

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

FOOTBALL.

A Return Match. Victoria College and the Y.M.C.A. football teams will play again at Beacon Hill on Saturday afternoon. The team represent the Y.M.C.A. will be as follows: Goal, Kinsman; backs, W. F. and A. Pedan; half-backs, J. A. Conner, J. W. Loomer and J. A. Conner; forwards, H. Shandley, W. McNair, B. Schwenger, W. N. Winsby and L. York. Reserve, J. Lormer.

Practice Match. The Victoria Rugby Club will play a practice match on Saturday afternoon against a team captained by J. P. Ulkes. To make a close and even one it has been decided to play the forwards with the Victoria Football club and vice-versa. The following are the teams: Victoria—Full back, Haines; three-quarters, Wilson, Gamble, Schofield, Hen; half-backs, Howard and Bell; forwards, Crease, Langford, Loveland, Scarre, Bullock, Spain, Atkins and McNeil.

THE WHEEL. The Suspensions Raised. At a meeting of the delegates from Victoria and Vancouver bicycle clubs, held yesterday at the Hotel Vancouver, the differences existing between the wheels of British Columbia and O.V.A. were discussed, and after a case for the provincial wheelmen had been submitted President Orr cancelled the suspensions of the Victoria riders and asked that Chief Constable Fullerton should consider other matters which were under discussion, including a claim for damages and the refund of \$12, paid in protest as fees and expenses in connection with the coming of Mr. J. M. Bell to Victoria on the Queen's birthday to act as starter, were left for the meeting of the executive of the C.V.A. to decide. Neither Mr. Fullerton or J. Bell were present at the meeting.

HOCKEY. Coming Matches. A month hence on Saturday, November 27, the first hockey match of the season will be played at the Oak Bay track. Vancouver will then do battle with the Victoria players. Victoria will send a team to the mainland on the 4th or 11th of the month, and members of the local club are therefore endeavoring to make it point to get in as much practice as possible so that they may be able to hold their colors. The ladies are also requested to practice as a team will go to Vancouver to play against the ladies that city about the end of next month, the beginning of December.

THE RING. Case of the Victim. At the Seattle Theatre last evening, a case was heard several exhibitors here, who fought and defeated Slater at Skagway. Bottom, fighting at a decision over Jack Green, formerly professor of boxing at the Seattle Athletic Club. Both men trained fitfully for the event, and they were in good fight when time was called. The fight was wonderfully since it was here, and had very much the appearance of the fight from the start. He is Green going in the sixth round and as about to put him out when the referee came from the police to ease up.

OFFESS. The final scene in the Berlin tournament, in which some of the great chess players of the world competed, are appended. It is noticeable that some of the best players in tournaments do not appear. Messrs. Lasker, Pillsbury, Reinick and Tschigorin notably were absent, and as these gentlemen undoubtedly stand in the first rank of their profession, the tournament just concluded can scarcely be considered equal in importance to some others, although great players like Blackburne and Blackburne have won many laurels before the same battlefield. Appended are the prizes winners in order of merit: C. A. W. Karousok, 144; £100; 2, C. A. W. Karousok, 144; £75; 3, H. B. Blaine, 140; 4, D. Janowski, 124; £30; 5, A. Burn, 122; 6 and 7 (equal), Alapin, Marco, and Schlechter, 114, divide £16.

CRICKET. Londoners Excited. London, Oct. 28.—There is considerable excitement among cricketers here over the first match being played between Captain Hobart's eleven and an eleven representing South Australia at Adelaide. In fact it might be said that the news from the Australian cricket field is more eagerly awaited than the reports from some great battle. The afternoon papers are issuing extras, which are being sold in great numbers. The Australians went to bat and by the close of play had made 301 runs for five wickets.

BOUGHT HIS OWN SAFETY FIRST. Retreated From the Water Because He Saw a Shark Coming. Two Irish soldiers stationed in the West Indies were accustomed to bathe daily in a little bay which was generally supposed to be free from sharks. Though on one day with each other they were not that might be termed fast friends. One day, as they were swimming about 100 yards from the shore, Pat observed a dark spot on the shore as hard as he could without uttering a word. Wondering what was the matter, Pat struck out vigorously and then landed at a hard as he could without uttering a word. Wondering what was the matter, Pat struck out vigorously and then landed at a hard as he could without uttering a word.

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A delegation is here to-day wanting a drill hall and rifle range one hundred acres in size here in regard to a variety of grievances connected with the Soulanges canal. Over 1,000 feet of a section of the canal was cut away. The loss is considerable. The delegation that lost is considerable. The delegation that lost is considerable. The delegation that lost is considerable.

The militia clothing contract was awarded this afternoon. L. H. Boleman & Co., of Montreal, have been the most successful bidder. They got about \$64,000 worth of this work. Marston, also of Montreal, will get about \$10,000 worth. Z. Paquet, of Quebec, gets the contract for caps and gaiters.

Welland has interests do not concur in the desire for the prohibition of exportation of natural gas from Canada. They pump natural gas from Canada to Buffalo, and to-day a deputation saw Premier Laurier to oppose the views of Monday's gathering here.

THE CANADIAN NEWS. St. Thomas Laid Attacked by a Fool—Fire-Bug McIntyre Committed. Hamilton, Oct. 28.—W. Southam, of this city, is said to be negotiating for the purchase of the Ontario Citizen.

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PREMIER PETERS RESIGNS. A. B. Warburton Called Upon to Form a New Ministry. Charlottetown, Oct. 28.—Premier Peters and cabinet resigned yesterday, and the lieutenant-governor immediately sent for A. B. Warburton, who formed a new government from the material with one vacancy yet to fill.

AN ONTARIO MINE. The announcement of the first mill run at the Sawbill, a north-western Ontario mine, has created quite a sensation. The immediate effect of the successful clean-up has been to raise the price of Sawbill stock.

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A REPRIEVE.

(A Short Story.)

These Good-bys. "No—No re-voir." The girl, Mrs. d'Arville, giggled, the hansom's doors closed with a bang, and with a muttered direction to the driver Dick Fenwick turned on his heel and re-entered the restaurant where he and Miss d'Arville had lined together for the last time prior to Mr. Fenwick's marriage—not with Miss d'Arville of the Alcazar, it may be said.

THE POWER WHICH SOME MEN EXERCISE OVER MEN AND WOMEN OF DIFFERENT CLASSES, IS WONDROUS. Fenwick's popularity with the women had its basis first of all in his own character, but his treatment of her, at one time caressing and at another violent, which, to her mind, argued that he was a man amongst men, her experience of men previous to Fenwick being continual compliance on their part, her will, which she found unobtainable.

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A CURIOUS PLANT.

A plant grows in Assam, the botanical name of which is Gymnema Sylvestre, and which has the peculiar property, when chewed, of temporarily neutralizing the sense of taste as regards sweet and bitter things, while sour and caustic substances remain unaltered. The Hindus claim that the plant is an antidote to snake bite.

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