From THE DAILY COLONIST, Oct. 21.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

A False Report.

The report that Messrs. Dunsmuir & Sons intend adding the tug Sea Lion to their fleet vessels, to replace the Pilot, is denied by the firm.

The Pilot Retires.

The tug Pilot, which has for a number of years been a serviceable towing boat, retired from service yesterday. Her machinery will be at one taken out and sent to the Union Mines, and her hull will be used as a coal scow. The retirement of this boat leaves a vacancy for another good tow boat.

Another Saw Mill.

Increasing trade has induced Messrs. Smith & Clarke to remove their sawmill, now that the lease of the premises has expired. The site for the new mill is selected near Laing's ways, and improved machinery and larger and better facilities generally will materially add to the output of the mill and the convenience of its patrons.

From San Francisco.

Steamer Walla Walla, which arrived yesterday, brought the following passengers from San Francisco: Jas. Jackson, Mrs. M. Moore, Fanny Cook, J. F. Sturmer, Chas. Grant and wife, Miss Scott, Mrs. E. Dickinson, C. D. Henshaw, Maggie Maguire, D. W. Sheehan and wife, Capt. Pettitt, S. H. Seelig, Godfrey W. Booth and wife, E. H. Fletcher and wife, R. Y. Ellis.

High Quotations.

On the London stock market on October 1st, British Columbia three per cents., inscribed stocks, were quoted at 86–87. C.P.R. guaranteed three per cents. closed at 91¼—91¾, having touched 92¼. C.P.R. five per cent. first mortgage bonds were rated at 116—118; four per cent. consolidated debenture stock, 103—104; Souris branch four per cent, first mortgage bonds, 102—104.

Sealers For Victoria.

Among the many sealing schooners to join the Victoria fleet for next spring, are the Agnes McDonald, Capt. Cutler; the Brenda, Capt. Croule; the Libbie, of Sydney, and a clipper yacht which the Whitelaw Brothers are now bringing around from Scotland. Capt. Sayward has also secured a fine new schooner, the Clifford Kelly, it is thought, and Capt. McLeod is also master of a new flyer.

Wolves and Panthers.

Joe Perrin, who hunts on a large scale and farms on a small scale on the Sooke river, yesterday brought in to the provincial police the head of what must have been a huge wolf. He reports that wolves and panthers in his district are more numerous than settlers. They go about in bands of four or five, and do considerable damage among the cattle and sheep. The wolf, on the head of which Joe claimed his $5 bonus, was one of a band of four.

Committed for Trial.

J. P. Haydon, alias Harrington, was, yesterday morning, committed for trial on the charge of alluring Nellie Walsh from her home for an immoral purpose. He refused to make any statement, and will stand his trial at the November assizes. The police magistrate declined to consider an application for bail, and it was subsequently made to Hon. Justice Crease, who fixed the amount at $600 in two sureties of $300 each. Up to last evening Haydon had not secured his release.

Surrendered.

Ex-Conductor King, of the Electric Tramway service, against whom a warrant had been sworn out by the superintendent, on Monday, yesterday surrendered himself to Officer Campbell, at Esquimalt, and was taken into custody. He was one of the men implicated in the recent strike on the tramway service, and has since been driving an express on the Esquimalt road. No other warrants have been issued, but it is said that other late employes of the company will be placed under arrest on a similar charge.

Died at the Jubilee Hospital.

Charles W. Wallace, a well-known pioneer of 1858, died at the Jubilee Hospital, yesterday morning, of heart disease. The deceased, who for many years was an employee in the old firm of Dixon, Campbell & Co., has been ailing for the last couple of years, during which time he was furnished with light work at the hospital. He was born in England in 1837, and leaves a wife and three children. The funeral will take place this afternoon, at 2 o'clock, from the residence of Mr. E. E. Blackwood, No. 27 Fourth street, and at 2:30 p.m. from St. John's Church.

Agent Todd Returns.

