We regret that it is necessary at this mention matters which savor of polidraw attention to the fact that the late Attorney-General in the McBride administration has publicly said that he resigned his portfolio because of a disagreement with the other members of the cabinet upon a matter of public policy. Mr. Wilson furthermore avers tingly what we Victorians are alleged that his side of the story will be made to lack so lamentably that we cannot public in due time. The resignation of the Attorney-General was handed in while the Legislature was in session, and, according to practice, should have been announced to the House and the we are altogether disposed to close our cause of it explained to the members nostrils against the odoriferous train at the first opportunity. The resigna- they bequeath to the atmosphere as tion was not made public until after prorogration, and the cause of it has the same time the automobile, with all only been learned from the statement its headlong aggressiveness, is not of the late minister. Neither to the above or superior to the law. We be-Lieutenant-Governor nor to the Legis- lieve it is subject to the usual rules lature, it appears, does this peculiar government Mr. McBride hath set up streets. If it is not-if it is a law unto owe ordinary constitutional courtesies. itself in respect to speed-then some-It is worked according to principles, one is going to be run down and killed suited to the occasion and to the pecu- before long. That is just as sure as it aliar circumstances under which it appears to be obvious that the police came into and holds power. In its are indifferent to daily violations of relations with the Lieutenant-Gover- the law. Our chauffeurs are very adept nor and the Legislature it has been in the manipulation of their machines. guilty of acts of consummate insolence. They can by the movement of a foot, The powers to which it should have a touch of a lever, or the twist of a been held responsible it has treated wheel, make the thing do almost anywith contumely and contempt. Having thing except sit up on its rear end. weathered another session by the But when they career past tramcars usual arts and survived the defection and vehicles and street ends at the that there will be an atempt atothis the Dominion of Canada Educational other's mettle preliminary to earnest of a minister by deceit, the First Min- rate of from twenty to thirty miles an ister and his First Adviser, the Chief hour, it is inevitable that some day a Commissioner of Lands and Works, pedestrian, with mind indifferent to all are preparing to spend the recess in else save the beauties of our climate, canvassing the constituencies and in is going to step in front of one of them, making ready for the dissolution which and, notwithstanding effectiveness of has been unavoidably deferred. These annual pilgrimages involve considerable expense to the taxpayers of the rate at which automobiles are travelprovince, but such a government is ling our streets are scarcely safe for surely worth the cost of its mainten-

UPS AND DOWNS OF MAGNATES. It is particularly noticeable that

when Fortune turns against individuals endowed with peculiar talents, a cloud of dust. such as Depew and Dowie, she deals out blows with no gentle hand. The Apostle's wife has joined in the hue and cry against him, and is loudest in her demands for his deposition. The Zionite brought all this conjugal trouble on his own head. He is old enough to have known better, and should have had sufficient experience with women during the years of his caliphate to understand that any attempt to introduce practices which were tolerated under the Old Testament dispensation was bound to result in his undoing. Mr. Dowis in the days of his strength was a great organizer, a man of extraordinary executive ability, and withal combined a capacity for detail that is not usual in individuals. But tution of a sort. They will not rest the times were not propitious for the campaign of a second Brigham Young, dent to precedent until the instrument and so the prophet has come to grief. Yet if he succeeds in effecting a settlement with the rebellious Zionites on a bility shall retain a voice and a share stand. And as the sentiment on the he can afford to retire and live in tran- pend upon their own acts and conduct. quility on the fruits of the industry of his dupes.

few equals in this get rich quick and attain their ends. Slavs are not enlive by the wits age. Mr. Depew also dowed with the Anglo-Saxon or the possessed ability of no mean character. or he would never have been taken up by the Vanderbilts and placed at the has been slowly and laboriously built head of their great railway interests. But Mr. Depew had other reasons for always looking pleasant and devoting practically all his time to thinking up clever thoughts, to be turned loose in speech on great occasions, such as complimentary banquets to princes and potentates and residents. He became identified with insurance companies just at the time when the "workers" began to understand how trust funds could be profitably worked in the personal interests of the persons drew salaries mounting up into the hundreds of thousands annually for doing nothing at all but simply looking a picture of angelic benevolence and emitting sparkling gems of speech after the wine had been passed around. To all his honors and emoluments was added the dignity of a seat in the United States senate. And then, just when he had married a young wife. his soul after the manner of the man in the parable, the curtain was raised, and Mr. Depew stood revealed in the light of truth. When he saw himself lapsed, physically and mentally, and now he is being attended to in a private "retreat." And his "young and beautiful wife." the dispatches inform us, is about to ask for a divorce.

