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THE PREMIER'S FIRST SESSIONAL SPEECH.

All Canadians, irrespective of party or political affiliations, will be delighted to learn that Sir Wilfrid Laurier enters upon his labors as leader of the House of Commons in most excellent health. The session promises to be one of the most interesting in the history of Parliamentary government in Canada. The opposition has evidently fully made up its mind, notwithstanding something to the contrary emanating from leading Conservative newspapers, that the session will be the last of the present Parliament. It is justified in its assumption from the policy of governments in the past, both Conservative and Liberal. The administration of the late Hon. Alexander Mackenzie served its full term of five years, and was defeated at the general elections following the dissolution of the House which supported it. During the eighteen years of power of the government which followed only once was the life of a Parliament prolonged for the full five years, and that was because of dread of the verdict of the people. The administration, which finally went to the country under the leadership of Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., was also defeated. So it is apparent there is substantial ground for the belief entertained by Mr. Borden and his following. Realizing that there are excellent reasons for the belief they entertain, the members of the Conservative party will make the most of such opportunities as the present session will present. The opening debates do not indicate that they will make much headway in their almost hopeless task of convincing the electorate that any good purpose would be served by turning out a government under which the country has made such wonderful progress and substituting therefor a party which has neither a clearly defined purpose nor a well-defined policy. The platform of extreme protection having been cut from under their feet by the merciless logic of economic events, the party is still wallowing in nebulae. Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his opening address, admitted to be one of the finest efforts ever heard in Parliament, exposed with inexorable logic the weakness of the opposition position. He tore Mr. Borden's Halifax platform apart plank by plank and exposed it in its true light as a weak and ineffective appeal to sectional prejudices and provincial jealousies. It is the old Conservative policy of recent years, fortunately for Canada, with the element of religious intolerance eliminated. But that absent plank will almost certainly be added by his lieutenants when they take to the hustings for their last despairing appeal and with five more years of the desolation of opposition staring them relentlessly in the face.

In another issue of this paper will be found the principal portions of the great speech of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. We commend it to the attention of our readers and leave the case therein presented to the independent judgment of all whose interests are involved in the continuance of a regime which has done so much to make Canada not only a united but one of the most prosperous countries on the face of the globe.

A MILLION DOLLAR MONUMENT.

"A lasting monument to the government of British Columbia," is the highly imaginative description given to the estimated surplus the McBride administration hopes to have at the end of the financial year. We suspect that the monument will not prove a very "lasting" one. The government had a paper surplus once before, but investigation in the legislature proved that it had all been burnt up in extraordinary expenditures in the constituencies of the strenuous Attorney-General and of the canny President of the Council. This million dollar monument, we are also told, is emblazoned with the business-like virtues of the government. The greater part of it has been gathered through the dissipation of the natural resources of the province—mostly from sales of timber. Did the government cause the timber to grow? Did it persuade the gentle rain to fall from heaven and water the roots of the trees, or the sun to shine in order that his genial warmth should complete the work already begun by benignant Nature? Did it create the market which made the great natural resources of the province in timber a merchantable commodity? In short, what part had the McBride government and its Finance Minister, who has been given so much credit for the existing conditions, in the work of restoring provincial credit? We are anxious to give everyone, no matter in what garb he may appear or what suspicions may attach to one of his lower extremeties, his absolute due. If one constructive act can be pointed out in relation to the career of the government which had anything to do with the restoration of good times in this province or the rehabitation of the provincial credit, we should like exceedingly to have it pointed out for the benefit of the public which takes an interset in such things.

FOSTER TAKES HIGH MORAL GROUND.

