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AN INSPECTOR WANTED

The School Board Decides to Bring This Long-Desired Official From the East.

Vertical Writing Discussed by Principal Miss Cameron—Trustee Hall Proposes Changes.

Very interesting and important were several of the subjects dealt with at last evening's meeting of the city school board—a meeting which lasted little more than two hours, but embraced an unusually wide range of subjects.

When the board came to order, Miss A. D. Cameron, who was present on behalf of the principals of the city public schools, spoke briefly in reference to the arrangements for the closing exercises for the term. If the principals were to go from room to room to read the promotion lists, a considerable and unnecessary waste of time would be involved. Trustee Yates thought that the matter might easily be adjusted by allowing the teacher in each division to read the list, and it was finally decided on the motion of Trustees McMicking and Mrs. Grant to allow the schools to assemble together if necessary for the closing exercises.

In connection with the ventilation of the South Park school, the Smead-Dowd company wrote to the effect that their superintendent, Mr. C. R. Oldershaw, had been instructed to visit Victoria. A report was also received from Mr. Oldershaw recommending certain changes.

Attached to this report was a note from E. Mallandaine, accompanied by working sketches and approximate tenders for the works suggested—$88 for the carpentry work from J. P. Burgess and $75 from Braden Bros. for the plumbing.

Chairman Hayward explained that from Mr. Oldershaw's observations the trouble appeared to arise from the unanticipated strong winds. The subject not requiring immediate attention the reports with accompanying documents were tabled for future consideration.

S. B. Netherby's resignation as principal of the Boys' Central school was accepted with an expression of regret, while from Miss Agnes Deans Cameron was received a lengthy explanation of her position with reference to the teaching of vertical writing.

The explanation was received with laughter, and the hilarity of the board was further continued when it was disposed of by the adoption of a resolution to the effect that the letter be filed and Miss Cameron requested to "keep on minimizing the slant until the perpendicular shall finally be reached."

An application from Principal Tait of Victoria West, that the use of Semple's hall for the closing exercises be authorized, was duly granted, while a report from Mr. A. B. McNeill of those who have successfully passed the examination set for pupil teachers, was received and filed.

Numerous applications for positions on the teaching staff were tabled according to custom; accounts totalling $257 were passed for payment; and the gymnasium committee through Trustee Hall asked for further time in which to prosecute their inquiries with regard to Victoria West school grounds, stating at the same time that the taxes on the vacant lot in Spring Ridge used as a school ground amounted to $37.50 per year.

It was not thought necessary to assume this expense at the present time.

The regular business of the evening being concluded, Mrs. Jenkins suggested that as additional inspectors had just been appointed by the government, a committee from the board should wait upon the Superintendent of Education and endeavor to secure the services of one of these exclusively for the city schools. She moved in this direction, but found no seconder for the resolution.

Mrs. Grant thought that so long as the inspector was employed by the province and paid by the province he could not make his report to the trustees, and consequently would be of no value to the trustees.

Trustee McMicking and the chairman endorsed this view of the case, the former remarking that Dr. Pope had already stated that a combined system of inspection would not work.

Trustee Yates thought the time had arrived when the board should send East for a competent and independent inspector. He moved that an advertisement inviting applications for the position at a salary of $1800 per annum should be inserted in the Toronto Globe and Mail-Empire, applications, accompanied with qualifications and experience statements, to be received not later than July 12 This resolution was adopted and the board adjourned.

At the next meeting Trustee Hall will present two important resolutions, notice of which was given last night. The first is that, for the curtailment of expenses, the Boys' and Girls' Central schools be hereafter combined; the second reads thus: "That the legislative committee be instructed to wait upon the Council of Public Instruction, requesting the Council of Public Instruction to amend the standard of common schools by adding three subjects, namely, bookkeeping, algebra, and the first and second books of Euclid."