So it is still true, in some instances. that "the way of the transgressor is hard." We are not sure yet that British Columbia, officially, is exempt from the operations of the moral sta-

Talk about the irony of fate. Two negroes in the United States have just been hanged upon and roasted to death men in the land where monuments are erected in honor of freedom and where

not guilty of any offence. But what does that mater so long as the useful lesson is taught that in a great repubpleasant spring season of the year to lic life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness cannot be guaranteed to those whom accident has garbed in a skin of an unfashionable color?

A MENACE TO LIFE.

of beauty and the very incarnation of

bottled-up energy. They typtify so fitforbear calling attention to their headlong goings-on. The example of their strenuous course is so stimulating that they cleave snortingly through it. At governing rates of speed on the city control, the dreamer is going to be smashed out of this world. At the nimble-limbed and quick-witted pedestrians. As for the classes in the two extremes of life, the aged and the very young, they should not be permitted to go out without guardians. That is the

RUSSIA'S NOTABLE VOLCANO. The Russian authorities are conducting their first election in such a pecuiar manner as to indicate that they have been studying the history of the Conservative party of Canada. When tionable to the powers that be, the authorities simply declare them unseated, and put others in their places who possess satisfactory Tory credentials. That is a simple and effective way of retaining power. But just as sure as it is true that the world moves, the day will come when the now despised proletariat of Russia will take the Czar and his grand dukes by the handles of their uniforms and deposit them in the places prepared for all who attempt to obstruct the popular will. The Russians now have a constiuntil they broaden it out from prececovers all the requirements of a great self-governing nation. The length of basis of only a few cents on the dollar in the work of government must deobstruction can only be removed by violence, they will find themselves in Chauncey M. Depew is quite another stamp of a man, but a "grafter" with careful about the means by which they trade relations. Teutonic temperament, which is content with the gradual evolution of a up in Great Britain or Germany. In army, and they will use it for whatever purpose they see fit.

RAILWAY MONOPOLY.

Not longer than a few weeks ago the people of Victoria were deluged with diurnal tears and harrowed by doleful wails anent the piratical practices of the aggressive, grasping, gluttonous "East." The West was portrayed as struggling in the maw of a greedy monster who who possessed influence. Mr. Depew | feasted daily upon the fat of this western land, and who laid schemes by night to tighten his grip. The tariff was being used as an instrument for the perpetuation of the work of spoliation, although the tariff has always been held up by the Conservative party as the hope and pride of the the administration of Imperial affairs? West-the one and only source of our prosperity, and the higher it could be raised the more marked the degree of prosperity. There was no hope for us until we placed a party in power and was in a position to apostrophise which would give us "adequate protection." That cry has died away, and as an inspector of schools. We are of "adequate protection." Taxation is saying that the loss of Mr. Gillis will too high; the country is being "bled white" by excessive taxation. Is there as others now see him, he too col- not evidence of that in the huge sur- to lose him. But the translation means pluses the present government has been accumulating, amounting to many this year, although the rate of taxation has been substantially reduced? The West is the chief sufferer from this strained to wonder who could have heaviest purchaser of foreign goods, while all it buys from the East is congratulated upon his fine discrimingreatly augmented in price by reason of the rapacity of the Canadian railways, which have conspired with the producers of the East to plunder us. That was the burden of the complaint a few weeks ago, and it all told against the government. Now the tune has be protected in their monopoly. In the under a statue of Liberty. And the name of patriotism Jim Hill must be eruption is merely made to show that son made a total of 4, and this coming for the teams, and we intend to dispatch which conveys the intelligence arrested as a foreign plotter and marof the peculiar taking off of these two auder and turned across the border have suffered at the hands of the rail- keep them under strict control. ways are forgotten at the thought of true freedom is daily dishonored tell Mr. Hill and his big trains carrying us the probability is the victims were our wealth south for the enrichment

