The release of Jabez Balfour after 12 years' imprisonment, was the sensation of the week. Though so many years have elapsed, the Liberator frauds seem still fresh in the minds of everybody, owing no doubt to the immence number of people affected by the collapse of the Liberator Building Society with the loss of over five and a half millions. The press generally are emphasizng the fact that Mr. Balfour intends, as far as it is in his power to do so, to devote himself to refunding at least something of their loss to the victims of the crash. For this purpose he is writing a history of his prison life. Whether this project will come off remains to be seen. There is a growing opinion in some quarters that his conviction was not justified by the evidence, and it is rumored that there is a movement on foot for the purpose of gaining a free pardon. The one thing, we should imagine, that this unfortunate man wants at the present time is quiet and seclusion, and this he is not likely to get, for wherever he turns newspaper reporters dog his footsteps, and his every move is chronicled, not always with accuracy it may be observed.

British Risks at 'Frisco.

As was the case in the Chicago fire, the British insurance companies are heavily hit by the San Francisco disaster, although the actual amount cannot be ascertained. In addition to the ordinary difficulties, the system of reinsurance, which is in operation between the British and American insurance companies, complicates the situation, but already a rough estimate has been arrived at which fixes the liability of the British offices at something like £20,000,000. That figure, however, is subject to reduction for reinsurance, and a still further rebate for insurances which have been effected with German offices, but which for tariff purposes may be classified with the British risk. Fortunately the British offices are the strongest in the world. But all the same this does not take from the fact that they will be most seriously affected by the disaster, and something like a panic is taking hold of the city. With so many millions involved it would not be surprising if one or two collapses took place in the insurance world. At least people seem to be waiting for the news of some crash of this kind.

The American "Trek."

Already the American visitor has arrived on our shores and the all pervading "Yankee twang" is to be heard on all sides. We are promised a record year this season in the matter of American visitors, for at least ten liners have a full complement of passengers from New York to London, while enquiries at London hotels elicit the fact that the Carlton, Claridges, Savoy, Hotel Cecil are equally booked for the coming invasion. From now onwards the ubiquitous American tourist will be met every day at Charing Cross, the Strand, St. Paul's, Westminster Abbey, "doing" the sights in energetic fashion. They never fail to visit Dicken's haunts, nor do they forget to take a scamper through Shakespeare's country, also visiting the principal cathedral cities. To finish their European trip they make a hurried tour through the continental cities before returning home in September and October.

Women as Druggists.

Pharmacy as a means of livelihood seems to be attracting a large number of women in England, though the advantages cannot be said to be very great. The report of the Association of Women Pharmacists registers a large number of female chemists and druggists. The majority of them hold positions as dispensers to hospitals and infirmaries, and a small number carry on business as chemists in shops. But it is not a profession that is recommended to women, for the hours of work are long, the expense of training considerable and the salaries obtainable are low. In fact those intending to enter upon this profession would need a strong constitution and sufficient money to support them during the three years required for training. The work is undoubtedly responsible, for many lives may be endangered by a trivial slip, therefore a fair amount of intelligence is essential, combined with a capacity for hard work.

Expensive Staging.

On the difficulty of producing plays at a reasonable cost a popular actor has been giving his views. He reduces the whole matter to the fact that theatrical managers nowadays have a passion for show and scenery. Women in expensive gowns, which have been turned out by the most fashionable dressmakers, expensive furniture, elaborate scenes which are sometimes unnecessary—all these things bring managers perilously near ruin. Recently there was £10,000 spent on a comic opera, which proved a complete failure after a week's run. It happened in this instance that the show was produced at the expense of an outside financier, who fortunately was rich enough to withstand the loss. According to this actor a good play by no means requires the lavish expenditure which managers seem to think necessary. But "there's the rub," for is it not often to hide the defects of bad plays that this gorgeousness of scenery and dressing is resorted to. It is said that the late Sir Augustus Harris often regretted the money he had wasted on mere mounting. We all know, however, that when a really good play comes along, scenery and mounting count for very little.

American Divorces.