Str. Barbara Boscowitz, with a heavy freight and a large number of passengers, arrived down from the North, yesterday morning at 8 o'clock. Her cargo of salmon consisted of 6,522 cases, 2,522 being from McLellan's cannery, Naas River, and 4,000 from the Wannuck cannery, River's Inlet. Besides this, she had a quantity of cedar and box lumber, and a few bundles of furs. Rev. Messrs. Crosby and Stephenson were among the passengers. When the Boscowitz left Metlahkatla, Indian Agent Todd and his party had just arrived from Hazleton. Their report was not received, but from their return it was taken for granted that the Indian troubles had ended in smoke.

Held-Up by Toughs.

Shortly after 9 o'clock last night cries of "Help! help!" and "Police!" were heard from Commercial alley, at the rear of Peter Steele's saloon, and soon a crowd gathered to ascertain the cause of the alarm. Officers Hendry and Cameron were promptly on the scene, and were not long in summing up the case—a man had been knocked down and robbed, and his assailants had escaped. The injured one was Charles R. Lorde, of Ladner's Landing, who, while coming along the alley noticed two rough looking fellows on the narrow sidewalk in front of him. He was unsuspicious of any danger, and as he approached the toughs they stepped to either side as if to give him full possession of the footpath. They then pounced upon him, and while the one choked the now powerless man the other went through his pockets with an expedition suggestive of thorough proficiency. The victim's breast pocket was torn open, and his pocket book, containing two $10 bills, one $5, and some silver abstracted. Approaching footsteps caused the highwaymen to desist, and, leaving Lorde half strangled on the sidewalk, they ran away. As soon as he recovered from the shock and regained the use of his lungs, he raised the alarm, which was quickly responded to. So sudden and unexpected was the attack that Lorde could not even describe his assailants, so that the police have no clue by which to trace them. A few suspicious-looking characters were arrested and searched, but their financial embarrassment did not warrant the police in keeping them in custody. Attacks such as this are of rare occurrence in Victoria, and it is therefore to be hoped that the guilty ones in this instance will be brought to justice.

A Slight Accident.

Immediately after towing H.M.S. Warspite to her moorings, yesterday afternoon, the tug Lorne burst on of her steam pipes and had to run alongside the Esquimalt wharf. The damage is slight and will be easily repaired.

Among the Orange Lodges.

A new Loyal Orange lodge is to be instituted in the Sons of St. George's hall, at the corner of Government and Bastion streets, on Thursday (to-morrow) evening. All visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.

The grand annual ball of L. O. L. No. 1597, Saanich, will be held at the Agricultural hall, South Saanich, on the evening of November 5. Good music has been secured, and arrangements are now being perfected.

The Delta Dyke.

It is learned from Ladner's that there are now good prospects of the early construction of the extensive works necessary to reclaim the large flats bordering on Mud Bay. Mr. H. B Smith, C.E., of the firm of Keeper & Smith, of this city, has been engaged there for the past ten days obtaining data for designing the necessary works. It is proposed to commence construction at an early date. When completed, the works will reclaim about six miles of the richest land of the province.

Troop Transportation.

A special cablegram from London to the Montreal Star says: Arrangements have just been completed between the Canadian Pacific Railway and the British director of transports for a trial of the Canadian Pacific road as a route for the transportation of Imperial troops. A trial will take place in December, when detachments of about 700 marines and sailors each, with officers, will be exchanged between Halifax and Victoria and *vice versa*. The Imperial authorities accepted the company's terms, to-day.

Capital is Ready.

Mr. E. V. Bodwell, who recently paid a visit to the Kootenay mining district, confirms the reports of the Kaslo Creek finds brought down by Mr. Joshua Davies. He also states that there is plenty of American capital ready and waiting to develop the district. Many properties which give signs of being valuable are under bond; if their richness is proved, the purchase money is ready, as is the money to develop the property and procure the ore.

B.C. Agricultural Association.

A committee meeting of the B.C. Agricultural Society was held last night, in the city hall, when it was decided to make an application to the City Council, this evening, to amend or renew the old by-law, placing the association in a better financial condition. Though the financial results of the recent exhibition were not up to the expenditures, still, everyone is well satisfied with the show, which is only looked upon as the beginning of a series of first-class exhibitions.

A Choir Social.

