ASSASSIN'S TRIAL COMMENCED TO-DAY

BUFFALO COURT ROOM GUARDED BY POLICE

Czolgosz Pleaded Guilty, but Plea of Not Guilty Was Entered on His Behalf.

Buffalo, Sept. 23.—The trial of Leon F. Czolgosz, for the murder of President McKinley began at 10 o'clock this morning. Promptly at 10 o'clock Justice White took his place on the bench, and court convened. The clerk began calling the names of the first panel of jurors called. Very few of what is termed "the general public" were spectators at the opening of the case to-day.

Czolgosz, with his counsel, occupied seats directly in front of the judge's bench. The prisoner's chair rested just back of that of Judge Titus, and there were plenty of policemen near for the protection of the court and the officials from any untoward action on his part. Deputy sheriffs, with their mahogany staves of office, were placed at various points in the room, and quiet was enforced on all.

Spectators' seats were filled very slowly owing to the extreme care shown by officers in the corridors about admitting those who applied, and it was not until "court" was announced that the last one was occupied.

District Attorney Penney read the charge against Czolgosz at 10.30 and asked the prisoner how he pleaded.

"Guilty," responded Czolgosz, in a low tone. Judge Lewis arose, and addressing the court, stated that according to law this plea could not be accepted, and on behalf of the prisoner asked that a plea of not guilty be entered. The trial then proceeded.

At the conclusion of the morning session eight jurors had been secured, and there was every indication that in spite of the short hours of sitting (10 to 12 and 2 to 4), as decided upon by the court at the instigation of the counsel for the defense, the entire list of jurymen would be completed before the adjournment to-day.

No Poison Used.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 22.—The most important development in the Czolgosz case to-day was the announcement that no poison had been found on the bullets of the revolver with which the Anarchist killed President McKinley. Chemical and bacteriological examinations were made, and both revealed the fact that no poisons were used by the murderer.

Anarchists to Go Free.

Chicago, Sept. 23.—The Anarchists under arrest here are to go free. In the hearing before Judge Chetlain to-day the prosecution said there was no evidence against them, and agreed to their discharge. Similar action will be taken in the case of Emma Goldman in the Lower court.

Trouble Threatened.

Spring Valley, Ill., Sept. 22.—Twenty Anarchists, armed with double-barrelled shotguns and 1,000 rounds of ammunition, are standing guard over the office of L'Aurore, the notorious Anarchist publication, which expressed joy at the murder of President McKinley and satisfaction over the announcement of assassin Czolgosz that he was an Anarchist.

Meanwhile fully 2,000 citizens of adjoining towns have sent word to the authorities here that they are ready and extremely anxious to start at a moment's notice for this city and assist in exterminating the "reds." To-morrow a committee will wait on General Manager Dalzell, of the Spring Valley Coal Co., who resides in Chicago, and insist that he discharge every known Anarchist in his employ. The Anarchists and their sympathizers number fully 500.

The Anarchists threaten to hold a mass meeting to-morrow evening. If they persist in this plan a riot is almost certain to ensue, and there can be but one ending, for the patriotic citizens here will be reinforced by outsiders, who will come prepared for business.

Mrs. M. E. Hitchcock, of Atlin, was a passenger from Vancouver by the Charmer last night, having come down from the North by the steamer Hating.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY A GREAT FAVORITE.

The soothing and healing properties of this remedy, its pleasant taste and prompt and permanent cures have made it a great favorite with people everywhere. It is especially prized by mothers of small children for colds, croup and whooping cough, as it always affords quick relief, and as it contains no opium or other harmful drug, it may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

WHOLESALE MARKET.

The following quotations are Victoria wholesale prices paid for farm produce this week:

Potatoes (Island), per ton ....$	22.50
Onions, per lb.	1½
Carrots, per 100 lbs.	1.25
Parsnips, per 100 lbs.	1.50
Cabbage, per 100 lbs.	1.25
Butter (creamery), per lb.	22½
Butter (dairy), per lb.	18
Eggs (ranch), per doz.	27
Chickens, per doz.	5.00@ 7.00
Ducks, per doz.	6.00@ 8.00
Apples, per box	1.25
Hay, per ton	10.00
Oats, per ton	32.00
Barley, per ton	26.00
Beef, per lb.	8@ 9
Mutton, per lb.	8@ 9
Pork, per lb.	9
Veal, per lb.	10

F. R. STEWART & CO.,
WHOLESALE FRUIT AND PROVISION MERCHANTS
40 YATES ST., VICTORIA.

DAIRY INSTRUCTION COMMENCED TO-DAY

STUDENTS ARE TO BE TAUGHT BUTTER-MAKING

Initial Session in the City Hall—Applications Coming In—J. A. Ruddick Leaves To-Night.

