

LABOR DAY.

Nanaimo Has on the Whole a Very Successful Celebration Yesterday.

Recovery of a Boat Stolen From the Fraser—Arrest of the Occupants.

(Special to the Colonist.)

NANAIMO, Sept. 9.—To meet the reduction in wages the city butchers have all agreed to lower the price of meat.

The Foresters have declared their annual picnic off for this year, owing to the decided unpopularity of the weather.

The local branch of the Y.M.C.A. will, in future, publish monthly statements of accounts, in order to afford the public the fullest information of its financial standing.

The trouble for some time existing between the tailoring firm of J. Caldwell & Co. and its employees has been settled by the latter agreeing to a reduction of ten per cent.

Most of the stores were closed all day, this evening the dry-goods stores opened from 6 to 10 o'clock.

An Italian had his hand blown off, yesterday afternoon, whilst out shooting in the neighborhood of Northfield. The man fired at a bird and the gun exploded in his hands. Dr. Bell Campbell amputated what little of the hand was left.

The two men rescued yesterday morning by the ss. Estelle, and brought with their boat here, are now in jail. Chief of Police O'Connell, some few days ago, received word from Ladner's Landing that a sailboat had been stolen from that place. He had since been keeping a look out for any craft of the kind that might come in here. Late last evening an Indian, who had been fishing on the Fraser, arrived from Vancouver, and directly he saw the boat tied up at the wharf identified it as being the one missing from Ladner's. The Indian, Mr. Forster, recognized the men, McCall and McVicar, as having been engaged at the B.I. cannery earlier in the summer. Indian Jim notified the police and O'Connell immediately examined the boat and found that it answered the description of the last boat provided him by Constable Purdy, of Ladner's. McCall and McVicar were arrested. The former is apparently entirely innocent of the theft, but McVicar, though he has a plausible story of having bought the boat from a Greek for \$75, no doubt obtained it at what he then considered a much lower price. In his statement to the Chief he admitted that he had stolen the boat, and finally admitted that his boat was the one that was reported stolen, but persisted in his statement that he had bought it. The men will be detained in jail pending further instructions from Ladner's.

Rain spoiled what would have otherwise been one of the most successful labor day demonstrations ever held in Nanaimo. The trades union procession was a big affair and well organized. All the unions in town were represented, also Northfield and Vancouver; but there was a remarkably poor attendance of interest. The sports in the Caledonian grounds came off under adverse circumstances, and were not very interesting. The addresses, which are always the great event in Nanaimo's labor demonstrations, were exceptional in name on this occasion. Mayor Haalun was chairman. T. Forster, M. P. P., the first speaker, dealt with the causes of the present depression throughout the world, and said it was in great measure, if not entirely, to the spirit of speculative capitalism, and laboring men advocated legislation for the prohibition of speculation in any form. T. Keith, M. P. P., spoke next. His address throughout was an earnest advocacy of unionism, and was well received. Rev. D. A. Macdonald, the last speaker, made peculiarly appropriate remarks on the labor question generally, taking as his subject the "Rights of man." A grand dance in the evening brought the celebration to a close. The entertainment at the Opera House under the auspices of the Vancouver Fire and Drum Band was well attended.

Further enquiries regarding the boat reported stolen from Ladner's Landing, elicited the fact that McVicar's statements were perfectly correct. The men have been released from jail.

DUNCAN.

DUNCAN, Sept. 9.—One of Mr. W. P. Jaynes' barns, formerly used as the Library and Literary institute, at Quamichan, and containing about 15 tons of hay, was burned to the ground last night. Loss, \$600; not insured; cause of fire unknown.

DRIVING THEM OUT.

White Men Raid Chinese Laborers and Brutally Abuse Them—Bound to Carry Out the Geary Law.

FRESNO, Sept. 9.—Six white men raided R. H. Metzler's vineyard, three and a half miles from here, last night. The bunk house was fired into and broken open, and two Chinamen were severely injured. It was about midnight when the six men ordered the Chinese laborers at the vineyard to vacate their quarters and leave the place at once. No attention was paid to the demand of the raiders, and, becoming enraged, they commenced firing shots into the house occupied by Chinese. None of them were injured by shots, and the Mongolians still refused to leave. They lay cowering in the bunkhouse, not daring to venture out for fear of being murdered. The raiders commenced pulling the filthy bunkhouse down upon the heads of the terrified Chinese. When they were finally forced to leave the place the raiders fell upon them and gave them a terrible beating. Three of them were badly wounded, but were compelled to march before their infuriated tormentors along the road to Fresno. When a point near Butler's vineyard was reached the wounded Chinese fell in the road with exhaustion, and the raiders, fearing that the wounds would prove fatal, fled. The Chinese are making every effort to learn the identity of the criminals, but, so far, has not found a trace of them. The citizens are thoroughly aroused to a realization of the necessity of putting a stop to this lawlessness.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—The five Chinese ordered to be deported by Judge Ross, in Los Angeles, arrived this morning, and were placed in the Alameda county jail, pending the sailing of the steamer China coast Tuesday. It is believed habeas corpus proceedings will be commenced on Monday in their behalf.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 9.—The Attorney General has come to the same conclusion reached by Judge Ross several days ago. He has instructed the U. S. Marshall to enforce the Geary act, and the Marshall is further instructed to carry away all Chinamen ordered to be deported, and to see to it that the orders are carried out.

