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BRITISH COLUMBIA'S FRUIT MARKET.

The primary factor in the fruit-growing industry is a profitable market for the product. The Minister of Agriculture and the Premier of this province every time they appear in public dwell with unctious upon what the government has done for the fruit-growing industry.

The Premier also felicitates himself upon what has been done to prove to the people of Great Britain that British Columbia is the finest fruit-growing country in the world. How many bushels of British Columbia apples or crates of British Columbia small fruits have been sold in the United Kingdom through the efforts of the provincial government?

TALK AND WORK.

The Parliament of the Australian Commonwealth has been just prorogued after a session lasting nearly a year, we are told. It would probably have been sitting yet had not the legislators felt that a holiday was necessary.

TWENTIETH CENTURY ORGANIZATION.

In these days of social and industrial complexity apparently one can neither come into the world nor go out of it except under union auspices. Readers of newspapers know that just the other day a funeral was held up until a union driver had been substituted upon a hearse for a non-union man.

devised by a previous government, but it has proven very useful to the men composing the present government, who opposed it when first introduced in the House. Its utility was strikingly illustrated in the case of the Old Age Pensions Bill.

Canadians are not favored by the press associations with long accounts of the proceedings of the Australian Parliament. But we gather from newspaper reports that that body, like our House of Commons, has not considered a closure measure necessary to secure the dispatch of business within a reasonable time.

The inference from the above is that our neighbors are also in the habit of wasting time until the session becomes old and the members tired and worn, and then wind up their business with a rush.

In our case there is consolation in the reflection that should a general election be held during the present year there will be no necessity for the enactment of a closure measure for at least three sessions. It is only when a Parliament is nearing its end that the opposition begins to indulge in hal-lucinations and to talk interminably and big.

SPORTS AND THE NATIONS.

The Toronto Star prints a timely article on the ethics of sport, inspired doubtless by some rather disagreeable features of the Marathon contests. In the course of its comments our contemporary says:

"Though some of her heroes, were beaten, Canada made a good showing at the Olympic games. The nation's pride in athletic sports cannot be judged wholly by prizes and points, nor are physical strength and skill the only elements to be considered. Those sports are the best which furnish suitable exercise for the largest number of people for the longest period of a human life.

"Another test of good sports is their moral influence. They should promote courage, endurance, good temper, a love of fair play, modesty in victory, and cheerfulness in defeat. The man who has these qualities is manly in the true sense, and the nation that is composed of such men is not likely to fall prey to the conqueror. Has England, in this respect, given any sign of being a decadent nation? The Olympic games tell a different tale, and Canada also may congratulate herself on the fair and manly bearing of her heroes.

"When violence or fraud finds its way into a sport, one of its main objects is defeated. The youth who cheats or makes a ruffianly attack on an opponent in a game is in a fair way to become a bad citizen. He who steals property is likely to have no great objection to stealing votes. To keep our sports clean, fair, and free from rowdiness is to win a prize greater than any that would be won at the Olympic games."

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TRAIN FOR BUSINESS

Most men train their brains and almost entirely neglect their bodies. They do not seem to realize that keenness of judgment and clearness of thought depend as much on the body as on the brain itself.

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FUN REIGNED AT SHAWNIGAN

Organization is good, but it cannot be permanently beneficial in the hands of people who do not appreciate the difference between the legitimate and the burlesque.

The past is rising in judgment against Mr. Taft. The Republican candidate's political enemies have been looking into his record, and they find that he once acted the part of a fairy at a church fair. The point of this point lies in the application of it. It is difficult to conceive of the Taft of today acting the light and airy part of a fairy. But then the president can do justice to the role of the fairy godmother, so things may come out all right, in spite of the tricks of the Democrats.

United States railway magnates have concluded that the Canadian freight route via the St. Lawrence has advantages which cannot be discounted by a mere reduction of rates by rail. That is a philosophic conclusion. The whip is in the hand of the Canadian steamship man. It can only be taken away by the construction of a canal of capacity equal to the capacity of the St. Lawrence river. The United States is a great and an opulent country, but there are lacks beyond its resources.