of foreigners. The handicap we have carried for years for lack of "adequate" means of development is lost have been scenes of great volcanic active the visitors. sight of in the smoke of the great en-The West must be preserved for the few thousand horse power were requirbenefit of the East. We must stand still until the East is prepared to exploit us for its own benefit and for the benefit of patriotic railways managed wonder what the East would say if we These flying automobiles are things were were to demand as a condition foreign railways that all the existing arteries of communication running north and south should be closed up? Would we not promptly be told to go to? The Western theory is that the process of development should be faciitated, not blocked, by the machinery of government. That is the common sense view. It is the view which obtains in Great Britain and in all her possessions, and it is the view which is combatted here only by persons and institutions imbued by selfish, not by patriotic, motives. The garb of the pattriotic is donned for a purpose, and that purpose will not endure scrutiny. We believe the Winnipeg Free Press

speaks with the voice of the West "This combination, powerful though C.P.R. monopoly in Southern British Columbia from Hill competition; and we can see what will happen to it if it is insensate enough to attempt to repeat its tactics with regard to the eight hundred miles of boundary line between New Ontario and the Rocky the school." Mountains. Twenty years ago a strong Government and the supposedly before the then puny power of Manitoba on this very question; and though the Bourbon spirit sometimes shows itself in Canada we can hardlybelieve million people and three-self-govern- school buildings, and parents from visitors' goal was in danger. During fending the policy of free trade in railpublic man or the public journal who takes the other position.'

greatest autocrats of modern times, live up to the broad views of my surand who wields greater power than the roundings, I presented Rudyard Kipsituation as it appears to us when a this is not the time to talk about tariff This Mothers' Club is largely made up thirty-mile an hour wagon flies past in revision or reciprocity. The evil day of those who do not belong to the leisentiment of Canada, with respect to ers. his subject, appears to harmonize beautifully with the views of Mr. Canthe British public man is not so well acquainted with their tricks or their manners, or sets more value upon their goodwill than upon the minor matter of Canadian interests, it has been proved by experience that it is a dangerous thing in many ways for us to submit our case entirely to the hands of people who have a mere abstract interest in the outcome of negotiations That is one reason why the continua efforts of Americans to deal directly with the British and to have matters in dispute settled over our heads causes uneasiness in Canada Our neighbors are making such an effort just now, but their movement has no on both sides of the lin If they obstruct to the point at which should be no uneasiness in this part of Wille, of the Victoria club, has receivapparent and so freely expressed, there against the Sioux Indian ine. Manager our country about the possible evils ed a communication asking for the arthe hands of people who are none too low the establishment of reciprocal have an exceptionally fine record and

Premier Deakin of the Australian Commonwealth admits he now has no hopes of arranging for preferential political system such as that which trade with Great Britain. A commis sioner will be sent to London to dis cuss the subject with the representatime they will control the Russian tives of the Campbell-Bannerman government, and he will also visit Canada and open negotiations with our government with a similar end in view and with a lively anticipation of accomplishing something that will promote the cause of Imperial unity. But in the meantime it is conceded that comparatively little can be done for the great cause until there is a marked change of political sentiment in Great Britain. Canada was the pioneer in the movement. How long will she have to wait for the creation of a reciprocal sentiment? It is a notable fact that there are men in public life in Great Britain to-day-and their number is on increase-who publicly what the colonies have done for the Empire that Imperial statesmen should take them into consideration in

The city of Victoria has another crow to pick with the McBride government. One of our most successful taken into the service of the province sure we express public sentiment in be severely felt and that our educational board will be very sorry indeed promotion for Mr. Gillis, and for that reason he is open to congratulations. millions over all expenditures this far | The appointment is such a good one and is such an extraordinary departure from precedent that we are contariff imposition, because it is the gained the ear of the minister of edu-

Mount Rainier is also reported to be on the rampage. Tacoma, which claims

to accomplish something for Victoria, first class exhibitions of clever foot

let :t discover a volcano on Vancouver tivity in this neighborhood, to judge gines of the Great Northern railway, by physical appearances. Forces of a ed to elevate our mountain peaks.