DARING ROBBERY.

Three Men Killed in the Attempt of Bandits to Rob a Denver Bank.

DELA, Colo., Sept. 9.—The most daring robbery ever consummated in this part of Colorado occurred here in broad daylight yesterday, the object of attack being the Farmers' and Merchants' bank, and, while the sum secured was small, the robbery resulted in the death of three people, the cashier of the bank and two of the night-watchmen who made the attack. The robbery was planned on the lines of those that have been so successful in Kansas, where the Deltons secured so much money last year. It is believed that the bandits, if not members of that gang, have at least been identified with other robberies of a similar nature.

The bank opened for business as usual at 10 o'clock this morning. At 10:30 three mounted men rode up to the door of the bank, and, entering, quickly rushed up to A. F. Blachly, the cashier, and presented to him a demand for money. He refused to give it up. The robbers then made a grab through the window securing \$500, and opened fire.

The cashier fell being instantly killed. The robbers then fired at H. H. Wolbert, assistant cashier, but missed him. The shooting attracted the attention of citizens, and Ray Simpson, a leading merchant, met the robbers and started for the alley in the rear of the bank, where the robbers had tied their horses.

The robbers had started out of town when Simpson got there, but he succeeded in killing two of them by shooting them through the head. A third killed the horse of one of the robbers, and man and animal fell together on the ground. After killing two of the robbers Simpson continued after the third one, taking several shots at him, but without effect. Simpson then returned to town, and, getting to a posse, started at once in pursuit. The robber is thought to have about a mile start, and is mounted on a fine horse, going in the direction of the mines. If the outlaw is acquainted with the country there is a chance of his escaping, otherwise the posse will capture him dead or alive. In the latter case he will undoubtedly be lynched on his return here.

SIAM'S TROUBLES.

French Newspapers Urge Aggressive Policy—Fresh Complications Arise.

PARIS, Sept. 9.—The Temps commenting on the latest complications which have arisen between France and Siam, declares that unless the Siamese cease their delinquent France must have recourse to the technical talents of Admiral Hamann.

The Figaro says the dispute between France and Siam is far from settled, and intimates that the Siamese, not the French, are to blame. According to the Figaro the Siamese not only failed to evacuate the territory ceded to France, but have failed even to give orders to officers commanding the native forces to evacuate posts on the left of the Mekong. It is rumored that negotiations will be resumed where suspended some time ago, but, rumor adds, the time accorded by Siam for resumption of the conference is three months hence, when the water in the river is too low to enable French gunboats to insist upon execution of Siamese pledges.

Inquiries at the British embassy show that no doubt fresh complications involving the peace of Europe as well as serious disturbances in the East, have arisen between France and Siam. They are so serious that Ambassador Durin has given up his intended visit to Switzerland.

WHAT THEY SAY.

English Press Comments on the Rejection of Home Rule by the House of Lords.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—The Daily News, commenting on the fact of the Home Rule Bill in the House of Lords, says: "Nothing is more favorable to the success of a political or social reform than a large hostile majority of the House of Lords. If the Tories had had more sense they would have rejected the majority smaller, and we should have faced worse."

The Daily Chronicle says: "Our reply is extremely simple. The abolition of the House of Lords now becomes a plank of the Radical platform, and the clauses of the Home Rule bill providing for a second chamber in Ireland must be modified. Down with the House of Lords. It is useless misgiving strings."

The Standard says: "When a Government tamely submits to such a rebuff everybody will draw the conclusion that it is afraid to face the country."

The Times believes that the decision of the House of Lords will be sustained by an overwhelming majority of the English people.

MEDICAL CONGRESS.

The Meeting of Doctors in Washington Concludes Its Labors.

