Local News.

GLEANINGS OF CITY AND PROVINCIAL NEWS IN A CONDENSED FORM.

—The Laborers' Protective Union will give a smoker in Labor hall next Saturday evening.

—The Ladysmith Leader announces in its issue of Saturday that it will cease publication until the reopening of the Extension mines.

—A new order has just been issued by the United States government making it unlawful for any Oriental steamer carrying deported Chinamen to call at Victoria or Vancouver on the way to sea.

—The change in the management at the Old Men's Home comes into effect on Wednesday next, when Mr. Macdonald will succeed Mr. Hobbs.

The Glasgow Weekly Mail of February 28th publishes an inquiry as to the whereabouts of Michael Cunningham, who was seen last in this city. If he is still here he is requested to write Mrs. Cunningham, 59 Craigiehall street, Plantation, Glasgow.

—It has been decided to hold the exhibit of school children's work in the market building instead of in the city hall, as was at first contemplated. The room above the council chamber is altogether too small for the purpose in view of the large exhibit which is promised.

—On Friday and Saturday evening, April 17th and 18th, the operetta "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" will be given at the A. O. U. W. hall by the pupils of Mrs. Bridges. A matinee will be presented on the afternoon of the 18th. Over thirty or forty children will take part, and the performance promises to be a success in every way.

—Rabbi Montague N. A. Cohen has gone to Tacoma, where he will sign the formal agreement in connection with his accepting the position of Rabbi of that congregation. Mr. Cohen will not leave this city, however, until about August. We will, while in Tacoma, deliver an address by invitation.

—When the new twin screw steamer Princess Victoria reached the outer wharf Saturday she was drawing 14 feet of water aft and 11 feet forward. The steamer had 300 tons of water ballast. Her officers say that it will be possible to get a speed of twenty knots out of the machinery as soon as it has been thoroughly worked down.

—An endeavor will be made to have Fred. B. Smith, secretary of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A., visit Victoria in connection with the work of reorganizing the local branch. Mr. Smith is in Seattle, and having been for fifteen years one of the most active workers in the Y. M. C. A. he is in a position to give valuable assistance to the local officers.

—The firemen had a lively time Friday night. About 7.50 o'clock somebody turned in a false alarm from the corner of Humboldt and Rupert streets. A chimney fire in the Dusk block about an hour later occupied the brigade's attention. About 9.35 o'clock a telephone message from Richardson street called the department to a roof fire at Mr. Ritchie's house on Moss street. The blaze was extinguished with slight damage.

—The Masonic brethren of the city are preparing for an enjoyable visit to Duncans, which is planned for the 4th of April (Saturday next). A cordial invitation has been extended by the lodge in Duncans to their Victoria brethren to pay them a visit, and provision has been made for the entertainment of about fifty guests. It is hoped that all Masons in good standing will avail themselves of this opportunity of mingling with their out-of-town brethren, who assure them of a hearty welcome.

—Word has been received by Hon. C. E. Pooley of the death at his home in New Westminster of Isaac B. Fisher, formerly manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce in that city. Deceased was 56 years of age and had been manager of the Bank of British Columbia in Barkerville, Portland, San Francisco and New Westminster. Mr. Fisher came to this province in 1862 with his father, the late Wm. Fisher, J.P., who for many years represented the constituency of Esquimalt in the local legislature.

—The members of Spring Ridge Methodist Sunday school Bible class gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. Whittington, Stanley avenue, on Thursday evening to say good-bye to two of its members, who are leaving for their home in England after serving a commission of H. M. S. Egeria. Supper was provided by the ladies, and a very jolly time was spent. Mr. Charlton, teacher of the class, proposed the health of Mr. Jones and Mr. Mills. Several speeches and songs were given, the company breaking up after singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

—There is being brought into the province a large amount of nursery stock. The present season is characterized by a marked impetus being given to orchard planting. The local supply of trees for planting has not been found sufficient to meet the demand, and hence importations have to be made. These are coming largely from Oregon state, but Ontario trees will follow a little later. Apple, pear, plum and cherry trees are all included, and a vast addition will be made to the orchards of the province this spring. They are going to all parts, Vancouver Island getting a liberal supply.