A joyful sound arises from the southern side of the international by patriotic foreigners. We really boundary line today. The majo leagues have opened their baseball season with the usual eclat. The tribprecedent to the closing of the West to | ulations of the umpire and the periods of elevation and depression for the "fan" have commenced.

What Other People Think

MOTHERS' CLUB.

To the Editor:-I hasten to assure "One of the Mothers" that Miss Cameron has not suffered a change of heart regarding the Mothers' Club. The Colonist of April 4th stated that at the presented a fine appearance. All had last meeting of the club "two little girls with gold crowns" took up a col- to be in perfect trim, to understand lection for the Home Nursing Society, what was expected of them, and to be it was, was unable to preserve the for which Bishop Perrin warmly thanked them. In my opinion this was | On the other hand, the soldiers were a direct contravention of the school confident. They lined up in much the by-laws, which state that "no matters of business shall be transacted in any unnecessary to say that they also school except such as are directly looked in the pink of condition and connected with the legitimate work of ready for the game of their lives.

The work of the Mothers' Club (all strong Government and the supposedly honor to it—would that we had more disappointing, and some of the specall-powerful C.P.R. had to back down such!) is directly connected with the tators commenced to encourage the legitimate work of the school; that of opposing elevens to put a little more the Home Nursing Society is not. My ginger into their efforts. But the inopinions of the Mothers' Club are vitation was not needed. The teams summed up in an address read before apparently were only trying each late day to reassert the monstrous Association at its last annual meeting work, and soon those present were doctrine that Western Canada is a in Winnipes: "We have in Victoria a treated to an exhibition of extremely railway and commercial preserve of very live and vigorous Mothers' Club, strenuous exercise. The Garrison took Eastern Canada. There are now a it meets fortnightly in one of the ward the aggressive, and several times the ing Provinces in Western Canada; and every district in the city attend it. I these emergencies the weakness of they would be practically a unit in de- really think it is the most cosmopolitan | Vancouver's back division became evisociety in Victoria. At the last meetways for the Canadian West. Our ing I attended the chair was taken by The Garrison scored and duplicated condolences will be available for the a cultured woman, wife of a Presby- the performance almost immediately terian missionary to the Chinese, herself a converted Jewess; a Socialist lady sat at her right hand, while the Speaker Cannon of the United States president of a Theosophical society House of Representatives, one of the passed round the tea! Trying hard to must come, he says, but it must be sure classes, the discussions do them postponed as long as possible. The good and they do good to the teach-

I think it was the Colonist that spoke editorially the other day of some one's non, There is no visible demand for heart "being in the right direction" loser trade relations with the United toward the orphanage. In extending States, because we have learned that | Easter greetings to "One of the Mothfor one concession the Americans are ers" I would reiterate that my heart prepared to give they are sure to de- remains "in the right direction" (!) tonand at least two. For that reason ward the Mothers' Club. May I with they are difficult people for Canadians | the utmost kindliness and goodwill add o deal with, and for the reason that to this just two suggestions? The first is a couplet of Kipling's: "Keep yet the law,

Be swift in all obedience." The second is my own: "It is a goo plan never to write anything to which you are either afraid or ashamed to sign your full name.

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AGNES DEANS CAMERON.