The concert held under the auspices of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church choir choir last night in the school-room of the church proved to be enjoyable in every way. Every item on the programme was carried out in such a manner as to earn the unstinted applause of the large audience. The selections were varied, consisting of songs, recitations and instrumental music, and among those taking a prominent part were Mr. Fenwick, Misses Springs, Jamieson, Gordon, Christie and Leech, and Messrs. Allen and Hutchison.

The I.O.G.T. Concert.

The I.O.G.T. concert, in the Temperance hall, last night, turned out to be a good one in every respect. The hall was well filled, and an attractive programme of vocal and instrumental music, readings, dialogues, etc., was presented as follows:

Solo—Mr. Russell.
Recitation—Mr. Craig.
Solo—Mr. Frith.
Banjo solo, with guitar accompaniment—T. McDowell, A. Graham and C. Shaw.
Solo—Mrs. Wright.
Reading—Mr. Snider.
Solo—J. G. Brown.
Duet—Miss Humber and Mr. Frith.
Instrumental Trio—Hall Bros.
Solo—Mrs. A. J. Clyde.
Dialogue—Messrs. Simple and Craig, Mrs. Cherry and Miss Simple.

Mrs. L Hall acted as pianist for the evening.

The Cedar Hill Concert.

This entertainment was fully equal to representation. The hall was filled to its capacity, and Victoria's upper ten took advantage of the select programme presented for their patronage. Miss Beaton's efforts were successful, and the arrangements this good lady made were fully appreciated. The Rector of Cedar Hill, in suitable terms, expressed his thankfulness to Miss Beaton and the thronged house, who remembered his endeavors to provide for his parish a suitable residence. This first step was one of marked success. The programme was, without exception, the crowning feature of the season. The Toy Symphony brought down the house; Messrs. Russell, Laffey and Stephens supported their respective parts with ability, while Miss Mouat received rapturous encores; the Warspite band, as usual, was another great feature of attraction. Miss Beaton was the efficient accompanist. After the concert, the band of the flagship was dined at the Balmoral by the hospitable pastor of Cedar Hill.

Opium Smugglers.

A dispatch from Port Townsend states that thirteen smugglers have been captured on the San Juan Islands by the revenue cutter Wollcott, by a neat piece of strategy. Extensive smuggling of opium and Chinese has been going on for some time. The San Juan Islands were a smugglers' rendezvous, but the law-breakers were too shrewd and too well organized to be caught. The gang was always warned and evaded the officers. Captain Tozier sent the steam launch to guard the islands, a week ago. Several men were sent from the launch disguised as shipwrecked sailors. They went to the cabin occupied by the smugglers and asked for shelter. After being there two days, the men having secured sufficient evidence against the smugglers, sent for the cutter. Friday night, the Wolcott went to the Islands and captured thirteen of the gang, and cut off the escape of the rest. Marines are guarding the islands, and it is expected that the entire gang of smugglers will be caught. The gang is said to be the most extensive smugglers' band on the Coast, and it is well organized and protected by steamers and many settlers on the islands. It is believed that several of Victoria's Chinese merchants have had a hand in the smuggling, some of the goods having been sent from here. Alexander and Frederick Lighthart and Isaac Lundwith, three of the band, have been admitted to bail. The others, Stowe, Lawson, Gross and Knight, are held for a hearing, Thursday, before United States Commissioner Ayres.

A YOUTHFUL INCENDIARY!

Confesses Himself the Author of the Arcade Fires.

Newcombe Musgrave, the twelve year old son of Mr. Edward Musgrave, of Salt Spring Island, and a pupil at Rev. J. Wastie Green's Collegiate School, yesterday made a formal confession that he was the author of the recent fires at Spencer's Arcade, the first of which involved a loss by fire and water of several thousand dollars.

The youthful culprit has been closely watched for a week or so by the principal of the school, but upon a different account entirely, and the result of the scrutiny to which his conduct has been subjected was his identification as the mysterious incendiary. On Saturday week, during a game of football at Beacon Hill, several pockets were picked, and the players were naturally very indignant when they discovered their loss. They had not to look far to find the culprits, as young Musgrave had been seen by a member of the COLONIST staff in the very act of pilfering. The facts were given at the time to Mr. Langley, barrister, who communicated them to Rev. Mr. Green.