The attendance report for the month of May shows little change in the condition of the schools, the statistics being as follows: Average daily attendance, 1,917.71; actual, 1,893.67; actual enrolment, 2,129; average per teacher, 44.35.

The validity of the Coal Mines Regulations Act which prevents the employment of Chinese underground is again being tested. Some time ago the Full court decided the provincial legislature had power to make such a provision, and this being so Inspector of Mines Dick prosecuted Mr. Little, manager of the Union mines, for employing Chinese. A fine was inflicted in consequence and yesterday on a certiorari, Mr. Robert Cassidy, on behalf of Mr. Little, moved to quash the proceedings on the ground that the act was unconstitutional, as it was not within the power of the province to legislate against any race of people as a whole. Mr. Gordon Hunter appeared for the crown against the application. Mr. Justice Drake reserved his decision.

THE CITY.

Union lodge, No. 11, of the I.O.O.F., has been incorporated under the Benevolent Societies act.

Word has been received by the secretary of the Jubilee Celebration that BishopRidge has been selected by the Ministerial Association as their representative to deliver an address at the Jubilee thanksgiving service at Beacon Hill on Sunday, June 20.

Lieut.-Colonel Rawstorne was last night entertained at a farewell dinner at the Barracks given by Lieut.-Col. Peters, D.O.C. The Fifth Regiment band furnished music during the evening they having offered their services out of compliment to Colonel Rawstorne who tomorrow takes final leave of this station.

It is probable that after all the illuminations of the new parliament buildings will be something very handsome, for an estimate is being prepared with a view to having the whole upper part of the building and the dome outlined with electric lamps. This, if it can be carried out, will give a magnificent effect seen from land and water, and would be a very fitting mark for the jubilee.

At the Driard is Judge H. W. Mellon, of Juneau, Alaska, formerly United States commissioner to that territory. He will be in town only a few days, as he takes the next steamer north, his present trip to Victoria being on private business. Judge Mellon is now largely engaged in mining and says that this season the prospects of both mining and general business are excellent, considerable money being made by Juneau merchants in outfitting miners for the Yukon.

Telegrams of yesterday from Kamloops, where the Grand Lodge I.O.O.F. has been in annual session since Wednesday morning, state that Victoria has been especially honored in the selection of officers for the new year. The list is as follows: W. H. Morton, Nanaimo, G.M.; A. Henderson, Victoria, D.G.M.; E. C. Davison, Kamloops, G.W.; F. Davey, Victoria, G.S.; S. W. Edwards, Victoria, G.T.; and T. F. Neelands, Vancouver, G.L.R. All were chosen by acclamation.

Members of the Congregational church surprised their pastor, Rev. P. C. L. Harris, on Wednesday evening at his residence, and Dr. Lewis Hall, on behalf of the members and friends, presented the pastor with a birthday gift in the shape of a roller study desk as a token of appreciation and regard. Rev. Mr. Harris responded in a felicitious little speech, thanking the donors for their kindness and asking for greater devotion on the part of everyone to the interests of Christianity.

Miss Worlock, Miss Fraser and Miss Spragge are the young ladies who have been successful in passing the examination just held for certificates of qualification as pupil teachers of the city of Victoria, the list of these now including besides the three named: Misses E. M. Arthur, Frances Brown, M. G. Bunting, Elinor Nesbitt, Edith M. Palby, Lilian M. Grant, E. A. Lee, Agnes Nason, M. Creech, P. Northcott, B. McTaggart, Bessie Fraser and E. M. Worlock, with Mr. David Tait.

The many friends of Mr. Walter Morris, of this city, will be pleased to hear of the success of his son, Francis Walter Morris, who, after a distinguished career as a medical student, taking university honors and an appointment as demonstrator in anatomy in Edinburgh, has passed his final examinations as a physician and surgeon in the universities of Edinburgh and Glasgow, thus securing double qualifications. It is the intention of Dr. Morris so proceed to London and continental universities.