BASEBALL

WANT DATES ARRANGED.

which, it is predicted, are sure to fol- rangement of dates. As the Indians may be depended upon to put up a first class exhibition it is likely that the reply will be favorable. Of course it is impossible as yet to make any definite announcement. IMPORTANT MEETING

On Tuesday evening in the Y. M. C. A. hall the annual meeting of the Wictoria Amateur Baseball League Wil held, when reports will be received and officers elected for the ensuing term. Plans for the summer season will be discussed and, if sufficient entries are received, the usual league series will be drafted. All clubs interested are asked to send representatives.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

CELTICS AGAIN DEFEATED. The game played on Saturday bewas, to use a common and expressive term, tame. It resulted in another vicgoals to 1. But neither team entered into the contest with the same spirit that characterized their work in the H. Hall Toronto." cup match of Good Friday. The Garrison line-up was materially different from that usually seen, among the issing being Messrs. Williams, Paley, Simons and Matthews. Their places teachers has been spirited away and lins, Jones and Williamson. There also were some changes in the personnel of the Terminal City eleven.

It was very shortly after the start that the Garrison managed to convert. They made a direct onslaught upon their opponents' goal, Crisp sending the ball into the net without much difficulty. Play hadn't continued long before Williamson repeated the performance. This had the effect of bracing the Celtics to some extent, but they found the Garrison defence too strong credit the soldiers appeared more or cation. Is Mr. Robinson also to be less satisfied and the game dragged on

the aleged volcano for its own, and is to force matters. Once more, however,

work and the latter finally succeeded the visitors.

The Celtics returned to Vancouver last Saturday evening and before leaving expressed the determination turn the tables upon the Carrison next Saturday, when the second game for the British Columbia championship will be played in the Terminal City.

GARRISON VICTORIOUS. The Oak Bay grounds were crowded n Friday afternoon, the occasion being a match between the Certic (Vancouver), and Garrison teams. It was the first of the series for the British Columbia championship. The contest, although at the start it was not particularly creditable, gradually developed into as fine an exhibition as anyone could desire. It was won finally by the Garrison, the score being goals to 1. This may be taken as a more or less accurate index of the character of the game.

When the respective elevens took

their places on the field, the general opinion as to the ultimate outcome was somewhat divided. The visitors the look of the true athlete, seeming determined to defeat their opponents same order as hitherto. It is perhaps As already stated, the opening ten or fifteen minutes' play was rather dent. Finally the inevitable occurred. after. Then the Celtics braced up and the tables were turned.

It was in the opening of the second half that the Celtics showed their true worth. They appeared to pull themselves together. The forwards worked a beautiful combination time and spectacular Kaiser of Germany, says ling as an authority on pedagogics. again, but were poorly supported by the half-backs, who persisted in remaining some distance down the field. One of these onslaughts, however, gave the Celtics the only goal scored by them throughout the contest. A few minutes from the conclusion the Garrison netted a third and the last point obtained.

Messrs. Robertson, Sawyers, Stewart, and McCallum were among those especially noticeable in the Vancouver line-up, while Provins, Ford, Byrne, and Matthews did particularly good work for the Garrison. Fred Richardson, as referee, gave every satisfac-

LOCAL TEAM WINS.

The junior match played between the North Ward and Central Star (Vanonver) teams on Friday afternoon at Oak Bay resulted in a win for the former by a score of 9 goals to nil. It was an uneven and, consequently, an uninteresting contest. The visitors were lighter than the Victoria players, and did not appear to have as thorough a grasp of the fine points of the contest. Five goals were obtained by the North Ward eleven in the first half as follows: Peden 3, McCarter 1, and Tait 1. They added four more in the second period, and didnt' try very It is probable that one of the first hard to score at that, many of the players being imbued with a spirit of gallantry which prompted them to avoid discountenancing the visitors to too great an extent. Messrs. Shore, Milne, Fitzgerald and Goddard were the choice of the Central Star team, while practically the entire North Ward eleven played well. As referee H. A. Goward gave every satisfaction.

LACROSSE.

ARRIVED TO-DAY.

To-morrow Lionel York, who has en engaged to act as coach in connection with the Victoria lacrosse club during the summer months, will arrive from Vancouver ready to take up his duties. Mr. York is a capable and experienced player and may be depended upon to leave no stone unturned in the endeavor to popularize the Canadian national game among the junior and intermediate players of the city.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

A Toronto dispatch stated Saturday that "Over two hundred clubs were tween the Garrison and Celtic teams | represented at the Canadian lacrosse ssociation convention here yesterday. J. C. Miller, of Orillia, was elected tory for the soldiers by a score of 4 president; Vice-presidents J. D. Bailey, Toronto, and J. M. Kearus, Port Arthur, Ont.; secretary-treasurer, W.

