# TIGHTENING THE MESHES.

## Counsel for the Crown Presenting a Well Connected Case Against Burchell.

## He is Still Smiling and Confident, Apparently Relying on a Strong Defense.

## His Counsel Lets Slip a Word that Suggests an Attempt to Prove an Alibi.

WOODSTOCK, Sept. 24.—The great square in front of the court house was densely crowded this evening for an hour before court adjourned. When Burchell appeared at the door on his way to jail he looked out upon a sea of faces. The people were in carriages, on horseback, on foot, waiting for a glimpse at him. He looked at the crowd unconcernedly, and a half smile brightened his handsome face. Yet he had been listening to evidence he must have known placed him in a terrible situation. There were a large number of witnesses sworn during the forenoon. License Commissioner Orchard and Assessor Thomas, of Stamford township, near Niagara Falls, swore that no man named Burchell had owned property in this territory. Manager Burnett of the G.N.W. Telegraph Co., at Buffalo, identified the telegram Burchell sent to himself. Postmaster Woodruff, of Niagara Falls, swore that Burchell rented a P. O. box in February for six months ending August 10th. Fred. Pierce, teller of the Imperial Bank at Niagara Falls, Ont., testified that Burchell opened an account on February 24th, depositing $162. Burchell then said he was purchasing horses for the English government. The account was closed by Burchell on his arrest. Professor Wolverton, manager of the meteorological observatory Woodstock, testified to the condition of the weather during the week of the murder. His records showed the temperature to be above freezing on the morning of February 17th, the suppposed day of the murder, slightly below freezing that night at 7, with rain and sleet during the night. It was snowing and drifting on Thursday, and between freezing and zero on Friday when the body was found. All this corroborated the theory of the Crown made from the condition of the body, that it lay in the woods from Monday till Friday. Pelley was recalled twice during the afternoon and testified that Burchell exhibited a hand stamp with type in Liverpool and stamped "Pelley & Burchell" frequently. Sexton John Griggs, being recalled, swore that at 10 o'clock, on the Wednesday night succeeding Pelley's identification of the body, at the time when Burchell was in custody, a buggy drove up to the cemetery and stopped. He drew the blind to let the light shine out, and the buggy was driven away rapidly. He suspected somebody had come

TO STEAL THE BODY.

James Hull, lumber merchant, of Princeton, testified that Burchell told him that he (Burchell) had parted from Benwell at the Falls, Benwell going to London; and that Benwell had sent him from London a letter containing checks for baggage. Constable Watson and Undertaker Schwartz previously swore that Burchell had told them the same story. Falls town clerk Hull that he and Benwell were looking for farms. Witness asked Burchell if he had the envelop of the letter from London showing the name of the hotel Benwell stopped at. He replied in the negative. Burchell also told the witness that Benwell had a brother in the United States, and that friends in New York city had his address, and that he would have him at the inquest. Captain Cox, of Paris, swore that Burchall gave him the same explanation as to Benwell's disappearance which he gave Hull, Watson and Schwartz. He told Detective Murray the same story, stating that he had planned to tell the same story to several people, thus making corroborations to protect himself. Cox asked Burchell if he suspected who killed Benwell. He answered "No." George Phemister, manager of the Niagara Falls, Ont., telegraph office, identified the telegram sent by Burchell, and gave the substance of his interview with him after the identification the body. Burchell told Phemister that Benwell had $50 to $100, that he had seen him last on the Grand Trunk platform at the Falls and that Benwell went to London, whence he sent a letter containing a paper and checks for baggage. George Herse, a farmer near the scene of the murder, identified the prisoner as a man who introduced himself to witness in 1888 as

A SON OF LORD SOMERSET.

He drove a two-horse carriage. The next day he arrived with a four-in-hand. Somset then told Herse he had been in the vicinity before. He asked about Mud Lake (beside which Benwell's body was found), said he knew the place and had been gunning there some four years before.

Jos. Piggott, a farmer living near Herse's place, was asked: "Did you know a man named Lord Somerset?" "That's him over there," he said, pointing to the prisoner.

James Ellis, a neighboring farmer, said: "I recognize the prisoner as Lord Somerset to the best of my ability. I acknowledge that I know him. I met him with another Englishman about eight miles from Mud lake in 1888."

"He was not in the country at that time" was the defendant's counsel, Blackstock's, strange comment.

Chief Young, of Niagara Falls, Ont., described Burchell's arrest. "I have a warrant for you; prepare to come with me," said the chief. "All right," replied Burchell, jumping out of bed and asking no explanation.

