

The Southport division of Lancashire to-day, where the Hon. G. N. Curzon, the sitting candidate and Conservative, is contesting his seat against Sir Herbert Naylor-Leyland, the Liberal candidate. Both candidates married American ladies and their wives are taking a lively interest in the campaign. The two candidates, accompanied by their wives, are driving about rallying their forces, and great squads of men and women are seen on all sides wearing the favorite colors of the rival politicians. All bicyclists have the party colors streaming from their handle bars and the Curzon riders formed an escort for Mr. and Mrs. Curzon, while the Naylor-Leyland wheelmen formed themselves into a body guard for the purpose of cheering on their candidate. The Liberals are making the most of Sir Naylor-Leyland's belated denial that he purchased his baronetcy. While a body of 150 Liberal bicyclists were escorting Sir Herbert and Lady Naylor-Leyland, several drunken Conservatives, wheeling a barrow painted with Curzon colors, dashed among them and sent many riders sprawling right and left. A lively scrimmage followed.

There are also lively times at Leeds to-day, especially in the west division, where Col. North, the Conservative candidate, is said to have good prospects of defeating the Liberal candidate, Herbert Gladstone, son of the Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone. Col. North and his family and a half a dozen secretaries and a number of servants and horses occupying the principal hotel and conducting a clever campaign. He points particularly to the humble cottage in the poor part of the town where he was born. Col. North's speeches are not met for their grammatical correctness, but they take with the poorer classes.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt, speaking at Abercain to-day, said he accepted the honor of contesting West Monmouth in the cause of temperance. He added he was a firm Liberal and would stick to the Grand Old Man, even if everyone else deserted him.

3 p.m.—The following is the result of the general elections at 3 p.m.: Conservatives, 230; Liberals, 33; total, 263. Liberals, 65; McCarthyites, 28; Parnellites, 6; Labor, 2; total, 101.

The Unionist wave to-day swept with greater force than ever over Great Britain. With fewer polls the Liberals gained fourteen seats, while the Conservatives did not gain a single seat, and in the bulk of the cases had a hard time to retain their old seats, their majorities being again greatly reduced. The Liberals were almost wiped out in London. Out of 15 contests in the metropolis they lost six seats. The returns from London are now complete, except Wandsworth, which will be declared later. Out of 62 members from the metropolis 58 Unionist and 4 Conservative. Liberal majorities have been heavily increased to-day. The total Conservative gains were 54 against 10 for the Liberals.

Thus the Conservatives have a majority of 60 in the new house of commons. The most exciting contest of the day was at West Leeds, where the Rt. Hon. Herbert Gladstone retained his seat by a greatly reduced majority against Col. North. The figures were so nearly equal that Col. North asked for a recount, which confirmed the election of Mr. Gladstone.

The defeat of J. Morley in Newcastle-on-Tyne is a severe blow to the Liberals. Both Conservative candidates were elected. C. F. Hammond, Conservative, 12,883; W. D. Guilda, Conservative, 12,170; John Morley, Liberal, 11,862; J. Craig, Liberal, 11,154; F. Hamill, Labor, 2,302. At the election of 1892 only one Conservative opposed two Liberals and the total Conservative vote then was 13,823 polled, showing during the election just ended a gain of 11,230 votes for the Conservatives. Mr. Morley in 1892 polled 10,905 votes and when re-elected in the same year, on taking office as chief secretary for Ireland, polled 11,268 votes, consequently he received 1,126 votes less yesterday than when re-elected in 1892.

London, July 18, 3 p.m.—Result: Conservatives 253, Unionists 43, total 296; Liberals 70, McCarthyites 34, Parnellites 6, total 112.

The defeat of Mr. Morley has caused a great sensation throughout Great Britain. After the result of the election was announced Mr. Morley in a speech at Newcastle-on-Tyne said: "This is one of the most tremendous battles ever fought in a British constituency and I greatly regret to say that I have been defeated. But we have before shown that we know how to bear triumph with moderation and I hope we shall show that we know how to bear defeat with cheerful courage." (Cheers). At the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Morley paid a tribute to the fairness of his opponents in the contest and thanked his

supporters for their efforts during the campaign. The following are the returns since yesterday:

Glasgow, Camlachie—A. Cross, Lib.-Unionist, sitting member, 3913; S. Chisholm, Lib., 2497; J. S. Millie, Labor, 928; Unionist plurality, 701; last election Unionist plurality, 371.

Newry, County Down—Thomas, Lib.-Unionist, sitting member, 628; P. G. Carvill, Nationalist, sitting member, 988; Nationalist plurality, 161; last election, Nationalist plurality, 168.

Glasgow, Tradeston—A. C. Corbett, Lib.-Unionist, sitting member, 3773; Green, Lib., 2367; Smith, Lib., 216; Liberal plurality, 306; last election, Unionist plurality, 192.

