

THE NEW BUILDINGS

Arrangements for the Opening Ceremonies to-Morrow Afternoon.

Volunteers, Regiments and Men From the Royal Navy Will Take Part.

With the boom of guns, the clash of cymbals and all the pomp and display that bright uniforms, pretty gowns and ancient customs lend to an affair of state, the new parliament buildings and the fourth and last session of the seventh parliament of British Columbia will be formally opened to-morrow by Hon. T. R. McInnes, Lieutenant-Governor of the province.

The programme prepared by Mr. Speaker Higgins follows: Mr. Speaker will take the chair at 3 p.m. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and staff will be received with the National Anthem by the Fifth Regiment band and choir; speech from the throne; anthem, "On the Sea," by the Arion club. The National Anthem will be sung by the Arion club as His Honor and staff withdraw. Prayer by the Lord Bishop of Columbia; anthem, "The Maple Leaf Forever," by the Arion club; pro forma motions and business; motion to adjourn; closing prayer by Rt. Rev. Bishop Criddle; "Rule Britannia," by the choir; "God Save the Queen."

The Speaker will take the chair promptly at 3 o'clock and any seats not occupied may be taken by those present who have not secured seats. The ex-Speakers, Hon. J. S. Helmecken, Frederick Williams and J. A. Mara will have seats beside Mr. Speaker Higgins, and on the floor surrounding the throne will be seated the ladies of the vice-regal party, the judges and clergy. The members of the law society will attend in a body attired in wigs and gowns.

A guard of honor from the Victoria and Mainland battalions, Fifth Regiment, will be drawn up in front of the buildings, while at the east of them will be a second guard of honor composed of blue-jackets. On either side of the entrance men from the I.L.M.A. will be drawn up, while a body of red-coated marines will be stationed in the lobby at the entrance to the legislative hall. The city police will also parade. A salute of fifteen guns will be fired by a gun squad from the Fifth Regiment.

In the evening the buildings will be thrown open to the public, and when brilliantly lighted with hundreds of electric globes will be a sight worth going miles to see. There will be an exhibition of a historical character showing the advances made in various branches, including old papers, books, maps, photographs, paintings, charts and subjects of sports. The museum will be kept open and in the agricultural department there will be an agricultural and botanical exhibition, in connection with the Fifth Regiment band will give life to the event.

At Government House an official dinner will be given in the evening. It should be understood that it is not necessary to present the souvenir invitations to obtain admittance.

LAW INTELLIGENCE

The Full court sat this morning to deliver judgments. The Chief Justice and Justices Walker and Drake were on the bench. As Mr. Justice Irving is in Vancouver his judgments were read by the Chief Justice.

Esquimaux & Nanaimo Ry. Co. v. New Vancouver Coal Co. The Chief Justice, Justice Walker and Justice Irving were of opinion that the plaintiffs were entitled to the inspection of the defendant's workings, but the terms on which the inspection would be made would be raised so that the defendant's interests would be better safeguarded. The parties would be given one week to arrive at terms on which the inspection should be made, and if they could not then agree the court would settle it. He said the court was inclined to grant the request and grant in support of Mr. Hunter showing that inspection is only granted when necessary to forward the plaintiff's case but from the special circumstances of their case they thought this inspection was warranted without any further delay on either side the evidence might be entirely lost and destroyed such as by the accidental flooding of the mine unless the inspection is made at once. Every precaution should be taken so that no injury would result to the defendants. If the Protection Island shaft is open the court suggested the inspection should be made from that way. C. E. Pooley, Q.C., and L. P. Duff for plaintiffs, and H. D. Helmecken, Q.C., and Gordon Hunter for defendants.

Re Quai Shing. As a result of the appeal all parties pay their costs of the court below and of the appeal and the Refugee Home will keep the Chinese child. Justice Davis dissented, holding that Seid Sing Kow had no legal right to the custody of the child and that consulting its best interests it should be left with the Refugee Home people. Chief Justice Davis dissented, holding that Seid Sing Kow had the legal right to the custody and that the child should not be put amongst, to it, aliens.