Connor O'Day, writing expert of the British-American college, Toronto, identified Burchell's handwriting in many documents in evidence, among them were

THE FAMOUS MELLORISH LETTERS

on pupil farming and the agreement between Pelley and Burchell to go into farming partnership as follows: "Memorandum of agreement made the 4th day of January, 1880, between D. R. Pelley, of Walden place, Saffron Walden, in the one part, and J. R. Burchell, of Niagara Falls, Ont., on the other part, to the effect that said D. R. Pelley agrees to reside with J. R. Burchell and assist him to the best of his ability in the discharge of said J. R. Burchell's business for the space of one year, to date from date of agreement, also, D. R. Pelley agrees to pay the sum of £170, to be invested by J. R. Burchell in his business, such sum to be returned together with interest, at the rate of five per cent per annum; in the event of the said D. R. Pelley not electing to stay longer than one year. The consideration received by said D. R. Pelley being board and lodging, household necessaries, and the extra use of horses and carriages, travelling expenses in Canada and the United States, and 22½ per cent. of the profits in the business of the said J. R. Burchell, arising from all or any sales whatever held, (signed) D. R. Pelley." The document is dated January 14, 1890.

Fully half the spectators during the afternoon were ladies. Not an inkling of the defense could be gathered from cross examination. Hircksstock's strange remark that Burchell was not in this country in 1888 opens the speculation that perhaps an alibi may be aimed at.

## NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

### The Happenings of the Day Condensed for Busy People's Reading.

Slavin and McAuliffe will fight this week at the Ormonde Club.

Two men were killed in a colliery explosion at Trenton, N.J., yesterday.

The Nile has flooded the Damietta district.

Jacob Buse, one of the most dangerous green goods men in America was arrested at Trenton, N. J., yesterday.

The stock yards strike is still on at Chicago.

President Harrison and his party returned to Washington from Cresson.

South Carolina has returned by acclamation Representative Abbott, who was recently unseated.

The tariff bill was before Congress for amendments all yesterday.

Helena, Ark., was visited by a cloud burst and destructive rain storm yesterday.

President Woodford, of the Mormon church, issued a manifesto, yesterday, denying that the church still encourages polygamy.

Archie McCombe, the well known Australian sprinter, died last night.

Jim Corbett cannot meet Kilrain until after May next.

British ship Selene is ashore at Santa Rosa, full of water.

# CANADIAN NEWS.

### His Strange Story.

WINNIPEG, Man., Sept. 24. — William Watts, the sole survivor of the wrecked yacht Keewatin, owned by Lieut.-Governor Schultz, arrived at Selkirk this morning on the steamer Aurora, sent out in search of the yacht. Watts is in a terribly exhausted condition, having been shipwrecked for ten days. Accompanying Watts on the trip were Corporal Oliver M. Murphy, son of a prominent lawyer of Toronto, and Private Rene, nephew of Lieut.-Governor Royal, of Montreal. They left Pigeon Point on the morning of the 6th, with a stiff gale blowing from the north, and when they reached Swampy Island in the evening they could not land. They threw out their anchor, but the chain broke, and they drifted around till early next morning, when the boat capsized. Murphy and Rene got on its keele and Watts clung to the cabin. Rene, being frantic with fear, could only hold on for four hours, when he slipped off and was seen no more by his comrades. Murphy tried very hard to hold him up. Afterwards, Watts got up on the side of the boat with Murphy, where they both tied themselves and remained for two days, after which Murphy became restless and rolled off, saying, "Mathew, I'm going and I hope you will be spared to tell the tale." Watts then strapped himself to the boat with a rope and was at the mercy of the waves for ten days, when he was picked up at Split Rock Point by some Indians a short distance from the shore, almost lifeless, being all this time without anything to eat. The Indians took him to their camp, and applied the restoratives they had and cared for him until the steamer Aurora arrived and took him aboard.

### To Carry Grain.

TORONTO, Sept. 24.—Owing to the magnificent harvest in the Northwest, it is supposed that the Canadian Pacific will have to fit out their new steamer Manitoba in order to be ready for the grain which will commence to move about Oct. 1.

### A Mystery of the Lake.

SENDRIDGE, Ont., Sept. 24.—This morning three young men named Arthur Boyer, Chas. McDonald and Hugh Rooney went out in a sail boat, intending to cross Strong lake. This afternoon their boat was found lying on its side with Boyer hanging dead in the rigging. The other two men are missing, and are supposed to have been drowned.

