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## OUR DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

Victoria has the honor today of entertaining a very distinguished gathering. The British Association for the Advancement of Science owes its origin to Sir David Brewster, who, in the Quarterly Review, of which he was editor, suggested that "an association of the nobility, clergy, gentry, and philosophers" should be formed for the purpose of encouraging scientific research. The idea met with general approval, and the first meeting of the association was held at York in 1831. So important a part has the organization played in the field of science that it has been able to take in what has been paid in initiating it, one of those who wrote of his life said, "the improved position of men of science in our times is chiefly due to Sir David Brewster." For nearly four score years this admirable institution has been extending its encouragement to men of science in every field of work, and it has, moreover, done very much for popularizing science. The papers read at its sessions are always printed in the press, and have not only been instructive, but have very frequently given a trend to public opinion on important questions.

There will be general regret that our visitors cannot make a longer stay than they are able to do; but we have the satisfaction of knowing that they are men who are able to take in what they see. To us the great thing about their visit is that they will carry back to Great Britain not so much a favorable impression of one locality or another, as a general idea of what Canada is. If those of us who live in Canada find that by touring the Dominion we get a new conception of its greatness and possibilities, and that the oftener we traverse the country the more we are impressed, we may safely assume that our visitors, the majority of whom have made the transcontinental journey for the first time, will return to their homes with, we will not say a broader appreciation of Canada, but one that is more vivid than could possibly be obtained in any other way than by personal observation. It is reasonable to expect that the impressions made upon them will find expression in their intercourse with their friends at home, and in this way good work will be done in promoting a better understanding in the United Kingdom of Canada as it is and as it may become.

We feel that we may take the privilege of a newspaper and extend to our visitors, on behalf of the community generally, a very hearty welcome, and the hope that they may have a safe and pleasant return journey.

## A BEAUTIFUL BOOK

Unquestionably one of the most beautiful books ever issued in reference to British Columbia is that by Mr. M. B. Cotsworth, F. G. S., entitled "British Columbia: Supreme Advantages in Climate, Resources, Beauty and Life." Typographically it is a gem, reflecting the greatest credit upon the Government Printing Office. The majority of the illustrations are the work of the Colonist Printing and Publishing Co., Ltd. The reading matter is bright, fresh and entertaining. Mr. Cotsworth has brought to bear upon his subject a lively appreciation of it and yet a mind free from bias. Unlike those of us who have lived here for a long time, he is able to get out of the groove into which we are so liable to fall when we deal with the advantages of the province.

We observe that Mr. Cotsworth adopts the recent explanation of the "Chinooks." The idea formerly held regarding these was that they were winds from the Pacific Ocean, which found their way to the prairies by the river valleys. Dr. Schultz' Senate Committee in 1888 devoted a good deal of time to taking evidence on this point, the result of it being to demolish completely the theory that these winds had their origin in the Pacific. Later the explanation was advanced, and we believe that Mr. Napier Denison, of this city, is entitled to the credit of it, that the Chinooks originate over the "arid" area of British Columbia and the adjoining states. The winds from the Pacific are unable to lift their burden of moisture over the mountains, and hence the air over the southern part of this province, the eastern part of Washington, the northern part of Idaho and Montana is dry. When there has been a period of low barometer over the prairies, a partial vacuum is created, and the air rushing in from the nearest source of supply, namely, the elevated mountain ranges and table lands, is dry, and by dynamic pressure it becomes heated. Hence it "licks up" the snow in a surprising way. This seems to explain why it is that "Chinooks" follow storms. We have a phenomenon of much the same kind in Victoria, where in summer cool, dry winds blow in the afternoons frequently, and usually after warm mornings. The partial vacuum created by the warmth on the island is supplied from the nearest source,

namely, the atmosphere over the Olympic Mountains, which falls over them in a cascade, so that one can easily see the line where it strikes the water. Such a wind began to blow on Monday afternoon. During the night its effect was felt by the fog bank, which all day Monday lay under the shelter of the mountains, and it was driven yesterday morning across the Strait.

We shall take occasion to examine Mr. Cotsworth's book at leisure, for it appears to be of unusual interest. Its appearance at the time of the visit of the British Association is most useful.

## IRON ORE

We have a letter from a well-informed correspondent, whose name we do not give for reasons which seem to be sufficient, in which he says, speaking after personal inspection, extending over several years, that "the statement that there is not enough iron on Vancouver Island to warrant the establishment of steel works is absolute nonsense." We quote from his letter: "It may interest the public to know that the works established on Vancouver Island in the north and south, could control and fix prices for such manufactured products on the whole Coast (Pacific), and that in spite of even a \$4 per ton American Tax, and without any Canadian bonus, which is not essential to the encouragement of an iron and steel works on this coast."

