

British Columbia.

LILLOOET.

B. C. Mining Journal.
Quartz mining is being as great an industry in Lillooet now as the quartz and hydraulic mines used to be several years ago, and it is to be hoped that the present boom will be experienced in the future, as the lack of sufficient water and the great sums it would have required to build conveyances for the much needed supply.

It is reported that twenty men have been put at work on the Golden Eagle with the intention of securing several tons of rock which is to be shipped below to some stamp mill that it may prove its value to its purchasers and let them know whether it will justify bringing a mill from there and setting it on a spot near the mine.

QUEENSLAND.

B. C. Mining Journal.
The steamer *Charlotte*, built by the C.P.N. Co. to run on the Fraser, was launched on the 19th inst. There was quite a gathering of about 120 persons for the occasion. The launch was for Fort George, a distance of about 130 miles by trail to perform a marriage ceremony.

Colonel Morgan, president of the Pittsburg company, arrived here by last stage accompanied by Mr. Handy, who is employed in the Aluminum works at Pittsburg. The dredge had been prospecting for a day in front of the town and will start Monday to the ground owned by the river.

ENGLISHMAN'S RIVER.

Last week Mr. and Mrs. Adam Birkenstock paid the settlement a visit. They have made their home in Alberni as Mr. Birkenstock has work in the Duke of York mine. He says the fire has not stopped the working at the mine. On the 14th a sad accident happened to little Bertie Heller, whilst playing in the stable a heavy door fell on him and broke his leg above the knee. Mrs. Heller, who was alone, had to wait some time for help, but at 5 p.m. the doctor men returned from Wellingtor and Mr. Morrison drove off to fetch his father. He is now out of danger, although he will be some time before he will be able to go out.

NANAIMO.

Mr. John Carstairs, for many years a resident of Wellington, died at the Nanaimo Hospital yesterday from consumption. He was a native of Scotland, aged 64 years, and was a widower, leaving a wife, Bertheux, to mourn his loss, his wife having died about a year ago.

Word was received from Chemainus that the crew of the British bark *Jessie Osborne*, Captain Page, which is loading there for the coast, had deserted. The American bark *Alex. McNeill*, Captain Jorgenson, which has been loading at Maple Bay, has been looking for a crew and sailed a day or two ago for Port Angeles to obtain one. It is supposed that the *Osborne* crew have shipped to the *McNeill*.

On Sunday afternoon the funeral of the late Miss Edith Montgomery Gordon, daughter of the late Dr. W. Gordon, took place from the residence of her brother-in-law Mr. W. Hunter, New-Town. The funeral service took place at St. Paul's church, and Rev. Canon Goddard officiated.

KEWLE-TUKE.

Kootenay Mail.
Never before in the history of the Big Bend has so much assessment work been done on quartz properties as has this season. Work has been performed on about 20 claims and every one is promising, showing a well defined fissure vein. Generally the veins cut the formation north to south and the larger ones run southeast and north west. The large leads are all between three and thirty feet wide and stand some ten feet clear above the ground. The idea expressed by some people that Big Bend leads are "pockety" is now disproved as the veins are continuous enough to carry, as one does, nine claims, all with defined walls and good showings. The veins are mostly free from sulphides, but but one or two show sulphides.

The body of Jake Hoar was discovered on Wednesday at Trout Lake under four feet of snow. The fingers of one hand on which was a black mit were first discovered by the dog. "Black" the tramp, behind him, and howled when near the body and a search disclosed the cause of his uneasiness. The body was in a very fair condition. It had been under the snow since last January, and was decently buried along side poor Breckinridge's side, one of the "everlasting hills whose heads touch Heaven."

Tom Horne and Madison got into Trout Lake City a day or two ago after a 26 days trip up the Duncan country. They made some good locations.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

A rumor was circulated about town yesterday that the original discoverers of gold at Elburne, Lulu Island, while sinking an artesian well last fall, have bonded their claim to a company outside the province for \$30,000, receiving a fair portion of this amount in cash. It is six months since Elburne gold claims were last heard from and most people have forgotten all about them. This latest rumor, however, has revived interest in the claims.

