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## BRIEF MENTION

Born—in this city to the wife of Chas. Bryant, Franklin street, on Sunday, Dec. 27, 1914, a daughter.

Dr. F. S. Reynolds returned last evening from a business trip to the Mainland.

The members of Silver Leaf Temple No. 1 Pythian Sisters having tickets for the prize drawing are requested to hand them in on or before Thursday evening of this week.

Among the passengers from Vancouver last evening on the S.S. Princess Patricia were Frank Hughes, W. Martin, Geo. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. E. Brown, Mrs. Duggan, Jno. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Reife, F. W. Dyke, Mr. Kyle, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Waring, Dr. W. Dykes, Wm. Wall and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Horne.

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### CONSIGNEES MONDAY.

A. J. Smith, W. H. Morton, A. R. Johnston, P. Burns, T. Ode, E. Quenell, S. Taranish, F. Mazus, J. Wilson, J. S. Brown, Major Coutes, S. Ueno, W. M. Langton, J. Kashio, R. Tabata, S. Tanaka, A. J. Thomas, Workman's Co-op., W. E. Smith, J. Hurst, McPhail Smith Hardware Co., L. Manson, J. Wallace, W. Hoggan, D. H. Beckley.

The guests of the Newcastle House gave a party and dance last night, and a jolly time was spent.

Mrs. Macdonald Fahey will sing "Rejoice Greatly O Daughter of Zion," among her solos this evening in the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Frederick Taggart will sing "Why Do the Nations." Mr. Cave will sing "Every Valley Shall be Exalted," and Miss Maguire will render "He Was Despised." Don't miss hearing them tonight in the Presbyterian church.

## ARNOLD CONCERT WAS BIG SUCCESS

The concert given by the Arnold orchestra in the Opera House on Sunday evening was easily among the best and most successful ever given by this talented musical organization. This was the unanimous opinion of the large audience who heard the performance. The programme was an unusually interesting one, and the orchestra was in splendid form to do it full justice. Apparently the visit of the players to Ladysmith in the afternoon had just warmed them up for the work of the evening. The Ladysmith people, however, were satisfied they were warmed up in their performance there. At any rate the orchestra was given an enthusiastic welcome, and the concert was warmly appreciated.

Of the orchestral numbers, the more important and perhaps the most successful were the Zampa and Rigoleto overtures which delighted the audience. The lighter numbers were just as finely rendered, the delicate phrasing and rhythm receiving perfect expression and emphasis. As has been stated the orchestra was in its happiest mood, and the audience showed its appreciation by constant encores.

A strong feature in the instrumental portion of the programme was the Reissiger quintette played by Miss Dolly Fisher and Messrs. Robertson, Owen, Beaumont and Arnold. It is a beautiful composition and was beautifully played to the intense delight of the audience. Mr. Ino Lewis made his debut as the cornet soloist with the orchestra, playing with brilliant success. Mr. Charles Raine was also down for a trombone solo, and as usual the audience was delighted with his masterly playing. The vocal soloist was Mr. Kenneth H. Shuch, whose cultured singing has made him a favorite with local audiences. He scored another success on Sunday evening, and his solos rounded off a very varied and very enjoyable programme.

## Communication

Editor Herald,  
Dear Sir:

The nature of Mr. Young's reply in the last issue of your paper came as a pleasant surprise to myself and many of his acquaintances. I anticipated a tirade of abuse. While it was replete with recriminations as expected, it contained two candid admissions which I expected Mr. Young would have withheld. On this occasion only a negligible portion of his letter was devoted to mud-slinging, this also being a surprising feature to myself. Knowing Mr. Young's favorite pastime as I do, and his nauseating penchant of attempting to degrade an opponent, it is really pleasant to find oneself being treated in a semi-courteous manner. Not even on the mountain top of expectancy did I expect this. It is regretful however, that he should attempt to beloud the issue by the introduction of extraneous matter—the product of a corrupt imagination. Led away by his vociferous and unscrupulous denunciation of alleged grafters and other foreign matter, he has almost totally forgotten the original bone-of-contention which led to the starting of this controver-

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The department was called out yesterday afternoon to a fire in Chinatown caused by a spark from a furnace. Apart from the burning of a small hole through a wall, no damage was done.

In the City Police Court yesterday George Telford was sentenced to three months for stealing chickens, and for a similar offence, Thomas Barker was sentenced to thirty days.

Nanaimo United defeated South Wellington Sunday in a District League football fixture by a score of 4 goals to nil.

The remains of the late Catherine Brown arrived in the city last evening from Vancouver and the funeral will take place from Jenkins' Undertaking parlors this (Tuesday) afternoon at 2.25 o'clock to St. Paul's church at 2.30.

The Masquerade Ball committee of the Pythian Sisters will meet in the Oddfellows' Hall this evening at 7.30. At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Manse yesterday morning Rev. Dr. McLennan united in marriage Miss Nellie Louise Bowater and Mr. William Berry Smith, late of Edinburgh Scotland. The witnesses were Mrs. E. W. McLennan and Mr. Robert Greer, of Vancouver. After a short honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Smith will take up their residence on Church street.