John James Cowgill died last evening of pleuro-pneumonia after a week's illness. The deceased was a well-known engineer, having been one of those who brought the steamship Islander out to this coast. Since then he has been steadily in the employ of the C.P.N. Co., and recently has been engineer of the Rainbow. The deceased was 34 years of age, a native of Birkenhead, Eng., and leaves a widow with three children unprovided for. His funeral will take place from the family residence, 106 Dallas road, at 2:30 o'clock to-morrow.

Mayor Redfern, Mr. H. D. Helmcken Q.C., and Mr. Beaumont Boggs, secretary of the celebration committee, paid a visit yesterday to Esquimalt, where they discussed regatta arrangements with the naval officers. The races arranged for the sailors were: 12 oar cutter, 10 oar cutter, 5 oar whalers, pinnaces (14 and 16 oars), and "all comers" races. The "all comers" race will be open to visiting warships as well as Her Majesty's ships, and should United States men-of-war come, there will be other special races for them. There will be no naphtha races, however, as the Admiralty discountenance steamboat races where any of their men take part.

A jubilee social was given to the Old Men's Home by the Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church on Wednesday evening. The home was suitably decorated for the occasion and at 8 o'clock the chairman, Mr. P. M. G. Ledingham, announced the appended programme which, when rendered, was followed by refreshments: Chorus and prayer; instrumental solo, Mr. Oliver; speech, the Chairman; song, Mr. Charlton; recitation, Mr. O. J. B. Lane; song, Mr. G. Eden; reading, Mr. Weeks; recitation, Miss Graham; solo, duet and chorus, Mrs. George and Mr. Oliver; recitation, Miss Knott; and songs, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Bolden, Mr. Reiby, Miss Spence and Mrs. Winter.

Yesterday's assembly of the members of the W.C.T.U. at the residence of Mrs. W. J. Pendray, James Bay, was a busier one than usual, inasmuch as it was the annual meeting of the union. Reports of 14 different departments were read, officers elected and a great deal of routine work done. Mrs. Gordon Grant was again selected this year as president, Mrs. Jenkins as vice-president, Mrs. Gould as recording secretary, Mrs. McGregor as corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Cox and Mrs. J. W. Williams as treasurers. The Union have decided on holding only fortnightly meetings during the remaining summer months. They have also decided on holding a public meeting in the city hall on Wednesday evening, when a report will be read embracing all the subjects of interest dealt with in the departmental papers.

THE SIGLIN TOWED IN.

U. S. Revenue Cutter Picks Up the Derelict and Tows It to Sitka.

Puebla Salvage Case Settled at Last—New Zealand Connection Near at Hand.

After drifting for weeks about the North Pacific as a floating coffin, causing the friends of those who were once her crew and passengers an endless amount of anxiety, the General Siglin has been towed to Sitka for a search of her cabins, to see what gruesome story they might have to tell. The derelict was pickedup by an American cutter, and was taken to Sitka the previous day to the sailing of the steamship City of Topeka, which vessel arrived here from the North at daybreak yesterday. Judge Mellon was one of her passengers down, and in speaking of the Siglin said he did not think the water had all been pumped out of the forlorn craft when the Topeka sailed. A body had been found, however, and identified as that of the son of William C. Greenfield, who with his wife and family were passengers for Wood island from San Francisco. Between $700 and $800 was also found on board, but further than these discoveries the passengers who landed here from the Topeka have no news to tell concerning the Siglin. It is now one month since the first news of the Siglin disaster reached this city. On the 12th of last month the schooner William Ainsworth, Capt. E. E. Crockett, arrived at Seattle and reported that 110 miles west of the Queen Charlotte islands and directly in the path of fierce storms that had then been sweeping the North Pacific, he fell in with the Siglin. The body of a man dressed in oilskins was lashed to the iron davits in the stern. Since the Ainsworth sighted the schooner, several other vessels fell in with the craft and according to papers found by Capt. Martin of the Arietas the corpse was identified as that of the mate, Henry Saunders, a native of Bridgetown, N.S.

