspector Wilson Considered by the Meeting

Decide to Purchase Apparatus as Advised by Mr. Wilson

On Thursday evening the members of the local teaching staff and the school trustees held a meeting in the council chambers, when school matters in general were talked over, and various questions discussed relating to the introduction of new studies, etc.

In a report which was recently received from School Inspector Wilson it was suggested that various implements be purchased by the board for use at the schools, and one of the objects of the meeting between the teachers and the board was to talk this matter over, and decide what apparatus to purchase. After some discussion it was decided that amongst the objects to be procured will be pocket compasses, horseshoe magnet, weights and measures, rulers, set of geometrical forms, cubes, cylinders and cones, set of squares microscope, plain black globe etc. These things will be purchased by the trustees, and their use taught to the pupils of the various departments.

The question of promotion of pupils was discussed at some length, and the ninth division referred to. Miss Mebius, teacher in this division gave it as her opinion that there were a number of pupils attending who were not of a school age, but it was impossible almost to ascertain their exact ages, there was really nothing that could be done in the matter. Regarding the appointment of an additional teacher, as recommended in Inspector Wilson's report, the board decided that this would be impossible this year at least.

Miss Coburn, in speaking of her division, stated that as far as intermediate work was concerned, she had only 1½ years in which to put them through, and there were, of course, many subjects which had to be grasped before a pupil was fit for advancement. Principal Hunter thought that an improvement would be obtained if some method were devised for advancing pupils to Miss Coburn's room more rapidly, and this matter was also discussed freely. Regarding truants, there was one case pointed out where the culprit seems incorrigible. Although his parents send him to school, he either leaves shortly after reaching there or does not put in an appearance at all.

Amongst those present were Trustee Carroll, (chairman), Trustee Robinson, and Trustee Greaves, and of the teaching staff were Miss Mebius, Miss Laidley, Miss Wiseminiller, Miss Ramsay, Miss Coburn, Miss Butler, Miss Beveridge, Mr. McMartin and Principal Hunter.

CHINESE COOK INJURED BY FALLING TREE

One badly hurt and several narrow escapes was the result of the high wind which prevailed yesterday morning in the vicinity of logging camp five.

The Chinese cook of the camp was the one badly hurt a large tree being blown against the building, crashing it's way through and pinning the unfortunate Chinaman to the floor.

According to one of the men who reached the city yesterday, the wind storm was a very strong one, and had this particular tree fallen but a few moments before it did, the chances are there would have been more than one fatality. The loggers had just finished breakfast, and left the building when the tree fell, the Chinese cook and Mr. McGargle being the only ones on the inside of the building. The latter had a very narrow escape, but owing to the fact that he was at the rear of the building at the time, was not struck. Three men were in a shack just across from the cook house, and hearing the cries of the men on the outside, rushed to the door barely in time to escape destruction, as the falling tree struck their cabin and completely demolished it. So narrow was the escape of one of the men that he left the lower end of his coat in the wreck, wrenching himself free in the very nick of time.

MEDICAL, ACCIDENT & BURIAL FUND FOR NOVEMBER

The benefits paid by the Medical, Accident and Burial fund for month ending November 30th are as follows

A. Hammond	$28.00
Thos. Noye	30.00
H. Hughes	30.00
N. Keserich	26.00
A. Coleman	6.00
Geo. Webley	7.00
Mat Mahula	10.00
H. Dyer	22.00
Geo. Johnston	24.00
Jno Wright	10.00
Joe. Dumont	15.00
Jno. Michie (boy)	6.50
F. Tomsick	3.00
Jas. Ragan	19.00
Abe Young	9.00
Thos. Penman	10.00
Joe Gralia	10.00
Steve Maruse	10.00
Geo. Reed	20.00
Geo. Smith	7.00
Wm. Russell	5.00
E. Lowe	5.00

SCHOOL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

The following is a report of the attendance at the public schools of the city for the month of November:

Division I.—Teacher, D. McD. Hunter; enrollment, 33; average actual daily attendance, 29.26; present every session, 25.

Division II.—Teacher, T. McMartin enrollment, 46; average actual attendance, 41.54.

Division III.—Teacher, Miss Coburn; enrollment, 44; average actual attendance, 37.59; pupils present every session, 20.

Division IV.—Teacher, Miss Miller; enrollment, 51; average actual attendance, 44.71; present every session, 15.

Division V.—Teacher, Miss M. A. Ramsay; enrollment, 41; average actual attendance, 37.71; pupils present every session, 17.

Division VI.—Teacher, Miss Butler; enrollment, 51; average actual attendance, 43.55; pupils present each session, 21.

Division VII.—Miss H. Beveridge; enrollment, 55; average actual attendance, 48.80; pupils present every session, 20.

Division VIII.—Teacher, Miss Laidley; enrollment, 57; average actual attendance, 51.90; pupils present every session, 37.

Division IX.—Teacher, Miss Mebius enrollment, 74; average actual attendance, 63.52; pupils present each session 34.

Total enrollment for the month, 452. The average daily attendance was 398.58.

Miss Ramsay's room, division V., won the banner for November.

COURT OF REVISION HOLDS SESSION

Two Appeals Were Before the Court but Were Dismissed After a Hearing

At the Court of Revision held on Wednesday evening in the City Hall Aldermen Uren, Malone and Campbell formed the quorum, Mayor Nicholson being absent from the city. Alderman Campbell was appointed to the chair, and after the oath had been administered the court was declared open. There were only two appeals to come before the court, the first being that of Jos. Tapella, owner of the Portland Hotel, where he owns two lots and the building. His property is being taxed at the rate of $400 on one lot, $450 on the other, and $2500 on the building. After comparing this assessment with others, and taking into consideration the fact that the valuation placed upon the lots was really a little below the price asked for the company lots of the same description, Ald. Malone moved that the appeal be dismissed. Motion carried.

