

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

MRS. MARVIN'S female military drill, at The Victoria next Friday night and Saturday matinee, will be the leading social novelty of the coming month. The young ladies who will participate in the entertainment have been carefully drilled by Mrs. Marvin, and are said to have arrived at a remarkable degree of perfection. The drill is a graceful modification of calisthenics with military step introduced, the movement of the foot being similar to that in bayonet exercises. As has been said in other places where Mrs. Marvin has given her military drill, "if grace, beauty, talent and merit are worth seeing, this young ladies' drill is well worth witnessing." It is understood that several parties are being arranged for to attend the entertainment, and now that Lent is over, it will be surprising if the largest house seen for some time at The Victoria is not present.

The death of Lady Macpherson in Italy last week caused much regret throughout Canada and particularly in Toronto, where the deceased lady had lived with Sir David for nearly a generation, their beautiful home at Chestnut Park being one of the best known residences of that city. Lady Macpherson was the daughter of the late William Molson, of Montreal, founder of Molson's Bank. She was married to Sir David Macpherson on June 18, 1844.

A concert under the auspices of L. O. L. No. 1426, was given in the Temperance Hall, last evening. The chair was occupied by Mr. Netherby, and the following programme was rendered: Solo, Miss Haughton; song, Mr. Brownlee; reading, Mrs. Pikey; song, Mrs. Rowlands; stereopticon exhibition, Rev. G. C. King; solo, Mrs. King; songs, Messrs. Owens and Wallace; Irish reading, Mr. Jones, and God Save the Queen.

The following programme was given by the young people of Emanuel Baptist church last Monday evening: Musical selection, choir; duet, Irene and George Packard; recitation, Miss Morrison; solo, Miss Lena Howell; quartette, Misses McEwen and McDiarmid, and Messrs. McEwen and McNeil; recitation, Mrs. Zillwood; singing, choir; song, Miss Durham; reading, Miss McDiarmid; and song, Mr. Wescott.

The following programme was gone through at the concert given in Odd-fellows' Hall, Friday evening, under the auspices of Sullivan's lodge: Song, Miss Tugwell; trio, Messrs. Spragg, Talte and Middleton; recitation, Miss Bamfield; duet (violin and piano) Mr. and Miss Bantley; address, Rev. P. H. McEwen; song, Mr. Kinnaird; song, Mr. Scowcroft; dialogue, Messrs. Brooks; and song, Miss Johnson.

The Highland Society ball, Vancouver, at the market hall was a pronounced success. Seventy-five couples were present. Many of the dancers appeared in Highland costume. The legend among the wall decorations was "Glanna nan gaidheal, 'an geariebh a cheile."

Mrs. Macdonnell, wife of Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, the respected pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Toronto, died in that city on Friday of last week. The rev. gentleman's many friends in Victoria will regret his bereavement.

An entertainment in which Messrs. Russell, Jameson, Paterson, Blackwood, Anderson, McLean, Tait, Muir and Smith took part, was given by the Sir William Wallace Society at their usual weekly meeting Friday night.

Miss Traill, of Victoria, who has spent six weeks in Kamloops, the guest of Ald. Munro, for the benefit of her health, has returned home much improved. She intends shortly to return to her home in Hamilton, Ont.

A free social was given by the Ladies' Aid of the Centennial Methodist church, last Wednesday evening. Mr. Clement Rowlands had arranged a fine musical programme.

Prof. H. Steel, of Nanaimo, will leave for Victoria in a few days. He will assist Mr. Finn in the B. C. G. A. band and also conduct private classes.

The gypsy tambourine dance from The Bohemian Girl will be a feature of the bazaar to be held in St. John's schoolroom April 2.

On account of the death of Mrs. J. W. McCall, the fancy dress ball at New Westminster has been postponed until April 10.

Mr. Rithet, Mrs. Rithet, Miss Rithet, Master Rithet and Dr. John Duncan, left for San Francisco by the Walla Walla.

Mr. C. F. Jones spent Easter on the Sound, and it is rumored that he may permanently reside there shortly.

The fancy dress ball, under the auspices of the Vancouver cricket club, will be held next Thursday night.

The Calico ball in the pavillion at Kamloops, last Tuesday evening, was a grand success.

The Ladies' Aid of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will give a concert April 10.

The ladies of St. Luke's guild announce a grand concert and sale of work April 5.

Mr. R. J. Ackland, the well-known athlete, is confined to his room.

Hon. Percy E. Whittall, Colborn Court, Surry, is in the city.

Sir Matthew Begbie has still further improved in health.

Mr. McAndrews has gone down to San Francisco.

Mr. W. S. Hampson has returned from England.

SPORTING NOTES.

LACROSSE.

The following are the names of the British Columbia lacrosse players who will arrive in San Francisco to-morrow: Victoria—A. E. Macnaughton, R. Cheyne, F. Cullin, C. Cullin, J. Sprinkling, Finlaison, W. H. Cullin and S. Norman. Vancouver—E. Quigley, D. Smith, J. Quann, W. Quann, K. Campbell, R. Ralph, T. Spain, F. Miller. Westminster—C. S. Campbell, C. Snell, J. Lewis, A. B. Mackenzie, W. Dalgleish, H. J. Peele, H. L. Edmunds, P. Peele and H. Ryal.

FOOTBALL.

The football team which played at San Francisco last week week, returned home Wednesday night by the Umatilla. Previous to their departure from the Bay City they were banquetted at the Baldwin, and given a royal farewell.

An association match will take place in the Caledonia park this afternoon, between teams representing England and Scotland. Geo. McCann, president of the Victoria Wanderers. The English team will play in white, and the Scotch in blue and white. The teams will play as follows: England—Booth, Cartwright, Earp, Foulkes, Pooley, Blackburn, R. Wilson, A. Goward, B. Goward, G. Wilson, and G. Goward. Scotland—R. McCann, J. Dick, A. Johnson, Sherratt, Pedee, Dickens, Glen, Kierney, Hook, Pettigrew, Brown.

CRICKET.

During the coming season, the English national game will probably be more popular than ever in this city. The Victoria Club will be strongly reinforced by the officers of the Marine Artillery, and will doubtless resume the position of premier club of British Columbia. The Albion Cricket Club also expects to receive many new members, and the rivalry between the two clubs will be keener than ever. The United Banks have not as yet made definite arrangements for a ground, but they expect to do so at an early date.

SPORTING TIPS.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Yacht Club takes place at the secretary's office, Five Sisters' block, on Monday at 8 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to be present. The business to be brought forward will be the election of officers for the coming season, arrangements for the 24th of May celebration, and local races in connection with the club and amendments to by-laws and sailing rules.

THE QUEEN AS A GERMAN OFFICER.

The silver kettledrums which the Queen presented to her Prussian regiment (1st Dragoon Guards) is by no means Her Majesty's first gift. When she was made its honorary chief, in return for the rank of Admiral of the Fleet conferred upon the Emperor on the occasion of his visit to Osborne in 1889, the Queen presented the officers' mess with a very handsome service of silver plate, and, later on, her portrait was also added to the picture gallery of the regiment. It may be mentioned that, as a special distinction, the Emperor ordered the Queen's initials (V.E.R.) to be embroidered on the epaulettes of officers and men, and when the Kaiser came to Windsor on the occasion of his state visit, the Queen herself wore the colors and insignia of her Prussian regiment.