

APPEARANCE HERE OF TACOMA BASSO

GREAT SINGER HEARD AT ARION CONCERT

Club Provided Musical Feast of Exceptional Merit in Institute Hall Thursday Night.

That the Arion Club has lost none of its power to cater to the most fastidious and exacting musical tastes was fully demonstrated Thursday night when it opened its twelfth season in Institute hall. The first number on the programme, "The Champagne Song," was typical of the title, bright and sparkling, and sung with fine finish.

This was followed by another club number, "Simon the Cellarer," a sprightly composition, fairly bubbling over with mirth. Miss McCoy, who has been before Victoria audiences only a few times, showed what fine training she has had, especially illustrating this fact in the third number, "I Love Thee Life," the finale of which was particularly well finished. She received a hearty encore.

In "The Parting," by Iuseman, the blending of the basses and tenors was splendid, and brought forth repeated applause.

This was followed by a contrasting selection, "Street Music," a comic representation of a German blowing his own horn and incidentally all the principal pieces in the band. The Deutscher broken English was exceedingly well done.

The Arions are known to provide only the best in the matter of soloists, and their selection of Henry T. Hanlin, of Tacoma, was a happy thought. A man of powerful physique and with a wonderful rich resonant bass of unlimited power and range, Mr. Hanlin literally took the audience by storm. In the "Aria From Salvo Rosa," by Gomez, Mr. Hanlin gave the audience a taste of what he could do, and replying to a vociferous encore, gave "Hearts of Oak," and old ballad which he thrilled the audience. Mr. Hanlin reminded many of the audience, who had so admired Watkin Mills in his prime, of that fine old English singer, but the Tacoma has youth and power all on his side, and he created an impression wholly captivating.

"At Sunset," with orchestral accompaniment, and tenor solo by H. J. Cave, was a fine piece of work, the crescendo being particularly good. The orchestra showed what faithful and steady practice can do, and in support of the solo number, as also to "King Olaf's Christmas," by Buck, was worthy of special notice. In the latter A. T. Goward certainly sang as he has on few former occasions in Victoria, his voice being very clear and full, although he is just recovering from illness. Herbert Kent always has his admirers by scores, and in his solos in this number did himself and his work full justice. The final stanza, especially of this ambitious number, was decidedly the best of the club's work last evening.

Miss McCoy in "Should He Upbraid," again charmed the audience, giving as an encore "There, Little Girl, Don't Cry."

"The Serenade," with tenor solo, by F. Waddington, was very well executed, and the Arions had an opportunity to show what they could do in ensemble work in "The Battle Song," Schumann. This was given to the entire satisfaction of the exacting audience.

This was followed by two numbers by Mr. Hanlin, "In Mohac's Field," an odd Hungarian folk song, by Korby, and a magnificent selection from "The Revenge," by J. L. Hatton. Mr. Hanlin's glorious voice had great scope in these two, and his performance of the latter "pat excellence" hit his ears given in response to demanding applause, "The Old Mill Wheel." Mr. Hanlin's voice almost reaches baritone notes at times. His tonal expressions are exquisitely delightful. He scored a distinct triumph.

Then followed Ciro Piusini's famous song, "The Parting Kiss," in which the Arions achieved musical laurels.

The concert was brought to a fitting close with Wagner's, "The Flying Dutchman."

Much praise was lavished on the members of the club at the close of the concert last evening. This enterprising aggregation is certainly to be commended for its musical feasts provided regularly. Special mention might also be made of the accompaniments of Mrs. Walshe Windle, who certainly excelled herself in that regard, and the service of Dr. Nash, the leader of the orchestra, and G. Jennings Burnett, who presided at the organ.

WANTS NEW TRIAL

The Counsel for Condemned Chinese Appeals to Ottawa.