Messrs.Ault Bros., of Vancouver, complained that the assessment on their lot and building was excessive, and had as a representative before the court, Mr. B. Weinrobe, from whom they purchased the property. The latter stated that he thought the valuation of $800 on the building was excessive, inasmuch as he had recently sold same for the sum of $5500. Some questions were asked regarding the length and construction of the building, and it was the opinion of the court that the building could not be constructed for less than $800. It was pointed out to Mr. Weinrobe that the fact of his having sold for less than the value of the building had no effect on the assessment. One case had come before the court last year where a man protested against his lot being assessed at a certain value, claiming that he would be glad to get $150 for the same. He was the same evening offered $150 cash on it, and refused to take it. In fact, the value of the property often shrunk when it came before a court of revision—for the time being. After a little discussion it was decided that the court could not alter the assessment placed upon the property by the assessor, and the appeal was dismissed the session being ended with the dismission of the case.

COUNCILMEN HAVE WARM DEBATE

Divided Opinions Regarding the Carrying out of Work on High Street

Ald. Uren Thinks Centre of City Should Receive Attention, While Others Differ

Monday night's council meeting was a lively one for an hour, and every alderman present, and they were all there, expressed himself freely on the subject under discussion. Owing to the absence of Mayor Nicholson from the city, Alderman Campbell was appointed to the chair, and the reading of the following letter from Mr. H. Kay started a discussion which was fast and interesting for some time:

To The Mayor and Aldermen:

Gentlemen:—I wish to call your attention to the dire necessity of improving that part of Baden-Powell street directly above the Esplanade. At the present time it is utterly impossible for a vehicle to traverse it, it being a veritable swamp and dangerous to public health, and in view of the fact of your expending $300 on each of the other streets, viz High, Gatacre and Roberts streets, which can be traversed with comparative ease and safety, I would ask you to lay aside a sufficient sum of money to remedy this evil and give to the taxpayers of that section the benefits which should be theirs.

Hoping you will consider this matter in good spirit, I am,

Yours truly,
HARRY KAY.

Upon the conclusion of the reading of the above, Ald. Patterson started the ball rolling by stating that he thought the road mentioned by Mr. Kay needed repairs much worse than High street, where a gang of men are at present working. He thought it would be a great deal better to fix places like the one mentioned in the letter than to attempt to improve a street which was already passable for teams. It would be a great deal better for the people if this were done.

Ald. Uren was on his feet before the previous speaker had resumed his chair, and replied rather forcibly to Ald. Patterson's remarks. He could not see why there was so much kicking about repairing High Street. As everyone knew the street in its present condition was impassable for a team. If one attempted to go down it, it was necessary for the driver to lock both wheels, and the horses were nearly standing on their heads Not only this, but it was customary to fix up the main streets of any city. Of course, if the city had plenty of money it would be nothing more than right that all streets should be fixed, but in the present case it was impossible to do this, and the next best thing to do, in his opinion, was to repair the centre of the city. Not only was High street benefitting by the work, but the Esplanade was also being gravelled, the gravel from High Street being dumped there, and levelling the latter up.

Ald. Patterson.—"I can't see why it is necessary to fix three streets, Gatacre, High and Roberts, all at once, as you are proposing. There is not much traffic on High Street, and any teams wishing to go to the station would take Gatacre or Roberts streets by preference anyway."

Continuing, the speaker could not see that the work was going to be much of an improvement anyway. It was being done wrong, and should have been started at the bottom instead of the top.

Ald. Uren replied to this by stating that he was well aware that it would have been made a much better job if commenced at the bottom, but it would have cost much more. The idea had been to do as much as they could with as little money as possible. They had not wanted to rob Gatacre or High streets, and therefore commenced at the top of High street, knowing just how much money it would require to finish up what they had undertaken.

Alderman Patterson again referred to the fact that in his opinion only Gatacre and Roberts streets would be used by teams in any event.

Alderman Uren.—"Do you think there is only one street in the city? If so, we don't want to pay taxes. If we are only going to fix up one street, all right, but we don't want to pay taxes if that is the case. No, we want our rights. So far in the history of the city there has been scarcely any money spent on these streets with the exception of Roberts street, and I think it is about time the others were receiving attention."

Acting Mayor Campbell broke into the discussion for the first time remarking that it was his opinion that Gatacre street should receive attention. It was a nice little street, and led direct to the station. It certainly needed grading badly, and should be attended to. Last year High street had received attention.

"Yes, the attention we gave it ourselves," replied Ald. Uren. "what work was done was done by the ones living on High street. We got out and did it ourselves."

Alderman Patterson referred back to the letter which had been the origin of the discussion, and moved that it be referred to the street committee and the request attended to.

Alderman Uren expressed himself as perfectly agreeable that the work be done, providing there was money enough on hand to do it. However he again voiced his views regarding the attending to of the centre of the town in preference to other streets when money was scarce.

Here Ald. Tha expressed his views He thought there was a great deal of "kicking" by the people because this work was being done on streets which, while perhaps not boulevards were still passable and could get along until next year as they were, or until such a time as streets which are at present impassable for pedestrians are put into some kind of shape. As instances, he mentioned Buller and Kitchener streets, At the upper end of the former one man owned property, and there was no possible way of getting a team to it.

Ald. Uren was again the one to reply. Referring to Buller street he said it was all very well to talk of repairing it, but the fact was that if the city went thirty yards from the avenue they came to a hill which was impossible to climb, and which would never be a street anyway.

Here Ald Malone, who had arrived late, requested that the letter be read over again, as he had not been present at it's first reading, and after this was done, expressed himself of the opinion that, while he would like to see the main part of the city fixed up, more should be done on streets such as mentioned in the communication. However, he thought the writer was mistaken when he mentioned the sum of $300 as being the amount to be spent on each of the three streets spoken of. After more discussion on the above lines, Ald Tha finally seconded Ald. Patterson's motion to the effect that the street committee look into the matter, and do the best they could to repair the road mentioned. The motion passed unanimously.