There was almost as much consternation on this side as in America on the decision of the United States Supreme court that no divorce can be validly pronounced by a state which does not possess jurisdiction over both parties. As is well known a good many Americans who move in society here have been divorced in their own country and are remarried to prominent Englishmen. Therefore until legal methods are discovered to obviate the present unsettlement of the domestic relations, a considerable amount of suspense will have to be undergone by those affected. As the law stands now it affects thousands of second marriages and illegitimises tens of thousands of children. But America will not allow this state of things to continue for long, and the American lawyer will not fail to find some ingenious way out of the present difficulty. All the same it is a severe blow for South Dakota, the centre of the divorce industry, where the links of the matrimonial chain are severed by a residence of six months in that state.

Titled Socialists.

When we have ladies of high degree encouraging socialism in England it looks as if things were really becoming topsy-turvy. A long interview with the Countess of Warwick revealed much of the work and aims of the Socialist party, which at the present time threatens to become the ascendant one in this country. So confident is her ladyship in the eventful triumph of labor that she predicts the doubling and even trebling of the poll in any future election. The countess waxes very enthusiastic over the great cause in which she is so interested. Socialism is coming, she says, and it is only a question of time. Questioned on the subject of the sale of her jewels, the proceeds of which went to the election expenses of the Socialist party, the countess admitted the truth of the statement, but protested against the fuss that was being made. "Why should so much be said about a few paltry diamonds and a drawerful of jewels!" exclaimed the countess. "It is foolish when one considers the great sacrifices made every day by men and women." Lady Warwick certainly has taken the cause of Socialism up seriously. Every Sunday she is lecuring somewhere, and she never fails to turn up even under the most trying conditions.

The Vogue.

A new idea, especially with regard to evening gowns, is to use scent which represents the elaborately embroidered flowers, now so much worn on chiffon and other light dresses. For instance, in the case of a dainty gown made in white tulle embroidered in silver sprays of wild roses, a delicate wild rose scent clung to the wearer whenever she domned it. This was achieved by means of perfumed sachets sewn into the folds of the linings, both of bodice and skirt. Another ball gown made in the princess style of pale mauve satin, adorned with clusters of lilac, carried with it the fragrance of that charming flower. The faintest suggestion of the perfume is sufficient, and this is best achieved by the sachets, cunningly hidden away. It is a charming idea and one which has decidedly caught on. Cream faced cloth gowns much betrimmed with guipure seem to have caught the fancy of the moment. Sometimes the entire bolero is composed of lace, with perhaps revers of the cloth, or vice versa, and the lace is also introduced into the skirt by means of motifs or other adornments. With these cream gowns, it is usual to have a touch of vivid color to relieve the monotony, and it is generally introduced by a simulated waistcoat. Brilliant green, coral and periwinkle are the favorite shades.

LARRY'S LETTER

O'Connell Alley, Victoria, May 10.

Deer Tim:—Thim beautiful showers what bring fourth May flowers isn't beginnin' to fall yet, an' everything is as dry as a drought ov a Sunday, an' water is that skarce, Tim, that they haven't enuf to put out a fire wid. The fire brigaid was alarmed up to Stanley avenu the other day, an' whin they turned on the water the straime was as wake as Goldstraim on the 12th of July, whin the Orangemin have to bring their drink in bottles to their pick-nick. If the wether keeps up so dry 'tis raisin' the price of cow-duce the milkmen 'll be.

But to get back to the fire, Tim—I main the fire on Stanley avenu—they tell me the pressur wasn't enuf to burst what they call "Lisle thread hose" at a cheap sale, let alone the paragon brand that the firemin use. The soda water engin was there, but the fiz was all nocked out ov it befor the legs ov the planney was wet in the house or the water-color paintin's got mixed. There was only enuf water to wet everything in the house and give a small drink to the flowers in the garden. 'Tis more water we're wantin' in Victoria, Tim—firewater. I don't main the firewater the poor Indians get at six bits a bottle an' a month in jail, but water to put out fires an' sprinkle the lawns wid an' the flowers. I'm that fond ov flowers meself, Tim, that I'd do widout water in me whiskey to scatter it over thim, an' if every man in Victoria 'd be as self-sacrafisin' 'tis beautiful boulevards we'd be havin' in the dryest saison. As the shipwrecked mariner said, Tim, "Water, water everywhere, an' not a drop to sprink." But wait till we're after gettin' the electrick street sprinkler, an' water 'll be that scarce that there won't be any demand for soap at all, at all.