Captain Pittendree went up to Chilliwack on Friday and held an inquest on the body of a drowned man. The features were not recognizable, but the body is supposed to be that of a tramp who is said to have been in the wreck of the C. P. R. tea train, which occurred some time ago. He wore black cloth pants, with brown overalls, woolen undershirt, white cotton shirt and black shoes, the last of which were completely worn away. From the general condition of the corpse, and the absence of anything by which to identify the body, the coroner's jury returned a verdict of "dead drowned."

The second great run of salmon of the season made its way into the river sometime between Saturday morning and Sunday night, and everywhere along the river fish catches were made, running all the way from 100 to 400 and 500 to the boat. Catches of the latter figure were not many, but 200 was com-

mon, and over one hundred the average. All the canneries had as many salmon as they could do anything with. If the season is not extended sockeye canning will practically close at the end of this week, as by that time most of the canneries will have filled their cans, of which only small stocks have been provided in anticipation of a poor season. After the experience of the last two weeks it will never again be safe to build calculations on a poor year.

ROSSLAND.

Business Miner.
One is being taken away from the Le Roi both by wagons and the cars of the narrow gauge, but there does not seem to be much diminution of the big ten thousand ton dump.

The new blast of water-jacket furnace of the Rossland smelter was put in place this week. Its capacity is 150 tons a day and not 250 as reported. It has a detachable base, which is a great improvement.

Some high grade ore has been uncovered on the Cliff, near the line of the Consolidated St. Elmo.

A big chamber is being opened in the War Eagle at the point where the upraise was made from the No. 2 tunnel. A steam hoist will be put in here and a winch sunk to open up future workings. It is proposed to make a station every hundred feet.

The Red Mountain road will be completed into Rossland within sixty days and it is therefore but a short time that we have to wait for direct communication with the outside world.

It is understood W. C. Campbell will incorporate the St. Paul and that the treasury shares will be offered in Toronto. Some very good looking leads have been opened on the St. Paul by the Columbia & Red Mountain railroad.

Tests for the Lily May are of a satisfactory character that the company has ordered a four-drill compressor plant, two 60-horse-power boilers and a 30-horse-power hoist. The order is to be filled in thirty days.

As we go to press we learn that the Nelson smelter has just closed contracts with the Nickel Plate, Crown Point and Columbia & Kootenay mines of this camp, at prices much below any heretofore made by a smelting company for the treatment of their ore.

Another rich strike has been made in the South Belt. Mr. G. A. Pounder, a capitalist from Everett, Wash., who arrived here some few weeks ago and who, in connection with his experts, examined many properties in the camp, purchased, on Sunday last, the Silver Belle group, lying south of the Lily May and comprising the Nancy Lee, Lone Jack, Ixex and Stock Exchange, through Messrs. Cover and Tibbit, for a cash consideration of \$19,000. Mr. Pounder immediately commenced work on his properties and the first few shots disclosed a vein 12 feet wide of steel galena, carrying gold. Four assays, taken from different places across the lead showed that there was shipping ore right from the surface. They are as follows: \$85.26, \$24.35, \$42.96, \$42.23.

The east end of the Josie is in the finest kind of clover. It was announced in last week's Miner that a very good ore chute had been found by drifting from the Poorman shaft, and that the Josie would soon use the Poorman tunnel. The Poorman tunnel, going up the east end of the Josie, at a point directly under the Poorman shaft, which is near the line. The shaft is down about 40 feet, while the tunnel is 40 feet below. The drift being run by the Josie, the shaft is now four feet of solid shipping ore clear over. It is as fine a breast of ore as one would care to look at, the vein being nearly seven feet through. An air pipe has been taken over the hill to the Poorman and drills were put to work in the mine at this point. The Josie has also four feet of fine ore in the shaft being sunk at the mouth of her working tunnel. The condition of the mine was never before so favorable as it is now.

Work was commenced on the Noveltty this week. This claim is crown grant and lies north of the California on the south slope of Red Mountain. It is owned by General C. S. Warren, Peter Larsen, Moritz Thomson and others. The owners have ample means and the property will probably be well equipped. Work is to be commenced on the Hill-top in a few days under the immediate direction of Mr. Dunn, of Dunn & Sullivan. There is plenty of money in the Hill-top treasury and the company is in good condition. Two levels are being Mayflower run into the Hill-top ground and work of an exploratory nature will be done on both of these.

The new flume for conveying water from Little Sheep creek to the Le Roi mine is approaching completion. The water is taken out at a point just below the Jumbo cabins and is brought around the south side of Red Mountain. It is a very clever piece of engineering work. All the lumber for the flume had to be packed up the mountain on horses, as a wagon road was out of the question.