—At St. James's hall the other evening a social gathering was held by members and friends of the Capital Athletic Association in honor of William Lorimer, president of that organization. The early part of the evening was devoted to the playing of games, etc. This was followed by supper, after which a brief but enjoyable programme was rendered. Revs. W. Leslie Clay and Scott were present, and gave addresses. The former, on behalf of the members of the Capital Athletic Club, the Boys' Brigade and the James Bay Presbyterian Sunday school, presented Mr. Lorimer with a token of the esteem in which he is held by his fellow workers. The recipient suitably acknowledged the presentation.

—The funeral of the infant son of Mr. Raymond, of Texada Island, took place Saturday afternoon from the parlors of W. J. Hanna. Rev. J. P. Westman conducted the services.

—G. A. Huff, ex-M. P. P. of Alberni, appeared before Judge Harrison in Nanaimo on Saturday, and was granted bail in the sum of $500.

—G. Collier, who has been employed at the C. P. N. Company wharf, fell in a fit and sustained serious injuries on Monday. He struck on his head, breaking his nose and possibly fracturing his skull. He was removed to the Jubilee hospital.

—On Thursday evening, April 16th, the Arion Club will give their second concert this season in the Institute hall. An excellent programme will be given, and besides the selections to be rendered by the club, Mrs. Sheldon, of Portland, Ore., the well known soprano soloist, will again be heard here.

—The Victoria firm of Carruthers, Dickson & Howes has sent to E. A. Morris, tobacconist, of Vancouver, four of the new show cases manufactured by the firm. They are very much admired in that city, and have added much to the reputation of the local firm of Carruthers, Dickson & Howes.

—In the city police court on Saturday Sue Wah, a Chinaman, was fined $4.50 for violation of the Fire Department Regulation By-Law. The defendant had a stove pipe and a partition too close to one another to satisfy the regulations. A charge of assault was withdrawn upon the costs being paid.

—This morning citizens of Yates street handed over to the city a certified cheque for $2,500, the difference between the sum to be raised by the ratepayers for the purchase of a library site and the amount asked by the owners of the lot on the corner of Yates and Blanchard streets. The by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers on Friday next.

—The Ladies of the Maccabees of Victoria West with commendable zeal are preparing for an "At Home" to be given at the residence of Mrs. Patton, on Catherine and Skinner streets, on Wednesday, April 1st. An excellent programme is being prepared, and no pains will be spared by the ladies to make this, their first social event, a thoroughly enjoyable one to all.

—Rapid progress is being made with the work of double tracking Fort street from Belmont avenue to Fernwood road. It is expected that the new track will be completed long before the 1st of May, the date decided upon for commencing the ten minute service. The probability is that the new car, which has been built in New Westminster for use in Victoria, will not be ready much before the 1st. It is now awaiting its furniture and fittings, which have been ordered from the East.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Edward A. Tuson took place Sunday at 2.45 from the Hanna parlors, Douglas street, to Christ Church. The Rev. Canon Beanlands conducted appropriate services at the church and at the graveside. The Sons of England marched in a body to the church. The following acted as palbearers: Geo. Gardener, H. Smithurst, F. Dykes, A. Howell, E. Haynes and H. T. Gravlin.

—The Victoria Lawn Tennis Club ball will be given at the Assembly hall, Fort Street, on the 14th prox., and not on the 15th as before stated. The various committees have been selected, and work has already commenced. The tickets have been placed at the very moderate price of $2.50 for gentlemen, and $2.00 for ladies, in order to allow every one the pleasure of attending the first ball after Easter. Mrs. Lester has, at the request of the Tennis Club, postponed her dance from the 17th prox. to the 24th.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Susan Jane Harvey took place on Monday from the family residence, Stonyhurst, Belcher street, at 12 o'clock, and at 12.30 at Christ Church Cathedral. Services were conducted by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Perrin, assisted by Rev. Baugh Allen. Appropriate hymns were sung by the surplice choir which was in attendance. There was a large number of beautiful floral tributes and a large attendance of sympathizing friends. The remains were carried to their last resting place by her six sons, and the following acted as pall-bearers. G. Jay, E. E. Wootton, C. Rhodes and H. Barnard.

—The chief and officers of the Sons of Scotland, and also a number of the officers of the Sir William Wallace Society, called upon Miss Jessie Maclachlan on Saturday afternoon, presenting her with a handsome bouquet of flowers, with Scottis broom in the centre, also assuring her that she would have a large audience and a hearty reception at the performance this evening.

—Arrangements are being made to have an entertainment given by J. Youngheart, who is now in this city, in aid of the Jubilee hospital fund. He consents to give an exhibition of slight-of-hand work for that purpose, provided it is devoted to such a charitable cause. In order to do so it is necessary to have his paraphernalia forwarded from Montreal. The C. P. R. officials have been communicated with for the purpose of getting the trunks containing it sent out without cost to the Ladies' Auxiliary of the hospital. If this can be arranged the entertainment will be given.