This morning at 9.30 a.m. the travelling dairy class which will make a systematic tour of the province, stopping at all central points, giving instructions in the art of making butter and handling milk, opened for the first time in the council chambers of the city hall. Machinery of every description needed in testing and separating milk from cream, also in making butter, has been provided, and the students will be put through a thorough course of dairying from the testing of milk right up to the making of the butter.

This morning there were three or four students anxious to be instructed in what is undoubtedly a very interesting art. J. E. Hopkins will superintend the operations, and intending students can have every confidence in his experience and knowledge of what he is teaching, for his connection with the dairying business dates back for many years. In fact he may be called a veteran at the business, as he has at one time occupied the responsible position of superintendent of the dairying in the Maritime Provinces. C. W. McDougal, the instructor, is no less efficient. He has graduated both from the dairying school of the O. A. C. at Guelph, Ontario, and from the school at Madison, Wisconsin, and also has had several years experience as a creamery manager.

The first drill the new student will be put through on going to the class of instruction is the running of the cream separatess. The principles of this very important part of dairying are explained as the operation is gone through. This is followed by showing the student the method of handling the cream either for butter making, for direct consumption, or for sending to the creamery. Two separators of the most modern type have been purchased. One of these is the well known De Laval machine, and the other is the Melotte separator. The former was purchased at Winnipeg, while the latter was bought new in the city. In this connection it might be stated that all the machinery with the exception of the separator brought from Winnipeg were procured in Victoria.

After the pupil has thoroughly mastered the principles of running the separator a Babcock tester will be brought into use. The skimmed milk will be tested, and the cream will undergo the same operation. This is done, as explained by Mr. Ruddick, so that the student should know whether in separating the milk he had recovered all the fat, and also how much fat he had in the cream.

The next operation is the churning for the butter, and for this purpose two new first class churners have been provided. The butter will be put into the most attractive shape possible. It will be stamped as the ordinary squares are, and will be put in papers bearing the print of the Dominion government. Some attention will also be paid to the production of butter in the way of short talks on feeding and handling of cows, etc. Brief lectures will be given the pupils by the instructors during the course of study, and every effort will be made to turn the student into a thoroughly efficient and practical dairyman.

In former traveling dairy classes, explained Mr. J. E. Ruddick, chief of the dairy division of the commissioner's branch of the department of agriculture, the student had not been required to do anything but watch the instructors perform the work. On this occasion, he said, this would be changed, the students being required to do all the work under the supervision and instruction of the teachers. This will make the pupil not only able to explain and understand the business in theory, but able to practically perform the various operations.

No public lectures will be given on dairying in this city, but the instructors will give addresses at the Saanich fair on Saturday, and, according to Mr. Ruddick, will also give speeches on the same subject at the Victoria exhibition if desired. Mr. Ruddick reports that requests from the people wishing to enter classes are being received in large numbers. He expects a class in Victoria of about 12 persons, while at Comox he anticipates an exceptionally large number of entries.

Comox, as has been mentioned, will be the next point after Victoria at which a stop will be made. A public meeting will be held there the first day. New Westminster will be the next place, and here also a public meeting will be held at which speeches will be delivered on dairy matters. Enderby will be the last point, and classes of instruction will be held there from October 28th until November 2nd.

Mr. Ruddick, in conversation this morning, stated that he wished it explained that the giving of dairying instruction was not at all antagonistic to the creameries. Some had an idea that the giving of instruction on dairying was a move against the creameries. This was not so; in fact it was exactly the opposite. In instructing people how to separate the cream from the milk ready to send to the creameries the creameries were being helped. The continuation of the course from the separating to the actual making of the butter, he said, could not be termed as a move against the creameries. Mr. Ruddick says that he is much in favor of the establishment of creameries at all convenient points in the province, and he himself was in charge of a party interested in these matters who made a tour of the province and established creameries at several points a short time ago.

Mr. Ruddick says that the present is a bad time to commence operations in Victoria on account of the near approach of the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall, and the consequent many other attractions. He expects, however, to have a very good class at every point called at.

Prof. Ruddick leaves to-night and will visit a number of up country points before returning to New Westminster.

TRIAL BEGINS TO-DAY.

Czolgosz Will Appear Before Justice White in Supreme Court, Buffalo.

Buffalo, N. Y, Sept. 21.—Leon F. Czolgosz, whose trial for the assassination of President McKinley will begin next Monday, was examined as to his sanity or insanity, for one hour this afternoon by Dr. Charles F. McDonald, of New York, an eminent alienist, who was for years the chairman of the state board of lunacy commissioners.

The prisoner's counsel, Loran Lewis and Robert G. Titus, were present at different times during the examination.