Lang v. Victoria. Justices Drake and Irving agreed that the defendants' appeal should be dismissed as the defendant's refusal to sign judgment in accordance with the verdict. The Chief Justice dissented, holding that the appeal should be allowed. Appeal dismissed with costs. R. Cassidy for appellants (defendants) and D. G. Macdonald for plaintiffs. In Pope vs. Cole, the Full court delivered judgment yesterday, allowing with costs the plaintiff's appeal. The plaintiff sued for the return of \$5,250.00 being the amount of money paid defendant for a claim known as the Eldorado, situate near Rossland. It turned out that no such claim was in existence, the posts being on other claims. Mr. Justice McColl dismissed the action, holding that there was no misrepresentation and no covenant for title. In allowing the appeal

the Court said in its opinion there was decided misrepresentation. Herbert Robertson for appellants and L. J. Duff for respondent.

LOCAL NEWS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

From Tuesday's Daily. —The United States government are about to establish a consulate at Chemainus. The new consulate will be opened on March 1st with Captain J. S. Gibson as consul.

—William Bayliss, Galliano Island, given in charge for stealing sixty milk skins and two other skins, was brought before Mayor Bates at Nanaimo, on Saturday afternoon and committed for trial.

—On view in the Board of Trade reading room is a splendid collection of photographs of the Yukon country and along the routes leading thereto. The photos were taken by Mr. William Ogilvie, the explorer.

—Charles Gunnison was this morning sentenced by Magistrate Macrae to one month in jail and bound over to keep the peace for assaulting Constable Carroll. Gunnison was drunk and the constable drew him home, for which kindly act Gunnison struck a nail on him, but fortunately could not use it.

—The report brought by the steamer City of Seattle that Mrs. Rowan, wife of the murdered deputy marshal at Skagway, was dying from the effect of the shock she received when told of the death of her husband, is denied by later arrivals from the north. Up to the time the Tees left her death had not been reported.

—The manager of the British Columbia Sugar Refinery, Vancouver, was this morning convicted by Magistrate Macrae of carrying on a business as a wholesale trader without taking out a license. A fine of \$25 was imposed and the company was ordered to pay \$50 for a license for six months. The company will appeal.

—The seamen and firemen of the C. P. N. Co.'s fleet are still firm in their demands for an increase rate of pay, and this afternoon many of those employed on the two vessels just arrived from the north, the Tees and Willapa, joined the striking crowd. The Danube when she sailed last night had a new crew, the places of those who struck being taken by Chinese.

—The winter roads over the Dyea and Skagway passes are now in splendid condition for travelling, horses being able to draw three heavily loaded sleighs, over the divide. A severe wind and snow storm, however, interfered considerably with travel last week, it being too cold to cross. Several men caught out on the trail were badly frozen. From Wrangell are moving up the Stikine every day.

—The steamer City of Kingston this morning brought from Seattle ninety-three passengers, the majority of which are bound for Klondike and are here to purchase their outfits. They came right through Seattle, being of that vast horde now coming westward who know the truth about the situation, having learned from those who have had experience that money can be saved by coming to Victoria. Much good is being done by the special Klondike issue of the Times and the band of trade pamphlets, thousands of which have been circulated by the Northern Pacific railway.

—H.M.S. Egeria, the survey ship, commissioned for service on this station, arrived at Esquimaux this morning, having sailed at San Diego and San Francisco on her way north. The Egeria is a vessel of 940 tons, carries four guns and 125 crew and men. The strength of her engines is estimated at 700 horse-power. Following is a list of her officers: Commander, Morris H. Smyth; lieutenants, Henry B. T. Somerville, Frederick C. Learmonth, Frederick H. Walter; sub-lieutenants, Percival Grant, Horace C. Watson, Geoffrey B. S. Simpson; paymaster, Robert F. C. Eames; surgeon, James Bradley, and engineer, Edward J. Campbell.