The Siglin left San Francisco, March 23, under command of Capt. Jerome Thomas, for Wood island, Alaska. She was loaded with supplies and provisions for the North American Commercial Co. Besides the captain she carried a crew consisting of mate, cook and three sailors, and had aboard as passengers W. C. Greenfield, agent of the company at Wood island, his wife and three children. The schooner was built at Marshfield, Or., in 1894. She was 80 feet in length by 23 feet beam and 8.4 depth, and 81.24 tons net register.

PUEBLA SALVAGE CASE SETTLED.

The largest towage bill ever paid on North Pacific waters was settled yesterday, when J. B. Libby, manager of the Puget Sound Tugboat Company, received a check from the Pacific Coast Steamship Company for $16,450, in settlement of the claim against the City of Puebla over three years ago. The big steamer, loaded with passengers and freight, broke a crank shaft off Cape Flattery, and was rapidly drifting on Flattery rocks when rescued by the tug Wanderer and towed to a safe harbor. The tugboat company put in a bill for $100,000, which the Puebla's owners refused to pay, and the Puebla was libeled in the Federal court. Three months ago the case was decided favorably to the tugboat company, but notice of appeal was given by the Pacific Coast Steamship Company. The fact that the money has been paid indicates the willingness of that company to drop the case. Of the amount paid $3,000 goes to Capt. Bailey and the crew of the tug Wanderer, the captain's share being $1,000, the balance being apportioned among the crew, the Chinese cook receiving $125. At the time of the accident the Puebla carried 150 passengers and a cargo valued at $300,000.

THE AUSTRALIAN LINE.

The R.M.S. Aorangi will sail for tropical and Southern ports on Monday. When the reaches Sydney her machinery will receive considerable attention, so that on the next voyage here it is expected she will make as good time as either of the other Australian liners. It is expected that the Aorangi will call at Wellington, New Zealand, on her next trip. A cablegram from Sydney announces that the Warrimoo sailed from there yesterday afternoon.

SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES.

Edmund Christol, who will be remembered by the police as the man accused of stabbing Joe Goss in a cow yard scrape last year, is now in evidence in Seattle, according to the story told by the Seattle Post-Intellingencer:

"A strange case of drowning was reported to the police last evening. The victim was Mary Nonnin, a small-sized woman of dark complexion, who left Seattle in the afternoon in a sailboat with her common law husband, Edmund Christol, an ex-wrestler, bound for Port Blakeley. Her strange and tragic death took place about midway between West Seattle and Eagle Point, near Port Blakeley. Christol says that the woman was sitting near him in the stern of the boat with the dog in her lap, and that she suddenly fell over backwards into the water with the dog. He sailed back to the spot where she fell, but could not find any trace of her. The little dog was still fighting with the waves, and he picked it up. Neither the man nor the woman had been drinking, and so far as could be learned they had not had trouble recently. Christol, however, was mixed up in a stabbing affair once with a man name Joe Goss, and the police believe that the dead woman was the cause of it. A woman who refused to allow her name to be used said she knew that Christol was known to beat Mary Nonnin. Whether the mystery surrounding the woman's death will ever be fully cleared up remains to be seen, but the chances are against it."

It may interest the many friends in this city of Mr. Donald McLeod, son of Rev. P. McF. McLeod, the former pastor of St. Andrew's, to know that he has recently been elected a member of the Surrey County Cricket Club (Kennington Oval), with which he will play this season.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES

Results of the Spring Bicycle Meet—Summer Circuit Opens at Victoria.

Victoria's Team Beat the Navy at Cricket Yesterday—Matches for To-Morrow.

