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From the Daily Colonist, March 9, 1887.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Police Barracks.

There were no prisoners in the city gaol yesterday, an unusual occurrence.

The Law of Evidence.

Mr. Bole's bill is to allow a defendant and his wife to testify in their own or his behalf in cases coming within the purview of the province under section 92 of the B. N. A. act.

A Calm.

After the storm comes a calm. Yesterday was one of the quietest days of the year. Everybody is glad the election is over and affairs will now run into the old grooves again.

Journalistic.

Geo. G. Lyon has purchased an interest in and, on Monday, assumed editorial control of the Seattle *Daily Times*. Its business management will remain in charge of T. H. Dempsey.

The Mails.

The steamer brought no mail last night, and it is expected that, owing to another move in real estate along the C. P. R., no trains will be through for some time. There were no trains east or west yesterday.

A pretty little bonnet
Is deserving of a sonnet,
For a pretty face within it is a vision of delight
But a hat of seven stories,
Though bedecked with floral glories
And with feathers and with ribbons, makes a girl a perfect fright.

Mackley.

Fred Mackley was given a benefit last Friday evening at the Standard, says the Seattle *Times*. A fine $85 gold watch was presented to Mr. Mackley on the conclusion of the performance by Mr. Connors, proprietor of the theatre, and the members of the theatrical company.

The Weather.

Yesterday's rain was, without doubt, the heaviest and most continuous that we have had this season. At times the water fell in torrents, naturally keeping people indoors, and the town presented a rather quiet appearance. The drains and gutters were raging streams, and in many cases overflowed the banks.

Washington's New Chief.

The *Oregonian* says: Judge R. A. Jones, the newly-appointed chief justice of Washington Territory, will leave for Seattle late this week, Thursday or Friday. Just when he will take the bench is undecided, and will depend upon the convenience of the retiring judge.

Jurors' Bill.

To the amended jurors' bill, introduced by Hon. Mr. Davie, Mr. Bole moved that that all active militiamen, certified to be such by their commanding officer, be exempt from jury duty. This and the amendment moved by Mr. Higgins, disqualifying members of any paid fire department, were carried.

Dissolution of Mock Parliament.

The lieutenant-governor, on the advice of the premier, dissolved the house on Wednesday last and write have been issued for a general election this evening. The speeches of the candidates for election to the new assembly, of whom there are forty-four, will commence at 7:30, voting at nine o'clock sharp. As considerable speaking and debating ability has been developed during the late parliament, those who attend may expect a rare treat. The public are invited.

The Return of a Slave.

The C.P.N. company's steamer Maude, Capt. Meyer, arrived from the northwest coast last night. Among the passengers were Messrs. E. Dempster, Aberdeen; C. Clifford, J. Lewis and J. Shields, Fort Simpson, and J. Clayton, Bella Bella. There is nothing startling to report. An Indian belonging to the Songeesh reserve, who many years ago was carried off by northern Indians and held ever since as a slave by them, came down on the steamer. He was captured when only ten years of age and is now an old man.

Benefit.

The benefit to be given at the Victoria Theatre to-morrow evening for the benefit of the sailors of the wrecked bark Thos. R. Foster will no doubt prove a grand success, and it should be patronized liberally by our theatre-goers. "Lucille," as presented by our young amateurs, is equal to many professional troupes that visit this city. Those benevolently inclined, as the sailors are destitute and greatly in need of assistance, should assist in making the entertainment a grand financial success.

Local Freight Rates.

The information contained in a telegram which the provincial secretary read to the house yesterday and which will be found in our regular report of the legislature, will be received with a great deal of satisfaction by the people of this province. Mr. Van Horne states that the rates on the C. P. R. will be made considerably less than those of American railways similarly situated and that he will shortly arrive and enquire into the complaints in person. The unreasonable local rates of the Canadian Pacific have been a real grievance which it is to be hoped will be now speedily removed.

The Cascade Division.

It is expected that the Cascade division of the Northern Pacific will be completed and passenger trains running to Tacoma in May. Progress on the long tunnel has been rapid and it is anticipated that it will be finished by the first of next year. It has not yet been decided as to the steamer service between this point and the Northern Pacific terminus, but it is thought that if the trade with Victoria continues as it is at present a couple of fast modern steamers will be placed on the route, and every effort made to retain the trade.

