

OUR NEW STORY.

In this issue is commenced "The Story of Francis Cludde," by Stanley Weyman. Weyman is one of the first novelists of the day. He has risen rapidly to celebrity and he deserves the reputation he has gained. He writes a vigorous style, the interest of his stories is well sustained, and their moral tone is unexceptionable. We are quite sure that the story of Francis Cludde will please those of our readers who like a good story well told.

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THE WORLD OF SPORT.

Victoria Cricketers Defeated at Portland—Lacrosse Men to Visit Or. gov's Great City.

Association Football—English Cricketers Beat the Philadelphians—Yachting—Racing at Vancouver.

Portland won the cricket match by five wickets, Victoria scored 60 and 63; Portland 98 and 26 for five wickets. It was a one day match. For Victoria, Smith scored 23, Morley 18, and Drake 14. In the second innings, Goward took three wickets for five and Perry two for nine.

PHILADELPHIA V. THE ENGLISHMEN.
In yesterday's match at Havreford, Pa., Philadelphia v. the English team—the Quakers were out for 404. When stumps were drawn at 5 p.m. the visitors' score stood 409 for two wickets down.

YACHTING.
YESTERDAY'S LOCAL RACE

The Saturday afternoon races of the Victoria Yacht Club for both classes of yachts came off as usual yesterday. A light north wind was blowing off shore and was just sufficient to take the yachts over their course round the Pedro before it dropped. The Volage, Daisy Bell and Fron Fron were started in the larger class. The Daisy Bell led the way round the course, but towards the finish it looked very much as if the Fron Fron would save her time allowance, but unfortunately the wind dropped and this, added to the westerly state of her bottom, prevented her from doing so. The race finished as follows: The race finished as follows: 1.37; Fron Fron second, corrected time, 1.42; Volage third, corrected time, 1.58. The course for the above was twice round the Pedro. The Skipjack Imp, late of New Westminster, sailed round the course with them.

In the half-racer race once round the course the Plunger finished first, time 1.14, with the Edith and Deborah second and third respectively.

CANOEING.
CLUB SERIES.

The fifth and sixth of the Victoria Canoe Club series of sailing races were sailed off yesterday afternoon. In the fifth A. S. Gore won, with F. G. White second. In the sixth F. G. White won, the others became becalmed and paddled in. There is one race yet to be sailed. The series now stands:

W. Christie..... 2
C. A. Godson..... 2
A. S. Gore..... 1
F. G. White..... 1
W. S. Gore..... 0

THE TRIP.
A SUCCESSFUL DAY'S RACING.

Vancouver, Sept. 28. (Special).—The jockey club machine passed off successfully this afternoon, when Mr. Johnson's Scotchman Boy attempted to break the track record of 2.28 but failed. R. Dixon's Henry C. won the free for all for trotters and pacers in three straight heats, his best time being 2.41. In the race for trotters to road carts, Hall's Golden was the winner, breaking the track record in 2.52, two straight heats. In the running race, the half mile and repeat was won by Roselli's Fred, time—one minute; and the three quarter dash by Roselli's Comanche, time—1.30.

LACROSSE.
WILL VISIT PORTLAND.

A telegram having been received from Vancouver guaranteeing the expenses of the trip, the Victoria Lacrosse Club have decided to visit Portland's great fair on the 11th and 12th, for the purpose of playing two exhibition matches with the Vancouver. The trip promises to be a very pleasant one, and the great lacrosse games should prove a fine drawing card.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.
Y. M. C. A. V. JUNIOR WANDERERS.

The first match of the season between the above clubs was played on the Hill yesterday afternoon. The game was fought very closely contested, the score being 1 to 1. In the first half the Y. M. C. A. forwards worked the ball down, and the first goal was scored by Y. M. C. A. No other goal was secured by either side in this half.

In the second half the forwards showed good combination, Johnson scoring the first goal for them after some good combination play. Falconer and Wilson at half-back and Goward at full-back played a good game for the Juniors, while Dallas and the York brothers did well for the Y. M. C. A.

HERE AND THERE.

The American Wheelman loses its usual firm grasp of the case when it rises to remark: "The bicycle will have to answer for a lot of damage it has done, if all the complaints are genuine. Livery, carriage, tobacco and piano men complain of its ravages, stock raisers say the horse market is ruined, but the greatest joy of all, is the mean of the cigarette makers. For this blessing let us be thankful."

H. Crane won the saddle horse raffle at the Grotto last night.

The American yacht Ethelwynn defeated Spruce IV in yesterday's international match for half raters of Centre Island.

Baltimore has won the pennant in the National baseball league.

C. J. Field, owner of the U. S. half rater Ethelwynn, is a Montreale. His father for years ran a news stand and cigar counter in the Windsor hotel.

There was no lacrosse match at Nanaimo yesterday afternoon, the Vancouver Beavers for a second time failing to put in an appearance.

Weak and Nervous.

Describes the condition of thousands of people at this season. They have no appetite, cannot sleep, and complain of the prostrating effect of warmer weather. This condition may be remedied by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which creates an appetite and cleans up all the organs. It gives good health by making the blood pure.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—Rev. Dr. Talmon, of Brooklyn, has accepted the call to be co-pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city.