"Furthermore, I cannot understand from a business point of view, eastern capital discussing a proposition of establishing works at Seattle, Iron-ore, Tacoma, or Vancouver, Vancouver Island has been endowed by nature for an iron and steel centre owing to fuel and supplies. Persons having real estate at these different centres seem to possess the faculty of blind-folding capital to the facts of the case, but some day there will be an awakening when a plant is built on Vancouver Island and the cost of production is looked into."

## THE TRAINING OF YOUTH.

Earl Grey has told us that the youth of Canada are not being sufficiently educated in citizenship, for that is substantially what his observations at the Canadian Club meant. His Excellency's opportunities for observation have necessarily been wider than those which fall to the lot of any newspaper, but, speaking from our own point of view, we think there is something in what he has said. There is a reason for it. In Canada we are all busy making a country, and naturally we think more of the personal side of things. We are anxious to carry out large undertakings; we desire to have our share in the progress observable on every side. We are all busy with what we regard as "practical" things. As a contemporary says, it is easy to point out this weakness, but quite another thing to show how it can best be remedied. Nevertheless as there must be a diagnosis before there can be a cure, we think the Governor-General has done well to direct attention to this matter. It is for the rest of us, if we admit the necessity of action, to discover how that action can best be taken.

We have sometimes thought that our public school system, excellent as it is in so many particulars, is weak in this respect. Certain it is that if children are to grow up to a full appreciation of what citizenship means and demands, the lessons must be taught them when young. In the United States, or at least in some parts of that country, the inculcation of citizenship is a part of the regular school curriculum. Frequently the instruction is imparted in a singularly crude and bombastic way, so that young people grow up with the most exaggerated ideas of the political advantages of their own country and are convinced of disadvantages of other countries. The result is often very extraordinary. It is very common to see young Canadian children, who have received all their education in the United States, imbued with notions of the alleged disadvantages of British citizenship to such an extent that they are more "Yankee" than the "Yankees" themselves. We are far from advocating the extreme course taken by our neighbors, but between it and the laxity in this respect so common in Canadian schools there is surely a happy medium that could be followed to advantage. Simple and elementary lectures on British institutions, their development and their benefit might do a great deal of good, if delivered to school children, whose minds might thereby be directed in a channel wherein true citizenship would find development. We assume that instruction along such lines is never wholly disregarded, but we would like to see it made a regular part of common school education. In

these days when every one has a vote, it seems imperative that every one should understand what citizenship in the Empire means; and at a time when it is being preached, with only too great success, that for a large and important section of the community to secure its rights there must be an organization independent of the state, it seems important to demonstrate to the youth of the country that the principles of the Common Law of England, which are the foundation of true citizenship, afford an ample safeguard for the rights and liberties of the people.

## WHO FOUND THE POLE?

The statement of Lieut. Peary that he was at the North Pole on April 6th of this year, coming upon the heels of the statement by Dr. Cook that he was there on April 21st of last year, is very remarkable. The Lieutenant saw no trace of the Doctor. Of course a year would naturally make a good deal of difference, even in a region where apparently it is perennial winter. Dr. Cook says that he buried in the ice a metal cylinder, enclosing a flag and an account of his journey. If he did, there is no reason to suppose that Lieut. Peary would find it a year later; so that the fact that the latter saw no traces of the former does not dispose of the former's claim to have been the first in the field. Most of us would like to believe that Peary has been the successful man. Some of those who know Dr. Cook say things about him calculated to make one ask for confirmation of anything claimed by him.

A story is told of his using certain photographs and notes, given him when in Alaska to hand to the authorities at Washington, as original pictures and observations of his own. On the other hand, there will be universal readiness to accept Peary's statements. He has won a deserved reputation for painstaking work and modest claims. We do not suggest that Dr. Cook did not accomplish what he says he did, but only that in his case proof will be asked, while in that of Lieutenant Peary his bare word will be sufficient.

That wasp which stung the Crown Prince of Prussia was a courageous insect. What would happen to a wasp that would dare sting the Kaiser?

The gallant Fifth was the observed of all observers on Seattle on Monday, and received unbounded praise for its soldierly bearing.

"Yankee grit has conquered the frozen North; I have and think many we called the North Pole." For a so-called hard-headed, business race, our neighbors everywhere a good deal. But they have the right to just now.