The Wild West.

A correspondent from Clinton writes that our information in regard to the actions of a certain cow-boy is incorrect. He states that the row took place at Mandorf's, twelve miles south of Clinton, and that there is now a warrant out for the offender's arrest. The good people of Clinton were greatly aggrieved that their law-abiding and pleasant community should have been given the credit of the occurrence, and it is with a great deal of pleasure that we are now enabled to state that our informant was at fault.

Amusing Incident.

John Chinaman, although a very quiet individual, as a rule, is sometimes guilty of wit, and one, On Hing by name, created quite a little merriment in the police court yesterday morning. He appeared in the witness box to give evidence in the San Quong Teck case, and was asked by the magistrate how he would like to be sworn. "Me no care," said On Hing, "any way good enough for me. English Chinese allee same, Smell'em book very good." This, of course, amused the court greatly, and John joined in the hearty laugh at his own expense. He was then sworn according to the custom of the Flowery kingdom.

Honor Roll of Kamloops School for Month of February, 1887.

E. Stuart Wood, teacher—Fourth class—M. Graham, Mary Cooney, Maud Clarke.

Third class—A. Cooney, Frances Menenteau, John Scuitts.

Senior Second—L. Dodd, Mamie Graham, Carrie Edwards.

Junior Second—B. Edwards, Harriet Cooney, Jennie Woods.

Part II.—Mr. Menenteau, Ulysses Campbell, John Cooney.

First class—Artie Edwards, Kenneth Dodd, Jas. McLean.

Number on roll, 70; average attendance, 41.6.

Promotions to second class—B. Edwards, H. Cooney, J. Woods, W. Woods.

THE OFFICIAL VERDICT.

Sheriff McMillan Gives the Final Figures and Declares Messrs. Baker and Shakespeare Elected.

At noon yesterday in the presence of the candidates Sheriff McMillan announced the official statement of the election returns.

Mr. Humphreys asked if a protest or petition would be accepted by the returning officer from him.

Sheriff McMillan said it would.

Mr. Baker—Mr. Returning Officer, you have declared Baker and Shakespeare elected?

Sheriff McMillan—Yes.

Mr. Baker—Thanks. That is all I want to know. Good-day.

The following are the total votes received by each candidate:

Baker	632
Shakespeare	604
Humphreys	388
Fell	327
McCallum	245
Robertson	197

PERSONAL.

Couns. Braden and Coughlan returned from Vancouver last night.

J. G. Jaques, New Westminster, and S. Leiser, city, were passengers on the Louise.

J. Wilson, superintendent of C. P. R. telegraphs, returned to New Westminster this morning.

A. D. Charlton, general western passenger agent, Portland, of the Northern Pacific, and H. C. Eckenburger, freight agent of the Chicago and Northwestern lines, Portland, were in the city yesterday, and left for the Sound this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ross left Winnipeg on the 28th of last month *en route* for the coast, intending to remain until the meeting of parliament. Mayor McLean of Vancouver, received a dispatch from Donald stating that Mr. and Mrs. Ross will be in that city in about ten days.

WHAT THEY SAID.

The lord high admiral is on deck again.—E. C. Baker.

Gentlemen, you will find your confidence has not been misplaced—N. Shakespeare.

Gentlemen, you are right and I am left.—Mayor Fell.

Politically, my goose is cooked for all future time in Victoria.—T. B. Humphreys.

The next man that talks liberalism to me, I'll make him eat the stone man.—Capt. McCallum.

Take it coolly, like I do.—W. A. Robertson.

On the whole, blackguardism don't pay.—*Times.*

Catch on to our brooms!—*Post.*

WHAT SOME PEOPLE SAY.

That Dr. McGlynn, the beloved pastor of St. Stephen's church, New York, who was carried away by Henry George's land theories, was completely overcome upon receiving the pontifical blessing. This action was undoubtedly influenced by Cardinal Gibbons who is now in Rome.

That some newspaper man, who has been there, says: "Newspaper editing is a very funny amusement. If you give a man a puff, he never sees it; but let one line against him appear and he sees it before the paper is off the press; and while he would not have time to stop on the street and say 'thank you,' he has time to run all over town and denounce the editor who seeks to print the news."