—Arrangements are completed for the reception of Rev. Dr. Eberman, travelling secretary of Y. P. S. C. E., who will arrive in this city on Monday afternoon from Seattle. He will be accompanied by his wife, who is a prominent worker among the juniors. She will be glad to meet all who are interested in work among children, and possibly a conference may be arranged with her to discuss methods of such work. Dr. Eberman will address the mass meeting in the First Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening to which all young people's societies are invited. Rev. Dr. Campbell, the pastor of the church, is expected to give an address of welcome, and the musical part of the evening is in charge of Messrs. J. G. Brown and W. D. Kinnaird. Dr. Eberman will hold a conference with the C. E. workers after his address and leave by the Charmer on Wednesday morning for Vancouver, where he is to speak that evening.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold a Palm social at the residence of Mrs. J. T. McDonald, Terrace avenue, near Oak Bay Junction, on Wednesday evening next. A programme of music, etc., has been prepared, and refreshments will be served. Something of a novel and interesting character is in store for all who may attend, and the reputation of the ladies of this society for generous hospitality insures that the inner man will be liberally treated. The entertainment will begin at 8 o'clock.

—There will be a lively time for the officers and men of the Fifth Regiment at Beacon Hill next Tuesday evening. The intention is to hold a sham battle, a night attack, similar to that which was so successfully carried out during the regimental camp at Macaulay Plains last summer. A regimental order will be issued on Saturday night giving particulars. In the meantime it would be well for the officers to acquaint themselves with the strategical points of vantage and general topography of the park in order to guard against the series of contretemps which proved somewhat embarrassing in the battle of Macaulay Plains.

—The Pollard Opera Company, which was here last year, and so charmed the majority of local theatre goers, is expected either by the next Empress or the one following. The company started from Melbourne some time ago, as announced, intending to tour the Philippine islands and the Orient. After spending some weeks here and in Vancouver the Pollards will go North as far as Dawson. C. A. Pollard, Miss Minnie Topping, Lilly and Bella Thompson, Kate Twite, Myrtle Trott and Emma Thomas are not with the company on this tour. Those who are coming are Messrs. Arthur and Ernest Pollard, Mrs. Chester, Alf. Goulding and Messrs. Wolf and Levy, Misses Alice Bernetto, Ivy and Daphne Pollard, May Topping, Ruby Roberts, May Martin, Lily Moore, Lizzie Bell, Marais Martin, Alice McNamara, Edie and Connie Prebble, Ethel Bernetto, Irene Findley, Dottie Brown, Sadie Ferguson and Masters Willie Pollard, Jack Cherry, Willie Thomas, Oscar Heintz, Teddie McNamara and Fred Bindlass.

—The Fernwood basketball team desires it to be pointed out that the styling of the J. B. A. A. champions and themselves ex-champions was a little premature, as there still remains three games to be played in the Senior City League, which may materially change the result; and further that the provincial championship is still held by the Fernwoods, they having gained that title last year by defeating the Y. M. C. A.'s of Vancouver in two straight games (the Y. M. C. A.'s having won the Mainland championship) and also by their two victories over the Nanaimo Mosquitoes, who were last year's champions of the Nanaimo City League. This year they have so far received but one challenge for the provincial championship from the Vancouver City Basketball Club, from whom they won in two straight games. Although rather late in the season the Fernwoods are prepared to entertain any challenge from other clubs who consider themselves entitled to this honor.

Chemists say that it takes more than twice as much sugar to sweeten preserves, sauce, etc., if put in when they begin, as it does to sweeten after the fruit is cooked.

The bride is looking for her four bridesmaids. Can you find them?

Parliamentary Edition.

The issue of the Daily Times of next Saturday, April 4th, will have special reference to the opening of the session. The supplement will be on fine paper and will contain half-tone cuts of the Governor, the Ministers and the members of the House, view of the Parliament buildings, etc. There will also be illustrations of Fernie and of some of the men identified with the settlement of the strike there, beside other illustrations and articles of special interest.

Extra copies should be ordered at once, 5 cents a copy.

LEGAL NEWS.

Applications Disposed of by Mr. Justice Drake in Chambers.