J. P. Walls has applied to the Minister of Justice on behalf of two of three Chinese sentenced to death at the Clinton assizes for the murder of a countryman, for an order for a new trial. He will have to obtain the permission of the Chief Justice to appeal to the Full court. This was asked for, but the matter has been laid over until Monday, or pending the receipt of word from the federal capital. Mr. Walls is exerting himself on behalf of two of the condemned men, as he feels certain that Sack Chin, the third, will not hang because of insanity. The other two are Ah Gum and Gum Tai. Mr. Walls urges as reasons for a new trial that the weight of evidence adduced did not justify the verdict returned, and that the Judge wrongly directed the jury. The sentence calls for their execution on December 4th. Mr. Walls expects word from Ottawa by that time.

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PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Notices Appearing in This Week's official Gazette—Seeking Extension of Powers.

This week's Provincial Gazette contains notice of the following appointments:

William James Nelson, of Rossland, to be police magistrate in and for the said city, and a magistrate under the "Small Debts Act" for the city of Rossland, and within a radius of ten miles from the said city, vice John Bouthée.

William James Nelson to be a stipendiary magistrate in and for the county of Kootenay.

J. J. McKenna, of Wells, to be deputy mining recorder for that portion of the Atlin Lake mining division, formerly known as the Bennett Lake and Chilkat mining divisions, with sub-recording office at Wells.

Francis Clarke Gamble, of Victoria, public works engineer, to be a railway inspector for the purposes of the "British Columbia Railway Act."

Arthur John O'Reilly, of Victoria, to be a notary public in and for the province of British Columbia.

The resignation of R. P. Edwards, of South Salt Spring, as justice of the peace, has been accepted.

The holding of a court of revision for the Slokan electoral district has been deferred until the 1st day of February.

Prospect school district and West Saanich school district have each been altered and redefined.

The Macaulay Liqueur Company, Limited, has been incorporated with a capital of \$10,000.

Notice is given that the Granby Consolidated Mining Smelting & Power Company, Limited, will at the present session of the legislature seek to amend the act of incorporation so as to empower the said company to drive or construct a tunnel or tunnels under, through or in the mountain on which the mines of the said company, at Phoenix, in the Greenwood mining division of Yale district, are located. The portal or portals of said tunnel or tunnels to be at some point or points on the side or base of said mountain, to be selected by said company, from which point or points the said tunnel or tunnels may be driven or constructed through any crown lands, or any occupied or unoccupied lands, pre-emptions or mineral claims of any person or persons, company or companies, situated on or in said mountain, to lead into the mines or mineral claims of said company; with power to construct, equip and operate a line or lines of tramway for the transportation of their ore and other freight thereover, with liberty to enter into agreements with the owners of mineral claims or mines through which such tunnel or tunnels may be driven, for the transportation of their ore and other freight for hire, and with further power to acquire, by purchase, expropriation or otherwise, that portion of the lands through which such tunnel or tunnels shall be driven as shall be actually occupied by such tunnel and required to protect from injury the walls, roof and floor thereof; and further to acquire, by purchase, expropriation or otherwise, such lands adjacent or in the neighborhood of the portal or portals of such tunnel or tunnels as said company may deem requisite for the erection, equipment and operation thereof of works for the milling, smelting, refining or other wise reducing or treating ores or minerals, and for the purpose of providing dumping grounds for the waste rock, tailings, slags or other waste material resulting from the company's operations, and also such lands or other property, the rights as may be injuriously affected by the company's undertaking and works."

SUITS WITHDRAWN

C. P. R. Will Not Press Against Holders of Rights in Southeast Kootenay.

The suits taken by the C. P. R. against the holders of crown grants, timber licenses and coal licenses in the now famous block 4304 of Southeast Kootenay, have been dropped. Those against whom actions were entered were as follows: W. S. Keane, coal license; G. H. Scott, crown grant; A. J. Farquharson, timber license; J. D. Phail, coal license; D. Y. Mott, Sons & Co., timber lease and crown grant; Bentley, Kanouse & Graham, crown grant; Wm. Ferrie, crown grant; Fernie Manufacturing Co., crown grant; C. H. Levers, crown grant; Kootenay Valley Co., crown grant; Geo. Walker, crown grant; Macdonnell & Foss, crown grant.

With the dropping of these suits some of the license holders may be expected to make application to the government for the establishment of their rights there.