That when Mrs. Langtry was in Philadelphia she told an incident of her London career, in which the poet of the Sierras, Joaquin Miller, took a prominent part. When Mrs. Langtry first appeared on the stage Joaquin Miller wrote a poem in her honor, entitled "The Lily." Shortly after it appeared in print the author approached Mrs. Langtry at a large reception, and, after paying his respects, bowed himself backward out of the room, and as he retreated strewed rose leaves, which he had crammed in his trousers pockets, on the floor. Mr. Miller was at that time a member of the Rossetti circle, of which Whistler, Burne Jones and Swinburne were also members. At that time Miller appeared in public in a red flannel shirt and top boots.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES MEETING.

A meeting of the trustees of the public schools was held last evening. Present were Trustees Milne, (in the chair) Hayward, Heisterman and Walker.

A communication was received from the superintendent of education stating that the remuneration of Mr. Doran as monitor was ample.

A communication was received from Miss Harriet Jackson tendering her resignation as principal of the Johnson street ward school. Accepted.

Bills amounting to $85 were received and ordered paid if found correct.

The secretary reported the receipt of a complaint against one of the teachers. Referred to committee of the whole.

Seven applications were received for the position rendered vacant by Miss Jackson's resignation. Referred to committee of the whole.

The average daily attendance at the schools for the month of February was 697.46, giving to each teacher 36.71. The large falling off in attendance was said to be due to bad weather.

With regard to the vacancy in Johnson street ward school the committee recommended that the appointment be deferred for one week, applications to be received in the meantime.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Edwin Johnson, S.M.)

Sam Quong Yick charged with keeping a disorderly house, *i. e.* a gaming house.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Mr. Chas. Wilson, who appeared for the defense, said that he doubted whether his honor had any jurisdiction in the matter.

Sergt. Shepperd, sworn, said that he knew the defendant. At the rear of his store there is a gambling room and under the same roof. The entrance is through an alleyway; arrested the defendant in his store on a warrant on the 4th inst.; his store is on Fisgard street; was in the gambling room on the night previous to the arrest; there were several tables fitted up for gambling. Found preparations were made for the game of tan tan; a game was in progress as he went in, but they stopped on his entrance; have seen the game played, but am no expert; it is a banking game.

To His Honor—Tan tan is a game of chance, just as much so as a game of faro or monte.

To Mr. Wilson—The checks in the box produced is Chinese money; the deal does not pass but keeps in the hands of one person; have watched the game for hours and hours and have never seen the deal pass; the percentage is taken out of the winnings; suppose you would call to a direct percentage; chances of the game are equal alike for all; banker always gets his percentage; when I went into the room there was no noise or disturbance going on; only arrested the dealer and banker; the Chinese money produced in court is not current here.

Officer Smith who was then sworn gave evidence similar to that given by the sergeant.

Prisoner was fined $10.

Ah Ling and Ah Gee, who were charged a few days ago with playing the unlawful game of tan tan, were discharged. His honor said that they had been compelled to give evidence and it was his intention in the first place not to impose a heavy fine upon them, although they had given evidence with much substance.

An application was here made by Fred. Lansbury, a pawn-broker, to recover $1.25 which he had paid an Indian for blankets which were subsequently found to have been stolen.

His honor ordered that the money be refunded.

The court then adjourned until to-day at 10 o'clock.

THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

Proceedings of the First Session of the Fifth Parliament.

TUESDAY, March 8.

Mr. Speaker took the chair at 2:15 p.m. Prayers were read by the Rev. Dr. Reid.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Croft presented a petition from residents of Cowichan and Mr. Thompson a petition from residents of Nanaimo respecting liquor licenses.

Mr. Prior presented the petition of Fredk. Shakespeare and others against the private bill relating to the firemen's charitable fund.

FIRST READING.

Mr. Bole introduced a bill intituled "an act to amend the 'license ordinance act, 1878.'" Bill read a first time.

Mr. Bole asked leave to introduce a bill to amend the law relating to liens of mechanics and others. Bill read a first time.

TRANS-PACIFIC MAIL STEAMERS.

Mr. Higgins moved that a respectful address be presented to the lieut. governor asking his honor to strongly urge upon the Imperial and Dominion governments the necessity of inserting in any contract with any company for the carriage by steamship of Her Majesty's mails to and from the Orient or to and from New Zealand and Australia, a clause requiring the said steamers to touch at the port of Victoria or Esquimalt on the outward and inward passages.