It had been arranged that, on account of this offence, the boy was to be taken from the school, and everything was fixed when Musgrave ran away, on Monday morning, and took the Nanaimo train. Immediately after he had gone, four of the boys went to Mr. Green and told him that Musgrave had confessed to setting fire to Spencer's on three occasions. The master at once took down sworn statements from each of the boys separately, and when he had done this started for Mr. Spencer, to whom he told everything that had occurred, leaving it with him to deal with the matter as he thought best. In each statement made by the boys was the fact that the reason for his act was given by Musgrave that he "wanted to get out of his algebra." On Monday afternoon the matter was known in the COLONIST office, though by request, the matter was not made public in yesterday's issue.

Yesterday morning the Chief of the Fire Department was made aware of the discovery, and he in turn communicated with Chief Sheppard, with the result that Musgrave was arrested. He was brought before Police Magistrate Belyea, and made a statement confessing his guilt, and admitting that he was alone in the firing of the premises.

Later in the day he was formally charged with arson, and, on the application of his counsel, Mr. Lindley Crease, admitted to bail, the case being remanded until Thursday. There is no disposition on any hand to be hard on the boy, who is in reality nothing but a child, and apparently ignorant of the true character of his evil actions.

Late last night the question arose as to whether the arrest was a legal one or not. It is certain that for some hours after the boy was taken to the police station no warrant was issued, and among some of the parties most concerned it is a matter of great uncertainty whether any warrant has yet been made out. If this has not been done there is practically no arrest.

HE IS A MYSTERY.

A Wandering Son of Erin With a Humane Heart Visits Victoria.

On Saturday morning the tug Pilot was engaged to tow the bark Pisagua for Moodyville to sea, bound to Valparaiso, Chili, with a cargo of lumber; and it was arranged to leave Vancouver in the afternoon. Early in the day the mate of the tug went on deck and found, up against the wheel-house, the most peculiar looking little craft he had ever seen. It looked like a canoe more than anything else, built with thin strips of wood for timbers and a long piece running the length of the boat for the keel. Over this was spread thin white twill, and the boat was decked over with a piece of bed ticking. The sail lying in the boat was of ordinary calico, and on it were a few pieces of string and a small double paddle. The boat was about 12 ft. long and weighed about 10 lbs. Mate Nichols is an old sailor used to seeing every kind of craft, but this affair bothered him entirely, and on enquiring who it belonged to ascertained from one of the men that a stowaway on the Pisagua had brought it on board, telling him to take it on to Victoria with him. The mate thought nothing further about the matter, and started to take the Pisagua in tow. Pilot Ettershanks was aboard the bark, and as he was leaving her to join the Pilot, off San Juan, the stowaway was discovered in the hold. He was taken on deck and sent off with the pilot to the tug. It was the owner of the boat, and the one was in every way as peculiar as the other. From the time the Pilot left San Juan, till she got to Victoria from Cape Flattery, the strange individual became more mystifying. His dress was unique. An enormous blue tam-o'-shanter surmounted a good natured face, plentifully covered with red whiskers and the rest of his attire consisted of a faded blue suit and a cotton bandana of prodigious dimensions. He gave his name as D. F. Sturmer, and said that he was a doctor from Waterford, Ireland, 35 years of age. He was most disconsolate at having been sent off the Chilian bark, as ever since the revolution in that country he has been anxious to go there. "You know," was his remark, "there are such a fearful lot of wounded people down there now. They will want all the doctors they can get, and I want to get down there to help my fellow men. We have such terrible claims upon us after these bloody conflicts." He told the men on the Pilot that he had been doing nothing but relieve the sick for twelve years, and said that he had been in Australia, Egypt, India, Afghanistan, Persia, Spain, and all through Canada, helping people who were sick. He spent some time at Niagara Falls for the purpose of being on hand if aid was required by anybody unfortunate enough to tumble in. But things got dull in this line, so he made for Vancouver in order to get from there to Chili to assist the suffering soldiers who took part in the late battles. He made it a constant duty to enquire into the health of everybody aboard the tugboat, and seemed pained to think that nobody was sick, and that therefore he would have no chance to try his hand. His boat was a pet theme, and many a daring deed he spoke of having accomplished in it. "I keep a small supply of grease and resin in my wallet, and I love to be out on the sea in a gale with my little vessel. I lay on the grease and there is no stauncher boat afloat." He dilated at great length on the ultimate survival of nations peopling cold countries and the certain destruction in time of those in warm ones, and informed the astonished sailors that he knew the pedigree of Queen Victoria just as well as he was acquainted with the habits of the rhinoceros and the polar bear. Then, for recreation, he would plunge into abstruse problems in Euclid, and branch off unexpectedly into the topic of the cunning of Lord Salisbury and the fluctuating state of the copper market. No less than four different nationalities are represented on the Pilot, and the mysterious stranger spoke to those belonging to each fluently in his own tongue. Then he would crowd in a chieftain's speech in Gaelic, and a long blessing in the purest Irish, intermingling all this medley of the languages with a running comment on matters connected with ships, which proved his perfect knowledge of life at sea. On Monday night, he pointed out nearly every visible star in the heavens giving its name, and telling his hearers more about the subject of astronomy in an hour than they had ever heard or dreamt of all their lives before. In short, there was hardly any conceivable subject that he did not display a knowledge of, and whatever may be the matter with him, all who have seen and heard him agree that he is a wonderfully well educated man in every sense of the word, and a marvellous talker. On leaving the Pilot, yesterday, with his canoe on his back, he expressed his intention of working on the bark Wanlock for a few days to earn a few dollars, and then going back to Vancouver, when he will make another attempt to get to Chili. Among the gentleman's other accomplishments, he is a first-class sprinter. A COLONIST representative was beaten by several lengths last night in an endeavor to catch him, and all that could be seen from time to time was the gleam under the electric lights of the biggest Scotch cap ever sported by mortal man.