The following applications were disposed of in Chambers Saturday morning by Mr. Justice Drake:

Hosking vs. Le Roi.—Application for an order approving security on appeal. Application stood over for two weeks, time for approving extended; costs to be paid by plaintiff. F. B. Gregory for plaintiff, G. H. Barnard for defendants.

Re Lenora, Mt. Sicker, Copper Mining Co.—Application for directions, and for an order approving of an assignment of certain land to James Breen. Order made subject to a conveyance already made, lot 11, to be conveyed to J. Breen on the written consent of mortgagees. W. E. Oliver for application.

B. C. Cold Storage Co. vs. Canadian Bank of Commerce, et al.—Application for an order that one Louis Troughton be examined—viva voce before the registrar—as a witness on behalf of the defendants, Pacific Cold Storage Co. Order made. R. T. Elliott for plaintiffs, J. H. Lawson, jr., for Bank of Commerce, and C. E. Wilson for Pacific Cold Storage Company.

WORK ON SEWERS.

Pipes Have Been Purchased and Extension Operations Will Begin at Once.

The city council met Friday night as the streets, sewers and bridges committee. The most interesting matter disposed of at the meeting was that a decision was reached to proceed almost immediately with the sewer extension. Four thousand dollars will be at once expended on pipes, and probably in about a week workmen will be engaged on this extension. Gangs of men will be started in various parts of the city. The policy pursued will be that of putting in sewers where the greatest returns may be obtained. Spring Ridge, the Work Estate and James Bay will be included in this undertaking.

It was also decided to begin work on the streets. About $4,000 will be expended on this immediately. The amount is distributed in various parts needing immediate attention, Pandora street, between Blanchard and Douglas, being included.

The commencement of these city works will give employment to a considerable number of men.

THE CUP CHALLENGER.

Gale Which Swept Over the Clyde Prevented Shamrock III. Having First Trial Spin.

Glasgow, March 28.—The first trial spin of Shamrock III., which was to have taken place to-day, has been postponed until Monday, owing to the fact that a gale is sweeping over the Clyde and Captain Wringe feared to risk damaging the cup challenger's new sails.

Sir Thomas Lipton and Designer Watson went to Gourock in expectation of witnessing the trial, but after consulting with Captain Wringe, it was decided that it was not advisable to risk injuring her in the severe weather prevailing.

Shamrock I. and Shamrock III. lay all day long facing the fierce gale which blew across the Firth. The wind was so strong that extra precautions were necessary for the safety of the yachts. The topmast of Shamrock I. was struck in order to ease the great strain. One disadvantage of the challenger's pole mast was that this precaution was impossible in her case. The manner in which Shamrock III. pounded her forward overhang into the seas suggested that she will not be quite so easy in heavy weather as the lines of her fore body promised. She is better than Shamrock II. in this respect, but experts expressed the opinion that Shamrock I. has still the best bow for thumping into head seas.

REPORT DENIED.

Havana, March 28.—The statement emanating from Montreal that the Royal Bank of Canada is planning the absorption of the Banco Espanol and the Banco National at Havana is declared by those banks to be untrue.

DIAMONDS STOLEN.

Minneapolis, Minn., March 28.—Diamonds valued at $4,000 have been stolen from a Nicollet jeweller. Two negroes are believed to have been the thieves, but they escaped.

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Sporting News

THE HUNT.

LAST RUN.

On Saturday the last run of the Victoria Hunt Club this season was held. There was a large attendance and the outing was thoroughly enjoyed.

CRICKET.

ANNUAL MEETING.

At the annual meeting of the Vancouver Cricket Club the following officers were appointed: President, R. Marpole; first vice-president, C. G. Johnson; captain, J. R. Senkler; vice-captain, E. B. Deane; secretary-treasurer, C. E. Robson; general committee, A. Jukes, F. M. Chaldecott, Major General Kinchant, W. B. Ferrie, Rev. Clinton, F. G. Crickmay and the officers. The annual financial statement was very satisfactory.

HOCKEY.

ROWING CLUB CHALLENGE.

Ottawa, March 28.—The trustees of the Stanley cup have received a challenge today for the cup from the Winnipeg Rowing Club, who have won the championship of the Western Canada Hockey Association by defeating the Winnipeg Victorias. The challenge is accompanied by a letter, which says: "If our challenge should be accepted, we desire that the contest for the cup be decided by the best two out of three games, and that the said games be played in the early part of January next."

WHIST.