A big strike has been made on the Heather Bell, a claim situated on Sullivan creek, ten miles north of Rossland. The claim is owned by Samuel Forteth, Alexander Mowat, James Mowat, James Davidson and James Barnes. Two men have been sinking a shaft and are now down twelve feet. The entire bottom of the shaft, which is six feet wide, is now in ore. It is the usual iron sulphide, but is more gritty than that generally found in this camp. In texture and appearance under the glass it strongly resembles the high grade ore in the Jumbo, the color, however, being darker. The assays on the surface run a trace in gold; at ten feet they showed \$9.00 in gold and at the present depth they show \$13.00 in gold and a little copper. The strike is a very important one. It is the first discovery of a large body of good ore on Sullivan creek.

The City of Spokane people take the high bluff for quick work in getting their machinery in place and in running order. The last of their machinery did not get up here from Trail till Saturday, yet they had an air drill pounding in the breast of the tunnel at 7 o'clock on Wednesday morning.

The latest indications point to the successful closing of the War Eagle deal. As already stated in the Miner an effort was made to break down the deal in London. It is now pretty well understood why this effort was made and from whom it proceeded. It arose from a selfish desire on the part of a certain strong financial combination that has connections in Rossland, British Columbia. The purpose was finally disclosed to the War Eagle property for themselves. The

War Eagle company saw through the game and resolved to stand by Mr. Corbin. They gave him an extension on the option in order that he might counteract the influence that had been exerted against him in London and the latest financial combination. The result is now in good shape and the sale as good as made.

Considerable interest has been aroused recently by developments on Deer Park mountain, north of the Deer Park and Grand Prize properties. On Tuesday of this week a strike was reported in the Young America, which was confirmed on Wednesday by the exhibition in this city of handsome blocks of iron capping, pyrites, indicating the near proximity of a strong and valuable body of the ore peculiar to the best properties in this district. The Young America adjoins the Badger No. 2 on the north and immediately overlooks the O. K., Jumbo, and the mines on Red Mountain.

The Wallingford claim on Record mountain is making a good showing. The shaft, which is now down 28 feet, is in two feet of well defined ledge material, carrying in bunches a fine quality of chalcopryite of copper ore assayed 14 per cent. copper, \$5 gold and 10 ounces silver.

Frank Griswold is in from a new mining region, about seven miles east of Christina lake, and about 14 miles west of Rossland, a direct line. When he went out there a short time since he found nobody on the ground except two Swedes, who had staked out a few claims. Griswold is an old Nevada miner, and was once struck with the assurance of the country. He saw the same iron-capped ledges that are so abundant about Rossland, and he and Kelling staked five claims. He is delighted with the surface indications. He brought in some of the ore taken from a foot or two down in the Lily May of their ledges, and it certainly presents a very attractive appearance. It is a fine-grained pyrrhotite and the assays tests show it to carry seven or eight dollars in gold. The assays are highly satisfactory for surface ore and Mr. Griswold is confident he has found what will prove to be an important mining camp. He has come in to procure supplies and to see about having a new trail cut from Rossland out to his claims.

One of the greatest strikes in the history of the camp was made this week in the Mugwump. This claim lies just north of the War Eagle and Iron Mask and the Gem lead, which was opened last year and known to carry a good body of high grade ore, is now down to a depth of about 20 feet last Monday and by Tuesday the entire bottom of the shaft was in a solid mass of ore of good grade. The same conditions exist here as those noted at the time the former discovery was made. The entire shaft has been sunk in clay and gravel and the ore was found without the usual iron capping. If iron capping ever existed it had evidently been eroded by glacial action, leaving the clean, solid ore exposed, and this has been covered with the present deposit of clay and gravel.

(Rossland Record.)
H. W. Lane writes from the North Fork of the Salmon, and reports a rich strike in "that section." It is owned by Joseph Campbell, Charles Connors and Robert Fitcher, and is now being worked by the latter. He says it assays as high as 400 ounces-silver and 24 per cent. copper. There is a good trail to the property.

J. J. Henegar called at the Record office last week with some rock taken from the South Bend claim, which he had just had assayed and obtained \$52 in gold. It is peculiar looking rock to run so well, but these latest days gold is where you find it, and this discovery may open a new field even here in Rossland.