PROOF THAT NO ONE CAN DOUBT THAT DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS CURE ANY STAGE OF KIDNEY DISEASE.

Maxime Boucher Had Kidney Disease For Twenty-Five Years and Could Find No Relief Till He Tried Dodd's Kidney Pills—They Cured Him Completely.

Humertown, Que., Nov. 27.—(Special).—With Kidney Disease almost daily cutting off the most prominent men in Canada, fresh proofs that Dodd's Kidney Pills are a sure cure for this most deadly ailment are the best news that can be spread broadcast over the land, and one of the most convincing proofs yet brought forward is the case of Maxime Boucher of this place.

For twenty-five years Mr. Boucher suffered from Kidney Disease. Its aches and pains, and feebleness had become so much a part of his daily life and the different medicines he had tried had done him so little good that he had about abandoned hope.

But reading of the splendid cures of different forms of Kidney Disease by Dodd's Kidney Pills led him to try once more. The result is that Mr. Boucher makes a statement for the benefit of the public. It tells of his twenty-five years suffering and ends, "I am perfectly cured. Dodd's Kidney Pills did it." Naturally Mr. Boucher cannot say enough in favor of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

DEATH SENTENCE WAS CARRIED OUT

EXECUTION OF FRITH TOOK PLACE FRIDAY

The Condemned Man Met His Fate With Remarkable Fortitude—The Story of His Crime.

Alfred James Ernest Frith paid the extreme penalty of the law at the provincial jail on Friday for the murder of Frederick James Bailey at the naval yard, Esquimalt, last June. The execution was conducted quickly and without a hitch, death resulting instantaneously. The condemned man met his fate with remarkable fortitude, without the slightest sign of fear or even discomposure. Asked by the sheriff if he desired to say anything he shook his head. About fifty people were present.

Frith bade farewell to his family and friends yesterday afternoon, the scene being most pathetic. He appeared to be perfectly resigned to his fate, although last night he did not sleep, and it was not until 3 o'clock this morning that he dropped off into slumber. Shortly before 6 he was aroused by the guard. After dressing he sat down to a light breakfast. He acted with perfect self-possession, his superb nerve never deserting him for a moment.

At ten minutes to eight his arms were pinioned at his sides, the bell on the scaffold began to toll, and the melancholy march to the place of execution commenced. The gallows had been erected in the jail court, in which the spectators had gathered. Two or three minutes before eight the little group, consisting of the officials and the condemned entered the yard from the jail. The sheriff was in the lead followed by the warden and jail physician; then came two justices of the peace, next the jail chaplain; followed by Frith and his guards, and lastly the executioner.

The condemned man marched as steadily as on parade, the result of his military training, the discipline which he had been subjected to all his life, being strikingly exhibited. Mounting the gallows he stood directly beneath the noose, gauged its height, and then remained erect and as motionless as stone. Asked by the sheriff if he desired to say anything he replied in the negative. The hangman then performed his final offices of preparation, after which the chaplain read the brief form of service prescribed by the Church of England, concluding with the benediction.

The sheriff gave the signal to the executioner and the trap was sprung. The drop fell exactly at two minutes after eight. There was not the slightest struggle, death resulting instantly. Twelve minutes afterwards the doctor examined the body, and formally pronounced death.

Following the execution the formal coroner's inquest was held. The witnesses were the sheriff, the doctor and the warden. The customary verdict was returned by the jury.

Alfred James Ernest Frith was 50 years of age. He was born in England and was formerly on H. M. S. Rocket. He became an employee at the naval yard in 1896, looking after the coal wharves, lighters, etc. His body has been turned over to his relatives.

The crime for which Alfred James Frith today suffered the penalty of death was committed at the naval yard, Esquimalt, on the morning of Saturday, June 27th last. The victim was Frederick James Bailey, first class storehouse man, and it was in one of the storehouses that he was murdered by the man on whom the extreme sentence of the law has just been inflicted. The tragedy occurred about 8 o'clock, and within a couple of hours following Frith was in the custody of the provincial police, having made no effort to escape.