J. B. A. A. v. FORESTERS.

A game of duplicate whist will be played between a team from the Ancient Order of Foresters and the J. B. A. A. on Wednesday evening next. Play will be held in the Bays' hall, and will commence at 8.30 p.m. sharp. During the past season members of the Foresters' order have practiced a great deal. The team follows: T. P. Matson, F. Carne, jr., F. Reynolds, C. T. Wrigleswortn, G. Vining, Stroud Redgrave, J. Hilton, F. C. Smith, Tony Bantley, Harry Maynard and F. Heanski. The team will be in charge of Captain J. H. Mansell. Reserve men: Thos. Fahey, Griffiths, M. B. Hull and Sidney W. Wilson.

ATHLETICS.

ANOTHER CLUB.

The young men of Cloverdale have formed an athletic club which has already been running for the past month and so far has been very successful. Two basketball teams, intermediate and junior, have been formed, and both have defeated Victoria West twice and been beaten once. Arrangements are being made by the club for outdoor sports, and it is the intention to put an intermediate lacrosse team in the field. The election of officers for the first six months resulted as follows: J. T. Croat, president; Seymour Harris, vice-president; J. Russell, secretary; W. Grimms, treasurer.

LACROSSE.

WILL ORGANIZE TEAM.

At a meeting of members of the Victoria Lacrosse Club held Friday evening at the V. A. C. hall, it was decided that a senior team will be organized this year. A number of old players expressed the determination to drop out, but it was decided that their places will be filled by intermediates. On Monday evening at 8 o'clock a meeting will be held in the V. A. C. hall for the purpose of electing officers.

AT NELSON.

The semi-annual meeting of the Nelson Lacrosse and Hockey Club for the election of officers for the ensuing lacrosse season and the transaction of general business was held on Wednesday evening. All the officers were elected by acclamation. Those appointed were: Patrons, W. A. Galliher, M. P., and John Houston, M. P. P.; honorary president, J. Fred. Hume; president, W. A. Macdonald, K. C.; secretary-treasurer, O. H. Becker; manager, G. McLaughlin; executive committee, H. Wright, J. Phair, G. A. Hunter, C. S. Loughhrst, J. Hawkins and W. A. Thurman; captain, A. A. Perrier; team committee, A. Jeffs, C. Archibald and D. Blackwood.

CHESS.

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES.

Boston, Mass., March 28.—The great annual Anglo-American University chess match closed this evening, both contestants being on even terms, with two and a half points each to their credit, while one game is awaiting the decision of the referee, H. N. Pilsbury, in London. It is not likely that Pillsbury will announce the result of his analysis before the middle of next week. The game in question was played on the sixth board, between Brown and Bridgman, the former being a pawn ahead, while the latter had a strongly entrenched position. The score of the matches, as well as the summary of all the contests played so far, is appended. The pairings and results are:

Rice (Harvard) ½ vs. Webb (Cambridge) ½.

Sewell (Columbia) 1 vs. Bateman (Cambridge) 0.

Swan (Yale) 0 vs. Davidson (Oxford) 1.

Richardson (Princeton) 1 vs. Roome (Oxford) 0.

Keeler (Columbia) 0 vs. Bumpass (Oxford) 1.

Bridgman (Harvard) 0 vs. Brown (Cambridge) 0.

THE OAR.

STRICT TRAINING.

At Cambridge, Eng., during the first three weeks five hundred men have been training for the "bumping races." The rules which have to be followed may be of interest to those members of the James Bay Athletic Association who intend rowing during the ensuing season.

6.45—Out of bed, and, without bathing or washing, dress immediately in flannels. Eat a plain biscuit.

7.00—Meet in front court (if late, no butter for breakfast), a brisk walk to Victoria bridge (one mile), with a sharp run of about 150 yards.

7.30—Back to rooms, bath, etc.

8.00—Breakfast in captain's rooms.

1.00—Lunch; cold meat, or chop, with salad, toast, small quantity of butter, oatmeal biscuits, and one glass of beer or claret and water.

6.00—Dinner in hall.

9.50—A glass of lemon and water, if wanted.

10.00—Bed.

General remarks: (1) No fruit must be taken till after dinner. (2) No afternoon tea. (3) One cup of cocoa or one and a half glasses of port; no coffee in evening. (4) All smoking to be knocked off. (5) Of any illness (colds, strains, bolts, etc.) to at once tell captain or coach. (6) 2s. 6d. fine for breaking any rule.

THE KENNEL.

PROF. WESLEY MILLS HERE.