Now that the summer circuit for the bicycle racers of the Northwest is opening, the sport-loving public will, no doubt, appreciate a review of the spring circuit, which opened with the meet here on the 22nd of last month. There were seven race meets included in the series, and at all of these in which he rode, George Sharick, of Tacoma, showed himself beyond doubt the best conditioned man in the lists. Staver made his appearance only at the Portland races, while Tom Spain, who has long been regarded by the American contingent as their most dangerous opponent on this side of the line, was disabled at the very opening meet, and thereby deprived of all opportunity to demonstrate his quality. Abendroth, although he has a smaller number of victories to his credit than Barker, of Vancouver, made his winnings in faster company and keener competition, and at the present time is unquestionably the better man of the two; Bartholemew had not commenced to get into form until toward the close of the circuit, when he surprised even his best friends by the quality of his finishes, indicative to many that he will give George Sharick a close run for honors before the season is over.

Of the amateurs, Tyler at present stands in much the same position as Sharick of the professional class. His dangerous provincial rivals during the season will probably be Ross of Vancouver, Marshall of Westminster, and Penwill of this city, the latter of whom scored heavily for percentage at the very beginning of the season with his double victory in the Good Friday road races at Beacon Hill.

At the present time the points of the leading riders of the Northwest, in each class, for the season are as below—firsts counting 5 per cent, seconds 3, and thirds 1:

PROFESSIONAL.

Rider.	*Vic.*	*Van.*	*Nan.*	*Well.*	*Seat.*	*Tac.*	*Fip.*	*Total.*
Geo. Sharick	15	..	17	10	5	3	..	50
C. F. Barker	..	13	7	4	..	..	..	24
C. Abendrath	9	..	9	..	..	..	5	23
J. Sharick	1	..	8	5	..	..	..	14
W. W. Gray	..	..	4	6	..	..	..	10
A. Lester	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	8
W. Bartholemew	..	..	..	..	1	5	..	6
— Miller	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	5
— Allen	1	..	..	1	..	..	3	5
— Wyatt	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	3
J. A. Jones	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	3
J. Staver	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Tom Spain	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1

AMATEUR.

H. Tyler	5	10	15	5	..	..	..	35
J. W. Penwill	15	3	..	..	..	..	..	18
F. Schone	..	..	..	7	10	..	..	17
— Cotter	..	..	..	10	4	..	..	14
L. Dow	..	..	..	1	10	..	..	11
Theo. Bryant	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	11
— Stephens	..	..	6	3	..	..	..	9
J. E. Wolff	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	8
E. A. Wolff	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
— Ross	..	5	1	..	..	..	..	6
— Stearns	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	6
— Wilband	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6
— Howe	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	6
— Wingard	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	6

The spring circuit of course found the men as yet unprepared for record breaking work, but two existing provincial marks were nevertheless demolished—the 2 mile competition record for British Columbia being reduced by George Sharick at Oak Bay to 4:36, and the half mile unpaced (exhibition) by W. W. Gray, at Wellington, to 1:04 2-5.

Like the spring racing, the summer circuit will open in this city, on the Wednesday of carnival week it is expected, when the following programme of events will be contested by the best men of British Columbia and the neighboring states: One mile novice (amateur), one-third mile professional, one mile amateur, two mile lap race professional, two-thirds mile professional, and one mile professional—all open events—besides in all likelihood an exhibition of fancy and acrobatic cycling.

DOMINION DAY AT WELLINGTON.

Wellington will, as has been the custom for years past, celebrate Dominion Day with a long day of sports, consisting of footraces, etc. The afternoon will be devoted to bicycle races, which will surpass anything of the kind held there before—and this is saying a good deal after the excellent races held on this track last Dominion Day. Special excursions from Victoria, Vancouver, Nanaimo and all local points wil be arranged in due course.

THE RING.

TOMMY RYAN AFTER GREEN.

Syracuse, N. Y., June 10.—Tommy Ryan announced this afternoon that he was prepared to go to San Francisco and meet Geo. Green, the so called "Young Corbett." "I am tired of waiting for Green to come East," he said, "I have given him every chance to meet me this side of Chicago and he has refused. Now I am determined to fight him and settle the question of superiority, and in order to do so I will go to San Francisco if some club there will offer a suitable purse."