Dr. McDonald declines to discuss the case, and the attorneys would not express their opinion as to the assassin's mental condition, although the inference drawn from their answers was that they believe Czolgosz to be sane.

District Attorney Penny says that he has had no intimation that the defence will not be ready to proceed with the trial on Monday morning. It will be held before Justice Truman C. White, in the Supreme court.

Extensive preparations are being made to handle the crowds which are expected. One-third of the court room will be given up to the participants in the trial and newspaper men. When the remainder of the court room is filled, the doors will be shut and the city hall entry cleared.

CRICKET AT PHILADELPHIA.

The English Players Resumed Their Inning To-day.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 21.—The cricket match begun yesterday at Wissahocken heights between Capt. Bosanquet's English team and the Philadelphia "Colts," was resumed to-day under more favorable circumstances. The wicket was fair and favored the batsmen. E. R. Wilson and A. R. Priestly, the first of the English batsmen who were not out when stumps were drawn yesterday, resumed.

At the close of yesterday's play the Colts had scored 173 runs all out, and the Englishmen had five runs for no wickets.

When play was adjourned for lunch the Englishmen had scored 91 runs for six wickets.

HORSELESS CARRIAGE.

W. M. Le Poer Trench Received One From San Francisco This Morning.

A horseless carriage arrived in Victoria to-day, the one ordered by W. M. Le Poer Trench, of Saanich, having reached the city. It is understood to have cost the purchaser in the neighborhood of $1,000.

Properly speaking Mr. Trench's carriage is not an automobile, but a locomobile. The difference is that his machine is run by steam, and has the same principles as a steam engine, while the automobile derives its motive power from gasoline. It was taken to the Victoria Transfer Stables, and many people gathered around to have a look at the new machine.

It has accommodation for two, has four wheels, and is in every way similar to an ordinary carriage with the exception that there are no shafts for the horses, and that there is some space given to the engines, making it seem rather large. The rate of speed which can be attained by the machine is 45 miles an hour. It was built by a locomobile company of Connecticut, and was sent by the agency at San Francisco to Mr. Trench.

SHIPMENTS FROM THE TYEE.

A member of the staff of Henry Croft's office to-day stated that the ore shipped from the Tyee mine at Mount Sicker would, he understood, in all probability be handled over the Lenora railway. The first shipment of ore was taken from the Tyee in wagons to the line, and from there on the trucks to the bay.

When the Tyee begins to make regular and large shipments to the Tacoma smelter it is believed that the present railway will be extended by mutual agreement between the Lenora Company and the Tyee people to the Tyee mine, and that the rolling stock will be increased and the ore of the Tyee handled in the same way as the Lenora. The new engine which the Lenora Company, brought out from the East for the purpose of working on the line from the mine to the bay, and which at first did not run well, is now in first class order, and the Lenora mine is making daily shipments larger than ever before, sending to Tacoma smelter a little less than 100 tons daily.

STATES AND CUBA.

Reciprocity Agreement Will Be Submitted to Congress in December.

Washington, Sept. 23.—As a result of several conferences between President Roosevelt and Gen. Wood, governor-general of Cuba, it has been determined to negotiate a reciprocity agreement between the United States and the Island. The agreement is to be sent to congress early in December. Cereals and machinery from the United States will enter Cuba at reduced rates, and sugar and tobacco will be the principal Cuban products affected by the agreement.

CHINESE VICEROYS RESIGN.

Protest Against the Action of Anti-Foreign Conservatives.

Hongkong, Sept. 20.—Viceroy Tao Mu, of the provinces of Kwang Tung and Kwang Si, and Viceroy Liu Kun Yi, of the provinces of Kiang Si and Kiang Su, have forwarded their resignations to Sian Fu, accompanied by a protest against the usurpation of power by the anti-foreign Conservatives.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

St. John, N. B., Sept. 21.—Roland Prickles, of Springfield, King's county, while hunting yesterday afternoon met a tragic death. He had placed his gun down when it accidentally discharged, and the bullet entered his body. He struggled out of the woods, met some ladies, asked them for a drink of water, and as he received it he fell dead.

Dr. Hanington and wife arrived from the East this morning. The doctor has been away attending a medical convention in the East.

PASSENGERS MAKE STRONG PROTEST

CLAIM WERE MISLED ABOUT COMING HERE

Waited Over at Skagway, Thinking They Could Come Direct to Victoria, but were Disappointed.

Many of the passengers of the Hating who were bound for Victoria and Sound ports were disappointed that the steamer did not come to Victoria on Saturday. So desirous were they of doing so that a requisition was presented to the officials of the C. P. N. Co. in Vancouver, but the latter refused to comply with it.