Glasgow, Bridgeton—C. S. Dickson, Con., 2709; Rt. Hon. G. O. Trevelyan, Lib., sitting member, 3197; Watson, Labor, 607; Liberal plurality, 400; last election, Liberal plurality, 1491.

Central—J. G. A. Baird, Con., sitting member, 5621; E. A. Adam, Lib., 3142; Conservative majority, 1829; last election, Conservative plurality, 840.

Hull, Centre—Sir H. S. King, Con., sitting member, 5479; M. Porter, Con., 1977; Sir S. Montague, Lib., sitting member, 1852; last election, Liberal plurality, 1591.

Fulsey—A. Moffatt, Con., 3062; Sir W. Dunn, Lib., sitting member, 4494.

West—J. W. B. Marshall, Lib., sitting member, 6637; T. McCarthy, Labor, 1400.

Leeds, Central—G. W. Balfour, Con., sitting member, 4831; J. Watson, Lib., 397; Conservative majority, 4831.

Gravesend—J. D. Palmer, Con., sitting member, 2405; Johnson, Labor, 1238; Conservative majority, 1167.

Cambridge, Dulwich—Sir J. B. Maple, Con., sitting member, 5238; Clarke, Lib., 2176.

Pekham—J. C. Banbury, Con., 4405; Clements, Lib., 3472.

South—R. V. Barrow, Lib., sitting member, 3822.

Oxford University—J. G. Talbot, Con., sitting member, 4831.

South—Rt. Hon. W. L. Jackson, Con., sitting member, 5592; H. S. Bates, Lib., 4484.

Leeds, West—H. S. Samuel, Con., 2691; W. M. Thompson, Lib., 2071.

Lancashire, North—J. J. Jenkinson, Lib., sitting member, 3316.

South—W. R. Rotherham, J. C. Macon, Con., sitting member, 5092; A. Pomeroy, Lib., 2246.

Hull, East—Fairbank, Con., 4305; Sir C. Smith, Lib., sitting member, 4182.

Dewsbury—H. S. Gantley, Con., 3870; M. Oldroyd, Lib., sitting member, 3272; Hartley, Labor, 1089.

Hull, West—W. Sullivan, Con., 3110; S. C. Buxton, Lib., sitting member, 3839.

Walsall—Cedee, Con., 5145; Sir A. D. H. Salisburgh, Lib., sitting member, 4583; St. George (Tower Hamlets)—H. Marks, Con., 1583; J. W. Bean, Lib., sitting member, 1583.

Kensington, North—W. E. Sharp, Con., 3671; F. C. Frye, Lib., sitting member, 2013.

Hawick—J. Sanderson, Lib.-Unionist, sitting member, 4228.

Leeds, South—R. J. Neville, Con., 4447; J. H. H. Shaw, Lib., sitting member, 3634; Shaw, Labor, 622.

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BOARD OF TRADE.
President Ker Delivers His Inaugural Address at Yesterday's Meeting.
Merchants Warned to be Up and Doing if they Would Keep Their Trade.

The adjourned annual meeting of the British Columbia Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon, the newly elected president, Mr. D. R. Ker, occupying the chair. Before proceeding with the regular business Mr. Ker drew the attention of the meeting to the necessity of something being done if Victoria was to maintain her supremacy as a commercial centre. Aggressive steps would have to be taken to keep the city in the front. One of the necessities was to do business on much finer profits. Something should be done to obtain the establishment of a telephone line between Victoria and the Mainland to bring the merchants into closer communication with the coast cities. It was necessary for Victoria to look after the trade of the Fraser river, Cariboo and Kootenay, which had materially increased during late years. For example, Victoria should be able to monopolize the liquor trade of the interior, freight rates from Great Britain to Victoria being less at present than they are from Great Britain to Montreal. To show what a large trade was being done, \$14,111 had been collected in duty on liquors in Kootenay during May. Most of this trade could be obtained by Victoria. The contractors for the Slooan railway had advertised for tenders for supplies and answers were received from Winnipeg, Victoria, Spokane and other western cities, and the contract was awarded to Victoria. The board should take a lively interest in this matter. If the merchants did not have sufficient information as to the credit of the Kootenay traders, a reliable man could be sent there to obtain information and report.

Mr. C. D. Mason was granted leave to withdraw his proposed amendments to the by-laws and he gave notice that at the next quarterly meeting he would introduce a new set of by-laws which he had been instructed by the council to draft.

It was decided to supply members of the board with copies of the proposed by-laws, which were referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. C. D. Mason, E. V. Bodwell, T. S. Fletcher, Hedley Chapman, William Templeman and F. C. Davidge.