WARSPITE LEAVES THE DOCK.

The Basin Demonstrated Beyond Doubt Fit for the Largest Vessels.

At 1:30 yesterday afternoon H.M.S. Warspite, all spick and span, painted and polished to perfection, and looking as if she had just been built, floated out of the Esquimalt Dry Dock like a sea bird. As early as 8 o'clock orders were given to open the sluices, and the water began to rise gradually until the big ship, weighing nothing short of 15,000 tons, was liftly gently off the basin, and after a period of three months found herself once more afloat. She was hauled out of the dock by hand, and the tug Lorne took her in tow across the harbor to No. 1 moorings, where she was securely anchored. Admiral Hotham expressed his pleasure at the manner in which the Warspite was taken out, and said it demonstrated beyond doubt that the dry dock was capable of accommodating vessels of the largest size, and that it would be able to answer all demands made upon it for years to come. Captain Devereaux, too, is naturally pleased at the manner in which the Warspite has been put through. He told a COLONIST representative that nothing could possibly have worked more satisfactorily. There was one and a half feet to spare on each side of the vessel when she floated out, and, though the strain on the basin, owing to the great weight on it for so long a time, must have taxed the strength of the dock to the utmost, he is confident that no damage whatever has been done. The City of Seattle goes into the dock, to-day, for a few days, and she will be followed by the Kingston. The City of Topeka will be docked immediately the Kingston goes out.

As the Warspite left the dock, yesterday, several hundreds of spectators lined the sides of the basin, to watch her go out, and the scene was quite an animated one. The vessel has been thoroughly repaired, and is now as sound as ever. Her future movements have not yet been decided on, but she will probably make a short cruise and return before her departure for the winter.

FROM KOOTENAY.

Good Reports from the Mining Districts—Old Miners Heard from.

Mr. J. A. Mara, M. P., who is in town for a week or so, confirms the story of the great Kaslo Creek strikes which have preceded him from the Kootenay country. Details of the discoveries are not yet obtainable, but the men who have brought in the reports are reliable, trustworty and experienced miners, not likely to be deceived in the character of the find. If the new properties are one quarter as valuable as they are believed to be, the Kaslo Creek discoveries will be the richest made in years, and of greater value to Kootenay than even the Toad Mountain camp. Unbounded confidence in the country is expressed by capitalists, several of whom, resident in Seattle, have bonded claims on Kaslo creek and set men to work upon them. On their report will depend the completion of the purchase.