## HON. MACKENZIE BOWELL.

### The Minister of Customs Arrives in Town After an Extended Journey Through the Mainland.

Last night Hon. Mackenzie Bowell, minister of customs, who has been on an extended tour through the Mainland, arrived in town. He had been through the Kootenay district on his way out here and predicted a great future for the mining country, while as for agriculture he had been completely surprised with what he had seen at Colonel Baker's place, Mr. Rykert's, at Ladner's Landing, and all the way along. There were ample signs of development everywhere, and from what he had been able to gather this city of Victoria had made important progress since he was here two years ago. It was his intention, during his stay, to look into a variety of matters pertaining to the customs service, the gratifying augmation of which had necessitated the consideration of a series of matters affecting it. He was sorry to say that his present visit would only be short, as he expected to leave for the East on Friday.

## ANOTHER CHAPTER.

### More Trouble at Victoria West—A Strong Protest.

Yesterday afternoon about five o'clock there was another fight at Victoria West between an employe of the Tramway company and a man who drives the beer wagon for Fairall & Barry. The difficulty began on the road, and the parties adjourned to a bit of wood near the Grove tavern. Here they fought for nearly fifteen minutes, in the result the supporter of the brewery interest, being terribly battered, was led off the field. Later in the evening the employes of the Tramway company applied for permission to the board of directors to be allowed to carry firearms to protect themselves from further assault. The board replied that they had no power to grant the permission asked, but passed a strong resolution directing the attention of the government to the condition of things at the brewery, and representing that their employes had been insulted and assaulted and threatened with assassination while working peacefully on the highway, the company's property and that of the government destroyed, and asking that protection be afforded them. It is expected that vigorous action will be taken to-day.

# WESTMINSTER'S EXHIBITION

## Opening of the Royal City's Fair—His Honor Makes an Appropriate Speech.

## Wonderfully Good Exhibits of Fruit, Vegetables, Grain and Dairy Products.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

NEW WESTMINSTER, Sept. 24. — Though dull and cloudy, the opening of the Royal Agricultural and Industrial society's fair to-day was in all other respects a brilliant success. The buildings, which have been considerably enlarged since last year, are hardly capable of giving sufficient accommodation, so that many exhibits are necessarily crowded.

Lieut.-Governor Nelson, with Mrs. Nelson, performed the ceremony of opening the fair, which the former did with many complimentary references to New Westminster's enterprise and prosperity, which he had noticed and which were surprising and gratifying. He spoke of the advantages of New Westminster with its fish, lumber and other resources, prophesying a wonderful future for it. He laid stress on the necessity of keeping the capital within the country as well as attracting it, and asked New Westminsterites to bestir themselves by taking advantage of the present and securing effectually their future prosperity.

Hon. John Robson followed, speaking as an old New Westminster man, and expressing the pleasure he had in seeing the city's marked and growing prosperity. He looked upon incidents such as the present as calculated to promote the best interests of the city and surrounding country. He was surprised at the progress made by the city. New buildings had been erected and other large improvements made, and everything possible was being done to advance the city's interests. He was afraid last year when he saw the additions put to the society's buildings that the society were going too far. Now he saw that they were quite correct in their calculations, and that before another year elapsed it would be necessary to further extend the buildings. He advised New Westminster to go forward, to launch out and continue their enterprising march for they might depend upon it that this region was the garden of British Columbia,—aye, the garden of the Dominion of Canada. (Cheers.)

After the distinguished visitors, among whom were several naval officers, were conducted through the building on an inspection tour by the president and other officials.

Particular praise was bestowed on the fruit exhibits, which were unusually large and of a superior quality, many of the experts pronouncing them superior to Oregon fruit by several degrees. Vegetables also demonstrated British Columbia's fertility in that respect. Dairying and grain samples very few, but of good quality, Prof. Robertson pronouncing the former of exceptionally superior quality, and recommending British Columbians to take up this industry. The products of the Fraser canneries were a special feature in one booth, the bright and tastefully designed labeled cans of Ewen, the Bon Accord and the Laidlaw companies making a brilliant display. The flowers were very choice and commendably well raised. The live stock were plentiful, and Victoria was strongly represented by Messrs. Newton, Tolmie, Sturdy, etc. British Columbia lumber, and the manifold uses it can be put to, was amply shown.

Owing to the disposition of exhibits and the absence of tickets with the names of exhibitors, the slightest information cannot be learned. The fact of the judges deferring judgment till the day of the exhibition was disappointing to the visitors, who always take special interest in the prize animals over all others. The live stock exhibit is over double last year's, and other exhibits over 50 per cent.

The awards will all be given and declared to-morrow. The magnificent grounds surrounding the exhibition buildings were the scene of a number of keenly contested athletic sports, while several numbers of the regatta programme were decided on the city water front.