WASHINGTON CITY, Sept. 9.—The Pan-American Medical Congress has adjourned. Nearly all the Mexican and South American delegates will visit the World's Fair at Chicago before returning home. The principal papers read yesterday were those of Dr. Bell, of New York, and Dr. Baker, of Michigan. They endeavored to show that an endemic disease can be exterminated only at its source, yellow fever in Cuba and Brazil, and cholera in India. Members of the congress representing the boards of health in Illinois, Michigan, Louisiana, Missouri, Minnesota and other states adopted resolutions that thorough disinfection of the baggage of all ships carrying immigrants at the port of entry must at all times be enforced.

BRANDON BY-ELECTION.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 8.—The bye-election for Brandon, to-day, resulted in the election of Chas. Adams, the Greenway Government candidate, by a majority of thirty. The vacancy was caused by the unexpected death of W. A. Macdonald, Conservative, and leader of the local Opposition. Mr. Macdonald was again a candidate to-day. His majority at last election was twelve. This is the first bye-election since the general campaign of July, 1892, when the Greenway Government was returned to power by a sweeping majority, and there was great interest in the event.

UNDER CANVAS.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 7.—The Nova Scotia military camp is now in progress at Aldershot, N.S. There are about 1,000 men under canvas. General Herbert is at present visiting the camp.

THE FOUR CARDINAL POINTS.

The four cardinal points of health are the stomach, liver, bowels and blood. Wrong action of any of these produces disease. Blood Bitters acts upon the four cardinal points of health at one and the same time, to regulate, strengthen and purify this preserving health and removing disease.

SPIN LIKE HERCULES.

MRS. FRANK LESLIE GIVES SOME ADVICE TO BACHELORS.

Some Maidens Are Two-Faced—A Plan For the Early Bird—A Bachelor's Uncommon Opportunities—The Masked Ball and Dance of Death.

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BACHELORS are usually young men, or at least men with an ambition to be thought young and marriageable. Now a young man should be well up in his classics and know the story of Hercules spinning among the maidens of Omphale, but I wonder if any bachelors ever meditated upon the wonderful opportunity Hercules enjoyed for studying the female character, and had he been a marrying man for discreetly choosing himself a wife.

The noblest study of mankind is man, or so all say, but certainly the most fascinating study of mankind is woman, and woman can never be perfectly studied except by watching her among other women. The man who is fastidious or really earnest in the search for a wife, he who feels that a life's happiness or misery is bound up in the choice he now makes—such a man, I say, should imitate Hercules and go spin among the maidens in company with the object of his attraction.

Without intending to say anything derogatory of my own sex, which I sincerely by love and honestly respect, I must set it down as a truth that most women are different in their demeanor toward men from what they are toward other women.

Just recall for yourself, if you are a woman, some occasion when you were in an assembly of your own sex and some stray specimen of the other presented himself. What a pretty little stir and flutter passed through the flock of doves! How they plumed themselves and gently adjusted attitude and draperies into more becoming fashion! How faces that had been listless and weary took on an incipient smile, or at least a sweet alertness of expression significant of a readiness to respond to any appeal for sympathy or conversational advance! How some little jest upon the part of the newcomer elicited trills of laughter or smart rejoinder, or approving glance from those who had listened with listless indifference to utterances quite as witty from their own sex.

Now I do not mean to say that there is anything wrong in this, for it is simply the sweet stirrings of nature visible throughout creation. Look abroad in the pleasant springtime of the year. See how the little feathered maidens twitter and tweet and dart in and out among the half-clad branches of the trees, displaying all their little sort of wing for the benefit of the male bird, who in his turn swells his throat and all but bursts his loving heart in tuneful efforts which he never would dream of undertaking if there were only other males about.

Does not "the sunflower" turn to her god when she sets? and also when she rises, her face of adoration, while she never so much as glances at the moon?

Did not the gods and goddesses of Olympus hate and persecute each other all the time in a very human fashion, simply because they were not all of one sex? And do we of the nineteenth century, who, as professor Totten tells us, "are the end of all things," cannot be claimed to be more perfect or less human than the gods and goddesses of Olympus?

No, indeed! And this being granted, the other statements need not be apologized for. It may be stated boldly and bravely that women—that is to say, unmarriageable and unattached women—are different in the society of men from what they are when alone with other women.

But, and here comes the other side of the proposition as it affects our friends, the bachelors. This change of demeanor is symptomatic and not organic. It only lasts during the springtime of the year. The lady birds, after the nest is made and filled with eggs, busy themselves in playing all their little sort of wing for the benefit of the male bird, who in his turn swells his throat and all but bursts his loving heart in tuneful efforts which he never would dream of undertaking if there were only other males about.