There's a nice young man called Captain Michaelson that's goin' to go wid the Duchess ov Bedford to locate some land near the north pole. Bedad, if I was him, I'd take up a half section on the Island here insted ov up there, an' I'd bet a dose of quastor-oile to a bottle ov limonaid that he'd raise a better crop ov murphies on it. But maybe he wants to get to a country that isn't owned be the C. P. R. Ye know, Tim, the C. P. R. has been howldin' up this country for years, an' it was only the other day that three masked min held up the C. P. R. near Kamloops. But to come back to the north pole, Tim—or to the young man what's goin' there—I hope he'll foind what he's lookin' for, an' if he does, he'll be doin' more than a good many others that's goin' north. I'd as soon go to the Klondyke as the pole, altho' I don't believe the Klondyke is what it's cracked up to be. I was talkin' to Mulvany about it, an' he says:

They may talk as they plaise ov a life
crowned wid alse,
An' nuggets galore, an' nuggets galore,
'Tis meself 'll make bowld the desait to
unfowld,
Wid sorrow asthore, wid sorrow asthore;
The gold that they spaik ov 'tis twelve
feet below,
There's nine feet ov ice an' ten feet ov
snow,
To be picked out an' shovelled, an' thawed
out, ye know,
In that beautiful land ov the Klondyke.

They may say that down there, whin
the bedrock ye'll bare,
Yer fortune ye'll foind, yer fortune ye'll
foind,
An' that if ye dig harder an' drive her
down farther
There's more ov the koind, there's more
ov the koind;
But fellows who've struggled the bedrock
to reach,
Will tell ye experience alone's fit to teach,
That practice don't prove half the things
that they preach
'Bout this beautiful land ov the Klondyke.

There's nothin' loike labor to cure the
gold fevor,
'Tis certain to cure, 'tis certain to cure,
Wid a cowld winter blast an' a long time
to fast,
It cannot endure, it cannot endure;
Won fed upon hope isn't likely to thrive,
An' snowballs an' ice cream won't keep
ye alive
While awaitin' the wealth yer supposed
to derive
From this overdone land ov the Klondyke.

Mulvany tells me, Tim, that nearly all the boys goin' up north this saison is goin' to work for the dredgin' companies, an' that all the good creeks have been covered. Bedad, Tim, but meself 'd rother work on the Mudlark in Victoria than on any dredger in the Klondyke, even tho' she has a whistle ov her own. Did ye ever hear the Mudlark whistle, Tim? Ye didn't. Well, that's won trait in a loifetoime that ye haven't missed. There's no accountin' for tastes, Tim. As Shakespeare says:

Old Scotland loves the thistle, and old
England loves the rose,
But there's no Chinese laundries where
the Shamrock grows.

An' talkin' ov the Land ov the Shamrock, Tim, remoinds me that the tax collector was round the other day an' relieved meself ov $2—at laist it was took out ov me wages to pay him. They have the most convanientest way ov collectin' taxes here that ye ever heerd ov. They don't come to the man hisself an' say, "Fork up, if ye plaise," but they goes to the boss an' says, "Stop $2 from that son ov a gun an' hand it over to me on pay day." Ye don't see the chap at all, at all, Tim—ye only see his resait. I couldn't help thinkin', Tim, ov the way we used to do it in ould Ireland. Whin the tax man come round to yer house he was very civil entoirely, an' if ye didn't foind it rail convanient to pay him, all ye had to do was for to say to somebody insoide, "Hand me down the blunderbuss, till I give this chap what's comin' to him," an' he'd get off on a trot. 'Tis too many taxes we have to pay. There's the dog tax, an' the water tax, an' the light tax (heavy tax, I main), the school tax an' the poll tax an' a lot ov other taxes that 'd tax the mem'ry an' resoorses ov any dasent man.