A gentleman by the name of Foster, who after many political vicissitudes obtained a seat in the House of Commons, stated in a speech delivered on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, that there are thieves and embezzlers in the public service of Canada to-day. Mr. Foster is possibly right. The evidence given before the Insurance Commission appears to prove that he is quite correct in his diagnosis. But what can the government do about it while there are pocket boroughs or Tory hives which insist upon returning members to Parliament who have been rejected on their records by constituencies which still place some value upon the character of persons seeking the suffrages of the electors? Possibly we shall later on in the session have Mr. Foster raising the moral issue as it effects the private lives of members of Parliament. The effrontery of some honorable members is one of the things past finding out in these peculiar latter days. At the same time it is worthy of note that perhaps the situation is not altogether so gloomy as it may appear to one of Mr. Foster's pessimistic temperament. It will be remembered that the Montreal Star, a newspaper which has confessed that it was once greatly interested in the fortunes of the Conservative party—interested indeed to the extend of contributing a very handsome amount to the "purity" fund of the last campaign—that the Montreal Star insisted that Mr. Foster should not accompany Mr. Borden on his late stumping tour. The Star by some process of reasoning appeared to have arrived at the conclusion that it would be discreditable to the Conservative leader and the Conservative party to own the former Finance Minister as one of its shining lights, to having him appear upon the public platform as an exemplar of political and moral rectitude. We must not be understood as sitting in judgment upon this man of acknowledged ability but of peculiar views. It was a leading Conservative newspaper which raised the issue—founded, we presume, upon the evidence taken before the Insurance Commission and the speech of the Minister of Justice thereon. We are simply dealing with facts. The facts are that the man who was read out of the party by one of its leading organs is again sitting at the right hand of the Conservative leader and when occasion offers is expounding high moral principles, doubtless greatly to the edification of his fellow-members of the House of Commons. There are thieves and embezzlers in the public service, Mr. Foster says, and he is going to scourge them with that famous scorpion tongue. The great Conservative party is to be congratulated on its selection of a chief apostle.

THE HONORABLE W. J. BOWSER.

It has been suggested that injustice has been done Mr. Bowser and the provincial police by our remarks on the proposal of the McBride government to assume control of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors outside of municipalities. We may say at once that anything published in these columns was not intended to reflect in the slightest degree on the probity of Superintendent Hussey and his splendidly efficient staff of constables. But we must be excused from doubting whether any "reform" instituted by Mr. Bowser can be designed for any other than a political purpose. That gentleman, as he says himself, is a politician, "first, last, and all the time." As a public man the dominating idea in his mind is political aggrandizement—the strengthening of the position of the great Conservative party of which he is such a distinguished and so true a representative. His desire to serve the province is absolutely subordinate to this consuming purpose. We have only to cite one instance as proof of the justness of our estimate of the Attorney-General. It will be remembered that on the eve of the last provincial general election Mr. Bowser, speaking in the Victoria theatre, asserted that he had unquestioned authority for the statement that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company had contracted for a supply of Japanese laborers, who were to be employed upon the construction of the mountain section of the new transcontinental line. There was no opportunity previous to the election of proving the falsity of Mr. Bowser's declaration, although it was well known to be in harmony with that most honorable gentleman's reputation for truthfulness. The statement of the Attorney-General, who was not then so well known as he is now, doubtless had a considerable effect upon the minds of a too credulous electorate. The McBride candidates were elected in this city and a majority of them in the constituencies of the province. But events, recent events, have revealed just how much truth there was in the statement of Mr. Bowser. At the very time he was speaking a great railway company—a corporation which was backing the McBride government with all the forces at its command, moral and material—had contracted, or was about to contract, for an immense supply of Oriental labor. That company was not the Grand Trunk Pacific. It was a company which from the inception of the new transcontinental road has endeavored by every means in its power, in combination with its ally the Conservative party of Canada, to obstruct the construction of that line because it knew that with the completion of the Grand Trunk Pacific its practical monopoly of transportation in the West would be at an end. The revelations which followed the constitution of Mr. Mackenzie King as a commissioner to fathom the mystery of the sudden and, on the surface, inexplicable increase of Japanese immigration exposed Mr. Bowser and his Natal Act, which was not intended to exclude Asiatics, most completely. In the light of the expose would it be possible for any newspaper to say anything politically about that honorable gentleman which could by any process of reasoning be construed as unjust?

THE CASE OF TWO "BLUE NOSES."