The honorable mover said he had no doubt that the resolution would meet with the support of the new members. A line of oriental steamships that avoided Victoria and Esquimalt would scarcely be successful from a pecuniary point, for to say nothing of the commerce that would be encouraged and enlarged, there were the convenience of the imperial dock yard and dry dock to be considered. It would not be creditable to the governments concerned in the promoting of this steamship line if they were to allow the chief seat of their power on the American shore of the Pacific to be ignored. He believed that the steamships while discharging Victoria and Esquimalt freight could be coaled, and that the mails and light freight for the east would be transported *via* the Island railway and the railway ferry to Vancouver, whence they would be well on the way before the steamer was ready to leave for the mainland. On the outward trip, while the steamer was taking in stores, etc., a later mail from the east would reach her over the ferry and railway.

Mr. Bole believed the resolution was one which should pass the house unanimously. As he had previously pointed out local jealousies should be buried when a question of this kind came up. It was nothing but right if a trans-pacific mail service were established that Victoria should get a share of the benefit. He had previously pointed out that his own city was destined to become the Liverpool of the Pacific coast, and he had no objection to seeing Victoria come second.

Mr. Dunsmuir did not see any necessity for a clause to secure the calling of these steamers at Nanaimo as they had to go there anyhow to coal. Nanaimo could not get the go by. Resolution passed.

HIGH RAILWAY CHARGES.

Mr. McLeese moved seconded by Mr. Mason that an humble address be presented to his honor the lieutenant-governor, requesting him to move the Dominion government to cause the railway commission to visit British Columbia as soon as possible, so that their report can be presented to the house of commons, Ottawa, at the ensuing session.

The mover said that this commission would shortly visit Winnipeg and if it could be induced to come here the evidence taken before the committee appointed by the house could be laid before the commission and by it before the house of commons.

Mr. Beaven considered this a very practical way of solving the difficulty with high railway charges in the province.

Mr. Dunsmuir suggested that the enquiry be extended to the Island railway.

Mr. Robson read the following telegram from Mr. Van Horne: "The absence of our traffic-manager has prevented an early definite reply about the question of British Columbia rates. The tariff now in force was adopted temporarily, when the government line was turned over to the company. Traffic officers have been making careful enquiry into business and proposing a new tariff, based on a result which will soon be ready and which, we think, will give satisfaction, as the rates will be considerably less than on American railways similarly situated. I expected to have gone to British Columbia two months ago, to look into the complaints in person, but have been unable to get away. I expect to go west next week. The company intends to act liberally in all matters, and hopes for fair treatment in return."

The hon. gentleman did not produce this information to throw cold water on Mr. McLeese's motion, which he considered in the right direction. He would gladly give his support to anything calculated to improve the present very unsatisfactory condition of things.

Resolution passed.

JAIL.

Mr. Allen moved that a select committee be appointed to inspect the new gaol and Royal hospital, with power to call for persons and papers and to report to this house, said committee to be composed of Messrs. John, Mason, Thompson, Martin and the mover.

Mr. Prior asked if the mover would have any objection to a Victoria member being on the committee. The city, unfortunately, had a good deal to do with the gaol, and it was therefore important that it should be represented on the committee.

Mr. Higgins suggested that the committee might also visit the schools.

Mr. Beaven wanted to know if it were the Kootenay gaol which was referred to.

The resolution having been amended by adding the word "Victoria" before gaol and the name of Mr. Prior to the committee, the resolution passed.

CROWN GRANTS.

Mr. Orr moved that an order of the house be granted for a return of all lots sold and crown grants issued therefor in any surveyed townsite (other than the town of Granville) situate within the railway belt, between the first day of August, 1878, to the present date. Passed.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Mr. Higgins, asked "Is it the intention of the government to introduce an act during the present or ensuing session to provide for a new registration of voters under the Qualification and Registration of Voters Act?"

Hon Provincial Secretary—Not this session, but probably next.

SUPPLY.

Mr. Speaker left the chair, and house went into committee of the whole, Mr. Turner in the chair.