One passenger who came down on the Charmer on Sunday evening said that several of those bound for Victoria had always shown their loyalty to the C. P. N. Company, and the result of such treatment as they received at the hands of the company would simply mean that in future their patronage would be extended to the Pacific Coast Steamship Company; that they would not only travel by the steamer of this line, but that all their freight would be shipped this way. In order to come south, he says, some of the passengers had waited over in Skagway several days and incurred hotel bills ranging from $10 to $15, when they could have made the trip without this extra expense on one of the Sound liners. He greatly regretted that they had misunderstood the plans of the steamer prior to her sailing. They had read in the northern papers, he says, the announcement that the steamer was sailing for this city, otherwise they would certainly have embarked on some other steamer, not that they have any ill-feeling against the Terminal city, but simply that they were opposed to making unnecessary charges. Of course, the passenger pointed out, this thing of all landing in Vancouver is very injurious to this city, and Victoria cannot hope to secure her fair share of the Klondike gold so long as this kind of treatment is given her by the one steamship service which she stands so loyally by. The requisition presented to the company is as follows:

To the Management of the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company:

We, the undersigned passengers on board the steamer Hating, are desirous of reaching Victoria, our place of destination, on Saturday, the 21st instant. We now learn that if we do not arrive in time to connect with the steamer Charmer at Vancouver on Saturday another day's delay will occur.

In view of this occurring, we ask you to consider the advisability of allowing the steamer Hating to proceed to Victoria. Many of us shipped on the steamer Hating fully believing that she went direct to Victoria, as announced through the papers a few days ago, and some of us waited for some days in Skagway in order to catch the Hating.

Hoping you will kindly grant this request.

O. C. Hirschfield, G. L. Milne, E. W. J. Goodwin, Alfred James Thomas, Miss Mary Martin, Mrs. Townsend, Marquereto Merington, Mary E. Hitchcock, L. Merrinite, James Chalmers, K. C. Burke, H. G. Wilson, Geo. Adamson, Mrs. T. C. Hubbard, Edward Davis, James Colvin, Wm. Thompson, E. A. Jenns, E. H. Dean, Mrs. W. F. George, Howard George, Marrian George, C. J. S. Spratt, Florence L. Webb, G. A. Lovering, S. F. James and wife, R. A. Baw and wife, John Gerrard, Percy H. Palmer, F. Samson, John Rollo, K. G. Campbell, Andw. Davis, W. H. Scarth, Charles L. Hall, R. Sproule, Mrs. E. Cuveller.

In reference to the above Mrs. Hitchcock, one of the passengers, said that she had seen Geo. McL. Brown, executive officer of the C. P. N., this morning, who told her that the Hating could not possibly come down to Victoria as there was a strike on down here, and it would have cost the company $200 extra. Mrs. Hitchcock says she is having a lot of trouble in getting her baggage transferred, but the company treated the passengers handsomely on the trip south.

RETURNING BISHOPS.

London, Sept. 20.—The Anchor line steamer Ethiopia, which sailed from Glasgow yesterday for New York, took among her passengers the following bishops: J. W. Alstork, Montgomery, Ala.; E. Cottrell, Holly Springs, Miss.; C. R. Harris, Salisbury, N. C.; T. H. Lomax, Charlotte, N. C.; J. B. Small, York, Pa.; G. W. Clinton, Charlotte, N. C.; A. Walters, Jersey City, N. J.; and R. S. Williams, Augusta, Ga. She also had on board twenty-five Methodist ministers.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Vancouver, Sept. 21.—F. W. Peters, general freight agent, to-day confirmed the statement that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company intended to put on a steamer between here and Seattle, although it is not yet settled whether it will be the Yosemite or another vessel.

Walker Bradley was arrested this morning charged with stealing money and goods from the Bloomfield restaurant.

LEGAL NEWS.

In Chambers this morning before Mr. Justice Drake the following cases were disposed of:

Eberts et al vs. Manly—Application for a judgment under order xix. Stood over until the 27th.

Mitchell vs. Comstock Mines—Order made dismissing action.

Re John Macdonald, application for letters of administration. Stood over.

WHEN BABY HAD SCALD HEAD—WHEN MOTHER HAD SALT RHEUM—WHEN FATHER HAD PILES.—Dr. Agnew's Ointment gave the quickest relief and surest cure. These are gems of truth picked from testimony which is given every day to this greatest of healers. It has never been matched in curative qualities in Eczema, Tetter, Piles, etc. 35 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and all & Co.—103.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

All doubt about the fate of the steamer Hudson was removed when the steamer J. C. Ford landed at Sault Ste Marie, Mich., on Saturday with the body of Spearman G. Brooks, one of the Hudson's wheelmen aboard.

A revolution has been declared in the southern part of the state of Matto Grosso, near the frontier of Paraguay, against the government of the state. The rebels have occupied Bellevista, San Carlos and Taruma. The government forces assisted by the gunboat Carcoso, expelled the rebels from those points.

