

NOTES FROM OTTAWA

By Arthur R. Ford.

Parliament had its first sensation of the session on Friday, when Col. Hugh Hector McLean, Liberal member for Sunbury-Queen's, and one of the opposition lieutenants from New Brunswick bolted his party on the naval question and came out strongly for the Borden naval proposals. He also pleaded that the question be taken out of politics, that the vote for three Dreadnoughts be passed, and that a parliamentary committee be known as the Canadian Defence Committee should be appointed to visit England and outline a permanent policy. No speech on the Conservative side during the course of the debate was as strong a presentation of the arguments in favor of the Borden proposals as Col. McLean's. Following his speech and an announcement earlier in the day that the government intended to fight the bill through to a finish, came the news that the Liberals for the time being at least had agreed to drop their obstruction to the bill and would agree to a vote next Thursday. While the Liberals may yet hold up the bill on second or third reading or in the committee stage, the present outlook is that the Liberal opposition has collapsed. Col. McLean, the leader of the bolt is an ardent Imperialist, was commander of the last Canadian contingent and has a son in the imperial army.

Col. McLean's declaration in regard to having the question taken out of politics is well worth repeating.

"I am strongly in favor of the settlement of this great question," said Col. McLean. "Let us no longer make a football of our Canadian naval service or of the question of imperial assistance. In England all matters connected or affecting the navy and army are settled by the two great parties in a fair, amicable spirit. Let us forgive and forget the past and start square. Let both parties unite in creating an effective Canadian naval service and unite now in building three of the best fighting ships that can be built and loan them to the British admiralty."

"Carry out the Government's resolution," he declared, "and adopt the recommendation of the board of admiralty by building the largest and strongest ships of war that science can build or money supply. Let us agree to make the number three. Let a special Parliamentary committee be appointed to be known as the Canadian Defence committee. Let them take up and consider the details of a permanent Canadian naval service and our contribution to imperial defence."

"This Committee would require the advice and assistance of the best admiralty experts. They should have power to sit during the Parliamentary recess and should visit England so as to obtain at first hand the best and most reliable information. A report could be submitted at the next session of Parliament and, both parties being united as to the scheme, it could then be submitted to the people by plebiscite. I want the party leaders to show themselves in the true white light of public opinion as imperial statesmen. Let them rise above the mists of party politics."

On the question of the emergency and the German menace Col. McLean made a particularly strong case.

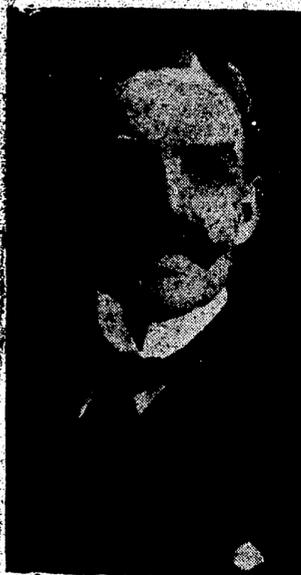
"The argument is made," he said, "that there is no emergency existing, that Britain is perfectly able to hold her own against Germany and that she can build ships fast enough to keep clear of the danger line. The word 'emergency' is not the one to use. The question is, what is our duty? Should we lie back and let England do all the work of building up a steel breakwater to protect us from Germany? In my opinion we should be represented on the firing line with Canadian ships and we should adopt the advice given by the admiralty in their memorandum and build three Canadian war vessels. There is no use of our singing the swan song and saying there is no danger. Germany is a warlike nation. Germany will be prepared to take advantage and the Kaiser is acting on the principle laid down by Frederick the Great, 'Hide as far as possible your plans and ambitions; secrecy is an indispensable virtue.' And history shows us that she strikes with secrecy."

When, continued Col. McLean, honorable gentlemen spoke of the peaceful intentions of Germany and said that she was only building vessels to protect her commerce they seemingly forgot that three in the last four years had Germany threatened war. In 1905 there was the Casablanca incident in Morocco when Britain's support enabled France to withstand German threats. Another instance was her support of Austria in the seizure of the Turkish province of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Twice in 1911 Germany and England were on the verge of war. A British flagship turned her searchlights on German cruisers close off the coast of Britain. In August of that year English battleships had out their torpedo net and had torpedo boats patrolling the fleet. In September all leave in the navy was stopped. And now there was the Balkan war with all its poten-

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HON. GEO. E. FOSTER
Minister of Trade and Commerce



A. B. ERSKINE
President of Board of Trade

Banquet to Hon. Geo. E. Foster

By Alex

The banquet at the Hotel Vancouver last Saturday night was a brilliant event. Hon. Geo. E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, in whose honor it was given by The Vancouver Board of Trade talked for fifty minutes on several topics to the delight of the one hundred guests, who were honored with seats at the banquet, and the ladies of the galleries.

Mr. A. R. Erskine, president of the Board of Trade, occupied the chair. Seated at his right were Hon. G. E. Foster, C. E. Tisdall, W. H. Mackin, the Japanese Consul, M. Yada, and C. Sweeney. At his left sat Mayor Baxter, Mr. Ralph Smith, Mr. G. H. Cowan, Mr. H. A. Stone, Mr. Ewing Buchan, Mr. Jonathan Rogers and Ald. Hepburn.

Among the other gentlemen present were Messrs. W. J. Baird, C. G. Johnson, H. Thompson, E. S. Morgan, H. Bell-irving, A. E. Hepburn, Dr. Carl Weiss, C. S. Douglas, E. P. Miller, C. B. Brydone-Jack, C. S. McArthur, G. F. Gibson, W. R. Arnold, John Nelson, W. H. P. Clubb, V. S. Meek, A. Shaw, W. A. Macdonald, G. M. Endacott, A. M. Harper, James Findlay, C. D. Rand, Mayor Gray of New Westminster, Mayor Hanes of North Vancouver, A. H. Alexander, Capt. S. G. McKenzie, A. Wallace, H. B. Brenton, E. Odium, Pasu Le Yamazaki, J. C. Jones, J. R. Seymour, E. W. McLean, R. S. Pyke, P. M. Beasley, F. L. Morgan, J. A. Howell, A. B. Clabon, A. H. Wallbridge, Martin Griffin, Dr. Riggs, J. R. Jacobs, W. McNeill, S. S. Davis, Capt. Secul, T. F. Peterson, R. P. Maitland, G. A. Odium, C. W. Veysey, G. A. Campbell, F. Newton, C. M. Buscombe, W. M. McLachlan, R. A. Conway-Miles G. B. Telfer, John Hendry, G. E. Trosky, W. Henderson, W. H. Greenwood, H. J. Watson and others.

The chairman read letters of regret from Sir Charles Tupper and Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper.