John Faubert has accepted the superintendency of the Gopher claim and laid in a full supply of tools, steel, powder, etc., and commenced work to-day. For the past year the owners of the property have not been able to agree and in consequence it has been lying idle. The owners are Albert Barrett, Jerry Spellman, Joseph L. Warren, G. D. Farwell, David Stuss and Wm. Stuart.

NEW WESTMINSTER.
The Western Fishery Co. have shipped to New York one car containing 16,000 pounds fresh salmon packed in ice. The salmon were more numerous than can be filled yesterday, and the price of fish dropped owing to the great supply and slack demand. Few of the canneries have now many cans to fill, and the stocks of tin for making new cans are about run out and every tin can in New Westminster and Vancouver has been bought up. The few canneries that had a large supply of cans and tin are in big luck.

KASLO.
The Kootenay.
A large number of the new locations filed this week are the first direct result of the government trail building now going on in the Lardo-Duncan. The trail will be completed to Hall Creek, the terminus, to-night.

Those who know say that John A. Finch has in the Enterprise one of the greatest mines in British Columbia. It is said that he will have \$200,000 worth of ore ready for shipment at the completion of his eight-mile wagon road work upon which was commenced Thursday by Foss & Macdonell, the contractors.

E. H. Thomlinson, owner of the Last Chance, made a pretty find last Tuesday on the Blizard, a fraction wedged in between the World's Fair, of the Noble Five consolidated group, and the Last Chance. The find consists of a foot of clean, high grade ore.

Kootenay will this year pay into the provincial treasury about \$150,000 derived from free miners' certificates and recorders' fees alone, to say nothing on the tax on real and personal property, ore output, etc. In return she will receive a paltry \$15,000 or \$20,000, expended on trails and bridges. There may be a more polite term for this kind of business, but just now we can think of nothing more suited than highway robbery.

It is reported that the Copper King company of White Grouse mountain, has suspended operations, begun a couple of weeks ago, on the wagon road from the town of Sanca to the mines, in consequence of which things are not so rosy for the young town as they were. Work is going ahead on the Copper King, however, and may be resumed on the wagon road soon. The suspension is reported to be due to some clash between members of the company. Manager Ramsdell has gone to Mon-

tana to readjust matters and says he will return soon to start up the work anew.

Ainsworth camp comes to the front this week with a big strike. A. McLeod, P. L. Fitch and W. H. Franklin local on August 10, 1896, a fraction comprising about thirty acres of ground, on the south fork of Woodbury creek, about two miles from the lake. A little work was sufficient to prove that the ground is valuable. They have a ledge four feet in width, from which an average sample gave, when assayed by Stalberg of Ainsworth, \$25 in gold and 127 ounces silver. This sample was an average of the whole ledge. Picked samples ran very high in gold.

A terrific gale sprang up last Sunday afternoon and continued with an occasional lull until Monday night. Sunday evening there was a little apprehension for the safety of a number of fishing and berrying parties. Some came scurrying home through the gale, others braved a night on the beach rather than take chances crossing the lake. One party, composed of C. L. Webb, of Seattle, Wm. Hodder and Tommy McKenzie, were picked up at the mouth of Powder creek Monday morning by the Red Star. During the night the tug cruised along the shore but could not locate them. The steamship Ainsworth was put broadside on the sand during the night and was taken off after an hour's work next morning.

NELSON.

Nelson Tribune.
Some 200 shares of the Byron N. White Company stock were purchased in this city last week at \$2.50 per share. The par value of the shares is 50 cents, but the company has declared dividends aggregating 50 per cent. during the past twelve months, which readily accounts for the premium paid.

Miners in demand at Ainsworth. E. D. Carter, of the Highland mine, was compelled to send to Rossland for miners for that property.

Alexander Craig has conveyed his interests in the mineral claims Boodler and Silent Friend, situated on the south side of Goat creek, to the Sloan section, to Messrs. Bryan, Irving, Gray and Jeffrey, all connected with the Kaslo & Slokan railway.

It is stated that negotiations are pending for the sale of the Corinne mine, which is a small tract of one mile and a quarter at a ten per cent. grade—which is nearly finished. The ore is being stored in the meantime. The contract for hauling the ore is to be let this week. It is reported that they have contracted with the Tacoma Smelting Company to handle the product.