An' talkin' ov taxes, Tim, I was tellin' ye about the Hundred-Thousant Club. Do ye know what thim pig-tail Chinamen had the impidence to say the other day at a meetin' ov the club (all the mimbers wasn't present), that if they'd only take off the poll tax off the Chinese, they'd be after makin' up the hundred-thousand in two months! What a purty population Victoria 'd be havin' then! The Chinks had a meetin' on there own hook before they decoided on this, an' they resoluted that the toime has come when Chinatown should have a mimber in the city council, an' that wonst in every three years it 'd be the turn ov a Chinaman to be mayor ov Victoria. An' why wouldn't they, Tim, for aren't they made more ov, in Victoria than any workin' white man? John is into every business in town but the alderman business, an' he'll get there, if the comehether isn't put upon him purty quick.

I was tellin' ye about the soldiers goin' to lave us, Tim. Well, they go on Saturday, an' sorry we are for thim, for they were a foine lot ov boys. They got a grate sind-off the other noight, whin they got cups an' midals an' prizes an' the best ov good wishes from the biggest crowd that ever got into the drill hall. Then they had a smoker, an' smoked till the fog was that thick that ye couldn't see the good conduct stripes on their tunics. They weren't thirsty aither, Tim, but the song the sargint sang that I was tellin' ye about last week didn't come off for he axidentally left the music behoind him at the barracks. They had a jolly good toime ov it, Tim, wid a few ov the best ov us. There was won ov thim tellin' me that he'd go back to Ireland an' work a private still. I advised him to beware ov the guagers, but he said he didn't moind all the excise officers in the country. "They wouldn't make a sargint ov me," says he, "so I'll work a private still."

There's that darn cat after runnin' away wid me pen, so I can't write any more to-noight.

LARRY FINN.

DR. TELFORD'S CASE.

Medical Council Has an Application Before It For Reinstating Practitioner.

The members of the British Columbia Medical Council now in the city held a special meeting last evening to consider the reinstatement of Dr. Robt. Telford, of Vancouver, as a practising physician for the province. It will be remembered that the doctor's name was struck off the list after an investigation into the circumstances connected with Miss Bowell's case. An appeal was taken on this behalf to the Supreme court under a recent amendment to the act. The decision of Mr. Justice Morrison was against that of the medical council. An appeal was taken to the Full court, however, with the result that the original decision of the medical council was sustained.

At yesterday's meeting Dr. Telford appeared and stated his case. It was taken into consideration, and a decision will be given at the regular meeting of the medical council, which will sit this afternoon.

GREEN, WORLOCK DIVIDEND.

Depositors in Defunct Bank Will Be Paid Twenty Per Cent. Next Thursday.

The hearts of the old depositors in Green, Worlock & Co.'s bank will be made glad next Thursday when a dividend of twenty per cent. will be paid by Trustee B. S. Heisterman. This is only the second paid since the institution went out of existence in 1892. A first dividend of five per cent. was paid on 22nd April, 1895, but since that time it has been merely a case of wait. The recent sale of part of the property abutting on Trounce avenue and Government street is the source from which the coming dividend have been derived, and the depositors will have a comfortable sum to spend during the Victoria Day celebration.

In order to provide for the rush that will doubtless occur the trustee has rented the new premises of the Northern bank, adjoining the Bank of Montreal for Thursday, Friday and Saturday next, and it is from this place the dividend will be paid.

While some workmen at West Lavington (Wiltshire) were at work looking over some thatch taken from the roofs of some cottages, one of them found a rusty canister containing 25 gold coins in a leather bag. On examination they were found to be crown sovereigns, bearing the date of 1715, and were valued by the bank at 22s. each.

AFTER 18 YEARS OF SUFFERING

AN ONTARIO FARMER FINDS A CURE AT LAST IN DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS.

The Direct Cause of His Trouble Was a Strain in the Back Which Affected His Kidneys—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Him.