BACK FROM MAINLAND.

Rev. M. W. Bolton, president of the Victoria club, has returned from the Mainland, where he went to discuss plans for the ensuing season with the Vancouver and the New Westminster clubs. Interviewed in the Terminal city by a News-Advertiser reporter Rev. Mr. Bolton said:

"Lacrosse will boom in Victoria this

summer, and we hope to put the game on a proper footing. We have three intermediate teams, three junior and several school teams, and valuable trophies have been offered for all of the competitions. Lionel Yorke has commence upon his new duties on Monto be penetrated. With two to their day next. We have arranged with the visit the schools each week for the purin a slow, uninteresting way until the pose of coaching the younger element, whistle announced the finish of the and in this way we hope to have some by their trainers, practiced running, London, in a rickety carriage, with good material to draw upon for the When the teams took their places senior team in a couple of years. again the visitors showed a disposition | purpose arranging matches with all of the mainland teams, and will arrange real cross if anyone within the city's the Garrison defence was too much matters so that the senior intermedconfines calls it Rainier, is in no danfor them and, before they could realize iate, and junior teams on the mainland strength of the team. changed. The rapacious railways must ger of being overwhelmed in the flow the change, Crisp had sent in another can visit Victoria during the summer The announcement of the shot and scored. Another by William- at our expense. It will be a good outin no respect is America behind effete pleted the soldiers' success. By this bear all of the expense in connection had been set by the ship's surgeon. He breast. Whatever little cunning bear all of the expense in connection had been set by the ship's surgeon. He breast whatever little cunning bear all of the expense in connection had been set by the ship's surgeon. He We have real live volcanoes time the Celtics were becoming des- with these visits. The officials of our whence he came. All the wrongs we on this northern continent, but we perate and they made rush after rush club feel that if the younger players upon goal, in which onslaughts Messrs. are given encouragement that we will to-day with his arm in a sling. Al- believe I could resume it to-morrow. Robertson and Stewart figured very be in a position to place a strong though he continued hopeful of mak-If our "Booster" club really desires prominently. The former gave some twelve in the field in a year or so.

Mrs. Sutherland thought she had

Serious Heart Trouble

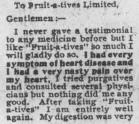
"Fruit-a-tives" cured her when Doctors failed

Hundreds of people suffer with Irritated Heart. Pain comes over the heart, especially after eating. Palpitation or flutteringheadaches-belching gas-indigestion and constipation follow. And the sufferer takes heart tonics and sees heart specialists, and steadily

The heart is irritated by the stomach. The nerves of the heart and stomach are identical. When the stomach is distended by gaswhen food sours or is not properly digested—the stomach nerves are irritated and this soreness extends to the heart. That causes pain which makes so many people think they have serious heart disease.

"Heart disease and Dyspepsia cured by Fruit-a-tives."

OTTAWA, July 14th, 1905 To Pruit-a-tives Limited, Gentlemen :-



bad and I suffered from long bad and I suffered from long standing constipation and now I am quite well from these complaints. I wish to say also that my complexion was very bad, sallow and muddy in the extreme, but now after taking "Fruitatives" it is as fresh as ever. To any one suffering from constipation and bad digestion or liver complaint and to any one with a bad complexion, I can recommend "Fruitatives".