—Mrs. Rosalie Marcotte, a highly respected resident of South Saanich district, died yesterday, aged 54 years.

—Charles W. Bath and Miss Olive Askew, of this city, were married in Nelson yesterday. Rev. J. Easton officiated.

—Mr. W. Jackson and Miss Mary Porter, two members of the local Salvation Army, were married last night by Brigadier Howell of Spokane and Adjutant Agnes of Vancouver. The hall was crowded with spectators, the majority of whom remained to the wedding supper which followed the ceremony.

—The Mr. H. Maitland-Kersey, promoter of the Canadian Development Co., arrived from the east last evening, and will immediately open offices in Victoria. The company already have under construction seven river steamers to run on the Stikine and from Teslin lake to Dawson City, and seven more will be built. The company are also erecting a sawmill on Teslin lake.

—James G. Bennett, the San Franciscan who was arrested here some time ago for attempted wife-murder, and who fought against extradition and also tried to escape from Warden John White, being taken to the provincial jail from the court house, has been found guilty by the San Francisco courts of assault with a deadly weapon. He has as yet not been sentenced.

—General Booth of the Salvation Army will visit Victoria on March 8th, remaining here but one day, on the evening of which he will address a public meeting in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The General is to be accompanied on his visit to the coast by his daughter, Commandant Eva Booth, "Commandant" Nicol and "Colonel" Dowler. He will go to Vancouver from Victoria, and after a short stay there to Spokane.

—Magistrate Macrae this afternoon imposed a sentence on Peter Neilson, who stole a fur coat, and pointed a revolver at a woman of the town and Detective Perdue, that will tend to keep such men away from Victoria. Neilson was sentenced to twelve months for stealing the

coat and thirty days for pointing a revolver at the woman. The charge of pointing a revolver at the detective was withdrawn. Neilson's partner, Lawrence Daly, was sentenced to thirty days for carrying a concealed weapon.

JUBILEE HOSPITAL.

Monthly Reports Received at the Directors' Meeting Last Evening.

Dr. Hassel's monthly report, read at last evening's meeting of the Jubilee hospital directors, showed that the average number of patients in the hospital last week was 32.45, and the cost of maintenance \$1.31. The steward reported that he had received from Mr. Jay a number of fruit trees which were being planted in the hospital grounds; the nation reported that Miss Parson, of Vancouver, had passed her examination and was entitled to a diploma. Mr. Hayward stated that over ninety dollars had been received from the French hospital for J. Anderson's account.

Messrs. Henderson Bros. protested against other druggists being consulted for supplies, which they were supplying the hospital under contract. It was found that Dr. Hassel only referred to the druggists for catalogues and price lists.

—Doubtless as follows were thankfully acknowledged: Two "screens" for men's ward; pillow cases and sheets, from Cowichan friends; perfume, from a young girl, Mrs. Wilson; dressing gown, Miss Saunders; and reading matter, Geb. Brynes and Mrs. Burton. In addition to the above the board also expressed its gratitude for the following gifts: Overlook, from the British Columbia sailing club; Holly and evergreens, Sir Henry P. W. Crease, Mrs. T. R. Smith and Mrs. P. W. Oliver. The regular monthly accounts totalling \$1,852.31, were ordered paid.

THE TESLIN RAILWAY.

A. L. Poudrier Engaged As Surveyor by Mackenzie & Mann.

Says the Spokane Spokesman-Review: Dominion Land Surveyor Poudrier had a telephone conversation with Mr. Mann of the firm of Mackenzie & Mann, who have the contract from the Canadian government for the building of the railroad from Telegraph creek to Teslin Lake. He stated that Captain Armstrong had returned to Wrangell after an unsuccessful attempt to take a band of horses up the Stikine on the ice. He encountered large ice floes, and snow drifts so deep that the ice was weighed down and water had overflowed and made the route impassable. Captain Armstrong was taking his horses in to establish a pack trail between Telegraph creek and Teslin lake.