The toast, "Our Guest," was spoken to by Mr. Ralph Smith, M.P., with taste and excellent ability in the adaptation of his remarks to the event. He paid a high tribute to Mr. Foster's ability and his superior fitness for the portfolio of trade and commerce. He pointed out the necessity of ministers visiting the West and becoming conversant with the remarkable progress going on. In closing, he made a brief reference to Mr. Foster's mission to Australia, and hoped it would be crowned with success.

Mayor Baxter, who substituted Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, spoke with ease, true eloquence and a mental poise that can never be acquired but is a natural endowment.

In the course of his brief but pithy remarks he said:

"Mr. Foster was a Canadian of whom all Canadians might be proud. He was going to negotiate a treaty with our brothers under the Southern Cross, and no city in Canada was more interested in the successful result of the mission than Vancouver."

The event of the evening was the address of Hon. G. E. Foster. From the opening sentence to the final word interest never abated. It was replete in the things that prove his greatness and his adaptation to his office and present mission of trust.

Reverting to Vancouver and the province, he said, when he first entered politics he knew there was a place called British Columbia, but at that time British Columbia was as much at the back door of the world as it was possible for any country to be. Today British Columbia was at the very front door of the world. It was a front door and it would always remain a very large front door.

The speaker alluded to the awakening East, with its five hundred millions of people waking up to modern conditions and modern enterprises. What would be the position in twenty years? When he came here twenty years ago, the giant British Columbia was lying prone. Today the young giant of British Columbia was beginning to stir its limbs, quivering with vitality. What would happen when this giant was fully awake and all his great opportunities were put into action? Today, in the East, they all took off their hats to British Columbia, today one of the greatest provinces of the Dominion.

Alluding to Home Production he questioned the business sagacity of importing many articles from our neighbors such as butter, pork, ham, beef, poultry, eggs, etc. Where, he asked, could they get better feed than the Western Prairies? There was truth in the problem of over importation and under production. Its remedy would bring both capital and labor. He gave great emphasis to the following remarks, that should be pondered in this city and province:

The one main thing to be striven after was production. Distributors were valuable in their way, but they never made a blade of grass grow. Real estate men he also referred to who also did nothing in the way of actual production. Docks and wharves were splendid, but it was necessary to have something to fill them with.

In British Columbia they should get every agricultural settler they could and place them on what agricultural lands they had. The results of mining and of lumbering, left assets so much the less. They must keep in mind that they were drawing out of a great bank and that some day they would have to pay back what they had taken out.

Mr. A. R. Erskine, president of the Board of Trade, added much to the success and enjoyment of the occasion in which he demonstrated his fitness for the position.

After a vote of thanks proposed by Mr. G. H. Cowan, and the singing of the National Anthem, the banquet broke up.

As a guest and eye witness we record our observations and our appreciation of the kind invitation from the Board of Trade. Yes, The Western Call enjoyed the event.

A GREAT STATESMAN---AN IMPERIALIST

(Prof. E. Odium, M.A., B.Sc.)

The three addresses given by the Hon. George E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, while he was a visitor at Vancouver, on his way to Australia, proved him to be a statesman of the highest rank, an imperialist of the most pronounced type, and a magnificent man among men.

At the banquet he was a man of observation, and a heart to heart talker. No one would suspect him to be a politician while he spoke to the large group of interested business and professional banqueters. He left politics for "a more convenient season" as one of old. And all were delighted with him.

At the Canadian Club he was the man, the Canadian and a Christian of a peerless type. Here he won the highest possible eulogiums, and gave all who heard him a splendid treat, and a solid subject for long years of study and application to the affairs of daily life.

At the Dominion Hall, where he addressed the Conservatives, their friends and a sprinkling of good Liberals, he showed himself to be a keen politician, a clever diplomat, and an able statesman. His thought, language and plan of analysis, synthesis and reinforced argument, as applied to the history of the past in Canadian political

CANADA A TRADING NATION

(By Professor E. Odium, M.A., B.Sc.)

It is a fact that the Dominion of Canada is making gigantic strides along the lines of international trade and commerce. Her products of the land, water, forest, mine and skilled labour are making headway among the busy, enterprising and trading nations. While we are pleased at the most wonderful and steadily increasing forward movement she is making, we must take a look-in at her annual balance, and see if she has done as well as she might.

Let us look at the following figures of a few nations of the Empire. I shall give the trade, including imports and exports for eleven months of last year, 1912. The December totals are not to hand. I quote in pounds sterling:

	Imports.	Exports.
Great Britain	506,983,000	402,617,000
British South Africa.....	33,370,000	52,350,000
British India	86,886,000	135,290,000
Egypt	21,248,000	23,622,000
Canada	107,943,000	53,350,000

From the above we must admit that while the volume of business done by Canada is very creditable, still, when we see that her imports are double her exports we are forced to conclude the balance is on the wrong side. And it is a very serious balance. It means that for every dollar's worth of goods she sends out, she takes in two dollars' worth of goods from other countries. This is, in the end, a business that must prove disastrous.

If we look at India we see that she exports nearly 50,000,000 pounds sterling worth of goods more than she imports. Therefore she must be gaining in permanent wealth as against Canada. And some people tell us that Britain is exploiting India to the harm of India and solely for the good of Britain.

If we look at Egypt we find a similar state of gain, for her exports are greater than her imports. And Britain is said to injuriously exploit Egypt, too. Such exploitation is proving a boon to both Egypt and India.

And even South Africa, too, is going along with the trade balance to her advantage. This is another country said to be under the curse of the Briton. It does seem that the curse of Britain is a clear blessing. And as it was promised long ago to Abraham and his seed.

Now, what about Canada? Canada who delights to be her own mistress? She, the young North American giantess, is a growing, proud and pushing lady. But the trade balances are against her. And from my knowledge of the great nations, whose trade figures I have not given above, I venture to affirm that Canada has the worse showing, so far as balances go, of the entire list. How comes this about? How are we going to mend the matter?

In another letter I shall try to indicate one or more of the chief causes. In the meantime I suggest that those who read this comment will do well to consider and try to discover a workable solution.

life; the momentous present, and the rapidly expanding future, captivated and held spellbound his immense audience.

When he finished his address of an hour and three quarters, his audience concluded that in the hands and heads of such men as the Hon. George E. Foster Canada is safe, and Canada will do her duty before God and nations in relation to the whole Empire, and therefore to mankind. His three talks were a sort of a national and imperial REVIVAL. He is a true missionary. He has gone on his way to the land of the "Southern Cross," and we wish him Godspeed.