A snooker pool match will be played tonight between teams representing Shepherd's and the Vendome Pool Rooms. Three games will be played in each room, total points to count for an oyster supper. The teams are: Shepherd's—Little, W. Marcin, Shepherd, Vendome—Milne, Benedict and Rosewall.

Mr. and Mrs. George Horne returned last evening from spending Christmas with relatives in Vancouver.

Wong Sing, aged 67 years, a resident of Nanaimo Chinatown died Christmas Day and was buried yesterday from A. E. Hilbert's Undertaking Parlors.

Two turkey's given away this week at Shepherd's Pool Room, Bank Block. Coupon given with every game.

### NOTICE OF MEETING.

A public meeting will be held on this (Tuesday) afternoon, Dec. 29th, at 2 o'clock in the Harwood School, to take up the subject of work for unemployed in the Five Acre Lot District.

### BY ORDER OF COMMITTEE.

Don't overlook the annual masquerade ball of the Pythian Sisters which will be given in the Oddfellows' Hall on New Year's night.

Mrs. Maher is resuming Card Readings—Hours 3 to 5 p. m. tf.

The Salvation Army are holding a band concert on New Year's night. Tea will be served from 5.30 to 7.30. Concert commences at 8 o'clock. Admission 25 cents.

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## In Memoriam

of our little son Edward, who passed away from this life a year ago. "Gone But Not Forgotten." Inserted by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Miller, Irwin street, Nanaimo.

ay. It began in his having imputed dishonesty to the Unemployed Committee. It seems necessary to remind the public of that. I set out to indicate my position. That, and that alone, was the origination of my first epistle. So adequately has my objective been realized that the best I can do in summing up, is to quote Mr. Young's own admission as appearing in his published reply: "THERE IS NO IMPUTATION OF PERSONAL DISHONESTY TO ANY MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE—I ADMIT I MADE SOMEWHAT OF A POOL OF MYSELF." These startling confessions are in my adversary's own words and not in the least distorted or commented upon by myself. I leave it to the intelligence of the reading public to say whether his sinister and perfidious inference has been sustained. I might go further but have no desire to outlive the welcome you have so generously afforded me in the confines of your paper or to monopolize your valuable space. So far as that point goes, Mr. Editor, I think this ought to close the matter. Anything further on the point would be superfluous. If Mr. Young does not agree and insists upon following up his perfidious accusation the controversy must resolve itself into a duel in which the only way for the public to judge will be for the reputations of the two parties concerned to be hung up side by side for investigation and final judgment. Surely this is not desirable. In the event of it materializing considerable data at my disposal must be called into service. Among this collection is a letter of several years ago appearing above the signature of Mr. Tully Boyce; Mr. Young's association with the late Co-operative Society in town, and his subsequent debut into the business life of this city; his connection with the Wellington strike; his fainting in the Athletic Club at the hands of Mr. Planta; and numerous other things of a like nature, which would lead one to believe that the primitive imperfection of the animal kingdom are so concentrated in him that nature might well greet him with the salutation—"behold here is the missing link." But this is not going to do. I have no desire to stain my hands handling such filth. You can rest assured that so far as I am concerned we will consider the incident closed. He mentions other subjects. How altogether unfair of Mr. Young to introduce things foreign to the controversy. By so doing he attempts to be-fuddle the issue and concoct the harbor of refuge in which to find shelter. Mr. Young is, one person I am not going to contest these points with. The cheap notoriety he is in

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quest of is not going to be secured at my expense. He deserves credit for his resources in trying to use myself now that his bulletins are out of commission. As we would naturally expect, his comment upon these many and various topics are scarcely in a single instance shared by myself. He attributes the regrettable conditions of abject distress existing in our community entirely to the handiwork of a clique of individuals connected with a certain organization in town. I respectfully suggest for his consideration the thought that there is another gentleman of altogether different calibre who could have averted this catastrophe. Does it not seem if this latter thought escapes his attention and that he is only capable of seeing out of one eye? I am not going to contest this point with him as it would prove a cycle of argument and that we would inevitably arrive at the point we started from. I repeat, I don't see much to be gained by continuing our argument. Though I am sure of my ground, the long-suffering public are long since tired of the whole business. They want to forget this and have our city back to normal. We are agreed upon the imperative need of assistance and relief for starving unfortunates and rather than precipitate or continue a controversy out of which nothing can arise, let us remember the claims of the public. The whole community, with the assistance of the Provincial Government have concentrated their efforts to assist the distressed and the business of the unemployed meeting is destined to materialize. There are hopes of brighter days. I cannot see of any reason why anyone should retard this humanitarian movement. The churches, fraternal and labor organizations, the various other societies are working indefatigably, making sacrifices noble and commendable in order to make the burden of the suffering people easier to bear. Let us each do our little best remembering the injunction of the Nazarene—"that inasmuch as ye helped one of my little ones, ye helped me."

Yours etc.,  
WM. WATSON.

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