Lake and river excursion traffic has increased, as anticipated, this season, and next year two boats, both thoroughly first class, will be called into service. In the mining district many are holding back, expecting to see the Silver King change hands, and active development commence. The owners of the mine are now working in the richest ore yet struck. At the Grizzly Bear the tunnel is in 100 feet, and it is reported has struck the ore. The merchants are laying in large stocks for the winter, though their purchases were made rather later in the season than usual. Next year four trips a week from Revelstoke to the Little Dalles are contemplated; the tourist travel on this now popular route having demanded better service than it has been possible to give in the past.

HON. G. F. HILL ON B. C.

Hon. G. F. Hill, St. Stephens, New Brunswick, is a guest at the Oriental Hotel.

He was seen by a COLONIST reporter, yesterday, and, in the course of conversation, stated that his visit to this province was solely a pleasure trip, and in this particular he was not disappointed. It was his first trip to the wild and woolly West, and proved a very enjoyable one. He broke his journey at Winnipeg, which city was to him a peculiar one—splendid buildings, interspersed with vacant lots and wooden shanties. But the country he considered a good one for crops generally. He was very favorably impressed with Banff as a health resort, and of Vancouver he had to say that, as an Easterner, he was surprised at the rapid growth of the city. "Victoria," he said, "is the finest city I have struck east of Montreal; but I did not come by Toronto. The width of your streets, the class of your buildings, and the general business air of your city impresses me most favorably. Your surroundings are beautiful, and the roads good, but the prices asked for town lots strike me as very steep; $60,000 for a lot! Why, that would buy up a whole townsite in the East. I am most favorably impressed with Victoria. Oh, no; I won't talk politics, but, as to the McKinley Bill, I will say that it does affect us injuriously, however it may operate here. The States are our natural market for surplus stock, and when we are shut out we must be the sufferers."

After Big Game.

Mr. Knowles, of the Carnsew dairy, is looking for certain city sportsmen with a grim determination to make things lively for them when he catches them. The reason is that a valuable horse belonging to the dairy, was shot the other doy, not with a catapult, but over 50 pellets of shot. The injuries, fortunately, will not kill the horse.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

THE OAR.

MCLEAN NOT YET SATISFIED.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Oct. 20.—McLean issues a challenge to Hanlan, to-night, to row a three mile race on the Fraser for $400 a side, Hanlan to give a hundred yards start and row in McLean's boat. McLean to row in Peterson's boat; the race to be rowed on the 31st instant, if agreeable to Hanlan.

LACROSSE.

WESTMINSTER WANTS TO SEE IT.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Oct. 20.—The Vancouver lacrosse team has been offered half the gate receipts to play here on Saturday. If they do not accept, the match will be played at Victoria. Our men prefer playing at the capital, but the people here are anxious to see the struggle, and are using their influence to that end.

CRICKET.

TORONTO, Oct. 20.—The match between Lord Hawke's cricketers and a team representing Western Ontario has commenced, to-day. The Englishmen went in first, and were retired for 184 runs.

THE TURF.

STOCKTON, Cala., Oct. 20.—Heavy dark clouds blew up in the west, last evening, and for some time it looked as if the judges of the record meeting would have to fly the blue signal flag from their stand, to-day, and declare the events off. The barometer, however, was found to be rising slowly, notwithstanding the ill omen in the western sky, this indication of fair weather allayed somewhat, the fears that it would rain, today. The morning opened bright and sunny, with very little wind blowing, at 11 o'clock the temperature was 76° and there was light breeze stirring.

Marvin, who is very anxious to get Sunol round the kite shaped track in 2-08, and has been worrying himself for fear he would not get a fine day this season, left his hotel at half-past six o'clock for the track. He said he had made up his mind not to speed Sunol, unless all conditions were favorable, even if she got no show against time this season.

FOOTBALL.

TORONTO, Oct. 20.—A cablegram from Sheffield says the Canadian-American footballers played the Sheffield united clubs, yesterday, and although the visitors put up a strong game, they were defeated by four goals to two.