BASEBALL.

LEAGUE GAMES OF YESTERDAY.

Philadelphia, June 10.—Philadelphia and Chicago played a double header this afternoon and honors were even. The fielding in both games was wretched. The second game Chicago batted Johnson and Fifield freely, and the Phillas did not make up in hitting until the ninth inning, when they got in three singles and a double. First game—Chicago, 4; Philadelphia, 7. Second game—Chicago, 10; Philadelphia, 6.

At Washington—Washington, 9; St. Louis, 3.

At New York—No game with Cincinnati, on account of wet ground.

At Baltimore—Baltimore, 4; Cleveland, 2.

At Brooklyn — Brooklyn, 3; Pittsburg, 2.

CRICKET.

MR. W. A. WARD'S XI. V. H.M.S. "COMUS."

This match was played on the Canteen ground, Esquimalt, yesterday and resulted in a win for the scratch team by 17 runs. Luard won the toss for the home side and elected to take the field. The start made by the visitor was disastrous, three wickets falling for five runs. Warden then joined Gooch and the latter hit with great vigor, compiling 41 out of 49 runs made during his stay at the wicket; he was beaten and clean bowled by Luard, who also dismissed Warden for a patient 12. Barff hit freely for 32, and Drummond also contributed double figures. The innings closed for 113 runs. No less than eight wickets fell when the naval men batted for 28 runs, and then Davis and Muller hammered the bowling all over the field and ran the score to 88. Barff came to the rescue of his side and quickly disposed of the remaining batsmen. The following is the full score and bowling analysis:

WARD'S ELEVEN.

A. C. Anderson, c Hamer, b Backhouse	1
T. H. Paterson, b Luard	0
P. Æ. Irving, b Luard	0
W. P. Gooch, b Luard	41
Q. D. H. Warden, b Luard	12
L. C. Barff, b Luard	32
W. A. Ward, b Backhouse	1
J. W. Anderson, c Speeke, b Luard	3
J. B. Drummond, c Muller, b Ley	10
H. Pooley, b Ley	3
S. Y. Wootton, not out	2
Extras	8
Total	113

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	*M.*	*R.*	*W.*
Luard	20	0	66	6
Backhouse	15	2	33	2
Ellis	3	2	4	0
Ley	2	0	2	2

H.M.S. "COMUS."

A. C. Fellowes, b Anderson	1
J. F. Russell, c Gooch, b Anderson	4
R. Hamer, b Anderson	8
L. Speeke, b Anderson	0
Lieut. Ley, b Anderson	4
R. Backhouse, c Wootton, b Anderson	4
Lieut. Luard, c Barff, b Pooley	6
R. F. Muller, b Pooley	0
B. Ellis, not out	21
A. Davis, b Barff	41
F. Carrington, b Barff	3
Extras	4
Total	96

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	*M.*	*R.*	*W.*
Gooch	11	0	30	0
Anderson	13	1	39	6
Pooley	5	1	9	2
Paterson	4	0	12	0
Barff	14	0	2	2

THE MILITIA'S REPRESENTATIVES.

The following elevens have been chosen by the committee of the Fifth Regiment Cricket Club to represent them in their matches to-morrow:

To play the Albion Cricket Club—J. F. Foulkes, H. Pooley, A. McLean, L. B. Trimen, F. A. Futcher, B. G. Goward, W. R. Wilson, P. Falconer, C. Gamble, T. E. Pooley and J. A. McTavish.

To play the R.M.A. Second Eleven—T. R. Futcher, H. B. Haines, C. Pooley, B. Pinder, W. R. Atkins, E. Brown, R. Worlock, G. C. Johnson, T. Cornwall, F. Vigor and T. N. Hibben.