Moved by the honorable minister of finance, seconded by the honorable attorney-general, in committee, that supply be granted to Her Majesty. Resolution adopted and reported to the house.

Moved by the honorable minister of finance that the house resolve itself into committee of supply on Thursday next.

EVIDENCE.

Mr. Bole moved the second reading of a bill to amend the law of Evidence Bill, passed through committee.

DELTA RAILWAY.

Mr. Orr moved the second reading of the Delta Railway Incorporation Bill. The mover said this was purely an agricultural line, which would bring the products of a large section of country within easy reach of a market. In answer to a question the mover said the line would be about eighty miles in length.

Mr. Ladner, in seconding the resolution, pointed out the benefits a railway had brought to the north side of Fraser river, and how much greater benefits a line would bring to the south side. It would tap large quantities of agricultural land which was ready for the plow after being ditched and drained.

Debate adjourned.

SUMAS DYKING.

Report of committee on the Sumas Dyking Act Amendment bill was received. Bill (Hon. Mr. Robson) read a third time and passed.

THE BALLOT.

House went into committee on the Ballot Act Amendment bill (Mr. Higgins), Mr. Mason in the chair. After considerable discussion a resolution was adopted recommending that the bill be referred to a select committee of the house composed of Bole, John, Baker, Orr and the mover.

JURY SERVICE.

Hon. Mr. Davie moved the second reading of a bill to amend the Jurors' Act, 1883. The bill provided for the holding of special sittings of selectors of jurors for the purpose of making up jurors' books, rolls or lists.

The bill was read a second time and passed into committee, where clauses were inserted, providing that efficient members of the militia and members of paid fire departments should be exempt from jury service. Committee reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

House adjourned at 5:30 till 2 p. m. on Wednesday.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. Martin will ask leave to introduce a bill to abolish imprisonment for debt.

Mr. T. Davie will ask leave to introduce a bill entitled "An act to amend the county court jurisdiction act, 1885."

Mr. Higgins asked leave to introduce a bill to amend the "Assessment amendment act, 1878, and the assessment amending act, 1886."

Mr. Martin will move for a return of all correspondence between the department of lands and works, and any other person having reference to a piece of land on the north side of Burrard Inlet and described as lying to the north of lot 204, group 1, New Westminster district.

Mr. Orr will move for all correspondence between the superintendent of police and the government, relating to the appointment of a special police force to preserve the peace within the municipal limits of the city of Vancouver.

Mr. Orr will move that this house is of opinion that the Hon. John Robson has been guilty of using undue influence in order to procure his election to this assembly, and has acted in the capacity of chief commissioner of lands and works without the authority the statute provides, and has proved himself an improper person to act as a member of the executive council, and an adviser of his honor the lieutenant governor.

Mr. Stenhouse will ask leave to introduce a bill to amend "The lien act, 1879."

Col. Baker will move that it is desirable in the future, the public accounts when brought down to this house should show in a tabulated form all expenditures as well as receipts by the province for each district and city under their different classifications.

Mr. Orr will ask leave to introduce a bill to repeal "An act for the preservation of the peace within the municipal limits of the city of Vancouver."

MARINE.

Bark Alden Besse for Victoria, B. C., sailed from Hongkong Jan. 27.

The Idaho from Alaska, arrived at the outer wharf last night. She leaves for the Sound this morning at nine o'clock.

Steamship City of Chicago is overdue at Jersey city. No information can be obtained of the employes at the dock.

The ship Maude which arrived from Fort Simpson last night, called at Nanaimo and brought down a cargo of coal.

GORDON HEAD DISTRICT.

A memorial signed by the principal owners in the above locality has been presented to the provincial secretary, asking that a school may be established in the district. The document sets forth that such is urgently needed, children being resident there without any educational facility, and further that the present want is likely to be increased from the fact that the district is being opened up and constantly developing. The lands and works department accordingly has for the last two years constructed additional highway, which was further added to by private enterprise, a late owner having had several miles of road cut out, also factories are being established, a mill and brickyard being at present under construction, and a steamer from Gordon Head harbor to Victoria is on the *tapis*. So that, all told, the want of a school will manifestly not diminish.—*Com.*

NORTH ARM NOTES.