In the road foreman's report he requested that he be given the permission or authorization of the council to remove the steps in front of the Ladysmith Bakery Company. In response to this request Ald. Uren moved, seconded by Alderman Patterson, that the road foreman be instructed to remove the steps, and the clerk notify the owners there to this effect. Carried.

The remuneration bylaw, providing for the payment of a salary to the mayor and aldermen for next term, came up for discussion, and Ald Tha gave notice that he will at next meeting introduce a bylaw regarding this matter.

K. OF P. OFFICERS ELECTED

At the regular meeting of Ladysmith Lodge, No. 2, K. of P., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

C. C., Brother John Bellis; O. C., Brother Gomer Trehearne; Prelate, Brother A. A. Hindmarsh; M. of W., Brother John Little; K. of R. and S., Brother W. G. Simpson; M. of F., Brother David Gourlay; M. of E., Brother S. K. Mottishaw; M. at Arms, Brother Andrew Moffat; I. G., Brother G. E. Simpson; O. G., Brother Isaac Nash.

FORGOT HIS INCOG.

Chancellor James R. Day of Syracuse university was discussing at a dinner his recent edict against theatre going and the use of tobacco by students holding scholarships.

"Scholarships," said Chancellor Day, "are for poor students, and he who smokes and visits the theatres may be poor, but he is not living up to the part.

"We should all live to our parts. To disguise ourselves, to travel incognito, is never wise."

Chancellor Day smiled.

"To travel incognito is often associated with something disgraceful" he said. "Witness the story of the tramp who, at a magistrate's early morning hearing, did not answer to his name, sitting absently in his seat as the name was shouted four or five times. When matters finally righted themselves, the magistrate said, angrily:

"'Why don't you answer to your name?'

"'Beg pardon, yer honor, but I forgot that name I guv last night,' replied the tramp.

"'What!' thundered the magistrate 'Didn't you give your right name?'

"'No, yer honor,' said the tramp, 'I'm travelin' incog.'"

"But she sings more than she plays. Why do you speak of her music as 'instrumental?'"

"Well, it's instrumental in making the neighbors move out."

"I thought you were going back to nature?"

"I thought so too, until after the wind blew my tent down and I had to stay out all night in the rain."

DR. WASSON RESIGNS

Dr. H. E. Wasson, who has for some years acted as physician for the Wellington-Extension Medical Accident and Burial Association, this week sent in his resignation, and will, when his place is filled, remove to California.

The Association are advertising for applications for the vacancy which will be caused by Dr. Wasson's resignation, and as they are to be in by the 18th of this month, another physician will probably be appointed shortly.

NEW RULES A SUCCESS

The Spokane Chronicle contains the following editorial:

The college student can now afford to devote a fair portion of his time to studies. The football season is over. The great college game has survived another year against the cries of those who would kick it off the college campus. It shows stronger this season than at the end of last, and the cries against the brutality of the game are not nearly as loud as a year ago.

This must be construed to mean that the new game has met with favor. It must have removed many of the brutal points of the contest, or the cries against it would be heard again. It is pleasing to note that the American game of football is likely to stay, principally because it is truly American, and then again because there are so many good points to the contest.

But there is more to it than the mere survival of the game. It demonstrates that the rules committee could have changed the rules long ago, but that its members failed to till public opinion forced them to provide for the safety of the players and make the change. It was the constant hammering of those interested in humanity which compelled the committee to make a legitimate sport out of football instead of leaving it a mere game.

INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY ELECT DELEGATES

Thursday evening, as advertised, Independent Labor Party held a meeting in the city and elected their delegates to attend the convention which is to be held on the 12th inst. for the purpose of electing a candidate for the forthcoming elections. Twenty delegates were elected for Ladysmith District, and ten for Oyster district.

Although the night was a bad one, owing to the fall of snow during the afternoon, the meeting was well attended. It is expected that the other districts will hold their meetings shortly to elect delegates for the convention, and the latter will be well attended.

MAY PROVE UP ON COAL LAND.

A Washington despatch says: The administration has abandoned its proposition to make the president's order retroactive withdrawing all coal lands in the western states and in Alaska.

When the order was issued the president hoped he could find the way to make the withdrawal cover filings that had already been made, his object being to make a clean sweep in his attempt to prevent the formation of any new coal monopolies.

It was found, however, that there was no basis in law for such a action, informed at the interior department tion, and Representative Jones was today that persons who have filed on coal lands will be allowed to obtain title ultimately, provided they can show that they filed in good faith for their own benefit and not in behalf of a syndicate or company.

LADYSMITH DRAMATIC CLUB VISIT DUNCANS

The Ladysmith Dramatic Club, accompanied by a number of their Ladysmith friends, visited Duncan this week, where they most successfully produced one of their plays before a well filled house. After the concert a dance was held which was much enjoyed by all.

The play, Robert McCar, was very well received by the audience, and frequently various members were obliged to await the termination of the applause before going on with their lines. That the members acquitted themselves so creditably was largely due to the untiring efforts of Mrs. W. Hunter, who had looked closely after the rehearsals, and who is managing director of the company.

The Dramatic Club were not, however, the only entertainers of the evening, as they themselves testify, they stating that the Knights of Pythias of Duncans, under whose auspices the dance and concert were arranged, entertained most royally, and were untiring in their efforts to see that everyone enjoyed themselves

The cast of the play, which will shortly be reproduced in Ladysmith, was as follows:

Robert McCar	J. Sanderson
Bertrand	H. Kay
Gemueil	Jas. Hughes
Dumont	Geo. Gillespie
Piere	E. Clark.
Marie	Miss L, Ingham
Clementine	Miss L. Morgan
Villagers	Misses Smith & Clay.
Sergt. Luky	Jas. Crossan
Gendarms	J. Muir & J. Hughes
Musical director	Miss J. Robinson.
Managing director	Mrs. Hunter.

