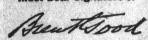
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Viewed from a business standpoint, Edna Wallace Hopper's unsuccessful suit against James Dunsmuir, formerly Fremier of British Columbia, and one of the richest men on the Pacific Coast, has not been altogether a failure. 'Tis true that the millions for which the actress struggled have eluded her eager grasp, and that she is ordered to pay a large share of the costs in a suit which has been remarkably expensive, but there are compensations. The free advertising which she has received, and the sympathy which has been expressed for her in some quarters are worth it all. In the theatrical profession sympathy and publicity are just as good as unminted gold, for with little trouble they can be turned into ready money.

At present, the likelihood of the plaintif accepting congratulations with composure is slight. Only a few weeks ago it appeared that her chances of spending some of the Dunsmuir millions were very bright. Dunsmuir millions were very bright. So rosy did her prospects appear that the mother of the man whose estate was in dispute joined Mrs. Hopper as a plaintiff. Had there not appeared to be grave danger that the actress would win her point, this unexpected move would never have been made. Mrs. Dunsmuir's step was obviously made in the interests. was obviously made in the interests of the defence, and was quite rea-sonable, for if James Dunsmuir were to be deprived of his brother's milto be deprived of his brother's millions, surely his mother had as much
right to them as a young comedienne, in whose veins flows not a
drop of Dunsmuir blood. Mrs. Dunsmuir's claim was strengthened by
the fact that it was she who gave
the millions to her two sons in the
first place. Both were good business
men and increased the capital with
which they set out, but to their
mother both owed their fortune. She
could have disinherited either of
them, and this possibility, in the
past had a vital effect on the lives
of some of the chief actors in the
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The prologue of this "strange, eventful history" opens with the death of Robert Dunsmuir, some fifteen years ago. Dunsmuir had made a large fortune by developing the famous coal mines at Nanaimo, on Vancouver Island. The coal deposits were not only of great extent, but unusually good as well. So superior was the Vancouver article, that it was able to go down to San Francisco, and, handicapped by a hostile tariff, practically put the United States coal out of business. It was exported to Japan, and wherever it came in competition with either American or English coal, it more than held its own. When Robert Dunsmuir died, this great export trade in coal had attained huge proportions. It had demanded a flect of vessels, and several lines of railway, all of which were owned by the coal magnate, and by him bequeathed to his widow.

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Mrs. Dunsmuir decided to put James, the elder son, in charge of the actual mining work, and all the business which arose on Vancouver Island, while Alexander, the young-H UUUL, SUII Argument

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lowed him to the grave.

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Shortly before this second event, Alexander Dunsmuir's will had been made public. Executed on the very day of his marriage, it left all his property to his brother James. The heir's position was strengthened by a declaration signed by Mrs. Dunsmuir, in which she assigned, on behalf of herself, her heirs or assigns, all title to her husband's property in consideration of an annuity of \$25,000, which James Dunsmuir was to pay her. These facts coming to Edna's ears, she at once entered suit to have Alexander's will set aside, and her mother's deed declared invalid. Her contention was that her stepfather was not of sound mind when he made the will, he having been on the verge of delirium tremens at the time, and quite incapable of sam action. As for her mother's assignment, Mrs. Hopper declared that undue influence had been brought to bear upon her by James Dussmuir's lawyers, and that this document was therefore null and void.

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At the trial, which has just been decided against her by Mr. Justice Drake, of Victoria, the former wife of the famous DeWolf Hopper lent all her energies to prove that Alexander Dunsmuir was an habitual drunkard. Many witnesses, including an expert or two, were called to establish this claim. Scores of instances of Dunsmuir's servitude to

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whiskey were presented. He saw snakes. He feared some one was try-ing to poison him. Such an able snakes. He feared some one was trying to poison him. Such an able and comprehensive drinker was he that DeWolf Hopper shrank from him and turned pale when invited by his stepfather-in-law to "say what his was." In view of these facts, the claimant demanded, could Alexander. Dunsmuir make a rational deposition of his property? Judge Drake has answered decisively in the affirmative. In his opinion a number of actions going to show that Dunsmuir answered eccisively in the animative. In his opinion a number of actions going to show that Dunsmuir was a level-headed business man were to be considered superior to the opinions of experts. He also laid emphasis on the intention of Alexander to leave his property to his brother. This intention had been freely expressed by Alexander, and his will verified it. The will was clearly the result of a long contemplated action. Thus saith the learned judge. And when next we have an opportunity of seeing Edna Wallace-Dunsmuir-DeWolf Hopper (and it is said that she is about to add another storey to her name), we shall be interested to see whether His Lordship's decision has left an unsightly line on her smiling face. unsightly line on her smiling face.