The former being a league game will commence at 2:30 p.m. sharp and will be played on the Albion ground; the latter team are requested to take the car leaving Campbell's corner at 2 o'clock in order to be at the Barracks by 2:30.

BETTER TO KNOW ABOUT IT.

I have often heard people say they wished they knew nothing of the interior of their own body. Their fancy is, that knowing nothing they would fear nothing; and somehow, too, be in less danger of being taken ill. Even competent and studious doctors have expressed that wish in my hearing; for many of these men have very impressionable minds and often imagine themselves victims of the diseases they treat in others.

All the same we have reason to be thankful for the progress that has been made in the cognate sciences of physiology and pathology—the body and its ills. Otherwise we should not be able this day to explain the facts set forth in the following letter.

"For over twenty years," says the writer, "my wife has suffered from chronic asthma and bronchitis. It came on at first owing to a severe cold she took. Her breathing was short and difficult, and very often she had to fight for her breath.

"At night she had to be bolstered up in bed, for she could not lie down properly. She had an awful cough and was constantly spitting up a frothy phlegm. During the night she would expectorate over a pint of this matter, and had to wipe it out of her mouth.

"For weeks together she would be laid up and unable to leave her room. Year after year she continued like this, sometimes better and sometimes worse, and what she suffered is past description.

"I had several doctors attending her, who gave her up as being incurable, and I thought she would not live.

"In December, 1890, a customer recommended my wife to try Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. After taking the medicine a short time the breathing was much easier and the distressing cough was not so bad. She steadily persevered with it, and gained ground every day, being in better health than for twenty years.

"Since that time whenever she feels her breathing bad, a few doses of Mother Seigel's Syrup relieves her. But for the use of this medicine I think she would have been in her grave. You can use this statement as you think fit. (Signed) Joseph Sheppard, grocer and draper, Manchester House, Mark, Somerset, Nov. 27th, 1895."

Now, what does science teach us in a case like this? It teaches that asthma is not an organic disease of the lungs (therein radically differing from consumption), but an affection of the *nerves which control the action* of the lungs. Its actual cause has nothing whatever to do with the function of breathing. Asthma is caused by poisons in the blood arising from fermented food in the stomach and bowels. These poisons, acting in concert with the bile acids, which should be (*but are not*) abstracted from the blood by the sluggish liver, weaken and demoralize the nerves, and bring on the attacks of wheezing and whistling in the chest, staring and bloodshot eyes, and often congested face and lips—called *asthma*. Bronchitis an affection of the branches of the lungs, accompanied with more or less inflammation, is another result of the same cause. In plain English asthma and bronchitis are *consequences* and ultimate *symptoms* of the condition known as dyspepsia; and we are confident that Mrs. Sheppard's case has a contemporary history of habitual indigestion. As Mother Seigel's Syrup acted upon the digestive organs and purified the blood, the asthma and bronchitis virtually disappeared as might have been expected.

One of the excellent results, my friends, of knowing something about the interior of the human body.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

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VICTORIA IS CENTRAL.

A Convenient Base of Operations and Mr. Brown Therefore Moves His Mining Office.

Slocan Yields Silver in Slabs—Infinite Variety in Quartz Creek Ores.

R. E. Brown, mining engineer and investor, who secured international fame through his successful mining operations in South Africa, has just left Spokane for London via New York, in connection with his judgment for $5,000,000 against the Transvaal government, and he may be absent upward of two months. It is reported that an offer has been made for a compromise, but regarding this he was averse to talking. During Mr. Brown's absence his office will be moved from Spokane to Victoria, to comply with the new British Columbia law which requires all companies organized under the Provincial act to have offices within British Columbia territory. Since Mr. Brown came to Spokane last July he has had from 30 to 40 men in the field aside from men at work on claims, and as a result he has secured interests in the Slocan, Greenwood, Harrison Lake, Yale and Duncan-Lardeau districts. These will now be operated from Victoria, after about two weeks, and while the office there will not be as convenient to the Slocan and Greenwood districts as the Spokane office, still it was determined to locate there rather than in Rossland or any of the interior British Columbia towns on account of the increased facilities at Victoria for business with the Harrison Lake, Yale, Kamloops and Lillooet districts. It is said that Mr. Brown has a number of excellent properties in the north country which he is getting crown granted, and that when all the legal details are arranged he will go ahead on extensive development work, the details of which are now being arranged by competent mining engineers.