ADAMS SENDS FROM PRISON FOR GLOVES

Handling pick and shovel and digging on the excavations under way at McNeil's island are occupations that evidently do not agree with the heretofore carefully shielded hands of George Edward Adams, says yesterday's Seattle Post-Intelligencer. He has written a friend for a pair of working gloves to be sent him at the federal prison.

The duties imposed on the former employee of the United States assay office, serving ten years for embezzlement, are somewhat more severe than those he had when a salaried employee of the government rather than an inmate of one of its penal institutions. They are even more wearing on the hand unaccustomed to manual labor than the practise of pilfering gold dust from the deposits of miners, the discovery of which brought Adams to his present abode.

During the year, almost, which Adams spent in the King county jail awaiting his trial, he was not subjected to any labor. Some speculation has been hazarded as to the manner in which his introduction working gloves will be received by his prison mates, who are without that luxury. It is recalled, however, that Adams has the faculty of making a good fellow of himself with his associates and that he will probably overcome any prejudice that may be created on this account.

When he was first imprisoned in the county jail the other prisoners were inclined to sneer at him, but he soon won them to friendship by his genial manner and talents as a musician and entertainer.

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CALVE'S SIGHTLESS FIANCE

Paris.—A contributor to the Echo de Paris, after dining with Mme. Calve, quotes her as giviag the following description of her fiance:

He became blind eleven years ago. He was working in a laboratory with his brother and a foreman when a short circuited wire blinded all three of them. The brother subsequently died from melancholia, and the foreman committed suicide. The fiance, who was then married, lost his wife. She died of grief over her inability to restore her husband's sight. Since then he has only loved music.

The writer says that the fiance's last visit to a theatre before his affliction was two days before the catastrophe. He went to the Metropolitan opera house and heard Mme. Calve sing "Carmen". He met her and said to her:

"With your voice I see again. It recreates for me a landscape of dewy valleys and dark forests."

Their morriage will take place next June. From January until March they will be on a yachting cruise in the Mediterranean. There will be an orchestra on board the yacht. The only shadow that Mme. Calve finds, according tothe writer, is the renunciation of public singing.

Mme. Calve's last performances in March, April and May at the Opera Comique will be her farewells to the stage. She has gone to Barcelona to embark on her mysterious fiance's yacht.

WHISKERA AND PROFESSION.

The army mustache, which is, by the king's regulations, part of the proper equipment of every officer, leads an enquiring correspondent to ask why barristers prefer to remain clean shaven. Is it to facilitate facial expression— those looks of assumed indignation, surprise and sorrow which are a part of the stock in trade of every good advocate? Or is the hairless face a relic of bygone legal custom as musty as law books themselves? And a bearded policeman, too, is just as tare as a bearded lawyer. There are a few in London, but they are to be found almost exclusively, in the museums, which may be regarded as the chancery courts of the police force so far as whiskers are concerned.—London Chronicle.

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HOW BAT NELSON GOT ONE WHIPPING

Because of the prevalent talk of Batling Nelson's butting tactics, a story Jim Corbett tells of the only time Bat ever got his medicine for fighting that way is well worth the telling.

"About six years ago, or maybe less, there was a mining town up in the Northwest, Hurley, that had the fighting fever," says Jim. "Nearly every miner thought he was a scrapper, until finally a little fellow from Wales appeared on the scene, and in a sort of rough-and-tumble way whipped everyone in the neighborhood, including three dub fighters that had been developed.

"The newcomer weighed in the neighborhood of 115 pounds, but he was the toughest nut for his size that had over been seen in that region. He knew something about handling his mitts, but his long shot wasany old way his opponent wanted to go after him, especially when biting was included.

The Hurley champion was soon known in the districts near the town and on two occasions he got mixed up with 200-pounders in saloon scraps, and he made them look like human beings that had just emerged from a mine explosion.

"There happened to be a local lodge of Eagles in Hurley that wanted to arrange a fight, and more from the want of other men than anything else, they fixed a frame-up and sent to Chicago for Battling Nelson who was to appear under an assumed name.

"At last the Hurley champion, upon whom all the miners would lay their money, was to meet his superior. He was known as the man who could whip his weight in wildcats, but what would his chance be against a man like Nelson?

"Well, the Battler came, as the story goes, and there was considerable betting. The Hurley champion didn't know a whole lot about the Marquis of Queensbury rules, but he could learn, and he would do as his miner friends told him.

"In order to avoid a backing out at the last minute the Eagles assured the local man that the contest would be decided on points, and would only be for six rounds.

"Well, the night of the battlearrived, and before more miners than Nelson had ever seen before he and the Hurley champion entered the ring.

"For the first five rounds the contest was all right, and then Nelson began getting anxious, and at the same time angry, for, to say the least, he was getting very little the best of the argument.

"In the third round Nelson started to butt the local kid, and was making it pretty warm for him, when one of the miners, who was refereeing, warned him against any rough-and-tumble tactics, for that was what the kid was good at, and it would never do to start him.

"Nelson paid no attention to the continued warnings, and kept on getting rougher with the kid, who was lighter than Bat. Well, when the sixth was reached the trouble came all at once for Nelson.

Before the referee knew what was happening the miner had backed away and tore off his blood-bespattered gloves and was after Nelson. He jumped for Battling's throat and digging his knees into the Dane's stomache, and punched him through the ropes to the floor, and what he did to Bat, the story goes, is hard to write. It took six men to separate him from the Dane, and then a physician was necessary to help matters out.

"An old friend of Nelson's told me this story, and says it is one that Bat never tells."—Courier-Journal.

TENNIS—

Following in the footsteps of England, once more the lawn tennis authorities of the United States will give the women players rating. The matter was brought to a head through the movement for an international women's tournament next year. Miss May Sutton, of California, will head the list without doubt. The New York World thinks that Miss Helen Homans will be second, and mentions Miss Florence Sutton, sister of May Sutton, for third. Other women players who will stand well in the ranking are Miss Eveline Sears, Miss Neeley and Miss Coffin. Sutton has a good chance to regain her title of world's champion if she does not fall a victim to the social habit. Her failure last summer in England was due to her inability to stand up to a long and hard match. The year before her physical condition carried her through the most severe test without causing exhaustion.