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on account of these 13 that I am advising the bachelors to go spin with Omphale's maidens.

There are plenty of wives—and good, true, conscientious wives, into the bargain—who are just like the Jenny Wrens. When once Robin Redbreast is their husband, they lay aside all the little airs and graces that made him believe them different from every other wren and no "I only 'wear their brown gown' " but don't take the trouble to put a clean shirt on to brighten it up a little. They simply relapse into the indifference and apathy they used to show among their girl friends when there was no man around.

But as there are wiv'ers and wiv'ers, so there are girls and girls, and so it would be a splendid thing for an expectant husband if he could get at all what she is like to be the best of all wives. I have seen in companies of women those who made themselves just as agreeable as they would to the other sex, who were ready to sing or play if they were asked, who talked blithely and intelligently about books or public amusements, or even politics and the Russian war, with either manhood and both genders and received pleasure from conversation which was neither personal gossip nor millinery.

I have seen girls who, when the card table was to be made up, cheerfully took a hand with three other women and did not hold back a slip behind the curtain to rescue themselves until such a matter, partners appeared. I have seen girls who did not break off their chat with some middle aged lady when the men came on the scene, nor assumed a vivacious and sprightliness of demeanor quite foreign to the subject, nor cast glances toward the newcomer to ascertain if he noticed how good they were to his mother or aunt or spinster friend, but who really, unconsciously and unaffectedly went on just as if only another woman had entered the room.

I have seen girls who, when some one had to stay at home with mother or grandmother, who isn't very well and by and by alone to fret, while the rest went to the theater or to a reception where all the Robins were likely to be present, would volunteer to be the one, not without a little natural smothered sign, for they are not monsters of perfection, these good girls, but nevertheless with true and sweet readiness took too conscious of itself. These are the girls who are the joy and strength of their mothers' hearts, whose marriage makes a gap in the home circle which never quite fills up, whose little sisters are heartily sorry to lose them rather than glad to have them removed to leave a place for them. These are the girls who become to their husbands of value "for aches and pains" or any other earthly possession; who, if a man be fortunate enough to win, he may spend the rest of his life in trying to deserve.

In fact, to put the matter in a nutshell, the wife is apt to revert to the type of girl her girl friends knew and her own family could have described. This statement does not contradict that with which we began—that there is a difference in the demeanor of most women to their own sex or to the other sex. That is still true, but the important question for the bachelor to decide is in which is the real woman lying folded in embryo within this lovely, ever changing, ever charming exterior. The wife of a bachelor will be in his later summer and autumn, this fitting, chirping, coquettish little spring bird?

She is sure to be different from what he now sees. That is a point he had better grant at once, and possibly he may be very glad to do so, for most men—perhaps all men—and a good many women have some enough to perceive that a lifetime of courtship, with its uncertainties, its struggles, its doubts, fears and jealousies, would be more fatiguing and unsatisfactory than delightful; in fact, the very delight of it is exhaustive, for ordinary human nature cannot live in extremes for long at a time, and "the happy medium" of domestic life cannot be tuned to concert pitch and left standing there without danger of some of its finest strings either snapping or stretching until the whole instrument is out of tune and its ecstasy of sweet song becomes a discordant jangle.

No. The marriageable woman and the marrying man must ever meet like the figures at a masked ball. Each is dressed to represent some character which is perhaps his or her best ideal, and one which he or she fain would imitate, but which is by no means the true character of the masker. A commonplace and very unattractive young woman chooses to call herself Mary, queen of Scots, and may the ballroom encounter her with a more meaning but mistaken youth who is posing, guitar in hand, as Rizzio, but if they try to speak with each other it proves that Rizzio cannot sing and Mary cannot charm by voice and speech and glance as her great exemplar did, and if the acquaintance thus begun should be carried out in the calm light of day each will find the other a very different character from that which each had assumed.

There is a vast deal of masquerading, moreover, which does not give itself a name and does not exhibit itself, or, as one may say, advertise itself, in a ballroom. It is, in fact, so difficult for good many of the citizens of the world to do without a wardrobe of dominoes and at least half or quarter masks. It is so dangerous sometimes, especially for a woman, to show her face with its undisguised expression to the world about her, and often the very truest sympathy we can show to a friend is to wear a mask that the friend or she is wearing is the real face. We know that it is not, but he or she knows that we know it, but on both sides it is felt that it must not be pulled away. There are emotions, there are situations, there are dilemmas that have no words. We feel, we see and know the truth, but we must not utter it. Each accepts the pretense, and we part with an understanding far more entire than any words could have brought about.