Two prominent sons of Nova Scotia, one a leader of public opinion in the province by the sea, the other a political exile from that province, have lately been exchanging reminiscences in the House of Commons. Mr. Borden, leader of the Conservative party and exiled as we have said, told of the days when Hon. W. S. Fielding wrote editorials in the Halifax Chronicle deprecating surpluses as inimical to the welfare of the people upon whom unnecessary imposts were levied. The inference attempted to be drawn was that the surpluses which have been characteristic of the regime of the Laurier government, of which Mr. Fielding has been Finance Minister and one of the most distinguished members, by parity of reasoning, ought to be condemned. But there is a distinction, surely, between surpluses accumulated as a consequence of steadily increasing taxation and surpluses gathered under conditions just the reverse—by a process of lowering duties. The latter is the policy Mr. Fielding has steadily recommended to his colleagues. It is the policy his colleagues have accepted. And it is on account of the growth of trade under this system that surpluses have been announced at the end of each financial year for the past ten years. It is estimated that if the fiscal policy of the Conservative party had been in force during the past financial year, and assuming that the trade of Canada had been as buoyant as it has been—a very doubtful proposition—the surplus would have been some millions of dollars larger: that is, that the taxation would have been just that much more severely felt by the public. Consequently, the existing surplus is the result of a most substantial reduction in taxation. And the fact must not be overlooked that the dominant element of the Conservative party, when it undertakes to discuss a fiscal policy—which is but seldom nowadays, because it cannot ignore the sentiment of the populace—calls for a tariff "as high as Hamans gallows." Mr. Fielding's interesting reminiscence of Mr. Borden is that at an important epoch of his political career the Conservative leader was an active figure in a Liberal convention. Whether the exile from Nova Scotia has chosen the better part and is to-day in better company we shall not undertake to say. But we have very decided opinions upon the subject.

BRITONS AND SONS OF BRITONS.

Great Britain is reported by an alleged competent authority of American extraction to be greatly concerned about the decadence of her sons in the athletic field. Modern instances are cited in proof of this alleged decline of athletic prowess. In the list the case of one Mr. Shrubb, who is reputed to be something of an athlete in his own peculiar line, is overlooked. Alfred has defeated every American who had the courage to dispute his title as a distance runner. In the last instance he overcame no less than three of his competitors, allowing the one to commence after another had been exhausted by the pace set by the virile Englishman. But, even if it were true that the sons of the old mother are losing some of their prestige as athletes, is there any substantial evidence that Americans are supplanting them? Are not Canadians, with six millions to make a selection from, more than holding their own already against a nation of eighty millions? Would it be presumptuous to prophecy that within, say a quarter of a century, when we are a nation of about twenty-five millions, Canadian athletes will have proved their title to wear the laurel in every line? Then there are also young nations rising in Australia and South Africa. There are already splendid specimens of manhood developed and in process of development in these countries. When they come into their inheritance of full physical powers, it is quite certain that none but men of the northern zone will be qualified to compete against them. We are not at all disposed to unduly exalt the accomplishments of Mr. Tommy Burns (nee Noah Brusso), but we cannot ignore certain facts which are thus pithically commented upon by the Montreal Star:

"The brawny Canadian who won the pugilistic championship against Britain's hope and comfort last night will probably do more to make people learn what particular dot on the map represents Canada than all our poets since Dumonts and Champlain made their first land fall on this side of the Atlantic. It strangely happens that the joyous game in which Mr. Burns won renown for himself and his country is one which the criminal code of Canada forbids under heavy penalties. Under the by-laws of the city of Montreal even an amateur sparring exhibition is forbidden, though the gloves worn be as large as pillows, covered with velvet and stuffed with down. Yet Mr. Burns managed to pick up some knowledge of the science of self-defence, and has gone about the world defending himself against all-comers, with just as much success as though he played hockey, football, lacrosse, or any other of those gentle exercises which Canadian laws permit. It has been alleged that he girded up his loins when he went forth to battle with the flag of Uncle Sam, instead of a kilt of maple leaves. However, he himself has not hesitated to announce that he is a Canadian born, and fights as such. Uncle Sam has adopted many good things from Canada from prize fighters to college presidents."

PRIME MOVER AMONG TERRORISTS

Russian Goverement at Last Lays Hands on Nicholas Isahirkesky --Immured in Fortress

St. Petersburg, Dec. 11.—Nicholas Tsahirkesky, who last spring accompanied Alladin, the leader of the Group of Toil, in the second Douma on a visit to the United States, has been arrested here and confined to the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul.

M. T. Tchairkesky was the founder of the first revolutionary circle in St. Petersburg during the reign of Emperor Alexander II., in which many of the most prominent terrorists were educated. He fled to London in 1865, where together with Prince Kropotkin, he directed the revolutionary activity in Russia for many years. He was revisiting Russia for the first time when arrested.