LACROSSE—

Columbia university cannot have football, so they have taken up lacrosse as a means of getting rid of their surplus enthusiasm, and they are taking to the Canadian game with great vigor.

An offer has been made to Charles Querrie, at present manager of the Toronto Tecumseh team and one of the best known players in Canada, to act as coach at Columbia, and Querrie is said to be giving the matter serious consideration.

Yale and Harvard have their lacrosse teams, and Harvard is now talking of a trip to England to play the new English teams, while Northwestern university has banished football in favor of lacrosse.

Lacrosse is a summer game, and one which can be well worked in connection with football or any other winter sport.. There are several lacrosse enthusiasts at the University of Washington, and they are now endeavoring to work up a movement to start up a team at the varsity early in the new year. Should the game be taken up at the university there is a big chance of the old city team being revived, but on a less expensive basis than the old club, and a series of games arranged with the students.

The Montreal Amateur Athletic Association has withdrawn from the Canadian Athletic Union because the parent body refused permission to play amateurs against professionals. In England there is no objection to an amateur competing against a professional, the exact status of each being known. The Montreal association thinks that England has the right idea of the matter, and will organize a new union the rules of which will be broader in scope. The Amateur Athletic Union of the United States has always tried to prevent amateurs playing against professionals, the penalty being the professionalising of the amateur so competing. The result has been that the standing of a large per cent of the so-called amateurs might be questioned if their records were examined closely.

BRIEF HISTORY OF GAME OF BASKETBALL.

Basket ball, invented by Dr. James Walsmith, vice athletic director of the Y.M.C.A. of Denver, and first played by the training school team of the Springfield (Mass.) Y.M.C.A. in 1891, has long since passed the stage in which it was met with jeers and laughter, and has successfully filled the inventor's idea in working out the sport—that of filling up the gap which came between the football season and the spring baseball season, and now stands as one of the recognized sports, played alike by the Y.M.C.A.'s universities schools and athletic clubs, and can be said to be the best winter sport now in existence.

The game has undergone radical changes and only fundamental principles of the game played by the Springfield team remain. The contest, as it was at first ulayed, required nine men on one side—three centres, three forwards and three backs—and these rules were kept in force for the first four years the game was in existence, when the number of players on each side was cut to seven, dropping one forward and one guard, and two years later in 1897, the team was cut to five men, two forwards, one center and two guards, the "feeding" center being omitted.

The game, as it was played even as late as 1897, simply was a harum scarum scramble, with little or no team work, each man playing the ball when and where he pleased, and it was not until the advent of a professional coach, which was in 1900, that the game was allowed to the scientific basis it now holds.

The game, as it is played now, first began to develop in 1897, when the number of men was cut to five, and some idea of team work began to take hold of the players. In 1900 pearance, bringing with him signals the professional coach made his appearance and team play, and the game began to shape itself into a scientific contest. in place of a mere jumble of players. The men were assigned to regular positions and had their regular duties to perform, passing was made into some order and goal shooting was developed to a high degree. Then the rules of the game were put into a more definite form and the present form of the game gradually began to shape itself. The middle west, although much later in taking up the game, has developed it to a much higher degree than in the East, and the contests played are much freer from roughness and hard playing and much fuller of nice playing and team work than the ones in the East, either in the colleges or in the Y. M. C. A.

The colleges of the east practically have broken away from the rulings of the Amateur Athletic Association on basket ball and have allowed the players a more liberal reading of the rules, leaving the game only a small degree less strenuous than football, while the professional games played in Philadelphia, all of which are official, are rough enough to satisfy even the most ardent football players.

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Senor Quesada, Cuban Minister to the United States, is an orator born. In an article in The Outlook for July, 1899, by George Kennan, who heard Quesada speak at the Esteban Theater, Matanzas, Cuba, he said: "I have seen many audiences under the spell of eloquent speech and in the grip of strong emotional excitement, but I have rarely witnessed such a scene as at the close of Quesada's eulogy upon the dead patriot, Marti." In a letter to The Peruna Drug M'f'g. Co., written from Washington, D. C., Senor Quesada says:

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Of the many charities in New York city, probably none commands a wider interest because of the personality of its founder and manager, than Rosary hill home. The superiorress, Mother Mary Alphonsa Lathrop, is none other than Rose Hawthorne, daughter of America's famous novelist and sister of Julia Hawthorne. Because of domestic unhappiness Mrs. Lathrop became devoted to philanthropic work. Since taking orders she has given all her time to the betterment of conditions of the poor, especially of the destitute, cancerous women unable to find shelter in any existing hospital. She has, with the help of friends, maintained also the St. Rore Free Home for cancerous men patients, which is dependent for its support upon free will offerings. The charity is neither sectarian nor sectional, the only requisites to its shelter being that the patient is needy, suffering, friendless. Remuneration from patients is forbidden, the founder believing that public mercy is equal to the emergencies of fraternal compassion. The male nurses, engineer and farmer at the country home are the only paid attaches.—Home Magazine.

SIGNS OF BRAIN EXHAUSTION

A doctor says that when a person begins to have doubts about the spelling of common words, to write an unnaturally small hand that shows a tendency to waver above and below a straight line and to grasp the pen with unnecessary force, especially at the end of a long word, then that person is suffering from brain exhaustion and ought to take a complete rest or else to find work of an altogether new and different kind.

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"At Manoas," said the yachtsman in explanation, "I used to wilt six collars a day, here in Para I only need three a day."

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THE GENTLER SEX.