The case of Mary Brenton, charged with keeping a house of ill-fame, was again remanded in yesterday's police court. She has had two or three well known young men summoned to give evidence in the case.

The Black Jack Quartz Mining Co.

ASSESSMENT No. 6.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the above company, held on 6th Oct., an assessment of *one and a half cents* per share was levied upon the capital stock of the company, payable forthwith to the undersigned at the office of the company, Barkerville.
Delinquent, 6th November.
Day of sale, 5th December.
WM. H. PHELPS,
oc23-w-2t Secretary.

$3,500 IN REWARDS.

The Canadian Agriculturist's Great Fall Literary Competition.

The Fifth Half Yearly Literary Competition of "THE CANADIAN AGRICULTURIST," America's old and reliable Illustrated Family Magazine, is now open. The following splendid prizes will be given free to persons sending in the greatest number of words made out of letters contained in the words, "THE ILLUSTRATED AGRICULTURIST." ☞ Everyone sending in a list of not less than 100 words will receive a valuable present of silverware

1st Grand Reward.....$500 in Gold
2nd " " Grand Piano, valued at $500
3rd " " .....$250 in Gold
4th " " .....Organ, valued at $300
5th " " .....$100 in Gold
6th " " Gent's gold watch, full jew'ld
7th " " Ladies gold watch, full jew'ld
8th " " .....$50 in Gold
9th " " .....$25 in Gold
10 Rewards of $10 each.....$100
Next 20 prizes—20 Silver Tea Sets, quadruple plate, warranted.
Next 50 prizes—50 Silver Dessert Sets, warranted heavy plate.
Next 100 prizes—100 Silver Butter Dishes, &c., warranted heavy plate.
Next 500 prizes consists of Heavy Plated Silver Kettles, Butter Dishes, Fruit Baskets, Biscuit Jars, Sugar Shells, Butter Knives, &c., &c., all fully warranted, making a total of 689 splendid rewards, the value of which will aggregate $3,500.

This grand Literary Competition is open to everybody everywhere. The following are the conditions:

1. The words must be constructed only from letters in the words, "THE ILLUSTRATED AGRICULTURIST," and must be only such as are found in Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, in the body of the book, none of the supplement to be used.
2. The words must be written in rotation and numbered 1, 2 and 3, and so on, for facilitating in deciding the winners.
3. Letters cannot be used oftener than they appear in the words "THE ILLUSTRATED AGRICULTURIST." For instance, the word "egg" cannot be used as there is but one "g" in the three words.
4. The list containing the largest number of words will be awarded first prize, and so on in order of merit. Each listas it is received will be numbered, and if two or more tie the first received will be awarded first prize, and so on, therefore the benefit of sending in early will readily be seen.
5. Each list must be accompanied by $1 for six months' subscription to THE AGRICULTURIST.

The following gentlemen have kindly consented to act as judges: J. G. MACDONALD, City Clerk, Peterborough, Canada, and COM MODOR CALCUTT, Peterborough.

OUR LAST COMPETITION.—"Got $1,000 prize all right."—M. M. Brandon, Vancouver, B.C. "Thanks for $500 prize."—G. W. Cunningham, Donald, B.C. "Prize received O. K."—J. D. Baptie, West Superior, Wis. "$300 prize received. Thanks."—G. Robertson, Toronto; and 300 others in United States and Canada.

This is NO LOTTERY—merit only will count. The reputation for fairness gained by THE AGRICULTURIST in the past is ample guarantee that this Competition will be conducted in like manner. Send 3c. stamp for full particulars to THE AGRICULTURIST, Peterborough, Canada.

Out this advertisement out, it may not appear again. oc21-d&w

NOTICE.—The undersigned intends making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 200 acres of land, more or less, situate in Goldstream district, V. I., commencing at a post at the intersection of the south boundary line of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company's land grant with the west boundary of Section 8, Goldstream District; thence S. 4° E. magnetic 73 chains; thence S. 86° W. magnetic 71 chains to the south boundary of the E. and N. Railway Co.'s Land Grant; thence easterly along the said south boundary 113 chains more or less to the place of beginning. The above lines will conform to the system of survey in Goldstream District.
L. G. MCQUADE.
October 14th, 1891 Oct.16-2m.