The following new members were elected: John Bryden, M.P.P., G. A. Kirk and C. A. Stemer, Jas. Macrae, who succeeded Mr. Connan as agent of the N.P.R. Steamship Company, took Mr. Connan's place on the board. The meeting adjourned at 4.30.

LIVES WITHOUT EATING.
A Chicago Man Who Can Swallow No Solid Food Except in Milk.

There is a man in Chicago named G. F. Castle, who lives without eating. He is 24 years old now, and he hasn't swallowed a bite since he was 8. This is not on account of any innate dislike for solid food, but from physical necessity. One day when he was about 8 years old, Master Castle found a tin can on which was the picture of a large, luscious peach. He thought it contained peaches, but as a matter of fact the can contained a solution of potash used in scrubbing the floor.

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But trifles like this do not disturb him at all, for, leading from his side to his stomach, is a rubber tube, which he can unhook and through which he can pour liquids into his stomach until the cravings of nature are satisfied. This almost miraculous surgical operation was performed by Dr. Fenger of this city about three years ago, when Mr. Castle had been suffering from an attack of pneumonia and bronchitis.

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STABBED TO DEATH.
An Unknown Sealer Killed by a Japanese at Hakodate.

A private letter received from Hakodate gives the particulars of the stabbing to death of a sealer but does not give his name or schooner, and it is not even known what he was in the Victorian fleet. The letter in question was written at Hakodate on June 19, and the affair took place just before it was written. It seems that Thomas Balcom, steward of the schooner Ladetta, while ashore got in some trouble with a Japanese. He was worsted and either called for the assistance of some white man or the latter volunteered to help him. At all events, as the letter states, the third man took a knife from the row and the Japanese stabbed him. He used a big knife, which he plunged into the abdomen of his victim and virtually disembowelled him. The man died almost at once. The affair is referred to in another letter but no particulars are given at all. It is believed that the Emperor of India due here on Tuesday morning, will bring full particulars.

One of the boat pullers on the Geneva, whose name is not given either, celebrated his arrival at Hakodate by getting full and jumping from the fore mast. He was terribly injured by the fall, but a letter announces that he will recover. The same letter reports the following catches: Casco, high line with 1400 odd; Geneva, 1337; Umbria, 1185; Ocean Belle, 1056; Ladetta, 575; Agnes Macdonald, 710; Rosie Olsen, 615; E. B. Marvin, 946; Vera, 853; Carlotta Cox, 906; Mascot, 789. Most of the catches had already been reported about as given above. The seal is reported as scarce and wild.

A letter from Captain Cutler, of the Agnes Macdonald, announces that seven of the canoes of the schooner Rosie Olsen, lost near Hakodate, were shipped on that schooner. Capt. Whidden, of the Olson, also shipped as a hunter on the Macdonald. Two of the canoes of the Olson were shipped on the Mascot. Captain Cutler writes that if he had wanted a lot of very small skins he could have had them, as early in the season he was among several herds of small seals. He describes the skins as too small to salt.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.
Mr. Bostock Sues Mr. Jackson on Account of a Sooko Land Sale.

Hewitt Bostock has issued a writ against Robert Edward Jackson, of the Priory, Ash Prior, in the county of Somerset, England. The writ is endorsed as follows:

"The plaintiff's claim is for the avoidance of the sale of certain lands in Sooko and Otter districts of British Columbia, made by the defendant, then being the plaintiff's solicitor, to the plaintiff in 1891 and completed in 1892, and for the refund of all moneys paid by the plaintiff under such sale, \$17,000 or thereabout."

Mr. Archer Martin is the plaintiff's solicitor.

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BLYTH COMMITTED.
He Must Stand His Trial for Abducting Belle Rockwood.

In the provincial police court this afternoon the case of R. Blyth, charged with abducting Belle Rockwood, was heard by Police Magistrate Macrae. The first witness was Eugene Rockwood, father of the girl. He said his daughter would be sixteen years old in October. She left home on the 10th inst., without his or his wife's knowledge or consent. He understood that she left home at 8 in the morning, but he did not miss her until 5.45 in the evening. On enquiry he found that she had gone to Port Townsend, and following her to that town he found that she had come to Victoria. He thereupon employed Mr. Brophy to come to Victoria to search for his daughter. Mr. Brophy returned the following day with her. Belle was well treated at home and always seemed to be happy and contented. They never had any trouble with her before. The accused is a married man. He had seen his wife and three children. They left Hadlock before Blyth. He did not know that his daughter and Blyth were intimate, nor that they corresponded after the accused left Hadlock.

The evidence being read over Blyth said he had nothing to say and he was committed for trial.

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THE MARKETS.
Outing of Market Prices Leads to Activity in Certain Lines.