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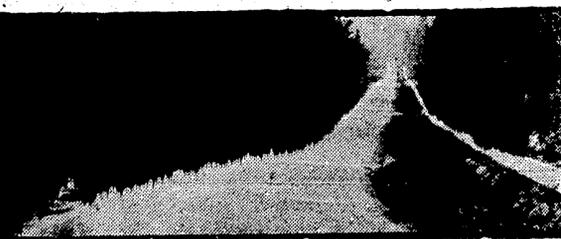
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THE SECRET OF PAUL FARLEY

BY JOHN MARCH

"I say, Mrs. Radler," he said to the buxom landlady they encountered in the sanded passage, "just bring a brandy and soda, and a bowl of warm water; this gentleman has met with an accident."

"Why, it's Mr. Farley!" she cried in surprise. "Oh, my. Well I won't be a minute, sir."

Paul sat down on the horsehair couch feeling sick and giddy. Squire Fleming turned up the light and set the lamp on the edge of the table near the sofa.

"By Jove! That's an ugly cut," he said, removing the hand pressed over the wounded eye. "That scoundrel's knuckle must be made of flint to lay a cheek open in that manner. No, don't touch it, bathe it gently with the warm water."

"Thank you," he continued, relieving the landlady of a basin and towel. "Now, Mrs. Radley, if you could oblige me with an old soft handkerchief, instead of this huckaback towel, a small piece of lint, and some plaster, I shouldn't need to give you further trouble."

"No trouble at all, sir," she said, briskly. "I have some lint left of the piece you gave my husband when he cut his wrist a week or two since, and plaster, too."

"Capital! We are in luck's way." "You are Sir Thomas Hargrave's secretary, I take it," the Squire resumed, uncorking the soda water. "My sister is dining at the Hall this evening."

"I had the pleasure of sitting next to her at dinner," Paul answered, rousing himself with an effort.

"Oh, Mrs. Radler," the Squire exclaimed apologetically, as the good creature again appeared. "I am afraid I shall run you off your legs, but I really must have a pair of sharp scissors."

"I've brought a pair, sir," she said with a breathless laugh, "I knew you'd want them for the plaster."

"You're a treasure, Mrs. Radler! I suppose a leash of partridges won't come amiss?"

Mrs. Radler vanished smiling and curtseying.

"Dry that gently, Mr. Farley," he said, placing the brandy and soda at the young man's elbow, and catching his wrist in a firm clasp as he spoke.

Paul looked up at the sunburnt face bending over him. He noted the square jaw, and the bronze moustache and the keen, steady eyes now smiling kindly into his. He saw, too, that the broad forehead was high, tanned and almost white, where the hat had protected and sheltered it from the summer's sun. The man's whole personality expressed powerful energy of mind, a welding together of severity and tenderness, and an open honest fearlessness, bred and fostered, perchance by the simplicity of his pastoral life.

"Why, you are as tremulous as the leaves of a tree," he said, with some concern, "drink that stuff and let me plaster the wound, and you'll begin to feel yourself again."

"I ought to be extremely grateful to you, Mr. Fleming," the patient said, with quivering lips, taking another glance at the face, which began to have a strange fascination for him.

"Why, for not leaving you to Denham to pound to a jelly?"

"Yes, and for the trouble you are taking now."

"Virtue brings its own reward, Mr. Farley, and one handsome brown eye has amply rewarded me, I assure you. I am congratulating myself upon not being a 'weak woman,' otherwise that wanton orb might entangle itself in the mechanism of my heart and cause a deal of mischief. Keep still. Don't move for an instant, and I shall have fixed you up very presentably. There! Now lie down while I go and see what has become of my trap."

As the door closed upon the Squire's stalwart form Paul lifted the lamp and walked unsteadily to the old-fashioned mirror. The left cheek immediately below the eye was neatly strapped with fine strips of pale yellow plaster. The eyelid was swollen and discolored, and an unbecoming puffiness thickened one side of the nose. He set the lamp back on the table, and finished his brandy, and felt in his waistcoat pocket for his eye-glasses. Coming along, the humid atmosphere had blurred the glass, and he remembered taking them off and slipping them in along with his watch, a fortunate circumstance when seen in the light of after events. He was endeavoring to replace them, trying to find a spot where they would sit with the least discomfort, and to fix the rims accordingly, when the Squire returned.

"How do you feel now, Mr. Farley?" he asked, drawing on his doekskin gloves.

"I feel quite equal to the walk back," he said, stroking his inflamed nose.

"Nonsense, I am going to drive you."

"Don't wear those glasses for a day or so," he said, as they went out together and climbed into the dogcart, "they might worry and set up an irritation. Better let the swelling subside with first intentions. Now, my girl," he added, shaking the reins, "take us to Weyberne Hall like a lady."

A north-west wind had swept the sky clear. A great golden moon hung above the plantation trees, and little gusts of wind sighed and murmured among the firs as the dogcart bowled through the town and out along the moist brown road.

"How long have you been at Weyberne Hall?" the Squire asked, as the mare sobered down into an easy regular motion.

"Five weeks. I wonder I have not met you or Miss Fleming before."

"We've been away for a couple of months. It was like this. My sister

has been at school near Brussels. She came home this July, and I met her at Harwich, with the idea of giving her a taste of gaiety before she settled down to prosy housekeeping duties. However, we found London rather dull. All the fashionable folk seemed to have flown, so I said to my sister one night at table d'hote, 'Agnes, to-morrow we'll dine in Paris.' Well, from Paris we went to the Riviera, Monte Carlo, and several other places, and have only just arrived home."

"Miss Fleming is going to keep house for you?"

"Yes. It's been pretty lonesome for me waiting for Agnes to grow up. Now, however, I hope to have some life and merriment about the old Manor."

"I presume Miss Fleming is several years your junior?"

"Fifteen. Agnes is my half-sister. Have you been there, Mr. Farley?" he asked, pointing with his whip to an oblong grey stone house nestling among a clump of trees.

"That's the Larches."

"Yes, the ornate home of the Widow Wycherly."

"She has a beautiful face, has she not, sir?"

"Very; it's a beautiful mask to a hideous soul."

"You don't like her."

"I don't know of anything in her to like. I admire her gowns, though."

"What is wrong with her boy? Tom Hargrave told me he had fits, and was sent away for medical treatment."

"Poor little Guy! Some of the more imaginative folk about the village say he is under lock and key at The Larches. That the little fellow is an inmate of a private lunatic asylum is the more feasible and generally accredited version of his disappearance."

"What caused the brain trouble?"

"Frigid, whether excited intentionally or not I must leave."

"How? By whom?"

"His mother."

"Oh, Mr. Fleming! Do you think a lovely, childish, shrinking little woman like Mrs. Wycherly could be capable of such superhuman villainess?"

"What I know and have seen of the woman I dislike immensely; therefore, perhaps, I judge her harshly. However, I'll give you my experience, and you can form your own opinion."

