

Interesting Features From the West



Lieut.-Governor Brown Lays the Corner-stone of the \$300,000 Normal School at the Saskatchewan Capital.



A Jam of 140,000 Ties and 180,000 Logs on the Bull River in British Columbia.

on an extended motor drive through the city and its environs, and there was a grand reception at the Empress Hotel.

Evidently the discovery by Hon. Mr. Foster that Australia is a free-trade country makes no difference to the expectations of extending the number of ships plying between British Columbia ports and the Antipodes.

The Morbid Englishman

WRITING in a London journal, an Englishman takes his fellow-Englishmen to task for imputing motives with regard to popular amusements, such as the modern dances which have created so much discussion. He says:

"In England we are proud to consider that every man is innocent until he is proved guilty. It is a pity we do not apply that humane formula to our amusements. In this country every new form of amusement and entertainment is forced to undergo a fierce scrutiny by that section of the community which keeps its gloomy and watchful eye ever open for anything that may possibly come under that elastic definition of 'not quite nice.'

"I happened to be in Paris at the time this controversy was at its height, and I could not help realizing how much better they manage such things there. I am not one of those whose delight it is to draw invidious comparisons between England and other countries, nor do I wish that London should get that reputation for nasty glitter that attracts the most unpleasant people from all over the world to Paris to indulge in horrid revels. But that side of life is very small and gets far more than its share of publicity. The attraction of Paris to most people is certainly not vice. I do not pretend to know that city well, but I have been there long enough to feel how different its atmosphere is from that of London.

"The Englishman's and Englishwoman's appetite for scandal is insatiable. We cannot mind our own business. The Englishman's home may be his castle, but his morals are the multitude's. One ever feels in this country, feels it like a heavy weight, that cold, relentless stare of conscious and militant rectitude fixed upon one, almost driving one to crimes. In Paris one feels that one is among a sunny people with a splendid, sensible disregard for other people's ethical systems. Paris seems to lack that type of individual, specimens of which can be seen in any London omnibus, whose inclination, if not practice, it is to write little letters to their neighbours—letters that lack those two most important parts of a letter, the signature and the stamp.



The Only Boy Scouts' Brass Band in Canada—at Regina.



The Apostolic Delegate to Canada Dedicates the Part of the Crowd at the Dedication by Monseigneur Stagni at Regina.