Retail prices on staples are as follows:

Flour	American	3.75 to 4.40
Flour	Hungarian	3.50 to 4.00
Oats per ton		28.00 to 32.50
Barley, per ton		28.00 to 30.00
Middlings, per ton		20.00 to 21.00
Brn. per ton		27.00 to 28.00
Ground Feed, per 100		60.00 to 65.00
Corn, whole		45.00
It cracked		50.00
Cormes, per 100		40.00
Oatmeal, per 100		50.00
Rollod Oats, per lb.		08
Potatoes, local		01.12
Cabbage		08
Hay, baled, per ton		15.00
Straw, per bale		1.00
Onions per lb.		03
Bees, per doz.		30
Butter, Island, per lb.		25
Eastern Butter, per lb.		20 to 25
Ham		18
Bacon		16
Beef		15 to 12 1/2
Pork		8 to 15
Yeast		10 to 15
Lamb, hind quarters		1.50
Lamb, fore quarters		1.00
Mutton		1.75 to 1.50
Pigs feet, cooked		11
Pigs feet, pickled		08
Chickens		06.00
Chickens		75 to 1.00
Turkeys		20
Cheese		15 to 18
Compressed corn beef		12 1/2
Apples		10

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CABLE DISPATCHES.
Children Murder Their Mother—Starting Domestic Tragedy in the East End.
Actor and Author Proceed to Windsor Castle to Receive Their Honors.

London, July 18.—When the chief steward of the National Line steamship France, now on her way to New York, reaches the United States he will receive terrible news. His sons, Robert Coombs, 12 years old, and Nathan Coombs, 11 years old, murdered their mother at Plastow, an eastern suburb of London, on July 8. The boys stabbed her while she was asleep and kept the body nine days in the house in which the crime was committed. When the remains of the unfortunate woman were discovered the two boys were playing cards, and the only reason given by the boys for the crime is that Mrs. Coombs whipped the youngest of them.

Henry Irving, Walter Besant and sixteen others went to Windsor Castle to-day to be knighted by the Queen.

The newspaper which first published the allegation that Willie Simms, Mr. Richard Croker's colored jockey, had driven a horse to death in a race from Newmarket to Cambridge and back, has apologized to Messrs. Croker and Sims.

A dispatch from Sofia to the Times says the newspapers there have become alarmed at the news from Macedonia. It is asserted that the revolution is spreading and two towns and three villages have been burned by the insurgent bands that are successfully operating in the districts of Strumitza, Maleshera and Brama. It is stated that the Turks have sent a considerable force of Kurdish cavalry into the first named district.

The weekly statement of the Bank of England issued to-day shows the following change compared with the previous week. Total reserve increased £906,000. Circulation decreased £252,000. Bullion increased £33,333. Other securities increased £962,000. Other increase, £16,000. Notes reserve increased £278,000. Government securities decreased £200,000. Proportion of Bank of England's reserve to liability, which last week was 59.10 per cent., is now 58.41 per cent.

London, July 17.—A Montevideo dispatch to the Times says that the assembly has voted \$2,000,000 to increase the numbers and efficiency of the army. The money will be raised by fresh taxation. This step has been taken in view of the alleged troubles between Argentine and Chili.

Lima, Peru, July 17.—The proposal of the papal nuncio to act as arbitrator in the dispute between Peru and Bolivia has been accepted.

Berlin, July 17.—The newspapers here state that Herr Hammerstein, editor of the Kreuzzeitung, and family, left on July 12 and their whereabouts are unknown. His house will be sold by order of the court and his personal effects will be distrained for rent.

Berne, July 17.—An American named Zermatt Perckett has accomplished the ascent of the Matterhorn, over 14,000 feet above the level of the sea.

Paris, July 17.—The council of the Legion of Honor has resigned in consequence of the criticism to which it was subjected in the chamber of deputies on Saturday last.

Berlin, July 17.—An African lady, Miss Maltby, has obtained the degree of doctor of philosophy at Gottingen University.

Constantinople, July 17.—The attempted assassination of ex-Premier Stambouloff of Bulgaria has created a great sensation here. Serious events in Bulgaria are looked for, in fact it is predicted that the whole eastern question will be reopened.

The Turks are actively constructing earth works under Mustafa Pasha in Roumelia and a mountain battery has been dispatched to Uskub district. Troops have been sent from Salonica to quell a reported insurrection near Strumitza.

Madrid, July 18.—The cabinet council has resolved to pay the Mora indemnity. Gen. Martinez de Campos has cabled the government saying the insurgents in the district of Bayamo, province of Sancti Spiritus de Cuba, have been scattered after suffering severe loss.

Berlin, July 18.—The Lokal Anzeiger, says Baron von Hammerstein, late editor of the Kreuzzeitung, is staying with relatives in the Tyrol. The Anzeiger says he went to London and is watched by the police.

Buenos Ayres, July 18.—The ports of southern Patagonia will shortly be declared free.

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