The details of the terrible affair which shocked the community are still fairly fresh in the memories of the readers of the "Times." It will be recalled that the first intimation of the crime came from the slayer. He accused Provincial Constable Campbell as the latter was leaving his house to board the car for the city, and advised him to stay around for a while as his services would be required. He finally said: "I killed Bailey this morning."

The constable was incredulous, but Frith insisted that he had slain the storehouse man, and told Mr. Campbell to call at his house in an hour's time and take him in charge. The officer investigated, and found that Bailey was missing from his store, and then notified the provincial police headquarters. He received instructions to arrest Frith, and did so, bringing him to the city. While they were on the way the body of the murdered man was found lying prone in a pool of blood in the storehouse by Sergt. Lough, who entered the building through the window.

When Frith was taken to the provincial police headquarters by Constable Campbell, he expressed a desire to make a statement. He admitted that he killed Bailey, but said he did it in self-defence. He said he asked the other to get him a packing case from the storehouse, and while they were there an altercation ensued from his accusation that Bailey had been undermining him. The storehouse man, he said, picked up a hammer and threatened him, whereupon he (Frith) drew a revolver and shot Bailey in the back of the head when he was about five feet distant. He then went outside and threw the weapon overboard.

At the trial, however, the plea of self-defence was abandoned, and that of insanity was put forward by the prisoner's counsel. The evidence at the preliminary hearing showed that there had been no stove or club such as Frith mentioned, near the spot where the murder was committed, and the course of the crime indicated that the victim had been shot from behind and at close range. It was further shown that Frith, who had

been employed under Bailey and was discharged owing to intemperance, had attributed to the victim the crime of being afflicted with a constitutional weakness and a hemorrhage of the brain, which rendered him irresponsible. Witnesses, including members of the prisoner's family, were called to testify as to the strange manner in which he had acted at various times.

Frith returned a verdict of murder, with a strong recommendation to mercy. His Lordship, Mr. Justice Irving, before whom the case was tried, thereupon imposed the sentence of death. The trial began on October 1st, and was concluded the next day. The prosecution was in the hands of the deputy attorney-general, and Geo. Powell defended the prisoner. Each conducted his case most skillfully.

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The appointment of a royal commission to advise the government concerning the creation of a board for the administration of business of the war office and the consequent changes involved, is generally regarded as foreshadowing the abolition of the post of commander-in-chief, and at least making the position largely ornamental, and Lord Roberts is understood to consider that his present ill-health offers an opportune excuse for his retirement, thus leaving the field clear for any changes which may be recommended by the King's approval by the commission.

From the terms of the reference to the commission it is quite evident it was appointed to find a practical means of carrying into effect the recommendations of Lord Esher, a member of the royal commission, which were appended, as a preliminary to the commission's report. There Lord Esher specifically urged the abolition of the post of commander-in-chief and the appointment of a general officer to command the army, making him responsible to the secretary for war for the efficiency of the military forces. His Lordship further recommended the establishment of an advisory and executive board, presided over by the secretary for war, on the lines of the admiralty board.

A Woman's Face.

PLAINLY INDICATES THE CONDITION OF HER HEALTH.

How to Obtain Bright Eyes, Rosy Cheeks and the Elastic Step of Perfect Health.

"A woman's face," said a well known physician, "is a mirror which reflects unfailingly the condition of her blood, and a sign of disease if it is well or not and usually one can tell what the trouble is. It so often happens that instead of bright eyes, rosy cheeks, and an elastic step, there are dull eyes, pale, swollen or a greenish complexion, and a languidness of step that bespeaks disease, and perhaps an early death if the right treatment is not resorted to. The whole trouble lies with the blood, and until it is purified and invigorated there will be no release from suffering and disease. Unquestionably the greatest of all blood-renewers is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Good blood means health, vigor, life and beauty, and the one sure way to make your blood good is to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Out of many cases which illustrate the need to improve, and fix bones completely restored me. I now have a good appetite, headaches and pains have disappeared, and I never felt better in my life than I do now. If I am ever sick again you may be sure that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will be my only doctor."