"My old housekeeper's niece, Rose Pilgrim, was the child's nursemaid. She used to bring the boy to my place two or three times a week to have tea with her aunt. I gradually slid the habit of ringing the bell for the child to be brought to me in the parlour. He was a quaint, charming little chap, with his mother's great hazel eyes and apple-blossom complexion. After a while I discovered that Rose came alone and my little friend's visits had entirely ceased. One evening I went into the kitchen and questioned her. She said the child was constantly being punished for the most trivial offences, and was always, more or less, crying and miserable. I promised the first evening I had I would call at The Larches and endeavor to persuade Mrs. Wycherly to let him spend a day with me now and again. Harvest was in full swing, and I forgot Guy's troubles, but one night I had occasion to ride into East Weyberne, and as I was passing The Larches I thought of the child. I turned in at the white gate, rode up to the house, gave my horse to a stable lad who was hanging about, and rang the bell. Rose Pilgrim answered it, and when she saw me she came out and pulled the door to behind her."

"Mr. Fleming," she said, laying an impressive hand on my arm, "that woman either intends to murder or craze the child. He is locked in a closet under the stairs and is shrieking himself mad."

"Have you the key, or do you know where it is?" I asked.

"She shook her head."

"What kind of a door is it? Easy to open?"

She nodded.

"Come along and show me the way, then," I said.

"But the mistress! She'll hear you."

"No matter at all; she can't prevent me, and the rest does not signify."

"Sir," she whispered, looking cautiously around; "it's better the poor child should lose his reason than his harm come to you—and Miss Agnes coming home!"

"What could happen! What is it, Rose," I demanded, as I saw the girl's face whiten.

"She carries firearms," she whispered, "and if thwarted she would not scruple to use them."

"Come, Rose, lead the way," I said, twisting the leather thong round my whip handle.

"We went softly up the stairs together. Rose stopped at a door under the second flight of stairs and bent to listen at the keyhole."

"He's very quiet now," she said, a great fear dawning in her eyes.

"I threw my whip on the floor and made a terrific lunge at the door. The slight framework gave way with a crash. The interior was dark, and before I could fully realize that the place was empty I received an awful blow on the side of my head and face, accompanied by a scream of terror from Rose. For a few minutes I leaned against the wall partially stunned, and then turned to find Mrs. Wycherly facing me, my whip in her hand."

"Mr. Fleming," she exclaimed, dropping the whip and holding out her little jewelled hands, "pray forgive me; I had no idea I was assailing a friend and neighbor. I heard stealthy steps and low voices, and although half-dead with fright I followed, determined to make an effort, however futile, to protect my household goods."

"But the boy!" I said, bewildered, my head darting and shooting with pain. "I thought he was in this closet and crying to be let out."

"My boy! Why Guy is asleep in his brass crib. I hope you have not been drinking, Mr. Fleming?" and the look of rage and malevolence she turned on Rose decided me to take the girl back to her aunt that night.

"I humbly apologize," I said, recovering my hat and whip. "I came to do you a service, Mrs. Wycherly, but I am afraid I have only annoyed and frightened you."

"Never mind," she said, smiling a sweet, naive smile, "I belabored you, so we are quits, and can afford to bury the hatchet between us."

"How did Rose come to make such an egregious mistake?" Paul asked.

"There was no mistake, Mr. Farley; the child was there up to the time she heard and recognised my mare. She also heard the ball and watched Rose come out to me and close the door. She drew conclusions and acted swiftly. She had wit enough also to perceive that I was not taken in by the ruse, and loves me accordingly."

"Do you think there was ever a period during her widowhood when she contemplated becoming Mrs. Fleming?"

A spontaneous hearty laugh rang through the dusky stillness, awakening the game in the adjoining wood.

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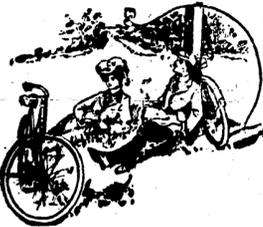
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A meeting of the Grand Lodge of Black Knights of British Columbia was held on Tuesday forenoon and afternoon in the Orange Hall. The meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Orangemen was held on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Much enthusiasm was manifested. Important legislation was enacted.

The Senior Leaders of the Y.M.C.A. were the guests of a number of young ladies of the Y.W.C.A. at a valentine party, in the gymnasium of the latter, Friday, Feb. 14. A program of folk dances followed by dainty refreshments made the evening a pleasant one. A solo by Miss Kirby and a violin solo by Mr. H. Austen added greatly to the evening's entertainment.

Methodist Choir Concert.

The annual choir concert of the Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church will be held on Tuesday evening, Feb. 25th. This will be a rare treat for all lovers of music. Some of the finest soloists in the city will participate. By request Mme. Yulisse will sing some of her famous "Bird Songs," in which she takes notes so high as to seem incredible that a human voice could reach them.

White Tickets on B. C. E. R.

The evening period during which white tickets may be used on the lines of the B. C. Electric Railway has been altered to the usual time prevailing during the longer days of the year. During the winter season the company has been accepting white tickets for transportation from 4:30 to 7 p. m., but the "summer rule," which is now in force, directs the conductors to accept white tickets only after 5 p. m. There is no change in the morning hour during which white tickets are accepted.

Crushed by Motor Truck.

Jack Felcher, driver for the Kelly-Douglas Company, was severely crushed before a motor truck and wagon, both belonging to the company, Tuesday at 11 a. m. It being feared that his injuries were serious, he was rushed to St. Paul's Hospital in one of the company's motor trucks. Medical examination showed that he was not seriously hurt. The injured man, who is married and lives at 868 Broadway East, was anxious that his wife be not told of the accident, and the police waited for some time before informing her.

Men's Dinner Party.

Mount Pleasant Methodist Church school room was the scene of an interesting men's dinner party Tuesday evening. The attendance taxed the accommodation of the room, and the feast spread by the ladies was highly satisfying. After a period spent in getting acquainted there was an interesting review of the history of the church by Mr. Sparling and others, followed by a harmonious and profitable conference on financial and other questions. The pastor, Mr. Hall, performed the duties of toastmaster. Toasts were proposed by himself, Mr. Carter, Alderman Mahan and others. The only visiting speaker was Rev. E. W. Stapleford.

Rev. Dr. Sipprell is invited at Pastor. Mount Pleasant Methodist Church has invited Rev. Dr. W. J. Sipprell to take the pastorate in succession to Rev. Lashley Hall, whose resignation, tendered last autumn, takes effect at the end of the conference year.

A cable received yesterday from Dr. Sipprell, whose is now at Cambridge University, accepted the pastorate subject to the approval of the conference.

Dr. Sipprell resigned the principalship of Columbian College two years ago, and since then has been pursuing a course of study in Oxford and Cambridge Universities, with a season or travel on the Continent.