Bush, who defeated Seeley, was in turn defeated by Horton in the single sculls; the Daphne's crew won the marine race.

In the evening, the society met at the city hall to listen to a practical and interesting lecture by Prof. Robertson, after which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, G. W. Chadsey; 1st vice-president, W. B. Townsend; 2nd vice-president, R. V. Winch; secretary, T. R. Pearson; treasurer, G. D. Brymner; directors, Page, Harris, W. H. Ladner, Hutcheson, Armstrong, Wells, Trapp, Temperton, Sinclair, Latham, Webb, Foster, Beneley, Major Williams, Kennedy, Shannon, Maxwell, Winch, Cunningham, Black, McLagan, Knight, Tolmie and Perrin, the latter two of Victoria.

# YESTERDAY'S DISPATCHES.

### The Floods in China.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 23. — The department of state has received a report from the United States legation at Pekin, dated Aug. 12, in which it says that the flood in that province has been the most serious ever known. It is supposed that an area of 3,000 miles and a population of several millions have been affected by the floods. Many people have been drowned, and tens of thousands are refugees from their homes and are living on charity. Near Sutsai, which is a point on the railroad from Long Ku to Lonostal, the railroad embankment has been destroyed by the people for several miles. It was alleged that the embankment dammed up the water and flooded the country. Forcible possession was taken of the embankment, which was cut in many places. Trains were stopped and the employees driven away. It is supposed that the general in command as Tutai instigated these proceedings, in which his soldiers largely took part. A very serious feature of the case is the supiness of Viceroy Li. He has done nothing to prevent these lawless proceedings. The Tong Shai colliery is stopped and three thousand men are thrown out of employment and the operation of the railroad is of course suspended. This destruction, report says, was wanton and unnecessary for letting off the water. All these proceedings indicate an anti-railroad excitement, which may result in postponing indefinitely all further railroad enterprises in China.

### Don't Like the Germans.

ZANZIBAR, Sept. 23.—The Nationals Vitu have revolted and massacred a German merchant named Kunzel and several German employees.

### Marion Wins.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The race for the twelfth great foal stakes, three-year-olds, one mile and two furlongs straight, was run at Newmarket, the first of the October meeting, to-day. It was won by Lord Hartington's bay colt Marion; Duke of Westminster's brown colt, Blue Green, second; J. H. Houldsworth's bay colt, Alloway, third.

### Choosing the Site.

CHICAGO, Ills., Sept. 23.—Late this afternoon, the national commission formally accepted Washington park as a portion of the site for the World's fair.

### Ruined the Crops.

BAD AXE, Mich., Sept. 23.—Reports from the storm in Huron county have just come to hand. Hail fell to a depth of eight inches, and literally wiped away the crops. The damage is estimated at $300,000.

### Home for a Holiday.

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—Hon. Wm. Walter Phelps, U.S. Minister to Germany, arrived on the steamer Elbe to-day. Mr. Phelps has returned for a vacation.

### The Right Kind of a King.

ROME, Sept. 23.—A passenger train was derailed to-day between Florence and Fiesole, and five persons were killed and twenty injured. King Humbert and Queen Marguerite, on learning of the accident, abandoned an intended trip to the races and visited the injured, doing all they could to alleviate the sufferings of the unfortunates.

## ANACORTES.

### Some Interesting News—Railway Construction at Ship Harbor.

Though but little information has been recently made public about the railways at this point, yet enough is known of what they have been doing to safely infer that more important moves on the board will soon take place.

The Northern Pacific has done a good deal of work and is preparing to do much more. It is building a large ocean dock some two-thirds of a mile to the westward of the terminal dock of the Oregon Improvement Co., and work on this is steadily progressing, nearly all the piles being now driven. It has also laid the track round Ship Harbor, and the engineers are preparing for its extension to the head of Burrows Bay. This company is also clearing its land and it is expected will soon put it on the market.

A large purchase of land on and near Ship Harbor was completed last Friday, the consideration amounting to $300,000. The buyers were Messrs. Colby, Schultze and others intimately connected with the Northern Pacific Railway. The Oregon Improvement Co. has now a large amount of rolling stock on its line and runs two trains daily up the Skagit Valley. The road bed is constructed as far as Hamilton and is only awaiting the arrival of iron rails to be laid upon it. The Northern Pacific has taken up construction, it is understood, from near this point, and is building eastward up the south bank of the Skagit. It line is also being extended westward from Spokane Falls towards the shore, almost lifeless, being all this time without anything to eat. The Indians took him to their camp, and applied the restoratives they had and cared for him until the steamer Aurora arrived and took him aboard.