A passenger on the North Bay express on Friday night went to the Daly house, Toronto, and registered with the name of Jno. I. Irwin. He was given a room on the fourth floor. Early the following morning the chamber maid noticed an odor of gas, and on investigation Irwin was found dead from asphyxiation.

Ezra Pixley, aged 45, with some other men, was engaged on Saturday in filling with corn a silo on the farm of A. M. Rutledge of Sidenham, Ont., when fire suddenly broke out in the barn. Pixley, who was inside the barn with a companion, assisted the latter to escape, but was unable to get out himself and perished. Rutledge, owner of the barn, was seriously burned in attempting to subdue the flames.

ASKS FOR TROOPS.

Further Trouble Feared in Coal Mining Region of Kentucky.

Madisonville, Ky., Sept. 23.—The Governor has been appealed to for troops to hold in check the turbulent coal miners' strike. As a result of an armed attack by squads of strikers to-day, Judge J. Dunn has wired Governor Beekham as follows: "It is my opinion that troops are needed here at once to preserve the peace."

CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST

Toronto, Sept. 20.—James Lewis, a street car conductor, was committed for trial to-day for causing the death of his son, Roy, from diphtheria. Lewis is a Christian Scientist, and neglected to call in a physician.

Crown Attorney Currie denounced Mrs. Eddy's book as the most damnable blasphemy he ever heard of or read.

A CORRECTION.

Thanksgiving Day to Be Held on Last Thursday in November.

Ottawa, Sept. 23.—Thanksgiving Day is to be held on the last Thursday of November, not the last Thursday of October, as stated. It will therefore take place this year on Thursday, November 28th.

VACANCY IN CABINET.

Sir Louis Davies Has Been Appointed to Supreme Court.

Ottawa, Sept. 21.—At a meeting of the cabinet this evening Sir Louis Davies was appointed to the Supreme court in the place of the late Justice King. This leaves a vacancy in the cabinet for the marine and fisheries department.

A TRIP TO SWEDEN.

Helsingborg, Sweden, Sept. 20.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra arrived here at noon to-day on the British Royal yacht Osborne. The King of Sweden received them at the landing stage. The Royal party drove to the castle of Sofiero, cheered by the populace.

LAWYERS ARE READY.

The Trial of McKinley's Assassin Will Probably Commence on Monday.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 21.—Justices Levis and Titus, who were assigned to defend Czolgosz, have just announced that they will accept, and that they will be ready to proceed with the case on Monday morning.

EXPLOSION ON FERRY BOAT.

Parkersburg, Va., Sept. 21.—A gasoline ferry boat running between Elizabeth and Pilestone, on the Kanawaha river, blew up this morning. Several dead and injured are on the way to this city on a special train.

SAMPSON RESIGNS.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Rear-Admiral Sampson has requested the navy department to relieve him of his present duty as commandant of the Boston naval yard on October 1st, on account of the bad condition of his health. Secretary Long has granted the request.

PEARY'S DISCOVERIES.

Halifax, N. S., Sept. 19.—One of the crew of the Peary relief steamer Erik, which arrived at Sydney a few days ago, says he thinks that the lieutenant has made the discovery of gold or some other valuable mineral in the frozen north.

MANY BUILDINGS BURNED.

Madison, Wis., Sept. 22.—Fire broke out in the Merchants' hotel to-day and destroyed the town hall and 15 business houses. The loss is estimated at $50,000.

COPPER DIVIDEND.

New York, Sept. 20.—The directors of the Amalgamated Copper Company to-day declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent. No extra dividend was declared.

A NEW JUDGE.

Ottawa, Sept. 23.—B. B. Britton, M.P., Kingston, has been appointed judge of the High court of Ontario. The order was passed to-day.

MUST RESIGN.

Kamloops Sentinel.

Premier Dunsmuir has only one honorable course to take, and that is to place his resignation in the hands of Lieut.-Governor Joly at once. He has made a sad mess of things, and must realize now that he was entirely out of his element when he undertook the duties of leader of a government. Badly as the Premier has blundered, the conduct of many of his followers has been

VETERAN WRITER'S WESTERN TRAVELS

BERNARD M'EVOY ON VICTORIA'S CHARMS

Its Fine Government Buildings and Its English Air Elicit Admiration From a Journalistic Visitor.

