

The Love Affairs of Literary Men—Mr. Gribble as a
Writer of Biography—Authors in Parliament—
Mr. Belloc and Mr. Chesterton—Some Re-
marks on the Benson Brothers.

Mr. Belloc and Mr. G. K. Chesterton are certainly the two outstanding writers of the younger generation in London today. Mr. Belloc is just a few years older than Mr. Chesterton, in spite of his superior bulk (he is a long way the stoutest author of my acquaintance), claims four years less, as he is a more tender age, Mr. Chesterton being no instance of a family of authors to compare with the Belloc family. The three sons of the latter generation of Chestertons seem to share in almost equal degree their considerable gift of awakening the public interest in the most obscure subjects with ease and a certain dash, but (which is more surprising with

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His tale of affairs in the southern hemisphere would suggest that Billy Burke was not himself when Smith declared him. If Smith cannot lay a finger on the overweight like Clabby, how is it that he can attack a middle-aged fellow like Papke? It could be that the attack of yellow jaundice affected his system to that extent.

Prior to the continuance of the debate, petitions were tabled which dealt preliminary with the incorporation of the Naas & Skeena Railway Co. and

"The other day my friend from Newcastle made a slashing attack on the Attorney-General, but I can hardly believe that he is quite so proud as the member for Newcastle would have us believe. It is quite true he has kept me waiting from two to three hours when I have called to see him on a small matter, but I suppose he only did that to emphasize the great gulf that lies between him and the Socialist members of this house." (Laughter.)

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the Dominion Government to undertake it. The undertaking to which I am referring is of a canal from Pitt River to Burrard Inlet, a distance of about five and a half miles. It would cost a large amount to build it, but the benefits received would justify the expenditure. In the first place it would be a means of obtaining a fresh water supply for Burrard Inlet and harbor. We all know what destructive work the teredo does. We know how many thousands and thousands of dollars' destruction these insects are doing. They are doing a great deal on this coast. But they cannot live in fresh water or semi-fresh water. The Pitt river is about 1,800 feet wide; the upper part of Burrard Inlet is not so wide, so that the influx of so much fresh water would render the teredo much less destructive.

The Member for Cariboo

Mr. Fraser of Cariboo, who spoke with authority and honor of closing the session, devoted his remarks to celebrating the House as to the past, present and future glories of the Cariboo country. He began with a description of its resources, and then proceeded to state that it was the greatest mining district in British Columbia or the world. It possessed the richest placer mines ever found. Its future was all going on. The production of gold had increased from \$859 up to the present, and would very probably increase on account of the 'completing' of the skill, scientific methods and capital now being put into the district. He expected that in the future the district could contribute more placer gold than in the past. There was also a large area of land which would produce silver, copper and other valuable minerals, which at present cannot be handled on account of the prohibitive cost of transportation. However, that this difficulty would be overcome was very certain. The district had also large areas of coal. Railways are now being built and in a few years it will have no competitors. Railways within reach of coal mines.

of a three million acres, and "it looks like a 5-cent acre in comparison with the price of the whole country," said the government. But he was not sure that the government had been doing to bring the land within reach of people who wished to own it. The government had been sending out surveyors and exploring parties into the country and the lands had been reserved from sale to the government. A surveyor was sent into any section. The half million acres, the areas surveyed in the year 1900, were 646,358 acres. The surveyors also in their work traversed the lakes and rivers in the country and had gained much information which was very valuable to the government and the intending settlers. There were at present 100,000 men in that district 13,000,000 acres

addition it possessed an unlimited supply of power. There was, undoubtedly, enough power running to waste in the Caribbo district to supply the industries of the whole of the known world. He thought that there was a great responsibility placed upon the House in view of the development likely to take place in that section in the next few years.

The speech passed shortly after 1 o'clock and the adjournment until Monday quickly followed.

Mr. J. T. McDonald and Mr. W. P. Carper left last night on a trip to London, Ont.

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Development Legislation Will Take
Of Immigration Building With

A meeting of the Victoria branch of the Land Development League on Monday at 3 p. m. in the trade rooms to appoint a committee to wait upon the government with several interested. Prominent in the question of land

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drawn to the fact that
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away from the islands is often included in the bill, so that no use is made of the land by companies or individuals who have the timber rights. In this way, it is understood, the government asking the question whether efforts should be made to encourage hunters to come to the islands, can be pointed out that the government has readily accomplished its purpose by the labor bureau, by the labor department, more concise information, and by the lands open for the use of the people. Possibly by the government, the assisted passages to the islands, the British Isles.

Another question to be decided by the Premier and his Council will be the appropriation of funds for trails and roads on the island in the forthcoming year. In this connection special attention will be drawn to the proposed road to connect Victoria with the Sound district. This subject has received the unanimous approval of the council and has been

Renfrew and Sooke, a regarded as a scheme lead to considerable se place on the West Coast it would connect.

At Monday's meeting will be appointed to m

ment, and the meeting the subjects to be brought before the delegation will be a representative of Island headed by Mr. Coburn, the president of the league, J. Shallcross, the president of the local branch.

MR. McCURDY

Will Try Flight From
Guantanamo On T
less To Be

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The possibility of using wireless connection with aeroplanes, first tested in the flight of McCurdy, will be attempted in Florida, to Guantanamo.

uary 24. The Navy Department suggested to Lieutenant-Commanding, who will command the torpedo boat destroyer, to control the course of the representatives of the wireless be used, if possible.

HAVANA, Jan. 20.—
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arrangements for the flight

Hon. Robert Rogers
Of Laurier Government
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WINNIPEG, Jan. 2.—Rogers in an interview expressed his opinion that the Laurier government was planning an appeal to the people on the advance of the census and the public interest that the government should take.

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conclusion that if the
tariff reform it will
will hit only those
desire to export.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 10.—(U.P.)—The British Columbia government has announced that it will not support the proposed federal bill to punish wharfmen who have been general strike breakers.

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fifteen years in the
twenty lashes. Corn
Grey, and held him