

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Leiser's home, on Pandora Avenue, was the scene of a very interesting and unique ceremony Tuesday evening, the event being the marriage of their eldest daughter, Miss Ella, to Mr. M. Hamburger, of Wellington. This was the first marriage ceremony which Dr. Philo performed in this Province according to the new Reform ritual. The few privileged ones who were present enjoyed a most pleasant evening. Mr. and Mrs. Hamburger have gone on an extended trip east, and will return via San Francisco to Wellington, where they will make their future home.

The members of the Y. M. C. A. met last evening and elected a new board as follows: Dr. Lewis Hall, H. G. Waterson, G. A. Pidduck and W. S. Terry, for three years; R. Marwick, F. Davey, R. H. Roper and J. A. McIntosh, for two years; T. M. Henderson, W. Gleason, R. Roper and D. Spragge, for one year. At a meeting of the board immediately held, Dr. Lewis Hall was elected president; W. S. Terry, vice-president; H. G. Waterson, treasurer, and F. W. Davey, secretary.

The Daughters of Rebekah gave their regular monthly social dance in Odd Fellows Hall, Friday evening. The floor managers were: Mrs. Walker, N. G.; Mrs. George Phillips and Miss Brown. The affair was most enjoyable in every respect. Richardson's orchestra furnished the music.

Norman Macaulay returned Sunday from a pleasure trip to England and France. His schoolfellow and friend, George Shepperley, of Nottingham, England, returned with him to spend the summer in this Province.

James Bay society loses for the time one of its brightest members in Mrs. George Booth, who has gone on a two months' visit to her relatives in San Francisco. She was accompanied by her two children and maid.

The entertainment and drill now being rehearsed by Mrs. W. Marvin, will be produced in the Victoria Theatre Friday and Saturday evenings, April 6 and 7.

A pleasant social dance was given by the Hebrew ladies, Wednesday evening, at their hall on Blanchard street. Bantly's orchestra furnished the music.

The Misses Heisterman, Erb and White are preparing for a private bazaar and supper, which will be held shortly in aid of a local charity.

Hon. Amor DeCosmos has sufficiently recovered from his late accident to be able to take short walks in the open air.

Senator McInnis left for Ottawa last Thursday night to attend to his senatorial duties during the session of Parliament.

David Douglas and Miss Georgina Debeck were united in marriage at New Westminster, Thursday evening.

Fred Jackson, New Westminster, was married, Wednesday night, to Miss Maggie Morrison, of Langley.

Sir Matthew B. Begbie is again indisposed, but, his friends will be pleased to learn, not seriously.

Messrs. Prior and Earle left Thursday morning to attend to their parliamentary duties at Ottawa.

Mrs. Barnard will visit Ottawa during the session season this year.

The Earl of Kintore will visit British Columbia early next month.

His Worship Mayor Anderson, of Vancouver, is visiting Victoria.

Miss Drake returned from San Francisco Thursday evening.

Dr. Milne, M.P.P., went over to Vancouver this morning.

Capt. and Mrs. Irving are on their way home from Ottawa.

WHO WAS JUNIUS?

An event of the first magnitude is about to take place, the St. James' London, Eng. Gazette says: Lord Beaconsfield said that there were only two really burning questions: Who wrote the letters of Junius? Who was the man in the Iron Mask? The former of the two has at length been satisfactorily cleared up, and the proofs, based on recently discovered documents, will be published in a volume to be issued shortly by a great old firm, whose name will be a guarantee of the genuineness of the discovery. The public will of course guess that this has been made through the mass of manuscripts of Sir Philip Francis, which came into the market some months back. In fact, it is said that the new matter discovered leaves no doubt whatever that Francis was the author of the famous letters. A grandson of Sir Philip is said to be still alive, and to have been a judge in Australia. The little clique of literary Australians assert that he is in some way connected with the book, and are very jubilant at the prospect of Australia once more coming as prominently before English readers as she did a few years since. The first of the letters of Junius appeared more than a century ago, on January 21, 1769. They were published at intervals from 1769 to 1772, when they were collected by Woodfall and revised by their author, whose name not even the publisher ever knew. They were attributed to Sir Philip Francis, Warren Hastings' most bitter enemy; to Lord George Germaine (Sackville), who was dismissed from the army for cowardice at Minden, and as the minister was responsible for repressive measures against the American colonists; to Lord Temple, to the great Burke himself and at least six or seven others. There are probably few readers who are not acquainted with Macaulay's summing up to prove that Sir Philip Francis was Junius: "The external evidence is, we think, such as would support a verdict in a civil-nay, in a criminal-proceeding. The handwriting of Junius is the very peculiar handwriting of Francis, slightly disguised. As to the position, pursuits and connections of Junius, there are five marks, all of which ought to be

found in Junius. They are all five found in Francis. We do not believe that more than two of them can be found in any other person whatever." In dedicating his collected letters to the English people their writer said, "I am the sole depositary of my own secret, and it shall perish with me." John Wilkes, writing to Junius, in 1771, called it "the most important secret of our times." And so it has remained for a century and a quarter. But it is soon to be a secret no longer.

The Queen was asked to purchase the necklace, earrings and brooch in the Eglington collection of jewels which had belonged to Mary Queen of Scots, but Her Majesty declined, Queen Mary is not one of her favorites.

Richard Ryan has finished polishing the woodwork of the Bank of British Columbia. The contract was for \$6,000, Mr. Jacob Sehl being the contractor. The inside of the building now presents a beautiful appearance.

The following repertoire for the Carleton Opera season in Victoria was arranged by Manager Jamieson this (Saturday) morning: Thursday, March 29, Dorothy; Friday, Nanon; Saturday, Chimes of Normandy; Saturday evening, Fra Diavolo.

EYESIGHT—HOW TO PRESERVE IT.—Everyday you hear some one say that his eyes are bad—he can't see as well as you can at a distance, or he can't read unless he holds his paper at arm's length from him. You ask him, why don't he get glasses? He answers: "If I start to wear glasses I will always have to! Such people do not realize the fact that their eyesight is always getting worse, which they could prevent with proper glasses. They would rather worry their eyes and wince than wear glasses which would do away with all the trouble. To do without glasses as long as possible is wrong. You should wear them as soon as your eyes feel strained or tired. Of course, it is very important that your glasses should be the proper ones to secure comfort and ease. Such glasses can only be obtained from a skilled optician, and the only place where such can be had is at F. W. Nolte & Co.'s, 37 Fort street.

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the date fixed for the Rugby football match, Scotland and the Col. be played on the Cal. the game will undoubtedly be interesting, over as both teams are al of the players being the British Columbia do battle against Cal. at the Midwinter Fair, and who will be in this their way south. As "gate" match Rugby ad in Victoria, it is to general public will turn to witness the same, "by" football the sup to it in all English is will be photographed by Mr. F. M. Jones. World's team (bar white jersey with ist, those of the Irish with white shamrock James of the players issue.

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rugby) will play the afternoon at Duncan. follows: Pettigrew, C. W. Ward, and A er backs; F. Smith half backs; H. F. M. H. Langley, J. Fraser, n, B. H. T. Drake, F. lily and G. L. Sidey,

ROSE.

rose Association will r, April 14.

It is expected, will Fair. A definite con- seen arrived at.

was organized at Na- evening, and the fol- ed: Hon. President, resident, A. D. Wil- ts, W. Sloan, J. Gra- ond; secretary-treas- club captain, E. Fer-

well supplied with coming season, no less ams are expected to "Stars," "James Bays" he latter will prove s to the other two herto had everything t is expected that a red by lacrosse en- mpeted for by the

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all club will meet to noon.

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