The handsome red cranberry comes with the fall of each year and is found during the winter on everyone's table Not once in twenty times is it properly cooked, for so few cooks know the way, simple though it is. Follow this method and you will never fail: Carefully took over the berries, removing all stems and spotted ones, then wash well and rinse. Place in a porcelain-lined kettle, as the acid in the berry is affected by tin. Add cold water until it comes to the top of the berries Place where they will boil and add the sugar, three-fourths as much as fruit, as soon as they begin to simmer. Boil briskly. When berries crack open remove from the fire ank empty into a glass dish which has previously been set on a wet cloth to prevent breaking. In case one desire jelly, run the fruit through a colander and then pour into molds. By following this rule the color or flavor of the berry will not be impaired by cooking.—Housekeeper.

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HOW TO CURE A COLD

The question of how to cure a cold without unnecessary loss of time is one in which we are all more or less interested, for the quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger of pneumonia and other serious diseases. Mr. B. W. L. Hall, of Waverly, Va., has used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for years, and says: "I firmly believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be absolutely the best preparation on the market for colds. I have recommended it to my friends and they all agree with me." For sale at the Ladysmith Pharmacy.

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No. 2. Commencing at the North-west corner of No. 1; thence West 80 chains; thence south 80 chains; thence East 80 chains; thence North 80 chains to point of commencement.

No. 3. Commencing at the stake planted at the head of Little Blinkinson bay; thence 40 chains North; thence 160 chains West; thence South to shore 40 chains more or less; thence East along shore to point of commencement.

No. 4. Commencing at a stake placed at the South-west angle of Lot 111, Thurlow Island; thence West, along Southerly line of a Lease Lot III to Southwest corner some 40 chains; thence North along West side of Lease Lot 111 20 chains; thence West 80 chains; thence South to shore 40 chains more or less, then East along shore to West shore corner of leased lot 111; thence North along the West side of same lot to point of commencement.

E. S. McIntyre.
Ladysmith, Nov. 17, 1906.

Synopsis of Canadian Homestead Regulations.

Any available Dominion Lands within the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be homesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over eighteen 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.

The homesteader 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 lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

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

HISTORY TOLD BY PLAYING CARDS.

It may be possible, a French authority asserts, to relate much of the history of a country from the playing cards it has used.

The instinct for gaming is as old, perhaps, as the human race. At any rate, Adam was the first who took a serious chance and lost. Cards have formed the most popular medium for this instinct, and their popularity has never waned since their invention, says a writer in the Philadelphia North American.

It is in surveying the pictures upon playing cards of various ages that the historian finds much of interest connected with the life and manners of a country. Not only do they represent great men of certain periods, but evnts that are prominent in national annals.

This is particularly true of France, where cards were born and where they have been made, pictorially, to preserve much of the history of the land.

While there is nothing authentic about it, the story generally believed regarding the origin of cards is that they were devised about the latter part of the fourteenth century to amuse the half-witted King Charles VI. of France. Not long afterward there is authentic mention of cards as being made for the Duke of Brabant.

Gambling, however, is spoken of in history of a much earlier date. It is related that at Marseilles, when a man, angered over gaming losses, so forgot himself as to swear, he was fined for every oath. If he was unable to pay he was plunged into the city ditches as many times as he had sworn.

There are records that in 1381 gamblers went before notaries and "swore off" from their favorite pastime for weeks, months or a year.

French antiquarians have preserved cards dating from the fifteenth century. They bear pictures of persons most prominent in the public eye at that time, such as the Duke of Laon and the Duke of Guyenne.

A classic form of imprint was adopted early, but many curious ideas of artists and manufacturers were incorporated. One pack shows the "Massacre of the Innocents." Others illustrate famous old legends.

There is, for instance, "The Story of the Three Wishes", which shows how a sausage came to be hung to the nose of a woman who was not wise enough to use rightly certain powers given to her by a sorceress.

In those early days of playing cards the great personages and aristocracy of France were persistent and desperate gamblers. Immense sums were lost at sittings. This passion seems to have increased rather than diminished with time.

During the eighteenth century the games most in vogue were hoca, basset, faro and lansquenet. They permitted the loss or gain of great sums in a few minutes. Suppression of the passion for gambling was one of the great tasks undertaken by the authorities during the French revolution.

In spite of this fact, however, the printing of cards went merrily on: in fact, it gained a great impetus during the revolutionary period. The business had passed, too, out of government supervision, and each manufacturer made such designs as he thought were likely to strike the popular fancy.

All emblems of royalty, of course, were carefully avoided, as were those of religion. Kings and queens lost their crowns and became persons of mythology or history; the fleur de lis was replaced by flourishes and rude embellishments. Crescents and stars took the place of sceptors.

The Solons, Caos and other celebrities of ancient Greece and Rome shouldered modern monarchs off the cards; the queens were transformed into representations of republican ideas—uniform, force, etc. The jacks became famous generals of ancient times, such as Hannibal.

Under the First Empire many beautiful designs were printed, some notable ones have been drawn by the artist David. In many cases of these Napoleon was shown in the charac- of a Roman Emperor, while the queens were representative of famous women of bygone ages.

This form, however, had only a temporary vogue, and about 1837 what was virtually the present style of picture cards was adopted. At various times since their efforts have been made to popularize innovations and design based upon current fashion, but without much success.

In 1818, for example, Houbigant, of Paris, got out a very artistic design, in which he selected for kings Charlemange, S. Louis, Francis I, and Henry IV. This idea has historical value. He thought each monarch the most worthy representative of the period in which he lived.

The plan, however, resulted in failure; the public evidently did not care to be reminded of the virtues and greatness of former monarchs while engaged in gaming.

Twenty years later, while a revival of romanticism was in progress, cards having pictures dealing with the days of chivalry became fashionable for a while.

In these Mephistopheles was shown accompanying the famous knights of the middle ages, who posed as kings and the queens were the ladies wh colors the knights wore, and the jacks were the historic heralds of the same period.