Ardoch, Ont., May 11.—(Special.)—Mr. Ami Jeanneret, of this place, gives a very interesting account of his experience with Dodd's Kidney Pills. He says:

"I hurt my back and strained my kidneys and for 18 years I suffered on and off intense agony. I was subject to attacks of Rheumatism and Lumbago. My joints were stiff, my muscles cramped. I lost my appetite, my flesh began to fall away, my nerves were shaken, I could not rest or sleep at night and I was sinking into a deplorable condition when I was advised to try Dodd's Kidney Pills. I used six boxes and I am now as strong and healthy as ever I was. I am certain I owe my cure wholly to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

ARRANGEMENTS FOR CELEBRATION

A FULL PROGRAMME HAS BEEN OUTLINED

Victoria Day Will Be Suitably Observed in the City Again This Year.

The arrangements for the Victoria Day celebration are now well in hand, and with suitable weather success is assured. The various committees have worked hard in connection with the celebration and now have final arrangements made.

At a meeting of the committee held Saturday evening Mayor Morley presided. There were present also Dr. Carter, L. Eaton, Chief Watson, Rev. W. W. Bolton, A. J. Dallain and Secretary Smart. These gentlemen were all able to report that under various heads the programme was now complete.

The transportation companies wrote giving the information that round trip tickets at single fare would be issued on all the lines of communication with the city. These tickets would be good to return on up to May 27th.

J. North, who has the advertising in hand, reported that wherever he went the signs were most encouraging for a large attendance from outside points.

The programme is as follows:

THURSDAY, MAY 24th.

9.00 a. m.—Gun Club shoot at Driving park.
9.30 a. m.—Junior lacrosse, Vancouver Argonauts vs. Victoria West, at Oak Bay.
9.30 a. m.—Horse and automobile parade.
11.00 a. m.—Senior lacrosse, Vancouver vs. Victoria, at Oak Bay.
2.30 p. m.—Regatta at the Gorge.
3.00 p. m.—Baseball, at Oak Bay, Fernwoods vs. University of Washington.
9.00 p. m.—Fireworks at Beacon Hill.

FRIDAY, MAY 25th.

10.00 a. m.—Baseball, at Oak Bay, Fernwoods vs. University of Washington.
2.00 p. m.—Automobile races at Driving park.
8.30 p. m.—Band concert and fireworks at Gorge park.

SATURDAY, MAY 26th.

2.30 p. m.—Field meet at Oak Bay, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

The detailed programme under various heads is as follows:

GUN CLUB SHOOT.

1. 10 singles; entrance $1, $10 added. Divided 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent.
2. 15 singles; entrance $1.50, $15 added. Divided same as No. 1.
3. 20 singles; entrance $2, $20 added. Divided same as No. 1.
4. 25 singles; 3 men team to shoot; open only to teams from any one city; entrance $6 per team, $30 added. Divided 50, 30 and 20 per cent.
5. 10 singles and 5 singles reverse traps; entrance $1.50, $15 added. Divided same as No. 1.
6. 15 singles; entrance $1.50, $15 added. Divided same as No. 1.
7. Consolation, 10 singles; entrance $1, $10 added. Divided 60 and 40 per cent. For shooters having shot in three events or more, but who have not won more than fourth money.
8. General average, prize $10. For shooter making highest average, having shot in all events except Nos. 4 and 7.
9. Low average, prize $5. For shooter making lowest average, having shot in all events except No. 4.

Special event—15 singles; entrance $1. Amount of money added to be decided by the committee. Equitable division. Open to shooters having competed in two or more events.

HORSE AND AUTOMOBILE PARADE.