# CAPITAL NOTES.

## Richard Meredith the New Vice-Chancellor of Ontario—Imperial Federation.

## Australia Does Not Want Canadian Delegates to go There and Discuss the Question.

## Vast Improvement in the Atlantic Fisheries of Canada—His Excellency's New A.D.C.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 24.—Mr. Richard Meredith, Q.C., London, brother of the Hon. W. R. Meredith, has been appointed Vice-Chancellor of Ontario, vice Proudfoot resigned.

The Imperial Federation League want the Government to send delegates to Australia next February, but the Premier states that the Australian Government have requested Canada not to take action until the colonies had settled one way or the other their own federation scheme.

The Atlantic fisheries show a vast improvement over last season, mackerel have schooled mostly inshore, greatly to the benefit of Canadian fishermen.

About 15,000 people visited the Central Canada Fair to-day.

Capt. Walsh of the Grenadier Guards has been appointed A.D.C. to the Governor-General.

## SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

### FOOTBALL.

With absolutely no practice, the Victoria Football club have decided to visit New Westminster on Friday to try conclusions with the Royal City club. "Our boys" have the satisfaction of knowing that their opponents are in about the same trim as they are, and the match, in consequence, may still be a contest worth looking at.

### HERE AND THERE.

Secretary Worth, of the Brooklyn Brotherhood club, denies that the club is in a financial difficulty, all rumors to the contrary.

The new boat house at James Bay is rapidly approaching completion, while the floating platform for the boats which has been almost finished lies on the other side of the bridge, and will soon be towed to its place in front of the new building.

### BASEBALL.

Catcher Zimmer has broken all previous catchers' records by participating in 108 successive championship games behind the bat. But for his being called home on account of illness of his family he would undoubtedly have caught in every championship game played by the Clevelands this season.

The Chicago reporters have won seven successive games. They have a great pitcher in Joe Murphy, who struck out fourteen men in the last game, played and made a home run.

The Amities go to Westminster on Thursday, and it is probable will be opposed by the Kamloops team.

### LACROSSE.

Speaking of the decision on the recent Cornwall-Shamrock match at Montreal, the Sportsman says: Their decision, by a strictly partisan vote, that a referee cannot make a mistake and that his decision upon the field is final and unquestionable, no matter how palpably erroneous it may be, is a most dangerous one. It puts a power into the hands of the referee that was never contemplated by the constitution, since it renders him absolutely infallible. He cannot even question his own decision.

The much-talked-of exhibition game at the Royal City to-day promises to be a very interesting one. The Vancouver club is anxious to try conclusions with the Westminsters before the final game in the association schedule, which is set for October 4. Both clubs have imported new blood and lacrosse stars are expected to shine on the field and show the old-timers of British Columbia how the national game should be played.

### THE TURF.

The card for the fall meeting of the Victoria Jockey club shows that there will be two days racing on that occasion, nine events constituting the bill of fare. The opening day is Friday, October 10th, when there will be a 2:30 running and pacing race for a purse of $250. The second is a running race over three-eighths of a mile and repeat—$150. The trotting and pacing race, 2.50 class, for a silver cup, is limited to horses owned by bona fide residents of the province, entered by their owners, the fourth event being a one-mile running dash, open to all stallions, for a purse of $150. This unquestionably constitutes a very fair programme of sport for one day, and, if the entries are anything like what is expected, those who resort to the course on that occasion will have a glorious time. Saturday, October 11th, being a half-holiday, should, at any rate, be the occasion of the largest attendance on the field, and for their delectation there are five items to be disposed of. For a trotting and pacing race, open to 2.30 horses, a purse of $300 is tendered, a half mile and repeat running race having as its inducement a purse of $150. A purse of $200 will be run for over a course of a mile and an eighth, a medal being the prize for the boy of and under fifteen years of age who is the victor in a half mile dash run by ponies 14½ hands and under. Although in this province there are not supposed to be any jumpers equal to those in Kilkennas and other equally famous steeds, for the best jumper, ridden by a non-professional, a silver cup is offered. No doubt there will be, as has been said before, a good attendance and some excellent competitions, on which account the days in question should be kept clear of any engagement other than that upon the Victoria Driving park, where prizes of the value $2,000 are offered. Entries, it must not forgotten, will close on Monday, Oct. 6.

El Rio Rey will race no more. The two-year-old champion of last year has been sent to California, where he is to succeed his sire, Norfolk, in the stud. All around he was the best two-year-old that has ever been seen in this country, and if he had kept sound would have been a worthy rival to Salvator.