EDUCATION REPORT.

Interesting Covernment Statistics About

The report of the Minister of Education for 1903 has been brought down. The number of public schools in 1902 was 5,671, an increase of 8; pupils enrolled, 408,124, decrease 6,495; average daily attendance, 282,-663, decrease 2,421; percentage of average attendance to total, 57.01; number employed as teachers (exclusive of kindergarten and night school teachers) 2,200 men and 6,-297 women, increase 94; number of 297 women, increase 94, number of teachers who attended Normal School 4,601, increase 174; teachers with university degree, 81; average salary of male teachers \$436, increase \$15; of male teachers \$436, increase \$15; average salary of female teachers \$813, increase \$7; expended for public school houses, \$331,842; expended for teachers' salaries, \$2,987,933; expended for other purposes, \$1,069,944; total expended on public schools, \$4,389,719, increase \$61,037.

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Separate schools in 1902, 391, increase 19; pupils enrolled 45,964 increase 1,977; average daily attendance 28,817; increase 1,891; percentage of average total, 62,69; teachers 870, increase 52; expended on separate schools, \$100,910; salaries, \$210,-199; other purposes, \$124,331; total expended on separate schools, \$435,-440, increase \$43,812.

Protestant separate schools 6, decrease 1; pupils enrolled, 466, increase 16; average daily attendance 247, decrease 2.

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Kindergartens 120, increase 2; pupils enrolled 11,300, decrease 105; average daily attendance 4,596, decrease 108; teachers 247, decrease 4.

Night schools 11, decrease 1; pupils 670, decrease 180; average daily attendance 170, decrease 24; teachers 17, decrease 5.

Secondary schools—High schools and collegiate institutes 134, increase 3; teachers 598, increase 14; pupils 24,472, increase 1,948; amount expended for salaries \$547,402, for houses \$44,246, for other purposes \$178,031; total \$769,679, increase \$41,547. Continuation classes 480; pupils in attendance 4,864, decrease 69.

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CRIMINAL VAGARIES OF A PEER. Jast Recently Out of Jall in Protoris

Lerd Haldon, who succeeded to the peerage of his impecunious father, "Piggy" Haldon, in December last, has been until now unable to take his seat in the House of Lords owing to his having been until a month age in jail at Pretoria, charged, in company with two disreputable companions, with endeavoring to defraud a man of the name of Cowie by offering him a parcel of glast crystals, alleging them to be diamonds. The case came up for trial the other day, and the court acquitted him on the ground that he had permitted himself to be made the tool of a gang of swindlers, and that he was not primarily responsible for the attempted fraud, which, it may be added, did not succeed.

Lerd Haldon at the time of his arrest was acting as checker and conductor on the railway at Pretoria, a position which, though humble, he had been exceedingly glad to get, as he had been literally starving when he received it, having been in a state of complete destitution at Johannesburg and at Pretoria after being mustered out of the Imperial Yeomanry at the close of the war.

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This is not the first time that Lerd Haldon has been in trouble, for, as I mentioned at the time of his accession, he placed himself in an unsaviable position some years age by raising money in London on a note which he had endorsed with the signature of his mother, who is wealthy in her own right. He wrote to her a letter informing her that, compelled by dire necessity, he had been obliged to put her name therete. Although the note was for a comparatively small amount, which she could easily have paid, yet she preferred to produce her son's letter in court and to make it public rather than take up the bill. If no prosecution followed, it was because there was a strong presumption in favor of the belief that the usurer who had discounted the note had been well aware at the time of the fact that the Dowager Lady Haldon's signature was fictitious, and that he only let Lord Haldon have the money with the view to be subsequently able to blackmail his fareity.