In an adjoining cell of his prison is Madame Breshkevoaya, one of the first aristocratic converts to the terrorists. She was sent to Siberia in the early '70's, but succeeded in escaping from the mines and disappeared. Madame Breshkevoaya was recently apprehended in this city while distributing terrorist literature.

ROYAL MARRIAGE.

Athens, Dec. 12.—With the splendid and elaborate rites of the Greek church, the religious ceremony uniting in marriage Prince George of Greece, second son of the King of Greece, and Princess Marie Bonaparte was performed at the cathedral here to-day in the presence of the King and Queen of Greece. The civil marriage ceremony took place in France on November 21st. This was merely a formality, as the Greek church does not recognize the validity of civil marriages.

MYSTERY OF SEA HAS BEEN SOLVED

Wreck of Steamer Discovery, Missing for Years, Found in Alaskan Waters.

Through devious chanels and after many years during which the fate of ship, crew and passengers has been wrapped in silence, news has been received establishing the fact that the steam schooner Discovery, which started from Yakutat Bay five years ago for Seattle and had never been heard from, was wrecked on the bleak shores of Alaska. All on board perished.

The nature of death which came to the large number of men and women aboard the ill-fated ship will never be known. It is now established that the schooner met her fate in Prince William Sound, and it is believed she was driven on the rocky shores of Montague Island in a gale which prevented the passengers saving themselves or food to sustain them after reaching shore. It is possible that some of the men on board did by a miracle succeed in reaching land only to be dogged by death until forced to succumb to the grasp of starvation which left their bones bleaching on the cold and jagged rocks of the Island.

On the Dora, which arrived in Seattle on Sunday was John Whorf, of Seldovia, where he has been making his home for several years past. He brought word to Captain Omar J. Humphrey, of the Alaska Commercial Company, that an old sea captain of Seldovia who plies about the islands of Prince William Sound, has seen the boilers of the Discovery on the west shore of Montague Island. They are exposed at low tide, as are a quantity of bones, whether of human beings or not it is impossible to tell. Bones and boilers show the effect of the elements and are crumbling to dust, in which condition they are mixed together as one. The whole deck house of the Discovery is also said to be lying in a rotting condition on the shores of the island.

The Discovery was owned by Seattle men and plied along the coast of Alaska during the days following the gold discoveries. She was on her way south in the fall of 1902, bringing many passengers and gold.

CZARINA STRICKEN WITH ILLNESS.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 11.—Empress Alexandra, who for a considerable time past has been suffering from a light attack of influenza, was stricken with a high fever to-day and was ordered to remain in bed. The Empress recently called in a specialist and submitted to a severe regimen to reduce her weight, as her present affliction is ascribed to this.

DRINK LEADS TO SUICIDE.

Peterboro, Dec. 11.—Robt. Graham, a well-known lumberman of Minden, has committed suicide. He had been drinking heavily a nd was despondent. Deceased was 47 years old and unmarried.

NEW PHASE IN GRANBY DEADLOCK

Western Federation Warns Miners to Keep Away From Boundary District.

Grand Forks, Dec. 12.—Each day brings a new phase in the smelter and labor troubles here. The Western Federation of Miners has just posted a notice: "Look out, workmen, keep away from the Boundary district of British Columbia. The Granby Co. is attempting to cut wages here. Hundreds of men idle here. Take no notice of newspaper reports to the contrary." Signed W. J. Loutitt, president of Phcenix Miners' Union; A. E. Pardy, president of Grand Forks Smelter Men's Union.

The Granby Co. still maintains that the blowing in of the furnaces will take place immediately, but cannot state the exact date. There has as yet been no attempt at a riot here, although special police are still on duty. At the labor meeting held last evening nothing definite was done. Mayor Matthewson, of Phoenix, and a deputation from that place are conferring with superintendent Hodges on the Phoenix situation.

Dominion and Natal Act for B. C.

(Special to the Times).

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier told F. C. MacDonell, of South Toronto, to-day that if the British Columbia government would pass the Natal Act the Dominion would then give its opinion on the subject. That would be the proper time to say what should be done.

KING'S INTEREST IN CELEBRATION

Earl Grey Receives Message From His Majesty Approving Tercentenary Celebration.

(Special to the Times).

Montreal, Dec. 12.—Earl Grey, speaking before the Women's Club at Montreal today said that Vancouver was the Venice of the New World and that Montreal would some day pass more merchandise than Hongkong.