1. Best decorated automobile (touring).
2. Best decorated automobile (runabout).
3. Best gentleman's saddle horse.
4. Best lady's saddle horse.
5. Best gentleman's jumper over hurdles.
6. Best lady's jumper over hurdles.
7. Best single horse (roadster) to be shown to an appropriate vehicle and to be judged as a roadster.
8. Best pair horses—roadsters (as above).
9. Best single horse (roadster), entire, in harness.
10. Best trotter or pacer, in harness.
11. Best single carriage horse, 15 hands and over, to be shown to an appropriate vehicle; horse to count 75 per cent., appointments 25 per cent.
12. Best pair of carriage horses (as above).
13. Best single carriage horse, under 15 hands (as above).
14. Best draft horse, entire, in harness.
15. Best single draft horse and harness, 1,500 pounds and under; to be shown to dray or other appropriate vehicle.
16. Best pair of draft horses, in harness (as above).
17. Best single draft horse in harness, over 1,500 pounds (as above).
18. Best pair of draft horses in harness, over 1,500 pounds, to be shown to truck.
19. Best pair of horses in light delivery truck, as actually used in local delivery; horses to count 50 per cent., appointments 50 per cent.
20. Best horse and delivery wagon as actually used in local delivery; horse 50 per cent., appointments 50 per cent.
21. Best pair horses and delivery wagon as actually used in local delivery; horses 50 per cent., appointments 50 per cent.
22. Best express, single.
23. Best express, double.
24. Best horse and delivery cart.
25. Best pony under 14 hands, driven to an appropriate vehicle; pony to count 75 per cent., appointments 25 per cent.
26. Best Shetland pony in harness.
27. Best pair of Shetland ponies in harness.
28. Best Calithumpian character, mounted or in vehicle.
29. Best decorated business wagon.
30. Best float in parade.

REGATTA AT GORGE.

1. Double sculls, schoolboys' race—Open to boys actually attending school. Only one crew from each school to be allowed to enter.
2. Indian war canoes, 40 to 50 feet—Course around island and return.
3. Four-oared lapstreak amateur—Junior championship of British Columbia.
4. Skiffs, open, with lady coxswain—Double scull skiffs; outriggers and sliding seats barred.
5. Five-oared service, whalers—Course around Deadman's Island, leaving it at the port hand, return to barge; about two miles. Open to army and navy regular forces.
6. Klootchman's race, working canoes only—Course from starters' barge, around buoy and return.
7. All-comers' race—Any sized boat, any number of oars.
8. Tandem canoe race—Ladies only.
9. Tandem canoe race—Open.
10. Skiffs—Open to ladies, with gentleman coxswain.
11. Indian war canoes, under forty feet—Course around island and return.
12. Four-oared lapstreak — Amateur senior championship of British Columbia.
13. Klootchman's race—Five paddles. Course from starters' barge around buoy and return.
14. Consolation war canoe race—Course around island and return.

AUTOMOBILE RACES AT DRIVING PARK.

1. One mile motorcycle race, open to all.
2. One mile runabout, not over 10 horse power.
3. One mile bicycle.
4. Two-mile touring car, under 20 horse power.
5. Two mile touring car, over 20 horse power.
6. Pursuit race, open.
7. One mile against, stripped cars.
8. Match race—Pope, Toledo and Packard (Grey Wolf).
9. Four mile challenge race, Franklin against all comers.
10. Novelty race.
11. Obstacle race.
12. Reverse race.
13. Automobile obstacle race.

FIELD MEET AT OAK BAY.

Children's Sports.

Girls under 12—50 yards.
Boys under 12—75 yards.
Girls under 15—75 yards.
Boys under 15—100 yards.

Open Amateur.

One hundred yards dash.
Putting 16-pound shot.
Two hundred and twenty yards dash.
Throwing 16-pound hammer.
Four hundred and forty yards dash.
Running broad jump.
Eight hundred and eighty yards run.
Two hundred and twenty yards hurdles.
One mile run.
Running high jump.
One mile relay race, four men to compose team.

Confined to local Y. M. C. A. members only, 17 and under, 100 yards.
Confined to local Y. M. C. A. members only, 18 and over, 100 yards.

THE STEAMER THEMIS.

New Vessel For Mackenzie Bros. Has Arrived—Will Go on Skagway Run.

The Norwegian steamer Themis, under six months' charter to Mackenzie Bros., of Vancouver, has arrived at the Terminal City from Kobe. She crossed the Pacific in ballast. She will be operated on the Vancouver-Skagway run during the summer months.

There is now at the C. P. R. wharf and in the railway company's yards a considerable amount of freight which will be shipped on the Themis. She will commmence loading in the course of the next day or two.