The old question of the relative status of the sexes is discussed by William K. Hill in The Westminster Review. Mr. Hill's article epens with the question, "Do the achievements of woman new equal those of man?" In answering the question he considers the leading characteristics of reason, imagination, creative initiative, emotion, courage, moral sta-bility, truth, strength and endur-

bility, truth, strength and endurance.

Reason is equally the characteristic of both sexes, but its derivatives, reasonableness and reasoning, are said to be more strengly marked in man than in woman. Man usually thinks befere he acts. Woman is inclined te act eften before she thinks. In the matter of imagination, as manifested objectively in its works, the enly ferm in which we can estimate it, woman cannot at present set anything against such male achievements as the Iliad, the Divina Commedia, Ramlet, Faust, the Venus of Mile, Tanahauser, or the Choral Sympheny, to cite only a few leading examples. In the closely allied quality of intintive the weakness of woman is loudly asserted by man, and it is difficult to cite any considerable number of women whe have infinited and shaped with cre-

man, and it is difficult to cite any considerable number of women when have initiated and shaped with creative touch great works or great movements.

The superiority of woman is conceded in the qualities of courage, meral stability, mental endurance and truth, but the alleged supremacy of the sex in physical strength and endurance is denied.

Britain's Unchallenged Position.

It was in the eighteenth century that the naval power of Britain was revived in the victories of admirals like Rooke. Hawke, and Howe. Even then it was not quite so assured, for during the war of American Independence the fleets of France and Spain for some weeks rode unopposed in the English Channel, while the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorkton was undoubtedly due to the insufficiency of the fleet. But since the days of Rodney, Jervis, Duncan, and Nelson, Great Britain's naval supremacy has Britain's Unchallenged Position. undoubtedly due to the insufaciency of the fleet. But since the days of Rodney, Jervis, Duncan, and Nelson, Great Britain's naval supremacy has never been challenged, even in the second war with America, and has been conspicuous in the Crimean war, when it enabled us to send sur transports unopposed to the Black Sea, and notably in the recent war in South Africa, in which without difficulty we sent to the distant scene of war the largest British army that has ever been mustered. No doubt this naval superiority is mainly due to the insular position of Britain, which has been described by Shakespeare as giving her in the sea at once a wall and a most. The experience of centuries have proved that the defence of such a wall by a strong navy is the kest national policy, and in following the British example, Japan, which is also a group of islands, has taken a course which present events seem amply to justify.

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"The Man is the Street."

Edward W. Parry writes to The London Spectator: "What is the origin of the phrase, the man is the street? In 'The Greville Memoirs,' under date March 22, 1831, Vol. II., seems will not consent to it (a dissolution), knowing, as 'the man in the street (as we call him at Newmarket) always does, the greatest servets of Kings, and being the confidant of their most hidden thoughts.' The origin of the phrase is interesting. Does 'the man in the street in 1831 of similar characteristics apparently to his latter-day representative."



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particularly the useful practice of archery. Queen Elizabeth issued liarchery. Queen Elizabeth issued li-censes to conductors of such festivities, which contained directions to public officers to overlook such games and to do their best to make them a suc

One such document authorized "John Seconton, a poor man fallen into decay and having four small children, to or upon several Sundays within the county of Middlesex and to remain in one place not above three several Sundays—that is to say, the shooting with the broad arrow, the leaping for men, the wrestling, the throwing of the sledge, the pitching of the bar." James I. in his "Book of Sports" en-

couraged Sunday games "after even-ing service," but "the meaner sort" were forbidden to engage in bowling. Stopped later by parliament, this was republished by order of Charles I. and finally suppressed by the long parlia-

#### STARTLING STORY OF MRS. ADAMS

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Mrs. Thomas Adams is this lady's name, and she has now been a resident of Collingwood for a year and a half. Before that she Eved in Burk's Falls, where she is widely known and highly respected. Mrs. Adams feels it her duty to 'spread the good news all over Canada, all over the world, that she has found a cure for Bright's Disease, and that that cure is Dodd's Kidney Pills.

MRS. ADAMS' STORY.

"Yes," she said, when interviewed regarding her case, "my friends can tell you how terribly ill I was. My doctor pronounced it Bright's Disease and Sciatica, but I got no relief from anything he gave me. It was Dodd's Kidney fills that drove away the terrible disease, raised me from my bed of suffering, and made me a well and happy woman.

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