During the fourteen years that Dr. Sipprell presided over Columbian College he became well known in this province. He was president of the B. C. Conference in 1904, and has been a member of several General Conferences. He is a native of Ontario, a graduate in Arts of Toronto University, and in Divinity of Victoria College, and before coming to this province held several pastorates in the Niagara and Hamilton Conferences.

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Mothers' Reception.

The mothers of the Grandview Methodist Sunday School Primary Department children were given a reception by the superintendent, Mrs. Thomas Odium, and the teachers of the department on Tuesday evening of this week at 8 o'clock.

A large number of the mothers were present and were waited upon and entertained by the officers and teachers who rendered a very pleasing program, consisting of reading, recitations and music, both vocal and instrumental.

Refreshments were served and a guessing contest with prizes added to the pleasure.

It was home-like and good enough to be repeated.

BRANDON FORGING AHEAD.

BRANDON, Man.—Plans looking to the formation of an association to include all local boards of trade in the Brandon district are taking favorable shape and are expected to result in a definite organization very shortly.

Plans for the Dominion Fair to be held in Brandon in July are now well in hand, the position of this city in the circuit of agricultural fairs held in this part of the West now being fully recognized among outside exhibitors. Included in the plans as outlines will be a large manufacturers' display building and a cattle barn. Work on both buildings is to start at an early date.

Lawyer (to judge)—I admit that my client called the plaintiff an ox, but, seeing the price of meat, I consider that rather as a compliment than an insult.—Sacred Heart Review.

WILL DEVELOP LOCAL MARKETS.

KAMLOOPS, B. C.—That the development of a nearby market for a large part of the agricultural products of the Kamloops district is entirely feasible is the opinion advanced by local produce merchants familiar with the situation. It appears, for instance, that from two to five thousand tons of grain are available in the district for local use at interior points, and that this amount should be easily disposed of. It is pointed out that fruit growers purchase all their oats and chicken feed, not a hundredth part of it being grown by themselves. Steps will now be taken to gather and tabulate exact information as to variety and price of the local product, and a ready market for all surplus is said to be ready. Kamloops growers are widely interested in this movement.

WEYBURN'S PROGRESS SHOWN IN REPORT.

WEYBURN, Sask.—In his own annual report to the Weyburn board of trade, Secretary Chas. A. Cook expresses the belief that the publicity work accomplished during the past year will show substantial results in the near future. "The manufacturing East has its eyes on Weyburn," says Mr. Cook, "and with anything like a definite assurance of the advent of the C. N. R. they will lose no time in entering this field." Among the important improvements scheduled for Weyburn for 1913 is a new hotel to cost over \$100,000 to be erected near the C. P. R. depot. Five hotels, however, could not cope with the trade at the present time, it is estimated. The entrance of the C.N.R. into Weyburn during the coming spring is expected to mark the commencement of a new era of progress for the city and district.

MOOSE JAW SEEKS MORE ELEVATORS.

MOOSE JAW, Sask.—In view of current reports as to the systematic establishment of grain elevators of large capacity at various points in the West, grain men are of the opinion that it is to be the Government policy to assist in every way possible the milling of grain in prairie towns and cities. It is argued, however, that before any community secures one of the proposed elevators, it should be required to produce assurances of a milling capacity equal to at least 2500 barrels every 24 hours.

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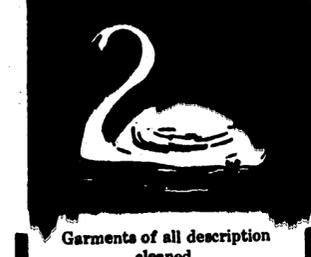
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JOAQUIN MILLER HAS PASSED AWAY.

"Poet of the Sierras" Dies in His Home in California—Some of the Strange Adventurous Life of Writer.

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—"Joaquin" Miller, the Poet of the Sierras, died yesterday in his one-room cabin which he built with his own hands in the Piedmont Hills many years ago. His daughter, Juanita Miller, and his wife were with him. The end came at 3 o'clock in the afternoon with warm sunshine coding the room where lay the author of "Songs of the Sunland."

Death came slowly upon the venerable poet. He became unconscious on Thursday, after a lingering illness, which began when he was stricken with paralysis two years ago. His wife and daughter were summoned at that time from the east and have been with him since. The weakness of old age had crept upon him, and although he worked at times, he rarely ventured far from the "Heights," as he called his mountain retreat.

For many years "The Heights" has been the Mecca of lovers of Joaquin Miller's poetry. He received his guests graciously and loved to talk in a vein of quaint humor of the old adventurous days which he memorialized in his verse. His faculties were undimmed until almost the end, and he worked at intervals upon a poem which he said was to be the most momentous work of his life. He guarded the poem with the utmost secrecy and not even his wife and daughter knew its subject.

A Man of the Wilds.

Cincinnatus Helme Miller, better known by his pen name, "Joaquin" Miller, was one of the most picturesque characters in the literary world of the United States. He was born from Scotch-American parents in the Wabash district of Indiana, on November 10, 1842. He was scarcely ten years of age when his father emigrated to Oregon, then a wild and sparsely settled country. He received but little education and lived a wild and adventurous life. Three years later, Miller, then a boy of 13, left home to try his fortunes in California.

Very little of reliable nature is known of young Miller's life during the seven years he roamed aimlessly through the wilds of Northern California and Southern Oregon. Gold diggers, lumber men and trappers, Indians and outlaws were his companions. The erratic nature of the young poet was unintelligible to the rough adventurers with whom he came in contact and they considered him crack-brained.

After his return to Oregon he took up the study of law and later became editor of the Democratic Register, a weekly newspaper in Eugene, Ore., which was suppressed by the authorities afterwards because of the seditious character of its editorials.

It was while he was editor of the Democratic Register that he became acquainted with Minnie Myrtle, a frequent contributor of poetry to the paper. A brief courtship was followed by their marriage and two children were the result of that union.

Lionized in London.

In 1863 Miller opened a law office in Canon City, Oregon. While living in that young and struggling town he distinguished himself by leading an expedition against the hostile Indians, who had attacked the settlement. In 1866 Miller was made county judge of Grant County, which post he occupied until 1870. His literary activity began about 1864 or 1865. He began to write poems, dealing mostly with the adventurous life of the west. He published first a collection

of poems in paper covers, called "Specimens" and next a volume with the title "Joaquin et al," which contained a defence of Joaquin Murietta, the famous Spanish-American outlaw, who had been the terror of California for ten years. From this Miller took his pen name "Joaquin" under which he published all his subsequent works.

In 1870 Miller went to London, where he published the following year, his "Songs of the Sierras" and "Pacific Poems." During his sojourn in London, Miller was taken up by society and became a much sought after guest in drawing rooms. The romantic nimbus surrounding his personality, his eccentric way of dressing and of bearing himself interested society and he was fairly overwhelmed with invitations. His poems were read by everybody and there was no man more popular than he in London at that time. He used to entertain his hosts with accounts of his life in the wilderness, his fights with Indians and outlaws, his experiences in the gold fields and in the camps of the Indians.