TO THE EDITOR:—Since last you heard from me we have been shut out almost from the civilized world owing to the river being frozen up. So you see this is the very time the people see the great necessity of having a bridge to connect the islands with the mainland. In several cases this winter where medical aid was needed it was almost an impossibility to procure a physician—only by a long delay and at the risk of their lives, so that something must be done this season by the government. We are only about four and a half miles from Vancouver. The people of that town will need a summer resort to get away from the mosquitoes, and there is no other place for them to go (that is for business people who could not go far, but either to Lulu or Sea Islands) so that if there was a bridge across the Fraser, I venture to say, the people of Vancouver would have a summer residence where they could drive to business every morning, but as it is at present the drawbacks and inconveniences are too numerous for any one to harbor such an idea. Our postal arrangements have been very unsatisfactory all this winter and need looking after by proper authorities. The government should do all in their power to encourage the people from Newfoundland to come, as I see by the papers it is thought many will be leaving owing to bad times there.

North Arm, March 3rd, 1887. FRASER.

MAINLAND NEWS.

(Vancouver News.

The ship W. A. Campbell had loaded 150,000 feet of lumber up to Saturday night.

The Victoria specials last night took up their positions on the Chinese ranch.

The remains of David Quackenbush, who was killed on Friday last, are lying in Port Moody awaiting instructions from the relatives of the deceased, who live in Napanee, Ont. No inquest was held as it was considered unnecessary.

A new steel tug 60 feet long and supplied with very powerful engines, will be placed on the Inlet shortly.

Two hundred and fifty men who were working on the line between here and Port Moody last week, have been sent to the mountains to assist in clearing the snow and land slides off the track.

The daily expense of the Victoria specials amounts to $125.15. The total charge up to-morrow, a week from their arrival, including transportation to and from Victoria is $1225.

Mr. McGee stated yesterday that over 200 hundred property owners had signed the petition for the new road to North Arm. It has been forwarded to the government.

A PRAYER FOR REPORTERS.

The Minnesota Senate Astonished by its Chaplain.

CHICAGO, Feb. 28.—The *Times'* St. Paul special of February 27th says: In the senate yesterday the chaplain stunned that august body by closing his prayer with a word for the newspaper men. He said: "And now, dear Lord, bless the reporters, whose nimble pens catch our every word almost before it is uttered. Like Thyself they are omnipresent and almost omnipotent. If we take the wings of the morning and fly to the uttermost parts of the earth, they are there. They meet us in the jungles of America, they waylay us in the solitary canyons of Colorado, and when, at length, we find the latitude of magnetic pole, behold they are there! May their light and goodness be equal to their power, and when the general assembly convenes, let not the reporters be excluded. Amen."

BEECHER DEAD.

Full Particulars of His Illness and Death.

His Strange Dream—The Great Preacher Passes Peacefully Away.

NEW YORK, March 5.—To-morrow's *World* will have the following. The chances of Beecher's recovery are stated by Dr. W. S. Searle, his family physician, in the following words: "He may live a day and he may live a week, and there is a bare possibility that he may survive the shock, but his full mental and bodily faculties can never be restored."

Beecher's illness was altogether unexpected. He was in his usual good health up to last Thursday evening. He ate at night a supper consisting of half a dozen roast clams, and spent the evening playing backgammon with Mrs. Beecher. He retired early and did not complain of feeling unwell. He, however, appeared restless after lying down, so much so that he attracted the attention of his wife. He told her that he had been suffering with severe headache all night, an affliction to which he is comparatively a stranger. He vomited profusely, and said he felt a little better. Shortly after he fell asleep, and slept without a break until 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon. He was not disturbed during this time, as it has been his habit for years to sleep in that manner when out of sorts. He was accustomed to say that sleep was one of his grandest remedies.

A PHYSICIAN'S STORY.

Dr. Hutchinson was called by Mrs. Beecher. The doctor said to a reporter: "I reached the house at 3:30 yesterday afternoon, and found Beecher sleeping. His appearance was quite natural, although I thought his face was drawn somewhat to the right side. The skin, especially of his extremities, was cool but not cold. I easily roused Mr. Beecher, and he was perfectly conscious. I said to him:

"You slept so long that your wife became worried and sent for me."

"Yes," he responded, 'I have slept a good while. I have been dreaming. It was rather a pleasant sort of a dream, too. You know I have always been a great dreamer.'