He asked the women to assist in raising one million dollars for the creation of the Plains of Abraham into a national park.

In conclusion, he read the following cable from Sir Dighton Probyn: "The King commands me to telegraph his approval of scheme for a tercentenary celebration, and say that His Majesty will gladly subscribe one hundred guineas towards the fund you are raising for this good object."

PRETENDER TO SPANISH CROWN.

Don Carlos Asks Pope's Aid to Wrest Diadem From King Alfonso.

Rome, Dec. 12.—The Pope received today in private audience Don Carlos of Bourbon, the pretender to the Spanish throne.

Don Carlos expressed the hope that the Pontiff would assist him in an attempt to regain the throne of Spain, but the Pope, although saying that his friendship was unaltered, indicated plainly that for political reasons it would be impossible for him to change his present attitude towards King Alfonso.

Don Carlos enjoyed the most intimate relations with the present Pope when the latter was patriarch of Venice.

HOME WEDDING.

Mr. Evans and Miss McDonald Were Married Last Evening.

Last evening a very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mrs. Preece, the bride's aunt, North Dairy pumping station, when Mr. Arthur W., eldest son of Mr. John N. Evans, ex-M.P.P., of Duncans, and Miss Annie, third daughter of Mr. Hugh McDonald, contractor, of Victoria, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. Rev. Dr. Campbell officiated. The groom was supported by Mr. Frank Davey, and Miss Lillie Evans acted as bridesmaid. The bride was dressed in a beautiful dress of white crepe de net over white taffeta, and carried a lovely bouquet of flowers. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful presents.

DUAL TRAGEDY.

Man and Woman Victims of Asphyxiation in New York.

New York, Dec. 11.—A man and woman, believed to be Frank Tucker and his wife, of Albany, were accidentally asphyxiated by gas in their room at the Stuyvesvant hotel at Third avenue and 9th street, to-day.

They registered at the hotel last night as Rogers and wife, of Albany, but the coroner found in the man's pockets a bill for a velvet dress made out to Frank Tucker, at 3 Hamilton street, Albany. Gas escaping from a heater caused the death.

CHINESE ENVOY HONORED.

Tokio, Dec. 11.—Pince Pu Lun, the special envoy from China, who is now returning the recent visit of Prince Fushimi to China, was magnificently entertained by Baron Golo, at the leading theatre to-night. Fully 1,000 people were present, including the diplomatic corps.

A rifle bullet is travelling at its greatest speed not as it leaves the muzzle, but at about ten feet away from it.

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TO SWEEP PIRACY FROM WEST RIVER

Four British War Vessels Police Chinese Waters--Prepared to Necessary Steps.

Pekin, Dec. 11.—Great Britain, on the third of this month, assigned four warships to police the West river, and to-day the vessels, under the command of Vice-Admiral Sir Arthur Moore, are patrolling 150 miles of river, to the limit of the Wauchou concession.

Great Britain is prepared to take whatever steps may be necessary, if China does not suppress the piracy, to protect shipping on the river, and she has notified the Chinese foreign board that she will patrol the river until the Chinese police boats are placed under the administration of imperial customs department.

This is the first time since 1900 that Great Britain has undertaken such military measures in China.

The largest drug market in the world is in St. Louis.

CHILD PREACHER.

"I have received a Divine call to preach the Gospel; it has pleased Jesus to use even me—a little girl!" These were the words of Frances Bradley Storr, the thirteen-year-old Doncaster girl who, after an extraordinary success as a child preacher in the north of England, has gone to London to be the central figure of a special five weeks' "mission."

With hair brushed neatly back, pale, serious, face aglow, and dark eyes shining brightly, the child held a congregation of 2,000 people completely enthralled in the Holloway hall of the metropolis. Folding her hands before her she closed her eyes, and, turning her face upwards, prayed earnestly, her childish voice vibrating with emotion. "Turn all eyes from me, the human, and lift them higher—up, up, up, to the seat of the Almighty!" A deep chorus of "Amens" greeted her words.