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SHILOH

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A bride-to-be has just been given a fruit shower and luncheon by a dozen of her girl friends. Each was asked to bring some sort of fruit, a list being made to prevent duplication. The jars of fruit were concealed about the dining room, and the bride-elect was started on a hunt for them. All sorts of canned fruits, jellies, marmalades and preserves were contributed. Each jar was attractively wrapped in white tissue paper or put in a box. The luncheon consisted of devilled crabs, olives, hot rolls, currant jelly, tomato salad, lettuce, sandwiches and coffee. The ice cream was served in paper cases representing slippers, and the individual cakes were round, covered with icing, and on the top of each stood a tiny china doll dresses in white satin with a long tulle veil. After the guests had finished eating, they were asked by the hostess to recite aloud their favorite recipe and best wish. The recipes were then collected and given to the bride-elect for future use.—New York Post.

KILLED THE LAUGH

The sublime prayer of the Hebrews when preparing to cross the Red sea, is, perhaps, one of the most solemn and majestically grand compositions that can be found in the choral repertory, yet, at the same time, simple to a degree. This was an afterthought on the part of the composer, and was not introduced until the second season of "Mose in Egito" at Naples.

The opera, then, as now, terminated with the passage of the Red Sea by the Israelites; but although the audiences were entranced with the music, they invariably saluted the passage of the Red Sea with shouts of laughter, owing to the lack of skill of the machinist and scene painter, who contrived to render this portion of the affair superbly ridiculous and brought down the curtain amid uproarious mirth.

Rossini exhibited his usual indifference, but poor Tottla, the poet, was driven nearly crazy by this unwelcome termination of his literary labors, and intensely chagrined at the idea of so sacred a subject exciting laughter. This lasted throughout the first season; the next it was reproduced with similar brilliant success (on the first night) for the music, and similar laughter at the end of the opera. The next day, while Rossini was indulging in his usual habit of lying in bed and gossiping with a room full of friends, in rushed Tottola, in a most excited state, crying out:

"Eviva, I have saved the third act!"

"How?" asked Rossini lazily.

"Why," replied Tottola, "I have written a prayer for the Hebrews before crossing the dreadful Red sea, and I did it all in one hour."

"Well," said Rossini, "if it has taken you an hour to write this prayer I will engage to make the music for it in a quarter of the time. Here, give me pen and ink," saying which he jumped out of bed, and in ten minutes he had composed the music without the aid of a piano and while his friends were laughing and talking around him. Thus, owing to the blundering ignorance of a stage carpenter and scene painter, the world is indebted for the most sublime preghiera ever penned.

Night came. The audience prepared to laugh as usual when the Red sea scene came, but when the new prayer commence deathly silence prevailed, every note was listened to with rapt attention, and on its conclusion the entire audience rose en masse and cheered for several minutes, nor did they ever again laugh at the passage of the Red sea.

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WORSE AND WORSE

George C. Boldt, the famous restauranteur, was talking at the Waldorf Astoria to an old friend from Philadelphia. The subject of cooking came up, and Mr. Boldt said the French cooks were the best in the world.

"Don't you remember, "he said, smiling, "the story of the French aristocrat of the gloomy Faubourb St. Germain? This man gave, in his secluded and grim old mansion, an elaborate dinner. The dinner was a success from the oysters to the desert, but one dish was particularly fine, so fine, in fact, that the cook was brought into the dining room and publicly congratulated.

"What, though, is this dish, my good Francois?" the master asked. "We know it is some kind of wild fowl, but it has some kind of flavor all it's own— a flavor none of us has ever met with before."

"That dish," the chef answered proudly, "is a triumph of the culinary art. Only a Frenchman can prepare it. It is, in one word, an owl."

"An owl!" cried everyone, turning a little pale.

"But how," a lady asked, "could you have been so cruel as to have killed the poor bird?"

"Ah, madam," said the cook, "I did not kill it. It was dead already."

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At a banquet held in a room, the walls of which were adorned with many beautiful paintings, a well known college president was called upon to respond to a toast. In the course of his remarks, wishing to pay a compliment to the ladies present, and designating the paintings with one of his customary gestures, he said, "What need is there of these painted beauties when we have so many with us at the table?"

ABOUT DIGESTION.

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Mrs. F. E. Glandon and Miss Lillian Quinner, of Seattle, were amongst the visitors in the city this week.

It is well worth your while to take a look at Walters and Akenheads' Handkerchief and Fancy goods window.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Atkinson returned from their honeymoon trip on Wednesday, and have taken up their residence in the city.

Telephone lines throughout the city, as well as long distance wires reaching each way, were broken in many places by the heavy snowfall of Thursday afternoon.

Messrs. Carpenter and Pausche, of Nanaimo, have purchased Mr. J. Mengenhi's interest in the New Western Bar, and will conduct the same in future.

Walters & Akenhead are certainly showing a splendid range of Xmas goods. These young men are making a strong pull for a share of Ladysmith trade.

A report reached the city yesterday to the effect that a Chinaman at Northfield was killed by another Chinaman yesterday morning. A gun was used for the execution. Details of the case are not yet to hand.

Scotch and English lace curtains at Blair & Adam's.

A concert will be given on the evening of December 28th, under the auspices of the Y.M.I., at their hall in the city. Elaborate preparations for the event are under way, and those attending should enjoy themselves.

The local merchants are all busily preparing for Christmas, and each store will have some special attractions to offer in the way of Christmas goods. Next week The Ledger will endeavor to give a detailed account of the displays at the different places of business.

The semi-annual examination for admission to High schools of the Province will be held in the Ladysmith public school at the close of the current term.

Grade and class promotion examinations will be held during the coming week, and lists prepared accordingly.

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Customers are requested to come early to leave orders for their Xmas Cakes.
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The local gun club have about decided to hold a live pigeon shoot on the Sunday before Christmas. Details, however, will have to be arranged, and a meeting will probably be called shortly for this purpose.

Dr. A. C. Frost visited Vancouver this week. While there he called upon Dr. Truax, formerly of Extension but now located at North Vancouver. Dr. Truax is, states Dr. Frost, doing well in his new field, and is well pleased with the place.