After his return from England, Miller found himself a celebrity in his own country. He was well known and had no difficulty in finding papers or magazines, eager to print and liberally pay for his prose and poetry. He became a regular contributor to the daily and periodical press and in 1873 published another volume under the title of "Songs of the Sun Lands" and a prose volume, entitled, "Life Among the Modocs; Unwritten History." In later years he published more than twenty books, poems, novels, essays and plays. Of the latter "The Danites" and "49" became quite popular. For two years he travelled in Alaska and wrote letters to newspapers about the conditions in the Yukon and the Klondike. For a number of years he lived the life of a recluse on his farm near Oakland, Cal., but the last years of his life he spent on his estate "The Heights" near Diamond, California.

RAILWAY NORTHEAST FROM BELLA COOLA.

Capital of Pacific-Hudson Bay Line to Be Increased to \$25,000,000.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The railway committee of the House of Commons today reported the bill which changes the route of the Pacific & Hudson Bay Railway Company. Mr. Clive Pringle, counsel for the company, said that as a result of the surveys made, it had been decided to start from Bella Coola Inlet instead of Dean Inlet. The route, he said, had all been surveyed.

Mr. H. H. Stevens, speaking in support of the bill, said that there is a fine harbor at Bella Coola, and the valley of that name is a fine agricultural country. It was explained that the construction will commence at both Fort George and the Pacific at an early date. A branch line to Fort MacLeod is proposed.

The proposed main line is from the Pacific to the Hudson Bay, and in view of its length, some 2,580 miles, the capital of the company is increased from five to twenty-five million dollars.

GROWTH OF RESIDENTIAL WINNIPEG.

WINNIPEG, Man.—A survey of Winnipeg's present rapid suburban growth especially in the high-class residential sections indicates a steady forward movement that is increasing rapidly in volume and persistency season by season.

Madero Forced Out of Office

Mexico City, Feb. 18.—Francisco I. Madero, arrested in the national palace this afternoon by General Blanquet, one of his own commanders, was forced to sign his resignation from the presidency.

General Victoriano Huerta, commander of the federal troops, which have been fighting Diaz, has been proclaimed provisional president.

Gustave Madero, and all the cabinet ministers, with the exception of Ernesto Madero, are under arrest. The vice-president of the Republic, Jose Pino Suarez, still is at liberty, but in hiding.

The American ambassador and the other foreign diplomats held a conference at the American embassy tonight to discuss the re-establishment of order and the further protection of foreign residents.

The Zocalo, the great plaza in front of the palace, was jammed tonight with a delirious crowd with banners inscribed "peace" and "liberty," shouting for Diaz, Huerta, Blanquet and Mondragon.

The women members of the Madero family, who were in Chapultepec castle, were whisked away in automobiles by friends who had learned of the coup at the national palace.

Military Governor.

Telegrams have been sent to the governors of the states notifying them of the proclamation of Huerta as provisional president, and also the military commanders assuring them that a general election will be held.

General Huerta made a speech from the balcony of the palace to the assembled crowds. He declared that he had no personal ambition and announced himself as military governor, and General Blanquet as military commander of the federal district.

It is fully believed that a definite agreement will be reached between the rebel forces and General Huerta. The negotiations will be conducted through the American embassy.

Huerta received a commission from the diplomatic corps. He said he had assumed the provisional presidency and would deliver it to whomever Congress designated.

General Felipe Angeles, who refused to support the new government, was placed under arrest.

One of the first acts of General Huerta as provisional president was to notify Ambassador Wilson of the change of government. He informed the ambassador that he had in his power in the National Palace the president of the republic and his ministers.

Has No Ambition.

General Huerta asked that be interpreted as a patriotic manifesto of a man who has no ambition other than to serve his country and who wishes to re-establish peace in the country to insure the safety of the interests of its sons and of the foreigners.

He requested Ambassador Wilson to notify President Taft and the diplomatic representatives of all that had occurred and to give notification to the rebels.

Another early official act of General Huerta was to send a note to the deputies calling them to meet in special session for the purpose of giving legality to the new order of things.

Anticipating danger from mobs, the provisional president supplemented his speech at the palace with a proclamation in which he outlined the developments and appealed to the patriotism of Mexicans to maintain order.

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tialities for disturbance. Germany could not easily be assailed by sea, having a small coast line protected by enormous batteries while the British Empire was world wide.

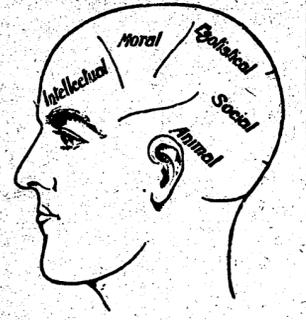
"It does seem to me," he added, "that the moral effect would be greater if Canada could build and loan to England three of the best fighting ships that science can devise and money build. This would be better than two small fleet units on the Pacific and Atlantic. If you are going to help England, let us give her what she asks. If British power is broken Canada is left defenceless and where would Germany find a colony like Canada or what would keep the Japanese from landing on the Pacific Coast.

"Germany is now on the last lap of the race. Her debt is heavy and might not the appearance of Canada as a factor decide the Germans to stop the struggle for supremacy at sea? We have been singing 'God Save the King' and 'God Save the Queen' for a great number of years. Let us show the mother country that our loyalty is not merely hot air."

Through the reports of H. H. Stevens, Vancouver's energetic member, the postal department has issued orders for postal free mail delivery in portions of Point Grey, including D. L. 472 and Shaughnessy Heights.
Mr. Stevens addressed this week the Canadian

Club of Peterborough on Asiatic immigration into Canada and judging by the complimentary comments of the press, Liberal and Conservative, he made a most favorable impression. The Peterborough Review describes the address as "one of the most interesting and instructive addresses ever given before the club, and adds, 'coming as he did from the Coast where the situation is the most critical the speaker used facts gained by personal observation and to all indications his hearers were convinced that the west faces a situation that is not desirable.'" One extract from his speech seems to have particularly impressed the Review, which emphasizes it by playing it up in ten point type. It was the following on the Hindus.

"We exclude the Britishers if they do not meet the requirements of the law. We have no room for men who are drones and who will deteriorate the race. COMING TO THIS COUNTRY IS A PRIVILEGE. . . . There are some who would say the Hindu women should be allowed to come. We say which wife, and if not which wife, we ask do you want to introduce into Canada the system of child-wife? . . . They say the Sikhs are willing to marry our people. What one of you would want to see his daughter or sister married to a Hindu? Not one, and yet marriage is absolutely the basis of assimilation."