The stallion Nelson has trotted a mile in 2:15¼ over the half-mile track at Bangor, Me. He trotted first half in 1:06½, but stopped perceptibly in the last quarter. If he is given a chance on a kite-shaped track he will undoubtedly lower his present record of 2:15¼ the present season.

During the second heat of the 2:27 trot at St. Thomas, Ont., on Sept. 3rd, the driver of Brown Billy drove into the sulky of Odell, who was driving Ruby T., and Odell was thrown fully ten feet in the air, but escaped without a scratch. Ruby T. started to run, but was soon captured, and neither horse nor sulky was much injured.

An Australian horseman thinks more attention should be paid to breeding jockeys. He says the cross should be sire Irish, dam English for stay, and Jew for cunning. All the dare-devil riders are Irish, the English are bull dogs for hanging on and Providence favors the Jews.

It is stated that the new Saratoga management will offer special inducements for record-breaking next year, giving $3,000 extra when a record is broken in a purse race and $5,000 when such an occurrence takes place in connection with a stake race.

How uncertain horse racing is was proved by the victory of Prince Fonso. This colt, who was apparently unable to compete with broken-down and patched-up horses, last week, ran away in the Bridge handicap from such high-class races as Sealon II., Her Highness, and Toro. The reason for Prince Fonso's great improvement may have been due to the fact that the stake he ran for was worth about $5,000, while the value of each purse in the two races he started in last week was not more than $800 to the winner.

California turf reports state that San Mateo Farm will send the stallion Regal Wilkes, by Gus Wilkes, to beat the three-year-old record. As a two-year-old Regal Wilkes trotted in 2 20¾.

### CRICKET.

THE NAVY VS. VICTORIA.

This match was played yesterday afternoon on Beacon Hill, the Victoria team getting away with their opponents, thanks to the batting of Mr. Pooley and the bowling of Hudson and Sinclair. Mr. Thomas' wicket-keeping for the navy team was magnificent, the bowling of Hon. Mr. Stanhope being very good:

VICTORIA.

| 1st Innings. | |
|---|---|
| Sinclair, b. Manning | 15 |
| A. F. Ewen, b. Manning | 0 |
| A. F. S. Williams, c. Kennedy, b. Manning | 12 |
| C. E. Pooley, st. Thomas, b. Stanhope | 19 |
| T. H. Jones, run out | 0 |
| W. Hudson, st. Thomas, b. Stanhope | 4 |
| J. T. Terrus, b. Hodges | 6 |
| B. H. T. Drake, not out | 6 |
| G. Loewen, st. Thomas, b. Stanhope | 7 |
| C. W. Rhodes, c. Thomas, b. Hodges | 0 |
| F. Adderley, c. Thomas, b. Stanhope | 0 |
| Byes | 6 |
| Leg Byes | 1 |
| Total | 76 |

NAVY TEAM.

| 1st Innings. | | 2nd Innings. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lt. Kennedy, b. Hudson | 0 | run out | 1 |
| Lt. Stanhope, b. Sinclair | 0 | b. Hudson | 9 |
| Lt. Thomas, b. Hudson | 0 | b. Sinclair | 10 |
| Hodges, b. Hudson | 4 | b. Hudson | 1 |
| Mr. Watson, b. Hudson | 0 | c. Owen b. Hudson | 0 |
| Mr. Dawson, b. Sinclair | 0 | b. Hudson | 3 |
| Mr. Vaughan, c. Loewen, b. Sinclair | 2 | b. Hudson | 6 |
| Hardman, b. Hudson | 2 | c. & b. Hudson | 0 |
| Sub-Lt. Williamson, b. Sinclair | 0 | b. Hudson | 2 |
| Lt. Barrett, b. Hudson | 0 | not out | 2 |
| Manning, not out | 2 | c. Drake, b. Sinclair | 0 |
| Byes | 7 | Byes | 3 |
| | 13 | | 40 |

ANALYSIS OF BOWLING—VICTORIA TEAM.

| First Innings. | Overs | Maidens | Runs | Wkts |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hudson | 7. | 5 | 3 | 6 |
| Sinclair | 6.4 | 4 | 2 | 4 |
| Second Innings. | | | | |
| Hudson | 16. | 5 | 21 | 6 |
| Sinclair | 15.2 | 7 | 18 | 4 |

NAVY TEAM.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manning | 12 | 3 | 19 | 3 |
| Stanhope | 14. | 4 | 25 | 4 |
| Vaughan | 3 | 3 | 11 | 0 |
| Hodges | 12 | 3 | 11 | 2 |

There being some time left after the above match had been finished, a single innings game was played, in which Victoria again proved to be successful.