A rich strike is reported on the North Fork of the Salmon this week, about ten miles up from Gilliam's hotel. The lead is reported to be from 15 to 20 feet wide, containing pyrite and black oxide of copper. The assay run 400 ounces of silver and 20 per cent. copper.

The Adams group in the Slokan between the Ruth and the Idaho was last week bonded for \$110,000 to the firm of Primrose & Barringer, Philadelphia. Captain Adams and partners, who also own the Canadian group adjoining the Adams group, were the owners. The deal was made by Mr. Barringer. Fifteen men were put on development work this week and contractors are now putting up buildings at the mine. S. K. Cohen, of Spokane, has taken the general management of the company's operations.

The Canadian Pacific Mining and Milling Company's concentrator will be running not later than October 15th. Although this company has been plodding along for several months, very little has been heard concerning its operations. The company's holdings consist of four claims on Woodbury creek, near Ainsworth, upon which considerable work has been done in the past year.

John Howard, of the Willy and Dan Crawford have by various instruments of title, conveyed their interests in the Bullion and Mayflower in the Sloan to C. S. Fall and H. W. Ferguson-Pollock of Victoria. T. G. Proctor, of Balfour, is a partner in these claims.

Frank Fitch, Alex. McLeod and William Franklin have located a fine gold prospect on the south slope of Woodbury creek, about two miles from Kootenay lake. Thirteen assays of quartz led from across the four foot ledge averaged \$20 in gold and 100 ounces in silver.

A fine showing of rich ore is said to have been developed at the Bell mineral claim at the head of Jackson Basin, upon which W. E. Mann has secured an option from A. Hanauer and John Robertson, who acquired their title from J. E. Boss. There is likely to be a lively triangular legal fight over this property as the right of the vendors to convey the claim will be attacked by the latter. The legal contest will probably be developed when application is made for a certificate of improvements, for which provision is made in the bond.

Frank Cutler of the Noble Five Consolidated mines was in Nelson this week. The company has experienced no difficulty whatever in disposing of the treasury stock. In the past R. M. Sherman disposed of 150,000 shares, and the 50,000 shares offered in Kaslo and Sandon were snapped up very quickly. There are still 100,000 shares of stock in the treasury. From the proceeds of this sale of stock the company has \$50,000 on hand for development purposes. This will be expended upon the mill and tramway. The company expect to have the concentrator in running order by January 1st. It will have a capacity of 120 tons per day. Engineers are now at work locating a line for the tramway from the mines to Cooky.

The Hall Mines smelter commenced its fourth run this week, after an interruption of but a few hours spent in cleaning out the furnace. The smelter is running entirely upon Silver King ore at present, but the probabilities are favorable for the treatment of considerable amounts of ore during the coming winter. Mining men who have given the Hall Mines smelter a trial are greatly pleased with their returns. The additions which are now being made to the plant will furnish employment for upwards of twenty additional hands. The order for three new furnaces is being rushed so that everything may be got

in readiness as soon as possible. The bricks for the new stack are now arriving, and a force of bricklayers will commence work on Monday. It is estimated that the chimney will take close upon 300,000 bricks. During the past week the furnace has averaged 115 tons of Silver King ore per day.

The receipts of ore at the Kaslo station of the Kaslo & Slokan railway are gradually increasing. This week some new names are added to the usual list of shipping properties, and the Ramsdell makes its first shipment since the consolidation. The total for the week was nearly 325 tons.

TEA ON THE TERRACE.

How the Members of the Commons Take Relaxation.

The attractions of the London season, the absence of exciting debate in the House itself, the society functions abounding in the summer months, all lure the members away from their sworn allegiance. And the "eternal femininity" triumphs over his duty to the honest folk who worked, and spoke and canvassed for him. She makes the terrace a little heaven here below, where men have been and still would go. A few pounds spent on floral decorations, a soft and soothing string band, and a bit of carpeting for the feet would convert the parliamentary promenade into a bower of bliss—a perfect Arcadia; a perpetual garden party, where the Radical and Unionist might smoke the cigar of peace—pipes are "long," even in these democratic days—and a little waitress might lead them. Fogies grumble and growl. They say it is picturesque, but not politics. They forget that reasonable recreation and relaxation are exceedingly human, and the politician superior to the dictates of humanity is no politician at all. Were it not for such a distraction, who would calmly bear the buffets of outrageous Nationalists, and all night sittings, the hard-boiled egg in the dreary morn, and the ride home in the sunlight, wearing the costume which with you had honored dinner—the evening before?