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Annexation Bill is Endorsed by Council. SOUTH VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—The Annexation Bill passed by the Vancouver City Council yesterday received the unanimous endorsement of the South Vancouver Council at a special meeting held this afternoon.

Car Service Improvements. SOUTH VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—The B. C. E. R. yesterday assured the municipal council that through cars on Main street from Twenty-fifth avenue to Fraser street, would be run just as soon as the "Y" line could be laid. Cars will then be enabled to run through from the city to the Fraser terminus, thus avoiding the present interchange of cars at Twenty-fifth and Main, which causes great inconvenience.

Effects of Tax Sale Case. SOUTH VANCOUVER, Feb. 14.—A refund of taxes from the year 1898 to the present time was asked by Messrs. Smith Brothers in a letter to the council, read this afternoon. The firm wrote that following upon the decision in the Anderson tax sale case, they had found that they had paid \$1,400 in taxes to the municipality on land in D. L. 701, which they had never owned. The request was referred to the solicitor for legal advice.

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Wheat for the Orient. Hitherto only small shipments of wheat have gone across the Pacific, but the announcement has been made that the Fukui Maru will come here next month to carry 5,000 tons of wheat to Japan, and that she will be the first of a number of Japanese steamers which will come to Vancouver every month for wheat during the coming season. This new departure is stated to be the result of the failure of the Australian grain crop. The Fukui Maru loaded herring here for the Orient in 1907-8.

New Fishing Regulations. OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—An order-in-council has been passed making a few slight changes in the special fishery regulations for British Columbia, which went into effect on March 12, 1910. The new regulations provide that the use of nets, other than gill nets, drift nets, drag nets and seines shall not be permitted in the capture of herring or pilchard. A herring or pilchard purse seine shall not exceed 100 fathoms in length and the mesh shall be one inch, extension measure. The fee on a herring or pilchard purse seine shall be \$75.

World's

Business Directory

Go to Clubb & Stewart for high-class gent's furnishings.

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For knives that will cut and hold their edge go to Tisdall's, Limited, 618-620 Hastings St. W.

A full line of the best magazines, fruit and candles, at the Mt. Pleasant Confectionery, 2440 Main Street.

Bachelor Cigars are union made. You might as well try one and have a good smoke, when you do smoke.

Lee & Wood, 523 Broadway W., sell wall paper that is up-to-date. Try some. Let them fix up your rooms.

Dr. W. J. Curry, Dentist, 301 Dominion Trust Building, phone Sey. 2354, does honest and reliable work.

The Okanagan Valley Fruit Market, 2446 Main Street, has a fine stock of apples; good eaters and good cookers.

At 1150 Commercial Drive the 99c Store sells everything from 5 to 99c. Its goods are good and worth inspection.

The Don sells high-class chocolates, fruits and stationery, at 3643 Main street, second store from Eleventh avenue.

Bitulithic paving makes ideal roads. Get some of their literature, at 717 Dominion Trust Bldg., or phone Seymour 7129.

For express, baggage and storage go to Main Transfer Co. stand, 2431 Scotia Street, Mt. Pleasant. Phone Fair. 1177.

For rigs and carriages at all hours of the day or night, go to the M. Pleasant Livery, corner Broadway and Main. Phone Fairmont 845.

In the spring the housewife's fancy turns to cleaning and to paint. W. E. Owen, 3337 Main street, has a complete stock for painting and cleaning.

The Chic Blouse Co., 723 Georgia Street, opposite Vancouver Hotel, phone Seymour 2823, has an up-to-date stock of new spring waists. Call in and investigate.

Swindell Bros., 1417 Commercial Drive, on page 2 of this issue have a very interesting list of goods carried.

by them, and the prices they sell at. For quality, go to this firm.

For dainty, clean and appetizing luncheon just try the Queen Tea Rooms, 618 Granville Street.

The Honig Stores are still in the game, and are offering bargains that ARE bargains. Investigation will be worth while.

The B. C. Telephone service makes miles grow short. See their rates and you will find that for quick communication the prices are reasonable.

For the best grades of stationery, books, magazines, toys and confectionery go to the Grandview Stationery, 1130 Commercial Drive, sub-agency for the Columbia Graphophone.

At the corner of Commercial Drive and Fourteenth Avenue is the Buffalo Grocery, "The Home of Quality." The groceries, fruits and provisions kept by this firm are all guaranteed.

Good teeth enhance appearance, conduce to health, aid in use of language, and contribute to comfort in the undisputable argument of Dr. Wood, dentist, 312-313 Lee Bldg.

For confidential investigations you want a man of integrity, experience and ability. That man is Johnston; secrecy guaranteed. Vide press. The Secret Service Bureau, 319 Pender.

A reliable, high-class furniture store is the Toronto Furniture Store, run by Mr. M. H. Cowan, at 3334 Main Street. Dressers, buffets, tables, chairs, couches, mattresses, bedsteads, etc.

Many a train has been missed, and many a dollar lost by a man carrying an unreliable timepiece. Take your watch or clock to A. Wismer, 1433 Commercial Drive, and he will make it reliable.

Stanley & Co., 3317 Main St., are selling high-class wall paper; they will supply the paper and put it on your walls, by single room or by contract do the whole house. Their prices are very reasonable.

Did you ever stop to think that the business that remains in business is the firm that gives satisfaction? The Winnipeg Grocery, corner Harris and Campbell avenues, has been giving satisfaction for all its career.

To have a successful career, either as a stenographer or book-keeper, a course at the Success Business College, corner Main and Tenth Avenue, will go far towards giving you the realization of your ambition.

Another store worth recommending is E. M. Lynn's Grocery, corner Keefer Street and Campbell Avenue. Mr. Lynn sees that all customers are served promptly and invites anybody and everybody to test his store.

The Sanitary Market, 3513 Main street, near Broadway, sells meats, fish and poultry of a little better quality and for a little less money than its competitors. For example, see Sanitary ad. on page 4 of this issue.

Fruits, vegetables, flour, feed, tea, coffee, cocoa, sugar, at the South Hill Grocery, run by F. J. Rolston, the Reliable Grocer, corner Forty-fifth and Fraser Avenues. Also River Road and Fraser Avenue. Phone Fraser 99.

Ernest Shaw, D.C., Doctor of Chiropractic, 250 Twenty-second Avenue E., close to Main Street. Office hours, 1:30 to 6. Often a slight derangement of the spine is the cause of prolonged disease and suffering. Chiropractic corrects the spine.

G. E. McBride & Co., corner Main Street and Sixteenth Avenue (phone Fairmont 899), also at corner Forty-ninth and Fraser Avenues (phone Fairmont 1167L), are offering 20 per cent. off heaters. Are you wanting a heater or stove or range? Now is your time to buy.