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NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Honourable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land in Alberni District: Commencing at a post near the mouth of Kennedy River, thence south 40 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south 40 chains, thence east to river, and meandering bank of river to commencement, containing 250 acres, more or less.
Victoria, Aug. 10th, 1891. W. J. SUTTON.
aug28-w-2mo

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Honourable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land in Alberni district: Commencing at a post near a small lake about four miles south-east of Kennedy lake, thence west 40 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east to lake and meandering lake to a point 80 chains east, thence north 80 chains, thence west to commencement, containing 400 acres, more or less.
R. K. SUTTON.
Victoria, Aug. 10th, 1891. au28-2m-w

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land in Alberni district: Commencing at a post on the north-east corner of James Gray's claim, thence west 40 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, thence south to commencement, containing 320 acres. BENJAMIN COOMBE.
Victoria, Aug. 10th, 1891. au28-2m-w

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land, Alberni district: Commencing at a post on a small lake, about sixty chains south of R. K. Sutton's claim, thence west 40 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence east to lake and meandering lake to commencement, containing 160 acres, more or less. EDWIN J. SUTTON.
Victoria, Aug. 10th, 1891. au28-2m-w

NOTICE is hereby given that two months after date I intend to apply to the Honourable Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase the following described land in Alberni district: Commencing at a post on the east shore of Kennedy lake, about three miles east of W. J. Sutton's land, thence east 60 chains, thence north 40 chains, thence west to lake and meandering lake to commencement, containing 200 acres, more or less.
JOHN S. TOLTON.
Victoria, Aug. 11th, 1891. au28-2m-w

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land situate on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, British Columbia: Commencing at a post on the beach at Escalante Point, about three miles south of Nootka Sound, thence 80 chains east, thence 80 chains north, thence 80 chains west, thence south meandering along shore to the point of commencement.
P. A. PAULSON.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. a28-w-2m

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate south of Escalante Point, West Coast, Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post on the beach 80 chains south of P. A. Paulson's claim, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence meandering along the shore to the place of commencement. DANIEL CARMODY.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. a28-2m-w

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate at Escalante Point, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post on the south-east corner of Daniel Carmody's claim, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to the point of commencement.
PATRICK A. O'FARRELL.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. a28-w 2m

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LEWIS H. NORTHEY.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. a28-w-2m

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JESSIE M. ALLEN.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. a28-w-2m

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate at Escalante Point, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post on the south-west corner of L. H. Northey's claim, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence meandering shore to post. HENRY DRUM.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. a28-w-2m

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land situate south of Escalante Point on the West Coast of Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post on the south-east corner of Henry Drum's claim, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to post.
JESSIE M. DRUM.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. au28-2m-w

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WM. B. ALLEN.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. au28-2m-w

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FLORENCE A ALLEN.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. au28-w-2m

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate south of Escalante Point, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post on the south-east corner of Mollie C. Northey's claim, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence meandering along the shore to post.
MOLLIE C. NORTHEY.
Dated the 20th day of August, 189 . au28-w-2m

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ANNIE K. PAULSON.
au28-w-2m

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate between Escalante Point and Estevan Point, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post on the beach at the north-east corner of P. A. Collins' claim, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east to post.
J. J. COLLINS.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. au28-2m-w

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate between Estevan Point and Hesquoit Mission, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post at the south-east corner of P. A. Collins' claim, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence meandering along the shore to post.
WM. NORTHEY.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. au28-w-2m

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HARVEY PAULSON.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. au28-2m-w

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate in Hesquoit Harbor, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post in Hesquoit Harbor about 160 chains north of the Hesquoit Mission, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to shore, thence meandering the shore to post.
MARIUS MOLVIG.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. au28-2m-w

NOTICE is hereby given that 60 days after date I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the following described land, situate in Hesquoit Harbor, on the West Coast of Vancouver Island: Commencing at a post at the south-east corner of M. Molvig's claim, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence meandering along shore to post.
WM. H. ADAMS.
Dated the 20th day of August, 1891. au28-2m-w

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