Worthy students of political affairs form an entirely erroneous impression of the proceedings in parliament. They see two great parties ranged in ranks on either side of the presidential chair, furiously cheering and counter-cheering, and metaphorically ready to fly at each other's throats. A casual visit to the House of Commons entirely dissipates this modest picture of "how the poor members" live. The country cousin, on observing a vast array of empty seats, three or four elderly persons calmly snoring with their handkerchiefs on their knees, and a dozen other gentlemen talking in groups while one individual is his legs eloquently addressing the furniture, wonder what has become of the House of Commons. To tell the truth, it is a much distributed body on a sultry night. So ask the box office of the theatres, the variety halls, the club pokers, the glowers of little dinners, where the makers of our country's laws—or the preventers of anybody else making them—enjoy themselves, and then repair to the provinces and once more devote yourself, heart and soul, to the work of the local political organization.

The motions of an unsophisticated burgess on seeing his elected representative at the Albemarle or the Palace, when he fondly believed him to be, straining every nerve to hear each word spoken at St. Stephen's, may be better imagined than reduced to writing.

In the afternoon the terrace is a delightful refuge. This pleasant, if occasionally dusty and odoriferous, retreat for a too intimate acquaintance with the Thames has its drawbacks—is cheered and gladdened by the presence of man's best companion. His members find the most considerable portion of their extra parliamentary duty to consist in personally conducting the bright and lovely daughters of Erin through the mazes of St. Stephen's, and on a recent occasion, when "Home Rule for the Terrible" stood in danger from plodding front opposition bench, it was Mr. Patrick O'Brien—a generally unfortunate mortal in the conflict between police and people over the water—who announced himself as ready to do or die in defence of his country. Among the stouter humanities the old-time prestige and importance attaching to a member of parliament has long since worn away. But the ladies adore him without compromise. To be seen with him promotes their vanity, and while women exist, "vanity" will be their watchword. The rumored attack on the Terrace, its privileges and pleasures, are, happily, without foundation. They said, in the days of Mr. Speaker Peel, that he was about to introduce restrictions, Mr. Speaker Gully had been credited with an identical sinister design. It is all untrue. Members of parliament are to be free and untrammelled in introducing lady constituents to the promenade dedicated to "sea" breezes and strawberry ice. Vives have been known to protest, but what can the poor man do? "How is it that the ladies you entertain on the Terrace are so good-looking, so well dressed, and what is most extraordinary, all from your own borough?" asked a lady of her husband. We shall be wondering next week, it is said, that the nursemaid always has a cousin in the Life Guards.

Instead of being curtailed the joys of the Terrace are to be extended. "One solitary and lonesome member," disposed to "dock by himself," has hitherto had half of the promenade accommodation reserved for his special behoof and benefit. In future the "members only" department will be somewhat reduced in order that the space for gentlemen, accompanied by friends may be increased. From a truly national point of view, this arrangement is much to be commended. Leaving out romantic and sentimental considerations, the Terrace is a paying concern. The new refreshment caterer has entered upon his duties with great success, and the kitchen committee have the gratification of knowing that the "commissariat" department at Westminster is showing a profit on its merits and does not need to make any call upon the £2000 subvention annually voted by parliament. Tea, strawberries, ices, cream and wafer biscuits yielded a net return of over £25 in a week, so that the "five o'clock" legislator is a boon to his race. Male visitors are not uncommon, but the refreshments lavished upon them by members usually takes a different form and are dispensed only inside the building. Woman is the honored guest. She never was, and never will be, a rara avis on the Terrace. Thus, at the end of these summer afternoons, may be seen cavaliers and ladies drinking Souchong, nibbling at cake and bread and butter, and

devouring strawberries and cherries. The temperance of sociability is given to the highest constitutional assembly in the world, and, if sociability departs, what is there left to live for? More than one bachelor, with his spurs to win, has whispered tender nothings in dear, delicate, delicious little pink and white returned to his duties in a whirl of delight, ready to accept the dullest Scotch member as a magnificent treat and to esteem a dull debate a glorious excitement, through whose dismal clauses one hallowed syllable rings so definitely. The temperance party of the House, as it noted, are strongly in favor of a continuance of the present regulations. They argue that it is better for a law-giver to be drinking tea in the open air than whiskey under-cover—or medical advice.