Mr. Poudrier has been employed by Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann for the summer. Mr. Mann directed him to hold himself in readiness to start at any time the word might be given. He said they were preparing to send 300 teams and a complete grading outfit up the Stikine. They will travel over the ice where that is possible, and where the ice is overflooded will build roads on the bank. When this route has been broken they will run a semi-weekly sleigh line for their own convenience, but not for the public. It is expected that navigation will open on the Stikine about the middle of April.

CAPTAIN WALBRAN'S WORK.

The Important Services of the Quaden's Commander Warmly Praised.

The following high encomium, passed by Captain Morris H. Smyth, H.M.S. Egeria, in an interview yesterday, upon an officer who has done most valuable service on this coast since he came to command the Dominion government steamer Quaden, will be appreciated by the mariners and the public of the coast cities of British Columbia: "The work done by Captain Walbran of the Canadian government steamer Quaden, in recent years, as regards your coast line, has been, as far as I can learn, of great value to mariners, and has not been able to follow out what he was guided to a certain extent in our movements to the coast, which he has obtained. In fact, through his discoveries he has made recently of dangerous shoals and reefs, the Imperial government was almost directly led to take its present form. However, Captain Walbran, owing to his other work, has not been able to follow out this work as thoroughly as he would wish, and our aim will be to take it up where he left off and make it more complete."

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

ATHLETICS.

J.B.A.A. Office-Bearers.

The officers elected by the J.B.A.A. last night to look after that society's interests for the ensuing year were as follows: President, H. D. Helmecken, Q.C.; Vice-president, Mr. E. G. Gossnell, Q.C.; Secretary-treasurer, A. J. Dallain, (re-elected). The following committees were also appointed: The committee, C. Fletcher, W. L. B. Young, B. E. Gossnell, A. C. Anderson and C. W. Newbury; boating committee, D. O'Sullivan, W. I. Scott, F. A. Gowen E. Cave, P. J. Bailey; basketball committee, A. C. Anderson, W. L. B. Young and C. E. Bailey; wrist tournament committee, A. C. Anderson, R. E. Gossnell and C. E. Bailey; finance committee, D. Sullivan, C. Fletcher and C. W. Newbury.

LACROSSE.

Victoria Club Smoker.

The Victoria Lacrosse Club held a smoking concert at the Hotel Victoria last evening. Among those who contributed to the programme were: A. McLaren, C. A. Lombard, W. J. Caye, A. E. Cave, P. J. Bailey, G. S. Williams, Ronson and others. The hall was prettily decorated with lacrosse sticks by "Prof." Foster.

WITH THE HOUNDS.

A Meet on Saturday.

A meet of the Victoria Hunt Club will be held on Saturday afternoon at Mr. Fisher's Mechnan. A steamer will leave Spratt's wharf at 11:30 a.m., conveying horses and riders to the scene of the meet.

SHIPPING NEWS.

Happenings of the Day Along the Water Front.

The steamer Tees sailed about midnight for Skagway, Dyea and other ports of Alaska carrying another large freight cargo and many passengers. A party representing the Victoria-Yukon Company took up with them 24 horses stalled on her decks. This party is taking up a large quantity of provisions and will push through at once to Leik Bennett, where they intend to erect two sawmills. Mr. D. Dallas, who until recently, was a teacher in Victoria, was a member of the party. Other Victorians who went up on the Tees were Captain Clarence Cox, who will make the round trip; A. H. Hawkins, T. Dwyer, E. G. White, and F. Holland. The other passengers were nearly all Americans who outfitted here. The Tees took out a new crew, the old hands, both seamen and firemen, having joined the strikers.

R. M. S. Empress of China arrived in quarantine about noon, and after discharging passengers and mails for Victoria, proceeded to Vancouver. She was delayed by bad weather just after leaving Yokohama, and when she was at the straits, the Empress brought but one first-class passenger to this city, Mr. L. Weiler, a nephew of Mr. John Weiler, of this city. She had 36 Chinese and several intermediate passengers for the north. While at Hong Kong the Empress of China was questioned by the British government to be ready to receive her armament, but the next day the order was countermanded, the war scare of a day having passed away.