Prof. Wesley Mills, of McGill University, arrived from Vancouver on Saturday's Charmer for the purpose of acting as judge at the dog show which opens on Wednesday next at the Philharmonic hall under the auspices of the Victoria Kennel Club. Preparations have been in progress for some days and already the hall is beginning to assume its usual appearance at show time. As there are more entries than have been received heretofore more accommodation has to be provided.

Large strings of dogs are expected to-day from Vancouver, Westminster, the Sound and San Francisco. From the latter place Mr. Blight is bringing up a number of the aristocracy of California canines.

A list of the number of entries in each different class follows: Cocker spaniels, 59; English setters, 56; fox terriers, 50; collies, 24; pointers, 22; Irish water spaniels, 15; St. Bernards, 15; Great Danes, 14; Gordon setters, 11; Irish setters, 18; Airdale terriers, 10; bull terriers, 8; bull dogs, 7; Irish terriers, 8; field spaniels, 6; Boston terriers, 6; Cumber spaniels, 5; grey hounds, 4; retrievers, 3; English sheep dogs, 3; Scottish terriers, 2; Newfoundland, 1; Dandie Dinmonts, 1; Dachshunds, 2.

While in Vancouver Prof. Mills gave a number of lectures. One of the Vancouver papers referring to one of his addresses says:

"The lecture on the 'Friend of Man' delivered by Professor Mills was attended by a large and thoroughly appreciative audience. The high expectations that had been aroused by the international reputation enjoyed by the lecturer were in no way disappointed, and a most delightful evening was spent in listening to the doctor's entertaining anecdotes. He proves himself an able exponent of canine lore, and the views he presented were certainly magnificent specimens. The doctor believes that a dog is keenly susceptible to psychological influence, and that in his makeup he greatly reflects the nature of the people amongst whom he lives. Perhaps it is this belief which makes Dr. Mills so sympathetic in his friendship with his doggy companions. Amusing incidents, each exhibiting some remarkable characteristic of a canine breed, and anecdotes full of keen analysis were scattered generously throughout the lecture, serving to enhance the pleasure of the audience."

Vancouver handlers are taking an unusual interest in the show here this year, and a large number of dogs are expected from the Mainland.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

CAPITALS CHAMPIONS.

The junior league has been won by the Capitals Junior Association football team. The final game was played on Saturday afternoon at Beacon Hill between the Capitals and Soma Park teams, which was won by the former eleven by a score of 7 goals to nil. Play started at 1.45 o'clock, and there was a large number of spectators. From the start play was in favor of the Capitals, and that eleven demonstrated without a doubt that they were the better team. The match was refereed by E. M. Whyte.

The record of the Capitals during the season has been something exceptional. In all the matches they have not met a single defeat, drawing one game. In eight games they scored a total of 31 goals against their opponents 3. Their most dangerous opponents were the Central boys, who have to their credit a total of 11 points, just 4 behind the champions.

The standing of the league follows:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drn.	Pts.
Capitals	8	7	0	1	15
Centrals	8	5	2	1	11
North Ward	8	5	3	0	10
Victoria West	8	0	6	2	2
South Park	8	0	6	2	2

BASKETBALL.

FERNWOODS, 21; J. B. A. A., 3.

The James Bay team was defeated on Saturday evening last by the Fernwoods after a loose contest. The match was played before a large crowd of spectators who had gathered at the drill hall expecting to see an exceptionally even game. As is clearly shown by the score, which was 21 to 3 in favor of the champions, they were disappointed. The Fernwoods' victory cannot be laid wholly at the door of their own cleverness. The boys undoubtedly played a fast, neat game, but it is safe to say that if the Bays had been playing in their best style they would not have had matters so entirely their own way.

The teams lined up as announced in Saturday's Times. For the Bays Pettingell and Donaldson played guard, Smith centre and Jesse and Belyea forward. Of these only Pettingell and Jesse can be said to have played as well as they generally do. Belyea was greatly off color, Donaldson was decidedly slow, and Smith was not by any means up to his usual standard. Pettingell and Jesse played with their old-time tireless energy, and both did good work. Their efforts were fruitless, however, against the splendid combination and all round playing of the Fernwoods. Pettingell, however, saved quite a number of points at guard, while Jesse kept Shotbolt and King, the Fernwood guards, on the watch.