There is something radically wrong with business conditions when so much depends upon the health of one man, as is the case now in New York, where a report that Mr. E. H. Harriman is not so well has sent prices of stocks on the downhill grade. The earning capacity of the Union Pacific is not a dollar less than it was before Mr. Harriman was taken ill.

It is only right to say that the Victoria and Esquimalt Branch of the Navy League, in considering the site of the proposed naval dock, is influenced solely by a desire to reach the conclusion that will be, if acted upon, in the best interest of Canada and the Empire, and is prepared unhesitatingly to recommend the locality possessing the greatest advantages for that purpose.

We are just a little disquieted by rumors that there may be delay in finishing the Grand Trunk Pacific because of the difficulty in obtaining labor. There are a good many miles yet to be built in this province, and only a little over two years in which to do the work. Certainly it is a surprising thing that with all the talk there has recently been of lack of employment, a great enterprise should be delayed by lack of laborers.

The late William Hawthornthwaite, of Esquimalt, was a gentleman very much esteemed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Of late years he led a very quiet life, content with the kindly regard of a large circle of friends. He was of a singularly gentle and lovable disposition, well-informed and intelligent. He will be sorely missed by all his friends, and even those who were not personally acquainted with him will note with regret the absence from the community of his erect form and genial presence. He was in every way a fine type of an English gentleman. The deceased was father of Mr. J. H. Hawthornthwaite, M. P. F.

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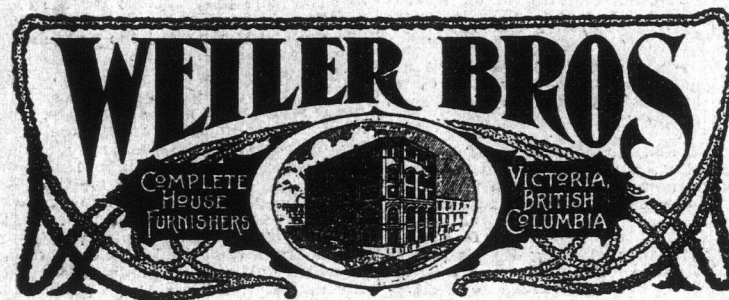
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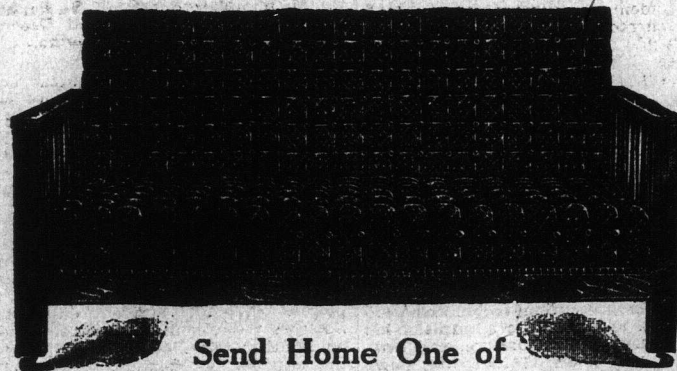
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in Many Respects

The annual exhibition of the 20th inst. and its opening to say that it is destined to mark an epoch in the history of British Columbia. Agricultural and cultural associations should be held for the last forty-nine years. Nearly half a century ago the organization of the exhibition was the initial event being held in a building set in grounds stretching for miles and the mile racing track. It was started for many years mainly by the enterprise of the pioneers of the Pacific Coast, the men who took their abode on Vancouver Island and the Hudson's Bay Co. Gradually developed, not fast sometimes it but never standing still, until the exhibition ranks among the affairs of its kind in the West.

During the recent visit to the Hon. Mr. Fisher, minister of agriculture in the Federal government, an effort was made to obtain his idea that the British Columbia cultural association should be the honor of conducting the exposition of 1910, it being that its work is right, although it has been successfully up fifty years, that the government aid in the fitting celebration of the anniversary. But the Hon. Mr. Fisher politician, in honeyed terms, explained that arrangements already been made to give Regina, Saskatchewan, a grant that goes with the million exhibition, and that it is possible to grant it. Although he politely admitted, reasonable. The turn of the event, however, would come. To come back to the show. It is to be held from the 20th 25th inst. and the reason the expected to be epoch making. It is to be held from the 20th 25th inst. and the reason the expected to be epoch making. It is to be held from the 20th 25th inst. and the reason the expected to be epoch making.

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