The people of Great Britain, notwithstanding the fact that they are far away from British Columbia, are beginning to see things in their true perspective. For example, one British newspaper says "one of the chief amusements of the people of Winnipeg and other large towns in Canada is to make a fortune out of the fact that they are in Victoria (the most English town in the Dominion) to escape the Winnipeg winters."

May we be permitted to call the attention of Eastern writers who are disposed to make a mockery of our dog laws that rabies is a disease unknown upon the Pacific Coast. Whether it be due to the absence of seasons, of extreme heat or to the impassable ramparts of the mountains, it is a fact that no mad dog has ever created a panic upon this salubrious Pacific Slope.

"Women of Puritan ancestry," says an eminent authority (who of course is French) "are angular, shapeless, sallow and sour-faced." He accounts for these many unattractive qualities by the reflection that the Puritan is paying the penalty for closing his eyes to the fact that "beauty is the mirror of God." Why should the sins of the Puritans be visited exclusively upon the women?

The formal opening of the Victoria Yacht Club on Saturday was an event of importance. It should mean the revival of yachting here, which of all parts of the North Pacific coast offers the greatest attractions to those interested in the sport. In the sailing season here there is no need to pray for wind and race are not usually sailed with dry decks.

It is learned from the financial columns of the Seattle papers that loans on improved real estate security are now being made in that city at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum.

The last place upon earth where a lack of water would be expected has also been compelled to limit the supply to consumers. It is perhaps not necessary to mention the name of the place.

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The funeral of the late Miss Florence Scott, who was drowned at Everett recently, took place yesterday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock from the residence of Mr. Ayers, corner of Fort and Vancouver street, to St. Barnabas' church, where Rev. Mr. Grum-dy conducted an impressive service and two appropriate hymns were sung. "Lead, Kindly Light," and "Peace, Perfect Peace." There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends, and a number of beautiful flowers were sent. The following acted as pallbearers: N. H. P. Sweeney, A. George, G. J. Jamieson, V. K. Gray, K. E. Morrison, T. Mills.

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VICTORIANS MARRIED OUTSIDE OF CITY Double Wedding at Vancouver —Mr. and Mrs. T. I. Dunn Touring in East.

ANNUAL PICNIC OF BURNSIDE MISSION An Enjoyable Day Spent at Fisher's Cove, Esquimalt. (From Monday's Daily).

FINCH & THE EXCLUSIVE HATT 1107 GOVERNMENT A Lady writing from west to see my sister's ill intended. She had with him without understanding all the time as with the doctor. I thought except put him in a warm little case for the night.

SCIENCE AT B. C. COLUMBIAN IS EQUIPPED Pupils Can Gain work in Med Elect The group of founded Columbia years ago were full abilities before it boards of management best to keep it ab development, says Vancouver Province cation of a certain school to train me filed of work, and a sufficiently high complete affiliation western universities ed successive stages an institution of un take account of the science as well; a prell foresaw that, tional and practical must be occupied. It was not, however obtained the science toria University. To his way clear to ma gations were the Ontario School of (now the Faculty of University of Toron ditions had to be m social staff an equi affiliation was gran terms of the agree was at once allowed first year's work in open me the ment which was like vice to many studen more especially as a dividual teaching ca them during the ill when they were en ceptions in math chance. They wo much better possio the work of the years on their remo This was the origi s course of Colu in open me the recognized Canadian lasts for one year, and mining engineer trigonometry, anal tive geometry, dra wping, surveying lectu mechanics, chemical boratory work, and s dents in mechanical engineering omit topog survey work in the key, law, state-up drawing, and electri laboratory work, which were necessa stringent requiremen rather pressed on the for a year or two, successfully met the put in a position to work in the field of a which there existed a Prospector's People who were ested in mining were for a course which quire a limited per at college. It was many of them were satisfactory device courses in their des to recognize the im explore for them into the value of minera cure a legal title. L tessor Burwash, drew