THE CITY.

HENRY M. STANLEY.

A CABLEGRAM from Liverpool yesterday announced that W. W. Gabriel and Miss Gabriel arrived there that morning.

LIEUT. HORNBY, R. N., left for England this morning in charge of an invalided party of 22 from the Royal Arthur's ship's company.

The sale of land for city taxes will take place in the council chamber at the city hall, on Tuesday morning next at 11 o'clock, and the Treasurer's office will be closed during the sale.

A REWARD of \$100 has been offered for any information that will lead to the whereabouts of Mr. Samuel Ricketts, of Saanich, being ascertained. He has now been missing almost three weeks.

The residents of the district are to hold a mass meeting at the Colquitz hall next Thursday evening to consider the advisability of establishing a creamery there. So gratifying has been the success of the Delta venture that the residents of Victoria's suburb may naturally expect a similar reward for their enterprise.

ALD. MACMILLAN has given notice to move at the next city council meeting: "That the city clerk be instructed to communicate with the owners of property situated on the Johnson street ravine, enclosing a proper form of agreement, conveying to the corporation of the city of Victoria the right of way for the proposed surface drain through the said property for the purpose of remedying effectually the condition of the said ravine."

TWO PARTIES of young men racing their horses at breakneck speed down Yates street on Friday evening, gave Edward North a close call for his life and made utter wreck of the bicycle which he was riding when he ran down. Although the cyclist is not a member of the C. W. A., the local representative of the association had already offered the services of the rights and privileges board, when an amicable settlement was reached by the careless horseman paying the damages.

A NICE collie dog suffering from a dose of strychnine made a pitiable spectacle near the court house yesterday. The poor animal lay for several hours struggling hopelessly against the poison that gradually was finishing its deadly work. A city policeman's attention was called to the dog, but after looking at it he went away. As soon as the provincial police were informed the unfortunate dog was promptly put out of its sufferings by a shot through the brain and the carcass removed from the street.

On Wednesday afternoon the King's Daughters will hold a "doll show" in the spacious ball room of Government House, kindly tendered by Mrs. Dawdney for the occasion. The dolls, for the most part dressed in character, will be a novel and pretty feature of the afternoon. A delightful musical programme has been arranged, together with dainty refreshments for the kind patrons, who it is hoped will be numerous. The well earned reputation of the King's Daughters' entertainments is well assured to admit of any doubt on the score of attractiveness, and they should be assisted as they deserve in so commendable a cause as "sweet charity." The doors will open at 3 p.m. sharp. The admittance will be 25 cents, refreshments included.

JOHN ROSS, Fred Wilson and Harry Milson, strangers who came here about the middle of the week, found their way into the police station at an early hour yesterday morning. "The police have been suspicious of the three ever since their advent here and their suspicions have been confirmed by an examination of their personal property. Ross, who had a revolver in his possession, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment in the police court. He is said to have served a term at San Quentin, the California penitentiary. Vagrancy was the only charge the police had for arresting the three, and it was on this pretext that they appeared before the police magistrates. The three cases were remanded until Monday, when they will probably be held to account for the possession of a quantity of burglary tools. The fact that Ross is secure for at least one month, is a source of satisfaction to the police, who deserve the greatest credit for the working on the case.

ONE of the largest private funerals ever seen in Victoria was that of the late Chas. Hayward, jr., which took place from his parents' residence, Vancouver street yesterday afternoon. The services at the Reformed Episcopal church were very impressive, assisted by Dr. Joseph Wilson. The deep sympathy felt for the afflicted family was shown by the very large attendance at the church and the immense number of wreaths and emblems and other designs in flowers sent by friends. They came not only from private friends, but from various societies, and there were present members of the Masonic order to which deceased belonged, a delegation from the Sisters of Rebekah and W.C.T.U., the Pioneer society being also represented. There was full choral service at the church. At the grave the Masonic burial service was read by W. M. D. Wilson. The pall-bearers were Messrs. F. A. Bennett, C. E. Jones, George Jay, J. E. Wilson, S. Reid, E. J. Thain, D. B. McConan, George Harvey, E. E. Wootton and H. Ellis.

THE TRAVELLING DAIRY.

The travelling dairy, which has been giving object lessons to the farmers in the making of butter, finished its work in the district around Victoria yesterday, and tomorrow opens up at Duncan where it will stay two days, and then move on to Nanaimo. Mr. J. A. Ruddick, who is in charge, says that the interest taken by the farming community in the dairy has been highly satisfactory and promises well for a rapid improvement in the dairying industry here. One of the results has been to set the farmers thinking more on the subject of butter making and give it greater importance than has hitherto been the case. The practical working methods of the dairy will induce people to provide themselves with better appliances, and go in more systematically for butter making. Good water, a favorable climate, and other conditions, should enable butter to be made to advantage, and in Mr. Ruddick's opinion all the butter consumed in the province, should and can be produced here without bringing it in from outside places. At the same time farmers on the island will have to intensify study the conditions as they exist for the production of feed, so that the pasture, especially during the dry summer weather, may be supplemented by fodder crops of various kinds. For instance, corn of the proper varieties can be grown on the right kind of soil with fair success, as is shown by the results at Duncan's and other places. For this climate it is necessary that corn should be sown very thinly, a third of a bushel to the acre, and an early maturing variety selected.