"'And what was your dream?' I asked.

"'I thought,' was the reply, 'that I had been made a duke and my wife a duchess. I dreamed we had a large amount of property invested in British consols. And I have been trying all night to figure out the income. You know, doctor, that riches have always been a great source of trouble to me.'"

NOTHING SERIOUS APPREHENDED.

The doctor continued: "I took my patient's pulse. It was about 80, and I thought it was too full and too hard. He was lying on his back, and he moved all his limbs with apparent freedom. His symptoms were much the same as he has been accustomed to in attacks of indigestion or billiousness, and both myself and the family concluded that nothing more serious was threatened. I prescribed appropriate remedies, and left, not having been in the house more than half an hour. I called again, however, at 10 o'clock the same evening. At that hour I found his pulse much better. I observed, however, that Mr. Beecher's articulation was thick. He seemed drowsy, but answered questions readily. He seemed, on the whole, better than in the afternoon. I was, however, apprehensive that his condition was more serious than it appeared on the surface, and when I left it was with the injunction that I be called at once if there were any change in the patient's condition. Beecher's son William stayed at the bedside with his mother till midnight, and then retired. Mrs. Beecher was on the alert all night long. The family did not see fit to call me till 8 o'clock this morning, and when I arrived I saw that there had been a decided change for the worse. There was partial paralysis of the entire left side, it being most marked in the arm. The hand grasp of the right hand was vigorous, however, but that of the left was almost imperceptible. The left leg was not as much paralyzed as the arm, and the sensation in both arms and the leg appeared perfect.

A DISAPPOINTMENT.

"Can you move your left arm?" I asked Mr. Beecher.

"Oh yes," he replied, "'I can touch my head with my hand.'"

"He tried to do so, and found that he could not, and it seemed to annoy him. All this time he was exceedingly drowsy. When asked a question he would reply and then drop into a drowsy state. He was not in a comatose condition by any means. His pupils were contracted but they responded well to the light. When asked to put out his tongue, it was only partially produced, and with evident difficulty. His temperature was then 100 degrees, about half a degree above the normal. His pulse was 90, when it is usually from 70 to 75. His respiration was normal and much like that of a man asleep. His general action was that of a man partially aroused from deep slumber. He said his head still pained him; that there was a 'boring' pain in the right of his head and his brain was sore. Frequently he carried his hand involuntarily to his head, as if it pained him. I pronounced the case apoplexy, and I sent for Prof. William A. Hammond, of New York. I took Mrs. Beecher and William aside and told them how serious the case was. They were incredulous at first and thought it impossible, as the symptoms were so much like what they had been accustomed to in times past. Mrs. Beecher was overcome with grief when she fully realized, but bore up bravely when encouraged by her son."

HE GROWS WORSE.

"Dr. Hammond arrived at 2 o'clock, and it was then evident that Mr. Beecher was failing. His temperature was 100 1-5, and his respirations were of a peculiar irregularity, indicating serious cerebral disease. The paralysis had increased, and there was no power of grasp whatever left in the hand. By tickling the bottom of his foot we caused him to draw it up, producing a reflex motion, but otherwise the limb was helpless. He was still suffering from pain, and managed to say so distinctly. His articulation was more impaired than ever, and the extremities had become equally warm. His face at the time was very much flushed, and at no time was it pale. He moved his right arm and leg uneasily, as if he were suffering pain. He remained on his back and made no attempt to roll over.

"From his whole condition and at this time it was the opinion of Dr. Hammond and myself that the condition was extremely serious. We therefore advised the family to notify all absent members."

"I was not surprised," said the doctor, "at Beecher's attack. I have known for three years past that he had incipient Bright's disease in a mild form. It has been his custom for some time, while studying, to wrap up his feet in rugs to keep them warm. He was troubled with a rushing of blood to the head."

HIS RECENT WORK.

For the last month or so Beecher has been busily engaged in writing a second volume of his "Life of Christ." He has been closely confined at his work, as he wished to finish it for publication in early summer. He has not been away from his house since his return from Europe, except to run up to Peekskill, his country seat, for a day at a time. On Sunday last he preached two remarkably vigorous sermons. On Tuesday he went to Peekskill, and returned on Wednesday. He had a slight headache, but thought nothing of it. He worked all day on his book, and went out in the evening with Mrs. Beecher. Thursday the two came over to New York together to buy furniture for the church parlor. After a day in the city they returned home. At supper he ate six roast clams, and retired. About 10 o'clock early Friday morning began his illness.