Bernard McEvoy, the well known Canadian journalist who is now in the West, writes as follows to the Toronto Mail and Empire regarding his stay in this city:

There are two questions that people always ask in the West. The first is, "Is this you first trip?" and the second, "How do you like the country?" I suppose it is the proximity of the Orient that is the source of this style of interrogatory salutation. I know that if I went to China by one of these fine Empress boats, and saw Li Hung Chang, that he would ask me the same questions. He would also add, "How old are you?" We are obliged by the way, to fall back on that convenient word, "Orient," because that which by immemorial English usage has been called the East, lies eastward no longer, so, that when you speak of "the East" you are taken to mean Toronto, and Montreal and Hamilton, and other great cities from which wise men come. The wise men do not return unless they are past the first heyday and flush of youth. They remain, and exalt the census of British Columbia at the expense of that of Ontoria. But Ontario is in many respects the progenitor of British Columbia, and from Ontario's broad shoulders the lusty and vigorous child has looked on to the future. Meanwhile there is a flavor and a finish about the East which the West will catch up to in the course of years, naturally. Nor is the child quite like its parents of the East, who might sometimes regard it as an enfant terrible. On the whole, however, affection triumphs, and we say in the words of the song, "He gets more like his dad every day."

The sail from Vancouver to Victoria is a very enjoyable experience. The Charmer, a well-found and staunch C. P. N. steamship, leaves the former city every day at one o'clock and makes the trip in about six and a half hours, during the whole of which you pass through a panorama of beauty that makes you inclined to say that the name of the steamer was not ill-chosen. Dim outlines of mountains mysterious in their grandeur; bold headlands looming up out of the horizon and proving, as you get nearer, to be scenic with rocks and trees; wide spaces of tossing green water where the tide is coming in through "the narrows"; wider spaces where the sea is calm, and the light winds play with the surface and diversify it with a smile like that of a sleeping infant; Plumpers' Pass, a narrow passage through rock-bound tree-crowned islands; these are some of the details of scenes that live long in the memory of those who pass through them. By and by when the sun is sinking in the midst of roseate cloudlets and an amber glory, Victoria heaves in sight, beautiful for situation, and you see its noble government buildings, and its fine post office—the finest in the Dominion—its churches, and its dwelling houses streaming out on all sides into the surrounding beauty of landscape. A little time and we swing round into the harbor and tie up, and by that time the sky is dusking with night. The babel of hotel shouting, touts that meets you on landing passes belief. I never heard such a row. I think the hotelkeepers hire savages from the Andaman Islands and other cannibal resorts, not to mention a dozen or two Indians as wild as you can now catch them, and used to the war-whoop. An aged lady clings hold of you tremulously and begs you to see her through it, so of course you comply, swing a couple of heavy grips viciously, use the French kick, and for once give way to language that is not quite parliamentary. It is battling through a human surf; and if it were not for the fears of your trembling companion, you would be interested in it as the wildest, loudest and most diversified noise you have ever heard. I am going to-night, for the purpose of listening to it again. It has the dinant pason of a great organ, and if it is the "lost chord" it had better stay lost to the majority of people. But in some ways Victoria is delightfully old-timish, and perhaps this is one of the things of the past they preserve here. Where are the stocks and the ducking-stool, I wonder? I must enquire. I arrived at last, without the assistance of any touts, at a nice, quiet hotel, where you could shake salt out of the salt-cellar without slamming it on the table or getting the top off. Ex pede Herculem. From the salt cellar you can judge the house. I was content. I began to be sensible of the good old English style of the place. Wandering out into the street after dinner numerous jack-tars were in evidence; man-o'-war's men from the ships in the Esquimalt harbor, three miles off. Jolly, clean, healthy fellows they are, swinging down the street with a rolling gait, their wide trousers sitting with a nautical nattiness over the shoe, their broad collars seamanlike on their shoulders. They seem to go, generally, three or four abreast, and you can see that it is a treat for them to be on land. Very often the first thing they do is to hire bicycles, which they mean to ride or die, and their attempts are very interesting illustrations of their bull-dog pertinacity. They curse the thing up and down when it throws them off, but they are on it again like a flash, and in the end they are always triumphant. Also they have a penchant for five-cent beer, a harmless and exhilarating drink, which is sold here in considerable quantities, and is much better for them than spirits. A drunken sailor I have not seen.

The Government Buildings.