NAVY TEAM.

| | |
|---|---|
| Lt. Thomas, c Rhodes, b Hudson | 3 |
| Hardman, b Hudson | 1 |
| Lt. Barrett, b Sinclair | 4 |
| Mr. Dawson, b Hudson | 1 |
| Lt. Kennedy, c and b Owens | 4 |
| Hodges, not out | 18 |
| Manning, c Pooley, b Jones | 1 |
| Mr. Vaughan, c Sinclair, b Owens | 0 |
| Hon. Mr. Stanhope, c Pooley, b Jones | 4 |
| Lt. Williamson, b Owens | 1 |
| Mr. Watson, b Owens | 0 |
| Extras | 3 |
| Total | 44 |

VICTORIAS.

| | |
|---|---|
| J. W. Sinclair, b Manning | 6 |
| A. F. Owen, b Manning | 0 |
| A. F. S. Williams, c Thomas, b Stanhope | 2 |
| C. E. Pooley, not out | 21 |
| T. H. Jones, b Stanhope | 0 |
| Hudson, b Stanhope | 0 |
| J. T. Terrus, b Thomas, b Stanhope | 0 |
| B. H. T. Drake, c Hodges, b Stanhope | 0 |
| C. W. Rhodes, not out | 2 |
| C. Loewen } did not bat. | |
| F. Adderley } | |
| Extras | 2 |
| Total | 45 |

On Saturday next a return match will be played at Beacon Hill between the Victorias and a strong naval team, commencing at 10 o'clock a.m., sharp. This being the last match of the season, it is expected that there will be a large turn out. It is hoped that the band of the Warspite will be in attendance.

## RECKLESS HUNTERS.

### Horses and Cows Killed and Wounded—Fruit Stealing Added.

W. H. Grave, a farmer on Gordon Head road, has serious cause of complaint against the young men who cover the face of the country hunting, and against fruit thieves. During the past month he has been absent from his farm for several days at a time, and on his return has found that his stock has been shot. First one of his cows had evidently been shot for a deer, and it was not until several days after that she was found lying in the bushes in a state of decomposition. His horse has recently been shot in the hind leg with bird shot. It is not known whether the pot-hunter in this case mistook the horse for a grouse or pheasant. Mr. Graves' apple and pear trees have been stripped of their fruit and the limbs broken off. More fruit was wasted than taken away. This has been done at night. The indignant farmer is determined the next time that he discovers fruit thieves in his orchard to give them a dose of shot. On one occasion he surprised the depredators and let them off, one of them claiming to be the son of a Victoria lawyer. It is too bad that hunters are permitted by law to roam indiscriminately over private land. It would appear in order that farmers may be protected that it will be necessary to have legislation in the matter. If not a few years will determine the complaint, for if the present rate is continued a short time only will suffice to kill off every grouse, pheasant, deer, or other wild game within twenty miles of Victoria.

Tenders for painting the new law courts will be received by the Lands and Works department not later than the 30th inst.

A cart horse, in the service of the B. C. Meat Market, sat down on the sidewalk in front of the Bank of British Columbia early yesterday afternoon, and retained his seat until a crowd gathered. Whether the animal was terrified by the music of a hand organ in the neighborhood, or merely fainted on inhaling a breath of James Bay perfume, is not known.

## DARKEST AFRICA.

### An Advance Copy of Burnand's Skit on Stanley.

This is the skittish Mr. Burnand's burlesque of Stanley's book, in which he professes to throw some fresh light on dark places. As Mr. Burnand lives on "umor" (as Mr. Weller senior calls it), it was bound to come, but why in book form? A Stanley burlesque handsomely mounted, would surely be possible. Here are some samples from the "work," which is very much up to date. We are glad to say that they are not snipped from stolen proof-sheets, but from the work itself; and we trust that Mr. Trechler will not injure us for the lengthiness of the passages which we present to the public. Scene—Central Africa:

"Emin's Hard Nut.

I try to pump him, but the operation is not successful, as he only pretends to go fast asleep and then apologizes for not hearing my questions. Whether he is asleep or not I can never discover, though my profession is that of a discoverer, as I have before remarked because he wears tinted spectacles. I say to Eminent P., "Are you a Moslem?" Slowly he withdraws his cigarette from his lips as he answers, "Well, I have a great respect for a big prophet."

"How do you spell prophet?" I ask.

He produces three butterfly nets and shows me a case of butterflies.