BIGGAR, Sask.—Improved warehouse and cold storage facilities are assured for Biggar for the coming season by the decision of Peterson and Fels, the well-known Winnipeg contractors, to make this point their Western distributing centre, with a large plant in the G. T. P. yards. Produce and supplies will be handled in carload lots, the buying being done locally as far as possible, and a decided improvement in marketing conditions for Biggar farmers is anticipated.

CITY

Mr. Foster in City
Bound for Australia as special trade commissioner for Canada with a view to bringing about better trade relations between the countries of the South Seas and the Dominion, the Hon. George E. Foster, minister of trade and commerce, arrived in Vancouver last Friday afternoon from Ottawa.

He was given a flattering reception on his arrival, being met at the Canadian Pacific terminal by at least one hundred of Vancouver's leading citizens, headed by Mayor T. S. Baxter and many aldermanic representatives.

Early Start on Big Bridge.
Advices from Ottawa and Victoria indicate that the many difficulties which have retarded the Second Narrows Bridge project up to the present time, will all be cleared up at an early date, and that the Burrard Inlet Tunnel & Bridge Company will be enabled to start actual construction work on the structure within the next few months.

Falls Five Stories.
"Some people, you know, are remarkably hard-headed," remarked the house doctor at the General Hospital to a reporter last week. He was explaining that one Jim Yuen, a Chinaman, who at 5:40 p.m. last Friday plunged out of the fifth storey of the high building in Chinatown, at the corner of Pender street and Shanghai alley, and struck with considerable force on the cement sidewalk, chanced to be suffering only from a scalp wound and a slight concussion of the brain.

Wants the Lid Clamped Tight.
Speaking in the Efficiency Club rooms in the Y. W. C. A. last week, Alderman Ramsay, after making an attack on the moral state of Vancouver, urged the churches and citizens to unite and support those who wished to turn the city into one of clean morals. He then turned to the progress the city had made commercially, giving figures regarding the increase in population and various industries. Concluding, he stated that the city was well to the fore with regard to commercial progress and if this was to be maintained strict attention should be paid towards moral progress as well.

May Erect Memorial Here.
Lady Tupper, regent of the Municipal Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire, has announced that the organization has under consideration the raising of funds for the erection of a memorial in Vancouver to the memory of Captain Scott and those in the party who perished with him. They plan to ask the co-operation of the public. The memorial will be placed in some suitable place in the city, but it has not been decided yet just what form it will take. Vancouver's citizens wore white yesterday, the symbol of mourning for the Scott party. White flowers and white ribbons were in evidence everywhere. Pupils in all the schools wore white of some sort, and white flowers were in great demand throughout the city.

Allege Forgery on Local Bank.
New York, Feb. 14.—The glittering swath that William Van Taffrey, a young bank teller of Nova Scotia, has cut through New York, Boston and London, ended here last night in the police station. Van Taffrey, who is 20 years old, is charged with cashing a forged draft for \$5,400 on the Royal Bank of Canada at Vancouver.

It is alleged that he forged the name of the cashier to a draft payable at the New York branch of the bank, then came here and represented himself as the payee, and got the money. After a glided career in Boston and London he returned to New York, where he was arrested by a detective who gained his confidence by posing as a millionaire's son. According to the police, Van Taffrey admits his guilt.

Probing Hold-up Man's History.
Not only will the series of hold-ups and highway robberies, which have occurred during the earlier part of the winter and for which George Wilson, who was so sensationally captured a few weeks ago, is alleged to be responsible, be explained, but several crimes of this nature which occurred in California and in which state this alleged criminal is wanted, will probably come to light. This is the latest development of this case, according to pictures and records received recently by the local police.

Wilson has served several sentences of varying length in San Quentin and Folsom prisons is the declaration of the local detectives. He is said to be known under the aliases of Gordon, Smithers, Peterson and others, and is also said to be familiar with the conditions in Walla Walla, Salt Lake and several other eastern jails, according to these records. It is difficult at present for the police to ascertain the exact length of Wilson's criminal record,

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- Carpenters' Aprons, with 7 pockets, legs or straps, in brown or white duck; regular, \$1.75, now 75c
- 2 in 1 Shoe Polish, 2 tins 15c
- Smoky City Wall Paper Cleaner, per tin 25c
- Veribrite Furniture Veneer, regular 25c; now 15c
- Veribrite Furniture Veneer, large size; regular, 50c; now 35c
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ord, but previous to his trial at the spring assizes it will be prepared.

Many Frozen Oranges Are Being Condemned.

Beware of frozen oranges here from California, is a warning issued by Mr. Thomas Cunningham, provincial fruit inspector, to all prospective purchasers of that fruit.

Already two car loads and a number of smaller shipments have been condemned and sent back by Inspector Cunningham and his staff within the last two days.

For when the oranges are once frozen and then thawed out again the fruit very quickly deteriorates and is not only worthless for food but dangerous after decomposition sets in. What makes frozen oranges hard to detect is the fact that until the entire heart of the fruit rots the outer skin shows little trace of the fact that it has been frozen. There is even a chance that some of the frozen fruit has escaped detection by the inspectors, but they believe they have condemned most of it at least, as by this time they have become familiar with the slight indications of the injury to the oranges.

Latest accounts from the south indicate that nearly seventy-five per cent of the orange crop of California was affected by the recent unprecedented frost experienced there last month. Some of the fruit was only slightly affected by the frost, so lightly that to all appearances it looks perfectly sound, even when cut open—but it can be detected by a slight bitter taste.

The recent frost caused a severe loss to the orange growers of California, all citrus fruits suffering to a certain extent.

LATEST NEWS.

Mrs. Pankhurst admits that the Militant Suffragettes blew up the country residence of Mr. Lloyd George with dynamite.

A great fire in Tokyo has destroyed a thousand buildings.

Late President Madero of Mexico must spend his remaining days in exile from his country.

Bitter cold weather suspends hostilities in the Gallipoli Peninsula and at Tchatalja. Turks expected to sue for peace soon.

Dominion Government inspectors declare that butter is being watered by wholesale firms in Vancouver. This process increases the weight and thus cheats the consumer.

PROSPERITY THE RULE WITH B. C. FRUIT GROWERS.

ELKO, B. C.—Reports of the phenomenal successes of farmers and fruit growers in the Elko and East Kootenay districts continue to command the attention of real estate men and investors, especially in view of the record influx of newcomers booked for arrival during the coming season.

Recent railway development in this section of the province has now practically assured the position of Elko as the entrance to the Columbia Kootenay valley and the chief transportation centre. It is estimated in Government reports that the valley contains not less than one million acres of arable land, in addition to immense timber and mineral resources. With the coming of improved transportation facilities the development of the district is expected to go forward very rapidly.

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Mr. Ralph Smith will take the chair.

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