Government street looked very homelike and natural in the morning sunshine with its shops and buildings so much like those of the Old Country, its English-looking people wearing gloves or at least carrying them. At the end of it you come to an arm of the harbor called James Bay, and beyond this, at the end of a longish bridge, are the government buildings with a biggish lawn in front of them coming to the water's edge. They are built of grey stone, and are very handsome and palatial, having a central tower and cupola and numerous smaller cupolas. They present a long front, and at each end is a semi-detached building connected with the main structure by a colonnade. The style is classic-Italian I suppose, and the utmost cavil of criticism is perhaps that they have too many features for the size of them, but I speak with diffidence, for I cannot but respect the genius of Mr. Rattenbury in designing this his chief d'oeuvre. They are as much more beautiful than our Toronto parliament buildings as the panthenon is to our old city hall at the back of the market, and how the B. C. government got them built and fitted for $950,000 is a mystery that would strike Toronto aldermen dumb. Nor is their superiority confined to their exterior; the inside of them is equally admirable. Architectural beauty confronts one at every turn. The central circular hall, with its lofty dome and its beautiful mosaic floor, forms a fitting approach to the legislative chamber which has a dignity that is worthy of its functions, while the corridors and offices are admirably planned. One of the things that strikes you about these buildings is their high degree of finish. Many of the windows in the halls, corridors and staircases, which are beautifully lighted, are filled with stained glasses of appropriate design and inscriptions. Here and there are beautiful brass gates. In front there is a grand flight of steps to the central entrance. When one regards all these features and notes the excellence with which they are carried out, one wonders again how it was all done for that $950,000. As was to be expected, the woodwork of the buildings is a feature of great merit, the splendid British Columbia woods being exploited with great skill. And in her timber British Columbia has a great possession. There are cedar fittings in these buildings, that not only please a practical eye by their excellent craftsmanship, but exhibit a delightful variety of texture and grain, and color in the material of which they are constructed.

Mineral Museum.

In another part of the grounds in a separate annex, is a well-appointed mineral museum, a place of vital importance to the development of the splendid resources which the government has to administer. Here in these buildings you find, as it were, the microcosm of the whole province. When we reflect that there is no place that is more constantly visited by people with whom it is important for a province to keep in touch than Victoria, the importance of these efforts comes into view. In her government buildings British Columbia has made great progress towards the adult stage, and she may be forgiven an occasional mix-up in politics so long as she keeps before her so admirably the responsibility of her great resources.

As for those same politics it would seem to be necessary for a neophyte from the East to sit up studying late at nights with a wet towel round his brow in order to understand them. So far as I can make out, the province is trying at the happy-family business, such as we see occasionally illustrated in side-shows, where the cat is comfortable with the parrot, and the rat strokes the terrier's nose. An effort has been made to obliterate party lines by stamping on them when they have shown, and asseverating that they are not there. The lion has lain down with the lamb and care has been taken from time to time that the lamb shall not be inside him. Of course keepers have had to come round now and then with red-hot pokers and shot guns, and the electoral spectators of the show have often raised a vast hubbub and some of them have rather wanted the original instincts of the animals to have full sway. Such a periodic convulsion seems now to be passing over the electorate. Taking it altogether, though, the happy-family business seems to have answered tolerably well, and the province can point to substantial results. There are some, however, who hold that the usual Rugby football of parties is the proper thing, and who opine that the Happy Family will be put into the museum. Nous verrons.

"Victoria, Victoria."

To-night there has been a band concert at Beacon Hill Park, an open space of wide common and firs, overlooking the matchless prospect of sea and mountain which is such a distinguishing characteristic of this lovely place. When the usual medlange of airs and pieces had been finely rendered by the band of the Fifth Regiment there was a slight pause and then the strains of "God Save the King" floated out over the sea, and lost themselves among the firs. One could not help remembering the tune when it was not "God Save the King," but "God Save the Queen"; and thinking of the loyalty and love that, sixty years ago, named this place after her who was destined, from ruling time to her death, to be the First Lady of the World. It was Victoria when it was but a settlement of ten square miles with a house or two and a few business places upon it. It is Victoria now that it is a beautiful city of twenty thousand inhabitants, and the capital of one of the most thriving provinces of our great federation. Here forever the capital of British Columbia will be, for in addition to the overwhelming reasons which now determine this position for it, there is the sentimental one that is found in the fact that the city commemorates the name of the Great Good Queen.

At a meeting of the executive committee appointed under the authority conferred by the cabinet for the purpose of conducting the final obsequies of the late President at Canton, steps were taken for the formation of an organization having in view the erection of a national monument at the cemetery in Canton, Ohio, to the memory of the late President.

Major Mills, R. E., son-in-law of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, is on his way to Victoria, accompanied by Mrs. Mills. It was hoped that he would reach this city in time for the Royal reception, but he has been delayed owing to the illness of Mrs. Mills. She is now recovered sufficiently to undertake the fatigue of travel.

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REVELSTOKE.

At Revelstoke, on Saturday, Lynn Gordon, of Kamloops, and Miss Anna E. Williams, youngest daughter of John Williams, of Kincardine, Ont., were united in marriage at the Methodist church by Rev. Mr. Smith.

KAMLOOPS.

Thos. Hallam, an inmate of the Provincial Home since August last, died on Sunday afternoon, aged 70 years. Deceased was a native of England, and had resided for upwards of 13 years in Vancouver before entering the Home.

SHUSWAP.