Mr. Collister, inspector of the steamer, to-day made an inspection of the hulls of the Colquhoun, and found that she was not as badly damaged as at first supposed, although her keel is twisted and a number of plates are sprung. The Albion Iron Works Co. have a gang of men repairing her.

There are between fifty and one hundred passengers and their outfits waiting to go north on the steamer Cleveland, due from the Sound to-night, and on the City of Seattle, which passes up in the morning.

H.M.S. Egeria is to be thoroughly overhauled before she commences her survey of the British Columbia coast. She will not be ready for service until April 1st.

HEINZE'S PRIVATE SECRETARY.

Tells a Different Story of the Recent Sale to the C. P. R.

The Anacostis Standard has an interview with Carl Heinze, private secretary to F. August Heinze, in which he states the terms of the sale of the recent holdings of F. August Heinze in West Kootenay to the Canadian Pacific Railway. All the dispatches from Ottawa and Montreal have conveyed the information that the purchase price was \$800,000. It was stated that Mr. Heinze wanted \$1,250,000, but accepted the lower figure when he found that the Canadian Pacific really meant to parallel his bid. Mr. Warfield, however, says that the larger sum was paid and that Mr. Heinze retains important holdings in the Trail district still. Following is the Standard's story:

Former County Treasurer Carlos Warfield, who has been absent from Butte the greater part of the time for a year, returning to the city, has been interested at Ottawa, returned to Butte yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Warfield. Mr. Warfield confirms the report of the sale by Mr. Heinze of the Columbia & Western railway from Rossland to Robson in the valley of the Columbia river. He also reserves his mineral claims and townships, which constitute another very large interest.

It is the Canadian Pacific's intention, upon assuming control of the properties, to broaden the gauge of the road, which is at present a narrow gauge, and to connect the line with the present smelting plant. A freight and treatment rate of \$8 will be made from Rossland to Trail, which is 50 cents lower than the previous rates. It is also expected, Mr. Warfield states, in her hand a face, and that face her own at 17 years old! Her heart almost stopped beating. Then the door opened, and Sir John came out.

RICH ORE FROM FERN MINE.

Last Shipment Goes Over \$150 in Gold Per Ton.

F. C. Jones, manager of the Fern mine, in the Nelson district, British Columbia, returned last evening from a trip to the property, says the Spokane Spokesman-Review. "We have just received returns on the last car of ore," he said. "You may remember that the last shipment I told you about ran 3.76 ounces of gold per ton. This runs more than double that quantity, averaging 7.51 ounces per ton, and yielding a net return of \$3200 for the car. We have two feet of ore from which the car was shipped, and six feet of low grade ore in the same vein. Shipments are made to the Nelson smelter. We are installing an electric lighting plant."

COURAGE.

It is not that they never knew weakness or fear who are the brave; those are the proud, the knightly few whose joy is still to serve and save.

But they who, in the weary night, amid the darkness and the stress, have struggled with disease and blight, with pitiful world-weariness;

They who have yearned to stand among the free and mighty of the earth, whose sweetest right is to forgive, whose sad, aspiring souls are wrung with starless hope and hollow mirth—

Who die with every day, yet live through mercies, unbrightened years, whose sweetest right is to forgive, and smile divinely through their tears;

They are the noble, they are the strong, they are the tried, the trusted ones, whose way is to serve and save—straight to the pitying God it runs.

The Beheaded Photo

It was afternoon tea-time at Elder Towers, not late enough for the lamps, but sufficiently dark to make the fire look very cheerful. Two armchairs were drawn up before it.

In one sat a pretty golden haired girl of about five and twenty, who was staying in the house; in the other was a dark, rather stout middle aged woman. She was talking while she stirred her tea slowly.

"Yes, Edith, you really must meet Mr. Everleigh. Mr. North says he is staying in the house; in the other was a dark, rather stout middle aged woman. She was talking while she stirred her tea slowly.