THE GREAT AFRICAN EXPLORER HAS COME TO SEE THE LIONS.

Only Here for Pleasure—His Opinions on Some Interesting Topics.

Henry M. Stanley, the great African explorer, and now a member of the British House of Commons for Lambeth, is in the city. He came by the Charnier last night, and is staying at the Driford. He is not visiting Canada, he says, in the interest of a land syndicate, as was cabled over from England when he sailed for this country. It is pleasure that has brought him here; he has a month in which to see Canada, and is making the most of it. That story about the land syndicate was newspaper talk, he supposes, and of English newspapers he considers the only four worth reading are the Times, Standard, Telegraph and Chronicle. Every respectable Englishman reads the Times, and after reading its editorials says "That's just what I thought." The Daily Telegraph represents British militant sentiment; the Standard, orthodox British Conservatism, and the Chronicle intelligent modern Radicalism. As for newspaper paragraphs, lots of good-natured fellows, calling themselves friends of his, sent them to him by the score from all parts of the world from New Zealand to Zanzibar, mostly personal of course, but life has too much serious business on hand for men like him to spend time on paragraphs.

He does not think the London papers in touch with the people outside of the metropolis. Upon the question of his metropolis the English people hardly understand the question, nor have they as a whole any idea of the gravity of it, such as they would have if they lived on this continent. England's policy is non-statism, but if she would accept bimetalism Germany would also do so.

Mr. Stanley does not expect to return to Africa again. In regard to the scheme of Hon. Cecil Rhodes to build a telegraph line from Capetown to Cairo to link Africa with Europe, he considers it impracticable. There are many warlike tribes in the way and the Mahdi could not be "squared" with soft words if he took it into his head to oppose it. During Mr. Stanley's stay in Victoria the Mayor and the officers of the Board of Trade will try to make his visit pleasant and give him every opportunity of seeing and learning what he can of the city and country.

SHIPS AND SHIPPING.

Hunters From the "Annie M. Nixon" Turn Up After a Very Trying Experience.

An Expert to Examine the Coal Prospects at Quatsino—More Sealers Home.

H. A. Douglas, of Port Simpson, who arrived in Seattle from the North a few days ago, brings the news that James West and J. S. Brey, who were lost in a dory from the schooner Annie M. Nixon on the halibut banks of Queen Charlotte Sound on August 3, had reached shore after terrible hardships. After the men were lost in the fog they wandered around for six days without food, with no protection against the weather except their oilskins. For four of the six days wind blew a gale and rain came down in torrents. On the fourth day they reached Dundas Island, in Dixon entrance, which is entirely uninhabited. They procured a supply of water and dug some clams, but they ate so many raw clams after their long fast that it made them very sick.

"Then they started through a high wind and rainstorm and made it to Simpson about 5 o'clock on the evening of the second day so completely exhausted that they staggered in getting out of the boat, and had to be helped up the beach to the hotel. They had recovered so completely that their coats were worn nearly through, and their hands were masses of blisters. Then they were given a supply of provisions and a sail for their boat, and started out to find the Annie Nixon or any other fishing schooner from Seattle.

MORE SEALERS RETURN.

The sealing schooners Ocean Belle and Mermel from Copper Island, and Katherine from Behring Sea, arrived home yesterday. The former two which had several cruises and would have been here several days ago had it not been for their being belated off the Cape. As catches the Mermel brought 1,852 skins and the Ocean Belle 1,618 skins. The Katherine's catch, procured in the Behring Sea, was 700 skins. In addition to her own crew of Indians, the Katherine brought back two belonging to the schooner Victoria and two belonging to the Dora Seward, or in all two canoe crews. Both were found after they had been lost from their respective schooners some little while. The canoe belonging to the Victoria had eight skins when found. The men had got too far away from their vessel one fine day and when found had been lost over night. Strange to say one of the Katherine's boats also got astray and is now aboard the Dora Seward.

NEW COAL FIELDS TO BE EXAMINED.

On Monday evening the steamer Mitchell leaves with freight and passengers for the West Coast. She has already received what will give her a fair cargo for Quatsino Sound. A passenger on the steamer is A. S. Halliday, C. E., of San Francisco, who goes to Quatsino to examine some mineral property belonging to a company in the city. The property is said to be rich in coal, and if Mr. Halliday's examination proves that to be the case the mines will be immediately opened up and developed.

MARINE NOTES.

Two shipments of sealskins, of 28 and 11 cases respectively, were forwarded to London this morning, the larger by the Hudson Bay Co., and the smaller by Wm. Munroe. The latter had received a letter from the Queen May has been kept busy lately, carrying produce to the market. She came in on Friday afternoon from New Westminster, heavily laden.

H.M.S. Nymphe came out of dock yesterday.

A GRASS fire on the Lansdowne road yesterday burnt over an extent of four acres. The fence caught, but people living in the neighborhood prevented any serious damage being done.

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