Col. Beecher visited the sick room tonight and was recognized by his father. A trained nurse had been engaged to take care of him.

Much excitement was caused in Brooklyn by the announcement of Beecher's illness. Immense crowds gathered near the house and read the bulletins. All through the evening prominent citizens were calling and leaving cards at the door. A policeman was stationed in front of the house to keep the crowd away. Beecher is over 73 years old.

AT REST.

BROOKLYN, March 8.—Henry Ward Beecher died at 9:30 o'clock this morning.

A NOBLE PRIEST.

TO THE EDITOR:—A good office done harshly has justly been compared to a stony piece of bread—it is necessary for him that is hungry to receive it, but it almost chokes him in the going down. I was reminded of this on reading, a few days ago, the account of the wreck of the Thomas R. Foster, and the rescue of Captain Rugg and crew. The Indians, no doubt, did well enough for *Indians*, but there was, underlying their conduct, an evident intention to get a *quid pro quo* for services rendered. In contrast with their actions mark the conduct of Father Nicolaye. Here is a man of whom it can be truly said "when he hath been tried, he came forth as gold." If one has a right to be proud of anything, it is of a good action, done as it ought to be, without any base interest lurking at the bottom of it. How seldom is generosity perfect and pure. How often do men give because it throws a certain inferiority on those who receive and a superiority on themselves. But here we have a man bestowing *his all* for the support of his fellow-men in distress without any ulterior object or hope of reward, beyond the pleasure he enjoys in the consciousness of having performed his duty. It is a wise foresight of the disasters that may befall us, which induces us to assist others, in order to engage them to return it on like occasions, so that the services we do the unfortunate are, in reality, so many anticipated kindnesses to ourselves. There is no surer mark of the absence of the highest moral and intellectual qualities in a community than an indifference to noble and generous actions. Are we true to ourselves as a people, descended from a race of "fair women and brave men," in passing over, with a cool *dolce far niente*, the generous conduct of this good, worthy man, and forget that, even at this moment, he may be in need of that very help he so fully extended to these shipwrecked men. The government, or municipal council or *somebody*, should not lose a day without taking steps, not alone to send supplies, but some fitting testimonial from this community to the Rev. Father Nicolaye, giving assurance that we are ready at all times to appreciate such a generous nature. It is better to be of those who need relief than those who want hearts to give it. "Blessed be not the complaining tongue, but blessed be the amending hand." B.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Judge Johnson.)

Peter Smith charged by Matilda Farrell with drawing a revolver on her at Esquimalt and pointing it at her three times. The evidence given went to prove that Smith's and Mrs. Farrell's families were not on the best of terms and that the language used on both sides was unseemly and abusive.

His honor fined Smith $20.

SIX HUNDRED LIVES LOST.

The Total Wreck of a Big Chinese Junk.

A Chinese junk from Hainan to Siam, says the *Saigonnais* of January 13th, was wrecked a few days ago on the Soctrang coast, at a place called Mythank. She ran on a bank more than a mile from land and broke up. Of 600 passengers and crew on board only six were saved. The administrator at Baclieu and a custom junk tried to render assistance, but their efforts were rendered useless by the state of the sea. It is said also that two customs junks are missing, one not having been heard of for nearly two months nor the other for a month. They were each manned by one European and ten Annamites.

AN ANARCHIST MEETING.

One of Herr Most's Friends Denounces the Reporters.

NEW YORK, March 3.—The ballroom in the Clarendon hall was filled with anarchists last night, who had gathered to listen to the experiences of Braunschweig and Schenck, the companions of Johann Most, who have just been released from Blackwell's island, where they had been sent nine months ago for inciting to riot. In the course of his speech Braunschweig denounced the reporters as the men who had sent him to prison. He said: "I pity the American people when they are led by you. Every honest man despises you. You ought to be hanged and when anarchy prevails you will be hanged in a batch. You are marked men." This sentiment met general approval.

RUSSIA'S DESIGNS.

She May Proceed Simultaneously Against Bulgaria and Afghanistan.

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