"It is very kind of you, Lady Elder," said Edith, with a faint smile, "and I should like to, as it would be interesting to see any one who has travelled so much. Besides the name seems familiar to me. I had some friends once who knew somebody of that name, I am sure."

The door opened and the butler announced: "Mrs. Morton."

She was the vicar's wife and had plenty to say to Lady Elder about parochial matters, so Edith Vernon having finished her tea, quietly withdrew to her room.

"Who was this Mr. Everleigh, and what did his name recall to her mind? Then it all came back to her. A happy time long ago, when she and her mother lived down in Somersetshire, at Rose Court. She was just 17 and her mother was not the invalid she became two years before her death.

Near Rose Court there was a farmhouse, and an old Miss Milton took it a summer and came, accompanied by her nephew, to enjoy the air. Jack Milton was leaving for coffee planting in Ceylon shortly, but not before he and his pretty neighbor had become very good friends. Edith remembered the hot one afternoon a travelling photographer had come round and photographed them as they made a group outside Rose Court.

She went to her desk and unlocked it and took out the photograph. The peculiarity of her own figure in the picture was that the head had been cut out. There was a little round hole left in the card. Jack had done it before he went away.

She had asked for the picture, and when Edith made excuse by saying she wanted a remembrance of Miss Milton he then begged to be allowed to have part of it, to which request she gave permission.

What was the head now, she wondered, and where was Jack? He used to send her messages through Miss Milton, and then that old lady died, and the Vertons left Rose Court, so now she did not know where he was. Nevertheless she was sure she had heard either Jack or his aunt some time or another mention Mr. Everleigh, and if so, why, there was no chance of hearing some news. The children in the neighborhood were all grown up, and he had met Mr. Everleigh that day and had asked him to come up to the Towers to shoot on Thursday and stay to dinner. He had accepted, and when the day came he did not come, and Gladstone had there were two officers stationed in the neighborhood; also young Morton and his tutor of the party.

She proposed to walk to Lanton, three miles off, in the afternoon to do some shopping. Lady Elder offered her the carriage, but she declined, saying she would enjoy the walk, as it was a cold, fresh day. She accordingly set out, did not wish even indirectly to interfere with the affairs of other nations until the stretch on Mr. Everleigh could give her news of Jack.

It was growing dark when she returned. The old butler told her, on her entrance, that tea was in the library and the gentlemen had all returned. She had just reached the door when she saw a speck of white at her feet.

Knowing Lady Elder was scrupulously tidy, she stooped to pick it up—only a piece of white card. She turned it over in her hand— a face, and that face her own at 17 years old! Her heart almost stopped beating. Then the door opened, and Sir John came out.

"What, Edith, my dear, you here? Had no tea? Come in. Go and entertain the young men. Do your duty, my dear." And with a laugh he passed her, leaving the door still open.

"Come in, Edith," called Lady Elder from the midst of a group gathered round the fire.

As she entered the young men rose. She knew three of them and only needed Mr. Everleigh and the tutor to be introduced to her.

"Miss Vernon, who is staying with me," said Lady Elder.

The tutor bowed. Mr. Everleigh was putting down his teacup, but turned his head as Lady Elder spoke.

"Somehow Edith felt he was connected with what she had discovered—the question was in what way? He bowed slightly; the room was rather dark; she did not see his face distinctly. Lady Elder rang for lights. In the meantime Edith took a seat offered to her by one of her military friends, who was trying to get up a conversation with her.

"Have you muffins, dear?" said Lady Elder, as she stooped to get them from the fire and gave them to Mr. Everleigh. He approached with the dish and stood before her. As she was raising the lamps were brought in. She raised her eyes and saw a face looking down at her— a face she knew, only older than when they last met. A long gaze and then— "Why, you're Jack!" she faltered. "And you're Edith!" he said.