If you have any disease like anaemia, indigestion, heart palpitation, neuralgia, rheumatism, or any of the other host of troubles caused by bad blood, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will surely cure you. Be careful to get the genuine, with the full name, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," printed on the wrapper around the box. Sold by all medicine dealers or sent post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by writing to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

OUTPUT FROM TYEE WILL BE INCREASED

New Cables on Aerial Tramway Will Allow Larger Shipments to Lady-smith Smelter.

Mount Sicker mining camp is steadily making advances. It would seem as though the best days for the mines in that part of Vancouver Island was but beginning. There are very good reasons for this in the fact that up to late when the case was tried, thereupon imposed the sentence of death. The trial began on October 1st, and was concluded the next day. The prosecution was in the hands of the deputy attorney-general, and Geo. Powell defended the prisoner. Each conducted his case most skillfully.

PASSENGER TRAVEL.

Lines by Way of Chicago Unable to Get Any Business to Canadian West.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—A meeting of the Chicago-St. Paul lines, of which the Great Northern railway was represented, has been held here to consider a proposition of the Great Northern to meet the second-class rates now in effect from Eastern Canada to points in Western Canada by all-Canadian routes. Owing to their higher rates, the lines by way of Chicago have been unable to get any of that business.

Definite action was taken owing to a fear that the Chicago line would be able to carry at least 200 tons a day down to the E. & N. line to be shipped on to Lady-smith.

ANNEXED BY GERMANY.

Take Possession of Country of Bondelwarts in Southwest Africa.

Capetown, Nov. 28.—It is announced here that the Germans have formally annexed the territory of the Bondelwarts tribesmen in German Southwest Africa. The surrender of the Bondelwarts was expected.

LOST ON MOUNTAIN.

Mr. Yeatman, of Valdes Island, Believed to Have Perished.

Further details of the disappearance of Mr. Yeatman, of Valdes Island, in the neighborhood of Seymour Narrows, were received here today. Mr. King, the well known timber cruiser, who arrived from the North on the steamer Tees last evening. The old man and his son had crossed over to the mountain in the locality mentioned to look for game. They had shot a deer and had agreed to start for home with the carcass, one going in a certain direction and the other following a different trail. The son had reached the foot of the mountain where they were to meet and after waiting for a little thought he might occupy his time in looking around a little for more game. He struck out in the direction from which his father was to come, and had found footprints but nothing more. Snow was falling, and that night it had covered the ground to a depth of a couple of feet.

Parties have since searched for Mr. Yeatman, but without success, and hope is no longer entertained that he is alive. Mr. King says that could he have gotten off to the mountain on his way to Victoria and looked for the man he would have done so, as he knows the country thoroughly. The lost man is the father of a large family living on Valdes Island. He was a well known settler and was secretary of the school board, Valdes. He was a man of probably fifty years of age.

GAME PROTECTION.

Local Association Will Meet With Delegates From the Mainland.

Representatives of the Mainland game clubs have been invited by the local Game Protective Association to meet with them and discuss the best means of accomplishing the object of the society. The date of the meeting will be announced later. In this connection a petition is now in circulation on the Mainland with which the Island association is in hearty accord. It is as follows: To the Honorable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia in Parliament assembled.

The petition of the undersigned people of British Columbia, asking for the amendment of the game laws, humbly sheweth: That your petitioners are desirous of having passed an act of the legislature as a body of the province of British Columbia amending and consolidating the fish and game laws and making provision for the enforcement thereof.

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Lines by Way of Chicago Unable to Get Any Business to Canadian West.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—A meeting of the Chicago-St. Paul lines, of which the Great Northern railway was represented, has been held here to consider a proposition of the Great Northern to meet the second-class rates now in effect from Eastern Canada to points in Western Canada by all-Canadian routes. Owing to their higher rates, the lines by way of Chicago have been unable to get any of that business.

Definite action was taken owing to a fear that the Chicago line would be able to carry at least 200 tons a day down to the E. & N. line to be shipped on to Lady-smith.

ANNEXED BY GERMANY.

Take Possession of Country of Bondelwarts in Southwest Africa.