"These," he says quietly, "are my net profits."

"The Scout."

These verses are extracted from the "K. I. D." Diary and were locked up in the explorer's bosom, otherwise in his Keep-In-Darkestissimus Diary:

Who is it doesn't want relief,
Who has the sauerkraut and beef,
Who is it holds a German brief?
Why—Emin.

Who is it keeping all so dark,
Escaping general remark,
And looking forward to a lark?
Why—Emin.

Who is a getting up a show
Which will as big as Barnum's grow,
Which means to make it a big "go":
Why—Emin.

And what is that explorer's name,
Who's known to East and Western fame,
Who's going to spoil that Emin's game?
—No matter.

Congratulations.

After the happy return to civilization Mr. Burnand's hero found innumerable wires awaiting him. We cull a few:

I'm retiring from Chairmanship of London County Council. You're accustomed to command and are born to be a leader of men. Just the place for you, all among the pigmies. Plenty of poisoned darts and traps laid for you and followers. ROSEBERY.

No time lost. Edition de luxe of a book by you on Equatorial Africa must be ready by June; already announced and great premium. No reduction on taking a quantity; rather the other way. SAMPSON LOW & CO.

Deepest sympathies with all you've done. Please write startling article for the Nineteenth Century Review. Something like Palmer's Tel-el Kebir article. Sensation wanted. JAMES KNOWLES.

To H. M. S.—Congratulations. Want your sensational piece for Drury Lane. Dark Continent. African ballet. No expense spared. Good parts for Neville, Dorothy Dene, Mary Rorke, Herbert Campbell to be Queen of Savages and Harry Nichols Savage Chief Tropical Duet. Young Lauri for Chief of the Pigmies. Got a dwarf in theater already employed at Christmas. Special terms if you appear in it yourself. Wire by return. Answer paid. DRURIOLANUS.

Mr. Burnand's little book is published at 1s and 1s 6d—the early copy sent to us is already the "fifteenth thousand"—and there will be no de luxe edition.—Pall Mall Budget.

### Gabriel's Trumpet Outdone.

The flitting clouds obscured at intervals the face of the gibbous moon. The wind sighed fitfully through the trees like the friend of a wornout simoon from the desert land of oblivion, agitating with its lastexpiring gasp the long, thin whiskers of the City Administration. The flaring electric lamps lit up street corners where no signs indicated to the lost or belated wanderer which quarter of the city he was traversing, and a weird unearthly aroma from Bridgeport stole secretly over the mighty metropolis with a presence almost visible, and lulled the senses of its 1,101,263 inhabitants to repose.

In the neighborhood of Van Buren and Lincoln streets the fleeting shadows paled and darkened on the roof of a barn inhabited by a recent importation—a grayish four hoofed animal of small size, much ear, and incurable asthma, but possessed of an iron will and unconquerable ambition to sing, as manifested night after night precisely at the hour of 12 o'clock by a mad, delirious, frantic aw-he-haw-he-haw-ho that permeated the sleeping chambers for half a mile around, and kept the recording angel busy.

It was very more than anything hour of night, but this animal had not yet lifted its deadly voice and struck with palsying effect the innocent hour.

In the spacious upper back bed-chamber of a prominent citizen's dwelling-house in that locality no sound was heard save the deep, regular breathing that denotes health ful sleep. The wife had returned that day from a visit to the country. For the first time in many weeks the reunited family slept under the same roof, and the smiling angels of domestic joy and peace looked not down on the dreamless repose of a happy household.

Suddenly, through the open windows that overlooked that barn half a block away, there came that wild, frenzied aw-he-haw-he-haw-he that denoted the hour of midnight and a variety of ladies' wear, described by Miss A. Miller.

### New Building Danger.

On Saturday afternoon, as a man was passing up Yates street by the Victoria hotel, she failed to notice that the pulleys stretched across the foot-walk. Luckily, just as she reached it, two workmen had occasion to pull in some material, and she was tripped, fell down and suddenly to the ground. She was picked up and paid every attention, reaching home, but it was evident she had sustained no slight bodily hurt, owing to the severe shaking her nervous system received by the heavy fall. Yesterday danger was somewhat obviated by the construction of a temporary cultivator covers the rope. The lady was better yesterday.

### "Nemo Me Impune Lacessit."

Such is an old motto which has been lied to and adopted by some people. Many of them are in disposition as silk or as bristly as thistles, and in the manner in which they are likened to Scotsman resident in town say they are other than Scotch thistles as regards the provisions of the law should be, and he says that in the vicinity of Victoria there are regular beds of thistles, but he does not say of what variety—which