And why are you Mr. Everleigh?

she asked. He sat down beside her, still holding the muffin dish, looking at her all the while. "Ah!" and he laughed, "because my godfather, Mr. Everleigh, left me his possessions on condition I should take his name. He was a cousin of my old aunt's, you know, and had no near relatives. But I haven't forgotten you and Rose Court, though it's so long ago, and I'll show you something, if you like. He opened his pocketbook, Lady Elder and the others looking on at what was happening in astonishment. "Why, it's gone!" he said. "Your head?"

Edith opened the hand and disclosed what it held. "I found it in the passage," she said, "and could not think how it had got there, but I thought somehow it had to do with Mr. Everleigh, because I thought Mr. Everleigh had to do with Jack!"

When Mr. Everleigh next went abroad, the other part of the photograph was in his pocketbook.

Edith Vernon had become Edith Everleigh.—Exchange.

INTERVENTION PROPOSED.

Senator Mason Wants Uncle Sam to Stop War in Cuba.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Senator Mason, of Illinois, has presented the following resolutions: "Resolved, That the president of the United States is authorized and is hereby requested to notify Spain and insurgents of Cuba that war (so-called) must at once cease and be discontinued, and that the United States of America hereby declare and will maintain peace on the island of Cuba."

The resolution was preceded by the following preamble: "Whereas, war between Spain and the insurgents of Cuba has continued until all Christendom is shocked by its barbarities and debauched and the Cubans in arms; the Spaniards as a war measure have burned the homes and driven women and children into fortified towns; where some of them have been starved, others murdered, and women and children have been abandoned and beyond the power of language to describe; daughters of the insurgent soldiers have been sold into houses of infamy, and boys of tender years have been shot as spies; under the form of civilized war, American citizens have been driven into towns and refused opportunity to work and left to starve as part of the Spanish war measure until we are compelled to take funds raised by the people of the United States, large sums of money to feed and clothe our citizens and return them to our country; and now that the Spanish war measure of concentration has ceased the concentrated are unfed and starving, naked and filthy; Spanish soldiers have spread death in among them and his country into our own country. Hundreds of thousands have perished in this way, and by this means, the unholy work of extermination goes on, the slaughter of the innocents and the inhabitants goes on; the flag of truce has been abandoned and extermination or independence of the insurgents must be the final outcome. People of the United States are sending money and food and clothing to Cuba to aid the dying, which ought to be furnished by Spain by reason that the concentrated are legitimate wards of Spain, having been put in their present condition by a Spanish war measure, their care would devolve upon Spain and would be so regarded by every civilized nation in the world; under the present charity seeking of the administration, the charitably disposed citizens of the United States cannot contribute money, medicine, food or clothing to insurgents in the field or hospitals and their attempt be made to do so, it may be prevented by the government of the United States; all the parties declared before the election for the independence of Cuba; the people of the United States do not seek to acquire territory, but they seek to gain advantage in any way, directly or indirectly, of any nation by reason of this barbarian called war; they do not complain of our loss of trade with Cuba and are patiently borne the assault on the health of the people by the fifth of Spanish rule in Cuba; they seek no redress for the loss of business, health or money; they have patiently waited, not wishing even indirectly to interfere with the affairs of other nations until the stretch on Mr. Everleigh could give her news of Jack.

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"Have you muffins, dear?" said Lady Elder, as she stooped to get them from the fire and gave them to Mr. Everleigh. He approached with the dish and stood before her. As she was raising the lamps were brought in. She raised her eyes and saw a face looking down at her— a face she knew, only older than when they last met. A long gaze and then— "Why, you're Jack!" she faltered. "And you're Edith!" he said.

It was growing dark when she returned. The old butler told her, on her entrance, that tea was in the library and the gentlemen had all returned. She had just reached the door when she saw a speck of white at her feet.

Knowing Lady Elder was scrupulously tidy, she stooped to pick it up—only a piece of white card. She turned it over in her hand— a face, and that face her own at 17 years old! Her heart almost stopped beating. Then the door opened, and Sir John came out.

"What, Edith, my dear, you here? Had no tea? Come in. Go