Then, taking a Bible in her hands, she read from the Gospel of St. Luke till she came to the words, "It was founded upon a rock!" Extending her arms and closing her eyes, the child preacher cried, "Temptation is great. Satan's power is great, too. But if we but build upon the rock we shall all be safe. Jesus is knocking at the door to-night—at this moment. He calls. You must come—that is all. Get down at His feet. Just say, 'I have come.' Get down on your knees—He will lift you up. Come now—not to-morrow, or next week, or next year, but now!"

Tears came to the eyes of grey-haired men and women. There was a dead silence for a moment, and then exclamations, wrung from the girl preacher's hearers under the tension of the moment, broke forth all over the crowded hall.

LOCAL NEW

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—Those who heard Mr. sing "Abide With Me" las St. Andrew's Presbyterian to have the opportunity of again before he leaves the

—Bakeries Limited were granted a permit for the brick buildings on William toria West, for the purpose and stables. The building mated to cost $9,270. Th erected by Thomas & Marti Watkins being the architec

—A lad named Lane, a Dixi Ross & Co., was this jured in a runaway accide thrown on his head and patrol took him to his ho not thought to be serious

—Mr. Colborne, who has the Anglican mission, at is receiving great praise f cient service which he is He is now organizing a con tertainment which will be Colwood hall, on the Wednesday, Dec. 18th. T will be donated to the org the mission.

—The steamer Maude, ur to the marine and fisheri ment, left this afternoon the Sandheads lightship, from its moorings on Satu ing, in position.

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—The regular business me W. C. T. U. will be held to-m noon at 3 o'clock in the ro King's Daughters.

—The bank clearings for th ing Tuesday for this city sh ancial transactions are still city. The clearings amounted

—A message has been rec Dallas Helmcken from Mrs Knapp stating that she has Vermont with the body of h band, and that the funeral place to-morrow.

—This evening Hon. W. J. companied by Mrs. Bowser, trip to Southern California land route on a months' vacat his absence Hon. F. J. Fu acting attorney-general.

—Walter Thomas Mills, of Socialist lecturer, addressed last evening. He advocated things that the municipalities ter into trade along certain competing with the capitali the benefit of the workingma

—The Poultry and Pet Sto tion met last evening at hotel and made arrangemen coming fair, which will be market building from Janu 17th. A large list of prizes w to have been given by the b of the city, and the exhibiti to be a record one.

—R. J. Skinner, provincial spector; A. Haslam, supervisor and J. D. MacKay, governm cruiser, have been consultin chief commissioner of lands Hon. F. J. Fulton, with re existing timber regulations an ber of proposed changes in laws to be embodied in legisl introduced at the approaching the legislature.

—George Phillips, secretary toria Musical Society, has bee secretary of the British Colu mittee for the Earl Grey dramatic competition, and al are requested to communicate

—H. H. Gowen delivered the lectures before the Alexandr evening. His address was up he showed the relation which tween the religion and the a people. The lecture was of joyable character, and on its a vote of thanks was ac speaker.

—The new First Presbyteria Seattle will be dedicated on S cember 15th, and the great will be opened and dedicated gan recital Tuesday night, Dec The whole week will be given dedicatory functions. Quite a the friends of Rev. M. A. Ma pastor, will likely attend the Seattle.

—G. K. Kumar, the relig among the Hindus of this cit to the hospital suffering from of grip.

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—Owing to the celebration niversary of Joseph Howe be the schoolroom of First P church on Friday evening will be no practice of the Fir terian choir.

—Yesterday afternoon Ge ley, of Nanoose Bay, and Phick, of the same place, w in the holy bonds of matrim residence of Rev. W. Leslie officiated. They left on the Nanoose Bay, where they ture reside.

MONEY WELL SPE

A one dollar bill cannot be vested than by mailing it to Herald and Weekly Star, of for a year's subscription to weekly. To have it come to each week means a treat a round. One dollar is a amount when one considers week for fifty-two weeks he receive a copy of the best we printed to-day. It pleases to farmers particularly it is ful help. At this season one better than send a dollar to Herald and Weekly Star, of

—The Victoria Property Ow elected the following officers year: F. B. Pemberton, cha Hall, J. E. Wilson, G. A. R Rebbeck, J. A. Sayward, E. E. Musgreave, board of ma and T. C. Sorby, secertary-tr

—On Tuesday evening M Luesley, of Victoria, and M Watkinson, daughter of Mr. Watkinson, of 1704 Cook st united in wedlock in St. church by Rev. E. G. Miller.