The play put up by the Fernwood five was a surprise to the big majority of those present. King made an exceptionally good guard, and Shotbolt's reputation at this point is too well known to require any comment. Peden has found that his right place is in the centre of the field. At feeding the forwards and shooting, when a chance offers, he is exceptionally good. Dalby showed himself to be a splendid forward, as also did Malcolm. Besides this their team play was something unusual. The combination was the best seen in the city this season. Malcolm, Dalby and Peden played together exceptionally well and did some most effective work. They were constantly fed by the guards, Shotbolt and King, who were also playing together and zealously guarding their basket.

In the first half there was some little enthusiasm. This, however, soon cooled down, particularly among the adherents of the Bays, when it was seen that the Fernwoods were winning easily. Before the whistle blew for half-time the score was 13 to 1.

The second half was a repetition of the first half. The Bays seemed incapable of preventing the Fernwoods from scoring. Four more goals were added to their score before time was called.

Most of the scoring for the victors was done by Dalby, who was assisted in this work by Peden and Malcolm. The total score was made up of 10 goals from the field and one free shot. For the Bays one goal was made and one free shot converted. The scores were therefore 21 to 3. The new championship baskets were used for the first time in this game and were found to be a great improvement on the old.

Although the Fernwoods have little chance of the city league, there is every possibility that they will hold the championship of British Columbia. As will be remembered, the Fernwoods defeated the Vancouver team some weeks ago, while the Bays were defeated by the same team. If the J. B. A. A. team again meets defeat when they play Vancouver at the Terminal City next week the championship will fall to the Fernwoods.

The standing of the league follows:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Pts.	To Play.
J. B. A. A.	4	3	1	6	2
Fernwoods	6	4	2	8	0
Victoria West	5	2	3	4	1
Capitals	3	0	3	0	3

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

After a trial lasting five days, the provincial court at Altona, Prussia, has acquitted the captain and helmsman of the tug Hansa, who were charged with manslaughter in the sinking of the Elbe excursion steamer Primus, July 21st last, when 102 persons were drowned.

A dispatch from Greenville, La., says that only six blocks of that town are now above water. In the flooded districts many houses are under water several feet and hundreds of persons were brought here by rescuing parties.

"A pure invention" was the comment of the management of the Canadian Pacific railway regarding the published statement that Thos. Skinner, of London, Eng., is to be made vice-president of the company.

Minister Powell cables from Port au Prince as follows: Government troops now surrounding San Domingo. Revolutionary forces demoralized. Most other points in the country quiet. Figuara, former president, is trying to arrange terms with Vasquez.

Cholera has reappeared at Damascus. The German Crown Prince Frederick William and his brother, Prince Eithel, have abandoned their proposed visit to the Holy Land.

Africa has nearly 700 languages, and this fact presents great difficulties to missionary effort.

MINERAL ACT.

NOTICE.

"Little Bantam" Fractional Mineral Claim, situate in the Victoria Mining Division of Chemainus District, located on Mount Sicker.

Take notice that I, George R. Elliott, agent for the owners, Free Miner's Certificate No. B72408, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claim.

And further take notice that action under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1903.

GEORGE R. ELLIOTT.

BIRTH.

JEEVES—At 5 Penwell street, the wife of Allen G. Jeeves, of a son; weight, 12 pounds.

STEWART—At Nelson, on March 25th, the wife of A. V. Stewart, of a son.

STRATFORD—On the 29th inst., the wife of F. C. Stratford, 221 Michigan street, of a son.

MARTIN—At Vernon, on March 18th, the wife of C. R. Martin, of a daughter.

CHAPPELL—At Vernon, on March 23rd, the wife of E. Chappell, of a son.

WEILER—In this city, on the 27th inst., the wife of Otto Weiler, of a son.

MARRIED.

BELANGER-TAYLOR — At Ferale, on March 16th, by Rev. D. L. Gordon, J. Belanger and Miss May Z. N. Taylor.

HARVEY—At Stonyhurst, Belcher street, Victoria, on the 27th instant, Susan Jane the beloved wife of Mr. Rout Harvey, aged 80 years and 9 months.

BALLARD-POTTER—At Vancouver, on March 24th, by Rev. J. Simpson, A. M. Ballard and Miss Ida Potter.

DIED.

RAYMOND—At Van Anda, Texada Island, on the 23rd inst., John Albert, son of John and Sadie Raymond, jr., aged 2 years.

RHEIMS—At Vernon, on March 22nd, Walter Rheims, aged 38 years.

MUNN—On March 28th, at his residence, Fifth avenue, New Westminster, Duncan Munn, aged 84 years.