(Signed) MRS. A. SUTHERLAND

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"Fruit-a-tives" are concentrated fruit juices, combined by a wonderful process which increases their medicinal action many times. Tonics and antiseptics are added and the whole made into tablets.



chise in the provincial senior association, and I feel assured that when we again place a team in the field, it will be a good one, and one that can be depended upon to make a good show ing in the race for the championship. in fine trim. Only Mitchell and myse This season Victoria will aplly for admission to the Provincial Intermediate in association, which body will held its has been greatly improved by annual meetinig in this city on Satur- massage treatment. I hardly think day, April 28th. I will also endeavor | will interfere with my running. I tool to organize a junior association. We have some good teams in Victoria, and out any pain and had easy jogs to-I understand that there are some good, without any difficulty. I hope junior teams in both Vancouver and entirely fit in a few days. The junior teams in both Vancouver and New Westminster. We have the necessary financial backing in our city this year, and it should be one of the most successful seasons in the history of the game in the capital. Last year we had over 400 members in the Victoria club. and we hope to do even better this

CONFERENCE WEDNESDAY. On Wednesday evening a conference will be held between members of the different local clubs, Lionel Yorke, and officers of the Victoria association. The ago. It is Charles Dickens' person business on the tapis ils the considera- recollections of reporting for the pretion of plans for the coming season THE OAR.

PREPARING FOR SEASON: "The members of the Nelson Boat Club of Commons as a parliamentary report are preparing for a record season," says the Daily News. "Besides the regular I left it-I can hardly believe the series of club regattas, there will be this exorable truth-nigh thirty years a year the annual regatta of the N. P. A. and I have pursued the calling of a A. O., which will be held in Nelson at a porter under circumstances of date still to be fixed some time between many of my brethren at home in July 14th and August 14th. On that occa- land here-many of my brethren's sion one or more crews will come from cessors-can form no adequate Victoria, Vancouver and Portland.

that the choosing of the crews for the portant speeches, in which the strice spring regatta would be made in a few accuracy was required, and a mista days, and immediately after the trying in which would have been to a you cut of men would begin for crews to re- man severely compromising, writing present Nelson at the big regatta. The the palm of my hand by the light of final choice of crews is not, however, an dark lantern in a postchaise and for urgent matter at present. The selection galloping through a wild country will be made later by E. C. Wragge and the dead of the night at the then su F. Nott, captain and vice-captain respec- prising rate of fifteen miles an hour. tively. The membership of the club last year was nearly twice as great as ever said Mr. Dickens, "I strolled into pefore, and there is every reason to believe that there will be a still greater increase this year. It is expected that the date for the first club regatta will soon be fixed."

WELCOMED TO NAPLES.

American Athletes En Route to Athens Received Hearty Reception.

Naples, April 16.—The North German Lloyd steamer Barbarossa, having on opy in an ecclesiastical proc board the American athletes who are have worn my knees by writing entered to compete in the Olympic them on the old back row of games which begin at Athens on May gallery of the old House of Com 2nd arrived here at noon to-day. Her and I have worn my feet by sta arrival was the signal for a popular to write in a preposterous pen demonstration of welcome, as she also old House of Lords, where we use had on board the Duke of Orleans, who be huddled like so many sheep boarded the steamer at Gibraltor, in waiting till the woolsack might w which brought the Duke and Duchess re-stuffing. of Oasta and many other notables to Returning home from excited the pier, where a band played the tical meetings in the country to been secured as coach, and he will Italian and French national anthems. waiting press in London, I do The Americans landed soon after the believe I have been upset in aln Barbarossa arrived. Some of them every description of vehicle know

school authorities to have Mr. Yorke visited the scenes of desolation in the this country. I have been in my vicinity of Mount Vesuvius, but the belated on miry by-roads towards majority of the athletes, accompanied small hours, forty or fifty miles jumping, etc., in order to test their hausted horses and drunken postbo ndition after the sea voyage.

> would not appreciably affect the the broadest of Scotch, coming James Mitchell suffered the most knew. The pleasure that I used to from the sea voyage, remaining in bed in the rapidity and dexterity of three days after his dislocated shoulder

was able to go about with the rest of hand or head I took to it, or acqu the American party and landed here in it, I have so retained as that I full ing a showing at Athens and says he "Of course, we will retain our fran- certainly will try for a prize, the other and toll free canais.

nembers of the team fear that Mit chell is badly handicapped.