The Themis is both a passenger and cargo carrier, and is capable of ten and a half knots speed. She has been chartered with the option of purchase.

Built at Konigsberg in 1902 the Themis is practically a new craft, and her freight handling equipment is of the most modern variety, while her passenger accommodations are reported to be excellent. The vessel is double-bottomed and carries water ballast.

The general dimensions of the Themis are: Length, 270 feet; beam, 40 feet, by draught of 14.6 loaded. This light draught with large carrying capacity is a tremendous advantage on this coast. The Themis is of 1900 tons gross and she can carry 2,800 tons. She has four hatches, each 24 feet square and a full cargo-handling equipment at each hatch, so that the stowing and discharging of cargo can be accomplished most expeditiously.

The engines of the Themis are of the triple-expansion type, cylinders 20½ by 35 by 57 by 39-inch stroke.

Girlhood, Womanhood, Motherhood.

The first lesson that the young girl has of womanhood is usually a painful one. She learns to know what headache means, and backache, and sometimes is sadly borne down by this new experience of life.

All the pain and misery which young girls commonly experience at such a time may, in almost every instance, be entirely prevented or cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It establishes regularity. It tones up the general health, and cures headache, backache, nervousness, chorea, or St. Vitus's dance, and other consequences of womanly weakness or disease.

MOTHER OF THE FAMILY.

The anxious mother of the family oftentimes carries the whole burden of responsibility so far as the home medication of common ailments of the girls or boys are concerned. The cost of the doctor's visits are very often much too great. At such times the mother is invited to write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., for medical advice, which is given *free*. Correspondence is held sacredly confidential.

IT STANDS ALONE.

"Favorite Prescription" is the only medicine for women the makers of which are not afraid to print just what it is made of on every bottle wrapper. It is the only medicine for women every ingredient of which has the unanimous endorsement of all the leading medical writers of this country, recommending it for the cure of the very same diseases for which this "Prescription" is advised.

A MOTHER'S LOVE.

A mother's love is so divine that the roughest man cannot help but appreciate it as the crown of womanhood. However, motherhood is often looked forward to with feelings of great dread by most women. At such times a woman is nervous, dyspeptic, irritable, and she is in need of a uterine tonic and nervine, a strength builder to fit her for the ordeal. No matter how healthy or strong a woman may be she cannot but be benefited by taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription to prepare for the event. It makes childbirth easy and often almost painless.

DR. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION is a powerful, invigorating tonic. It imparts strength to the whole system and to the womb and its appendages in particular. For overworked "worn-out," "run-down," debilitated teachers, milliners, dressmakers, seamstresses, "shop-girls," housekeepers, nursing mothers and feeble women generally, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the greatest earthly boon, being unequaled as an appertizing cordial and restorative tonic.

A STRENGTHENING NERVINE.

"Favorite Prescription" is unequaled and is invaluable in allaying and subduing nervous excitability, irritability, nervous exhaustion, prostration, neuralgia, hysteria, spasms, chorea, or St. Vitus's dance, and other distressing, nervous symptoms commonly attendant upon functional and organic disease of the womb. It induces refreshing sleep and relieves mental anxiety and despondency.

A SCIENTIFIC MEDICINE.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a scientific medicine, carefully devised by an experienced and skillful physician, and adapted to woman's delicate organism. It is purely vegetable in its composition and perfectly harmless in its effects *in any condition of the system*. For morning sickness or nausea, weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia and kindred symptoms, its use will prove very beneficial.

CURES OBSTINATE CASES.

"Favorite Prescription" is a positive cure for the most complicated and obstinate cases of leucorrhea, excessive flowing, painful menstruation, unnatural suppressions and irregularities, prolapsus or falling of the womb, weak back, "female weakness," anteversion, retroversion, bearing-down sensations, chronic congestion, inflammation and ulceration of the womb, inflammation, pain and tenderness of the ovaries, accompanied with "internal heat."

HOW TO LOOK BEAUTIFUL.

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Victoria, B. C., 20th March, 1906.

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