Divisions are certainly inconvenient to a gentleman engaged in a tete-a-tete, a mad scurry in response to the ringing of the warning bell may not be esteemed eminently conducive to the preservation of that unwritten standard of dignity associated with a member of parliament. The Terrace is socialistic as well as social, class distinctions being overthrown. The poorest member, subsidized by an Irish league, enjoys the identical advantages of paying for refreshments as the affluent country squire with the rent roll of half a century at his back. And the ladies undoubtedly prefer the al fresco parliament to the indoor variety. They have good reason. Talking upon the floor of the House puts a stop to scandal upstairs, and "a palpable tea" behind the grill would be reckoned disorderly and be dealt with "accordingly." There is plenty of discussion out of doors now, but no "horrid debates." Ices and flirtations, coffee and rattais, may not affect the concert of Europe; they have no appreciable influence upon the peace and happiness and susceptibilities of members all the same. Tea on the Terrace is a politician's "higher education," and goes to prove that although the study of the nation's laws is a great pursuit, the noblest study of mankind is woman.—London Daily Telegraph.

Another Week's Sudden Deaths.

If the situation were not so serious one might say in the matter of sudden deaths from heart failure, that each week is a record breaker over that which preceded it. There never was a time when greater need existed for hoisting the red flag of danger, and appealing to men and women in all conditions of life to keep within convenient limits the use of stimulants, such as the Heart. With the slightest symptoms of heart trouble relief is secured within half an hour after using this medicine. The case of L. W. Law, of Toronto Junction, who suffered from smothering spells for six months, being permanently cured by this great medicine, is only one of thousands of instances that could be cited.

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VICTORIA MARKETS.

Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Corrected.

Victoria, Aug. 20.—There are but few changes to report in the local retail markets for the past week. All staples remain firm and the only fluctuations reported are in the quotations for fruits. Prices vary according to the quality and quantity received. There has also been a slight increase in the prices for hams and bacon. Below are the retail quotations corrected to date:

Ogilvie's Hungarian flour	\$5.25 to \$5.50
Lake of the Woods flour	\$5.25 to \$5.50
Flour	\$5.25
Salted Flour	4.75
X X X	4.75
Lion	4.75
Premier (Enderby)	4.75
Three Star (Enderby)	4.75
Two Star (Enderby)	4.00
Superfine (Enderby)	4.00
Salem	5.00
Wheat, per ton	\$30.00 to \$35.00
Oats, per ton	\$25.00 to \$27.50
Barley, per ton	\$25.00 to \$30.00
Middlings, per ton	\$20.00 to \$25.00
Brass, per ton	\$15.00 to \$20.00
Ground feed, per ton	\$25.00 to \$27.00
Corn, whole	\$45.00
Corn, cracked	\$50.00
Commeal, per 10 pounds	25c to 40c
Oatmeal, per ten pounds	45c to 60c
Rolls of oats, (Or. & N.W.)	3c
Rolls of oats, (B. & K.)	7c to 8c
Potatoes, per pound	1c to 1 1/2c
Cabbage	24c to 3c
Cauliflower, per head	10c to 12 1/2c
Hay, baled, per ton	\$8.00 to \$12.00
Straw, per bale	\$1.00
Green peppers, cured, one doz.	25c
Onions, per lb.	1c to 5c
Spinach, per lb.	1c to 6c
Plums	5c
Peaches	8c
Pears	8c
Potatoes	5c
Grapes	10c
Nectarines	10c to 12c
Watermelons	25c to 50c
Green corn	30c to 40c
Lemons (California)	25c to 35c
Bananas	25c to 35c
Apples, California, per lb.	10c to 15c
Apricots, per lb.	25c to 50c
Oranges (Riverside), per doz.	15c to 40c
Pine Apples	25c to 50c
Fish—salmon, per lb.	10c
Smoked hampers, per lb.	10c
Kipperd herring, per lb.	12 1/2c
Eggs, Island, per doz.	25c to 30c
Eggs, Manitoba	20c
Butter, creamery, per lb.	25c
Butter, Delta creamery, per lb.	25c
Butter, fresh	20c to 25c
Cheese, Cheddar	15c
Hams, American,	