The coroner's inquest into the death of Albert Bradley, at Shuswap, as far as it went, elicited the facts that death probably occurred on Monday night, and was due either to exposure or poison. The exact cause of death will not be known until Dr. Fagan's report on the analysis of the stomach is received from Victoria.

NANAIMO.

Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere to-day opens the exhibition. In the evening at 9 o'clock a civic dinner is given in honor of the occasion by the mayor and aldermen of the city, whose guests Sir Henri and party will be during their stay in the city. On Saturday morning the Lieutenant-Governor's party return to Victoria.

H. M. S. Amphion has arrived in port to be present for the celebration. Sports are provided for the bluejackets. Everything is in readiness for the celebration to-morrow; large crowds are expected.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

The regular meeting of the board of licence commissioners was held on Wednesday, when the licences of two hotels were suspended. In the case of the oyal City hotel, the licence was suspended, a new lessee to be put in, and the matter to be dealt with on October 3rd, to which date the board adjourned. In the case of the Merchants' hotel, the licence was simply suspended until October 3rd. In each instance, the ground of complaint was the selling of liquor to Indians.

GREENWOOD.

J. W. Mellor, of Victoria, who does an extensive business in the province in paints, oils and plate glass, having branches in Rossland, Greenwood and Phoenix, and agencies in Vancouver and Nelson, last Wednesday commenced the erection in Greenwood of a substantion building for his local business. The dimensions of the building will be 25x60 feet.

The large and handsome business block the Russell-Law-Caulfield Company, Limited, are erecting in Greenwood is now making a good showing. The basement walls have been finished and now the superstructure is rising rapidly. The building will be 50x100 feet.—Times.

ROSSLAND.

A Chinaman who had imbibed too freely lay down beside the C. P. R. track just below Columbia avenue on Monday afternoon. A freight train started down the hill, and the driver, R. A. Moscrop, was unable to stop his engine in time to prevent an accident. The grade is heavy and the curve sharp at that point. The Chinaman's scalp was cut to the bone and another cut inflicted on his cheek. Chief Vaughan was sent for and conveyed him to the hospital, where Dr. Senior sewed up his wounds. He does not appear to be suffering seriously.

The police have traced and confiscated large numbers of counterfeit coins. The counterfeits are lead-loaded presentments of the United States dollar.

NANAIMO EXHIBITION.

Citizens of Coal City Delighted With Its Results.

The Nanaimo exhibition ended on Saturday evening, the result of the fair having surpassed all expectations. A large crowd attended from Victoria, including the Fifth Regiment band, which delighted the large crowd with musical programmes in the afternoon and evening. Owing to the rain the balloon ascension was cut out, but it was billed to take place this afternoon.

Sir Henri Joly donated $10 to the vegetable department. Mayor Manson presented the Queen of the Fair with a gold watch and chain.

The pigeon race from Victoria resulted as follows: First, Jonathan Thompson's, at 4:50; second, Jonathan Thompson's, at 4:52; third, George Harrison's three birds together, at 4:53; fourth, Joe Wilkinson Bros.', at 4:55¼.

C. W. Allner's English setter Roy Montez again swept everything before him at the kennel show.

The citizens are highly pleased with the satisfactory outcome of the fair.

SAANICH NOTES.

A meeting, convened and presided over by the Lord Bishop of the diocese, was held in the Agricultural hall, Saanichton, on Wednesday, 18th, to consider the resignation of Rev. F. G. Christmas. A petition had been received asking the reverend gentleman to reconsider the matter. Mr. Christmas, however, thought it better to adhere to his decision. During the proceedings many instances of kindness by the reverend gentleman and his family were gratefully mentioned, and, without exception, all wished Mr. Christmas and his family every good wish for their future welfare in their new home. Mr. Christmas and his family leave Saanich for the Cedar district, Nanaimo, next week.

On Tuesday Geo. Steimel, who works at Turgoose's farm, whilst removing a young pig was attacked by the sow and severely bitten. He succeeded in getting away, but fainted before he could reach the house. He is now at the Royal Jubilee hospital, where he will remain till all danger from blood poisoning is over.

On the same day, and at the same farm, a cow fell into a disused well. The well was dry and the animal was extricated without much injury.

Freddie Johns, who was thrown from a rig by the shying of the horse and severely injured on the head, is making progress towards recovery.

AGENTS—"The Life of President McKinley," by his devoted friend (and distinguished man-of-letters), Colonel McClure, the biographer of Abraham Lincoln, has been in preparation for years, and will now be published. Big book, 7x10; profusely illustrated. Retail $1.50. Bigger commission than any opposition book. Prospectus now ready and absolutely free on your promise to canvass. Wire or write your acceptance before you sleep. The Ebbscott Publishing Co., Toronto, Ontario.