Referring to the injuries sustained by Mitchell and himself Hillman says Only six out of 32 of us were struc by the wave and four of these six an are slightly ailing. My right knee bandages and a little stiff, but practice jogs on deck yesterday wit drawback is the interruption

CHARLES DICKENS.

some of the Novelists Experiences as a Reporter.

A correspondent sends an interesting extract to the London Daily New taken from the Leisure Hour 40 year than journalists. This is what Dickens said concerning the epoch in his care before he came to fame as a noveli "I went into the gallery of the Hou er when I was a boy not eighteen. tion. I have often transcribed for "J. Teague, secretary of the club, said | printer from my shorthand notes "The very last time I was at Exeter

castle yard, there to identify, for amusement of a friend, the spot which I once 'took,' as we used to it, an election speech of my noble friend Lord Russell, in the midst of lively fight maintained by all the vag bonds in that division of the count and under such pelting rain that I member two good-natured co who chanced to be at leisure, held pocket handkerchief over book, after the manner of a

rand have got back in time before p All the Americans were in good spir- lication to be received with neverits and insisted that the accidents gotten compliments by Mr. Black exercise has never faded out of

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the vicinity of the Hu Briday to deal wit which had broken

-On Thursday the Barney, of East Sooke Royal Jubilee hospita was a mative of Sco years of age.

----The Tyee smelte March show the fo The smelter ran 13 d 2,153 tons of Tyee ore after deduction of fre charges of \$37.965.

-The Dawson-But has transferred the eq of the Fraser river north. The new car tablished at Rivers In Otter took the equip

-The funeral of Mrs kin took place on Thu leaving the B. C. Fu Company's parlors at Church cathedral. Se ducted at the cathed grave by Rev. Canon uneral was largely a lowing acted as pa Smith, Capt. Babingto W. Christie, W. Lori

-Members of No. 2 Regiment, held a priz Point range on Frid follow: First class-\$3 Cavin, 108; \$2, Gr. Sh Winsby, 97. Second Richardson, 98; \$2.50, Sergt. Doyle, 89; \$1.50 \$1, Gr. Toller, 77. Th \$1. Gr. Toller, 77. E. Brethour, 85; \$1.50 80: \$1.25, Gr. S. Breth Lawson, 64; \$1, Gr. Gr. Johnson, 48; 50c.,

-The committee arrangements for th Imperial troops has natriotic concert, and an address. Copies be given to each of war department and rovernment, showing n which the troops the citizens of Victo tees are at work programme and deciding the shield to be pres

-The inquest calle of investigating the rounding the death of Mr. and Mrs. Duy street, held a sea Nothing afternoon. done, it being anno oner that the analys Dr. Fagan was not latter was not in the was necessary for other adjournment u

-The news was br on Briday by the ret sun that one of the went north by that st trip had committed a Island. The man was He was a logger and colm Island from the ny after that the be found hanging fro shown signs of dest way up and had ap interred at Malcolm

-Nearly all the s at various hatch season have been li ative estimate placi cessfully handled : number is made in Accord, 10,000,000; hatchery, 30,000,000 hatchery, 20,000,000 hatchery, 1,000,000; ery, 30,00,000. All eries are operated government, except hatchery which is provincial governm

-The body of Mis of the victims of t has been identified Minnesota for inter was among those buried here among The mother of the Mrs. Clausen, to th ter was able to mak complete so that the over to her to be mother's place of re appeared in Victoria with a concert con considerable amoun

-The rehearsals f strels in aid of the Society are going on aggregation of local nightly at Waitt's h able management of formance, which w Victoria theatre on to be one of the be teems with catch; dances, jokes and composed of Mrs. nann Robertson, R. H. Pooley, ar sure a success. that with such view the public. efforts by giving th er house. The nex held on Tuesday bers are especially

-The Arctic Bro ten to the Tourist toria and Vancouv grand camp has mittee to select meeting of the ca therhood is an camps or club ho British Columbia a Their grand camp. attle, and it was that no favoritism shown that the ne will be either Vic They ask the Tour they or the city a meeting place of temble, also to air ates from Alaska