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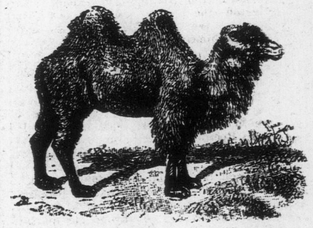

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CHAPTER VIII

Told by Juliette de Never

The Hour After Midnigh

"How you misjudge me!" Ipa voutly exclaimed. "Had I wishe jure instead of serving you I migh dropped a hint about you and th ment to the Comte de Ribaumon we met a few moments ago at th of the theatre. I did not do tha ever. I merely mentioned to h great pleasure I had in store."

At last his weapon had found part. "You dared to tell him th were to meet me!" I ejaculated.

"Why not? It was the truth. have always understood it to be a of Mademoiselle de Nevers tha never commits an act which ashamed to acknowledge befor world."

"He would not believe you" I er much to convince myself as to defy off.

"I admit he did not take my w first, but, naturally annoyed at doubted, I invited Monsieur de mont to observe your departure. did not speak confidentially togetl your carriage door he might call liar," I said, "and I would not it."

"But we did not drive away toge I persisted.

"No. Yet my point was proved so, indeed; for at the corner of th Boulanger I happened to notice th Comte was near, and observing tha brougham had stopped to take me

"You coward!" I breathed.

"On the contrary—a brave man. lieve that the Comte de Ribaumon very fine shot, and also a swordsm the first rank. But now, dear made elle, I will not give you the pain missing me. I have loyally accomp my object, for I have warmed you it is not my fault if you will not b my word. Again, let me impress you that you are in dire danger; bu have still at least a friend who go through fire and water to save And now, adieu."

This time it was he who had re me to speechlessness. In silence I t ed the electric bell. The brougham ped, and Count Ipanoff, with a low a few murmured words in French m for the ears of the servants, and a tended hand, which naturally I ign got out and disappeared into the nig

By my orders, given through groom, the coachman had driven i opposite direction from the Rue d'A Now, having dropped Count Ipanof had to drive back, and I half dre golf longed, to find Maxime waitin reproach me near the gate of my walled garden. But he was not t No one was in sight except a girl, stared at me from the window of a coupe being driven slowly through street. She had an ugly, malicious which I saw plainly for a second or in the light of a street lamp; but had no recollection of ever having her before, I attached no importance her presence, though the hour was lat

I dislike being stared at on stairs o a lift, and I had not been satisfied, settling in Paris, until I discovere small house in its own grounds, whic could have entirely to myself. I advertised and finally obtained exa what I wanted.

To be sure, the Rue d'Anjou left so thing to be desired. It was a gloo street, and my house had been long occupied, owing to its evil notoriety the scene of a murder. But the mur had happened nearly twenty years a and I had no fear of the ghost wh was popularly supposed to haunt place. The necessary repairs had c a good deal, but the result in the ho and in the walled garden was most sat factory, and never had I more reason be thankful for my privacy than I h to-night.

It was almost on the stroke of midnig when I reached home, and at twel Noel Brent had promised to come. B the moments passed, and he did not a pear. "Something has happened to him I told myself; and at last the suspen grew so unbearable that I could not r sist going to the door to watch and liste For a few moments my sharpened ea could detect no sound in the quiet stre that lay sleeping outside the high wall my garden. Then at last the gate be rung.

I had sent Agnes to bed, and only on servant, an elderly man in whose discre tion and affection I had implicit trust was sitting up. He had been told tha I expected a visitor, and with scarcel any delay he would have been at th gate. But I could not wait, and, run ning down the path, I myself unlocke it.

"Thank Heaven!" I exclaimed aloud as the light from the distant door of th house, which I had left wide open, fel full upon the face of Noel Brent. I my relief at seeing him, after the vagu horrors I had feared, I forgot to lock the gate, which is always kept bolte at night, and naturally Noel did not think of it. Old Henri, seeing that I had let in my midnight visitor, discreetly kept in the background, and supposing—as I learnt afterwards—that I had o course shot the bolt, did not go down to the gate. He returned to the ser vants' diningroom, there to nod over a story-book and wait until I should ring for him to escort the guest out.

"Well—well?" I questioned, with my hand on Noel's arm as we walked to wards the house. "For pity's sake, what news of the treaty?"

"No actual news," he answered. "I went off on the wrong scent, and wasted a lot of time, and then I did what I wish I had done at first—consulted a private detective—as, of course, it would't do to go to the police."