But when two people are once married and well domesticated together the

mask and domino are inevitably thrown aside, all pretenses cease, and either with an increased satisfaction or with an ominous dismay each looks upon the true face and genuine figure of that fantastic masquerade called courtship.

How many of those who read these words have in their own lives proved the truth of them! To how many does the knowledge of that truth come too late! How many a sore heart sighs bitterly as it is reminded of that masquerade which now names itself bitterly "the mask of death" and only hopes for death as its solution!

But there are the bachelors, to whom in the first place I dedicated these few remarks and warnings, and yet having warned them that all is not as it seems in some cases, how can I advise them to guard against mistakes?

Well, I do not know exactly how it is to be done, but the object is to be able to try and see the girl whom they admire, as she is among other women, with no man in the question. In fact, I must revert to my classical formula and bid him go spin among the maidens of Omphale.

How it is to be done let him find out for himself, but do not let him fancy it is to be effected by questioning other women. We are as a rule very loyal to each other when no personal jealousy intervenes, and it is a very dishonorable woman who will betray the weaknesses or the faults of a sister woman to the inquiring masculine. Even a man's sisters are not to be trusted in such a matter, and, furthermore, there is every probability that the man in undertaking a deep strategic movement will find himself led into an ambush and suddenly exposed to a pitiless fusillade of ridicule and scorn from the enemy who had for the nonce masqueraded as an ally.

After all, having shown the danger, I do not exactly see how to formulate the remedy. Perhaps to do the first as is as much as could be expected from one who is herself most sincerely a woman.

(Wm. Frank Leslie)

CANADIAN NEWS.

(Special to the Colonist.)

New Out the Gas.

TORONTO, Sept. 8.—William Cuthwaite, plasterer, and James Carr, farmer of Shelburne, came to the city to see the exhibition. They stopped at Peacock's hotel and blew out the gas. This morning Cuthwaite was found dead and Carr unconscious.

W. M. S. "Blake" "Salsic."

QUEBEC, Sept. 8.—H. M. S. Blake, which has been in port for the last week or so, departed yesterday afternoon for sea.

New Metropolitan.

KINGSTON, Sept. 8.—Chancellor Walkem has been informed that the Bishop of Algoma has confirmed his vote for the Bishop of Ontario as Metropolitan of Canada, and his statement does not contradict that with which we began—the casting vote, Bishop Lewis is now Metropolitan.

Train Wrecked.

DUTTON, Sept. 8.—A fast express train on the Michigan Central, en route to Chicago, ran into the rear end of a freight train near here. The engine and express were badly wrecked, as was also the baggage car, while four other cars were made into kindling wood. Both engineers escaped by jumping, but the fireman on the express was slightly hurt. All passengers were badly shaken up, but no one was seriously hurt.

Fire at the Bell Farm.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 8.—The flour mill, elevator, engine house and office belonging to the Bell farm at Indian Head, were destroyed by fire, also a car containing ties. Total loss about \$25,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The Soo Extension.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 8.—Supt. Whyle left for Eatevan this morning, and while west will arrange about a time card for the Soo extension from the boundary to Pasqua, on the main line. A change of time will probably come into effect about October 1.

Spying Out the Land.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 8.—Five hundred excursionists from Ontario arrived here at noon to-day.

Mr. Henry Tyler's Opinion.

MONTREAL, Sept. 9.—Sir Henry Tyler, president of the Grand Trunk railway, accompanied by Messrs. Sergeant and Wainwright and other officials of the road, have returned to the city from an inspection tour of the eastern division of the road. They will inspect the western division early next week. Sir Henry Tyler says the reason for the failure of the Grand Trunk to pay better dividends is the excessive competition. The rates in Canada are only about one third of what the United States road are getting.

Raised the Game.

MONTREAL, Sept. 9.—An attempt was made last night to blow up the Metropolitan Turf Commission Agency rooms on St. Lawrence street with dynamite. The whole of the telegraph instruments in the building were shattered, whilst the gaming tables on the floor above were also damaged, but no one was hurt. A charge for gambling losses is assigned as the cause of the attempt.

The Great Canal Scheme.

TORONTO, Sept. 9.—At a large meeting of citizens last night, called to discuss the Huron-Ontario canal scheme, resolutions supporting the project and recommending it to the attention of municipal, Provincial and Dominion Governments were adopted.

Poisoned Himself.

TORONTO, Sept. 9.—W. E. Patten suicided yesterday by taking rat poison. He had given evidence of being of unsound mind for several years past.

A Common Result.

TORONTO, Sept. 9.—Alfred H. Osborne, a former resident of this city, was killed in Erie while attempting to board a moving electric car.

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