SULLIVAN CREEK PROSPECTS.

On Sullivan creek, starting about 15 miles north of Rossland, much work is being done from one end of the creek to the other. Writing of a recent visit to Mackey mountain, at the head waters, Mr. Reavis says in the Rossland Miner: "The impression made upon me by what I saw on Mackey mountain was that there are a number of strong iron-capped and quartz ledges running through the country, with good chances for the finding of pay chutes of great size and permanence. Water and timber for mining purposes are abundant, and a wagon road could be built from the mines down to the mouth of Sullivan creek without very great expense. The entire distance is not over seven miles. At the Columbia river there is steamer transportation, and the railroad from Trail to Robson will soon be in operation."

QUARTZ CREEK'S VARIETY.

Molybdenum in considerable quantities has been discovered on the Bullion claim at Quartz Creek. This metal has a mercantile value of its own, being used in the manufacture of chinaware to produce a blue color. A great variety of ore is found in the Bullion, including iron, copper, antimonial silver, and gold. The claim was located in June, 1895, by E. M. Lloyd and T. A. Mills, the present owners, who also own the Arcadie, situated about 600 feet lower down towards Ymir.

SILVER IN SLABS.

A silver slab has been taken from the Arlington, Slocan, which assayed 16,700 ounces of silver. In describing whence it came to a Spokesman-Review man, Frank Watson, general manager of the Arlington, said: "The ore received last night was taken from the west drift, which is in about twenty-five feet, and shows ore the entire distance. The face of the tunnel is about fifteen feet from the surface, and shows three feet of ore. Wherever there is a crevice in this lead, the silver is taken out in slabs, such as one of the samples shown."

MISCELLANEOUS.

Secretary Bell, of the Wonderful group, in the Slocan, has received returns from the first carload of ore shipped this season. It was a small car of 15 tons. The average was 119 ounces of silver and 71.4 per cent. lead. The gross value was $1,314, the custom duty $166, and the net receipts $1,148, making an average of $85.99 per ton. Up to date the product of the Wonderful has been $32,222 net, the customs duties were $4,531, and the average of the ore was 114 ounces of silver and 66 per cent. lead.

Superintendent Henry Callaghan, of the American Boy, near Sandon, reports a strike of about a four-foot lead in tunnel No. 1, of which he says about feet is solid ore. The company have started another tunnel 125 feet below No. 1, which is in about 20 feet. They expect to run about 175 feet, to get below the winze, and then drift.

Frank Hogan, treasurer of the Sullivan group, in the Fort Steele country, expects to push the work on that property during the absence of Col. Ridpath, the manager. The ore bodies are so large in that district that the owners of some of the large properties are already figuring on a smelter being put in to treat the ore there.

Preparations are being made for a resumption of work on the Silver Star mine. The property lies to the northeast of Vernon and only a few miles from the city. Development was carried on for a short time last fall, but owing to the depth of snow it became impossible to get supplies on the ground.

An unexpected feature in the Golden Cup, in the Salmon River country, is the appearance of massive chalcopyrite. Some of this is very beautiful. No prettier copper ore has been seen in this country. It, along with the galena in the quartz, makes a beautiful combination, and one not often seen.

Encouraging reports are received from the development work on the Carnes Creek Co.'s properties, situated on Carnes creek, Big Bend. The pay streak is widening and is about two feet, and the quality of the ore has greatly improved. The tunnel is now in more than 50 feet. Recent assays have returned from $44 to $58 per ton in gold, while assays last fall gave $18 to $23.