

SOUNDS AND ECHOES.

Victoria is improving. The attempt to wreck the city with a real estate boom miscarried.

Can a man who has learned to box at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium be said to be versed in Christian science?

Over 20 traveling theatrical companies have collapsed this year. This is great news for the shoe and leather trade.

Did somebody say John Grant? Quoth the raven when speaking of the late lamented Lenore, "Nevermore," or words to that effect.

Deeming's defence claims that he was born with a mania for murder. The Crown should set up a plea that it was founded with a mania for hanging just such wholesale murderers.

From present indications it seems as if the principal streets of this city will be paved before long. Of course there will be some opposition from a certain set, who oppose any kind of public improvement that will cost them a dollar.

As another argument against Chinese immigration we would direct the attention of the labor agitators to the rumor that Chinamen can be hired to testify in courts of justice on either side at ten cents, or on both sides at fifteen cents. Such competition can only result in ruining a thriving industry.

The present disturbed condition of Paris give rise to the reflection that the anarchists employed on the Victoria sewers might proceed with their nocturnal tunnelings with a little more regard for the comfort and well-being of the virtuous among us who may feel constrained to retire to their couches before the witching hour of night.

We should be sorry, indeed, to learn that the recent unprovoked assault of the elements on the World's Fair buildings, at Chicago, will in any way interfere with the resurrection of the Beaver. If such should happen to be the case, we see no good reason why the San Pedro could not be secured as a fair substitute, providing she has

been removed, in time, from what now seems to be her final resting-place.

"How long would you be willing to wait for me?" she asked, in tones so low he could scarcely catch the words. And then she went on: "You know, George," she said, "that father has recently invested in a Kootenay gold mine, and I cannot leave mother alone. So I ask you again, George, how long would you be willing to wait for me?" "Wait for you, my darling," repeated George with deep emotion, for his was no fleeting love, dear reader; "I will wait for you until we learn how the gold mine pans out."

LITERARY NOTES.

The following new books have been received at this office:

"Joseph's Coat," by Tom Keith.
"Awaiting the Verdict," by John Grant.

"Prison Leaves," by the Messrs. Kennedy.

"The Way to Success," by S. Perry Milla.

"The Day of Judgment," by Sir M. B. Begbie.

"Extradition Made Easy," by Supt. Sheppard.

"Wait Till the Clouds Roll By," by E. M. Johnson.

"The World is Mine," by a Townsite Boomer.

"The Downtrodden Press," by William Templeman.

"A Stray Bullet, or the Lost Clue," by Sergt. Levin.

"A New Way to Pay Old Debts," by Ald. Munn.

"Anticipation, or the Governor's Chair," by Hon. John Robson.

"Lex et Consuetudo Parliamenti," by Hon. Theodore Davie.

"The Law of Libel, or We've Both Been There Before Many a Time," by Hon. D. W. Higgins and W. H. Ellis.

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MONTREAL ST., James Bay—Lot on front, 104 feet, good house, \$2800.

CRAIGFLOWER ROAD—Lot 120x80, small, new house, \$700, corner lot.

SOOKE DISTRICT—117 acres on the water front, close to railway terminus, \$1,200.

CHATHAM ST.—One lot and 7-room house, \$1700. \$500 or \$750 cash, balance in 2 years.

SOUTH TURNER ST., James Bay, next street to one to water, \$1,300.

FRONT ST., Esquimalt Road—12 to 14 trees, \$500.

ESQUIMALT ROAD—Lot 20, by switch of Tram Co's Line, \$700.

JAMES BAY—Lot and two houses, renting at \$25 per month, \$2,800.

One 13-room house, 2 acres of land, all fenced and cultivated, highest part of the city and overlooking everybody, \$13,000.

OAK BAY, on the water side—7-room house and beautifully situated for bathing facilities, this is an absolute bargain, \$1,650.

Four and a half acres in Saanich District for \$13 per month without interest; also farm of 76 acres on Saanich Road.

ROCK BAY—Two beautiful lots, very suitable for a garden.

EDMONTON ROAD—Lot 18, Block 70, good garden soil, \$425.

Hotel to lease, doing a good business, with four acres of land, \$1,700.

Eighty acres of land, all of first-class quality, Saanich, 30 acres absolutely clear and 50 acres nearly so, facing salt water, \$6,500.

EARL STREET—Two 1-acre lots, \$800 each, partly fenced, well situated. Also one acre of land with house and improvements—\$3,200. Terms easy.

BELMOT AVENUE—One lot, beautifully situated, \$600; also one lot, \$550.

FERNWOOD ROAD and Johnson Street—A fine 3-story dwelling containing 8 rooms, closets, hot and cold water, \$3,600.

VICTORIA WEST—A new 5-roomed house on Front street, fine, airy situation, \$1,200.

FAIRFIELD ESTATE—Dwelling house, seven rooms, rented at \$14 per month, \$1,300.

LAKE DISTRICT—6 acres partly cleared, situated near tram line, \$2,100.

CONSTANCE COVE—About one acre of land fronting on salt water, \$2,500. \$500 cash.

BEACON HILL—Beautiful house and lot, every convenience, 8 rooms, \$4,200.

PINE ST., Victoria West—Very good lot cleared, \$525.

ALBERNI, B. C.—152 acres of beautiful land, barn, stables and everything complete, capable of being made into a first class home for right party, \$3,200.

POWDERLEY AVENUE—Lot 21 113x118x120, \$525.

VICTORIA WEST—One house to sell, 5-rooms, bath and pantry, hot and cold water laid on all over the house, \$1,500 very easy terms. Two houses to let, \$12 and \$16 per month, respectively.

PINE ST., Victoria West—Lot 60x150, fenced, cleared, small house (new), water laid on, \$1,200. Very easy terms.

OAK BAY AVENUE—2 lots 60x120, \$500 each.

ALFRED STREET—One lot, 30x175, \$175.

OAK BAY, Water Front—Large lot, 60 feet front on road and about 120 feet on water, \$1,000.

CADBORO BAY ROAD—Lot, 40x120, \$450.

CADBORO BAY ROAD—Two 7-room houses, very easy terms, \$4,200.

CHAMBERS ST., cor. North Park St.—3 lots, \$2,650.

CHATHAM ST., cor. Stanley Avenue—Two beautiful lots, 108x120, \$2,000.

VICTORIA WEST, Powderly Avenue—A fine lot, 60x120, \$325. \$75 cash.

ESQUIMALT DISTRICT—100 acres excellent timber, all good land, no rock, adjoining Public School, \$3,000.

METCHOSIN DISTRICT—102 acres land, 4 acres cleared, 40 acres slashed, two log houses, two rooms each, \$30 per acre.

House of 6 rooms, bath and pantry, \$1,400, \$18 per month.

No WILD CAT schemes, but solid bargains.