Weinrobe is still going on with his cheap sale.

Fricke & Schenck, the photographers of Vancouver, again have their studio open on Campbell's corner, 1st avenue, and are prepared to fill all orders in their line at reasonable rates. They will be here only until Monday, December 17th.

Weinrobe will continue his cheap sales the whole month.

A very small audience greeted the Rev. Crockett when he appeared in the opera house on Thursday evening for the purpose of delivering a lecture on "Scott and the Scott Land." The night was exceedingly disagreeable which, perhaps, accounts for the small attendance.

Several good shows are booked for the local opera house shortly. There will be one during the coming week, and the week following a company will be here three nights in succession. Further notice will be given later.

Yesterday monring the train due here at nine o'clock from Nanaimo was delayed three hours, not reaching Ladysmith until twelve o'clock. No mail of any kind was received upon it, owing to the fact that when the train reached Nanaimo the mail bags had not yet come from the post-office, and as the train was then behind time, it could not wait. Fallen trees across the track were the cause of the delay.

It is a good chance to get your Christmas presents—at Weinrobe's cheap sale.

NORTHWEST TO SEND TEAM.

"Athletes of the Pacific Northwest, including Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia, are invited to try for the all-northwest track team to go to the Jamestown exposition in June, or July," says Bert Kerrigan, of the A.A.U., which will hold its annual meet at Jamestown this year. Mr. Kerrigan is on the record committee of the Union and has entered a team for the Northwest.

In spite of the lack of trainers, a team can be turned out that will do credit to the section.

To take them there and back will cost about $3,500. It will probably be raised by popular subscription from the sections that furnish men.

It is not very often you can buy Christmas presents at the prices you can get them for at Weinrobe's.

A HUNGRY SALMON.

I had the following story from a Montreal gentleman and I believe it to be absolutely authentic, says a writer in Country Gentleman. He was fishing for salmon in one of the streams that run into the Gulf of St. Lawrence. His friend, who knew the river well, pointed to a spot on the opposite bank where "a salmon ought to lie," and then crossed the stream a little higher up, with a desire to have a peep over the edge of the bank to verify his belief.

As he made his way through some bushes on the other side it would seem that a cast wound around his hat, got loosened. He approached the spot and, lying prone, cautiously peered over the edge of the bank. In so doing a fly on the loose cast of the hat gently touched the water, when immediately a salmon seized it with a rush up stream, carrying hook and hat.

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WALTERS & AKENHEAD

Tapestry and Chenille table covers at Blair & Adam's.

SEES CANADA'S ANNEXATION.

Goldwin Smith, Canada's publicist thinker and critic, says the Seattle P.-I., is not less vigorous in his intellectuality because of his four score and four years than when he monopolized the prizes at Oxford sixty odd years ago, if one may judge by a recent interview given the Chicago Record-Herald on that American political progress which concerns both the United States and Canada.

"The annexation of Canada to the United States will probably come," said he, "but none can say how soon or in just what way. Two countries so closely related by nature, and so similarly populated can hardly forever remain apart. It is hard to say what Canadians think of it, because I do not believe they are doing much thinking along that line. Great movements often progress unseen for a time, and so it is with this one."

The views of Goldwin Smith on the present form of government in this country, and the spectacular phrases of American politics are no less interesting. In this connection he said:

"I cannot say I consider your present form of government the best for yourselves. You made a great mistake after the civil war in not insisting upon the soveregnity of the national government. If this had been done it would not have been necessary for President Roosevelt to parley with John Mitchell when the whole continent was threatened with a famine of coal. He could have sent federal troops to the mines to protect the miners.

"But I have the highest regard for the true American. After my two years' residence in the United States I arrived at the conclusion that if questions of vital importance were left to the mass of Americans for settlement they would be well dealt with."

On the matter of American politics a thrust at Bryan is taken, good humoredly, but keen for all of that.

"You are trying to run a government without statesmen. Your president's cabinet is made up of men selected at large, not men trained to affairs they undertake to supervise. You have no trained statesmen. So soon as a man has served his few years as a leader in the presidency you set him aside, and however weighty might be his influence, it is not made use of. You seize upon a man because he coins a striking metaphor and lift him to leadership of a great political party."

It is idle to imagine Goldwin Smith's prediction will find favor in Canada. It will not. Most Canadians are loyal to the crown, and withal are imbued with a thoroughly appreciative sense of Canada's own national aspirations. It is not in thought and desire that the two foremost countries on the western hemisphere are being drawn together, but in the inexorable environment and relationships of which the United States and Canada are the creatures.

In the constant readjustments of inner relations which constitute the national existence of this country and Canada, the amalgamation is in progress. People of common impulse and purpose cannot be kept apart by an imaginary line. The integrating process of evolution will sooner or later do its work.

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LICENSE ACT 1900.

NOTICE is herby given that the following applications will be heard by the License Commisioners for the South Nanaimo Licensing District on Saturday the 15th. of December, 1906, at Hearing Court for Renewals to be held at the Court House Ladysmith, at ten o'clock p.m.

Henry Reifel, Mount View Hotel, New Castle Townsite; John Perry, Tablot Hotel, Wellington Road; Annie McDonald, Cranberry Hotel, Cranberry District; Enoch Sage, Wheat Sheaf Hotel, Cedar District; Tunnel Hotel, Extension, transfer from Alexander McMillan to John Passerini.

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WHEN TO GO HOME.

From the Bluffton, Ind., Banner: "When tired out, go home. When you want consolation, go home. When you want fun, go home. When you want to show others that you have reformed, go home and let your family get acquainted with the fact. When you want to show yourself at your best, go home and do the act there. When you feel like being extra liberal go home and practice on your wife and children first. When you want to shine with extra brilliancy go home and light up the whole household." To which we would add, when you have a bad cold go home and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and a quick cure is certain. For sale by Ladysmith Pharmacy.

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