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to meddle in outside speculations, which are so enormously uncertain, that a tightness in the money market is felt throughout the district. If the money which has been invested in Coal Harbor and Port Moody by our citizens, had been laid out in the organization of a good line of steamers to ply between here and Victoria and on the river route, and in the urging of the government to open a channel at the mouth of the river, the New Westminster of to-day would be a prosperous and busy city. These facts will come home to the minds of our people when the darkness overshadows them, and they see in the future that their grasps at fortunes have been instrumental in the depreciation of their own city and interests. There will, naturally, be some successful speculators, but so profound is the uncertainty as to which place will be the favored one, that it is real foolishness for men of short means to enter into any such chances which are growing more and more intense. "Look to our own city first; work for own interests, and use all possible energy that co-operation and harmony will inculcate, to raise our city to a more important position," should be the motto of all, who entertain any desire for this city's advancement.

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## LOCAL JOTTINGS.

Teamer Princess Louise arrived from Victoria at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

It has been decided to hold the usual festivities on May day at Louisa gardens. The young ladies are, accordingly, very anxiously awaiting the result as to who will be the May Queen.

The Idaho arrived at about 7:30 last evening from Port Moody, she having gone there from Tacoma.

Col. Holmes will arrive in this city on Monday afternoon next. He will inspect our war implements and "strong-holds" that evening, and will remain in town a few days.

What next! The Park Hotel at Victoria well known as a respectable hole, has taken unto itself the title of "The Colonist Hotel." Brother Dave, will you idly stand by, and thus allow the name of British Columbia's most energetic and faithful servant—the *Colonist*—to be thus disgraced? We hope not.

Just think of the Anglo-Russian war being so terribly near that a peace wishing member of our local corps was seen to be hurrying about town offering \$100 as a reward for a substitute! It was also reported to us that he had taken to the bushes, but we found him last evening working with his fellow soldiers on the big gun at the drill shed, showing, evidently, that he had still a large amount of respect for his country.

Steamer Teaser arrived at 9:20 this morning.

Mr. Wm. Wolz, agent for R. T. Williams' new Directory, came up by the steamer this morning.

Mr. R. T. Williams has placed himself in opposition to Mr. Duck. Next!

The festive Mosquito is growing bigger. Its buzz and its bite are proportionately augmenting.—*Vic. Times.*

Men are at work putting the batteries on Beacon Hill in condition for defence. Arrangements will be made for placing torpedoes in position to protect the harbor.—*Vic. Times.*

The *Rural Backwoodsman* is the name of a new paper hailing from Empire Ranch, Lillooet District. It is published by J. N. J. Brown & Bros., and as a new adventure in the hands of its young proprietors, it speaks well. It contains very interesting and well written items, and an illustration which reflects great credit upon its engraver. We hope to receive the *Backwoodsman* often, and may success attend it and its publishers.

Mr. Donald McGregor has assumed the management of the *Port Moody Gazette*. We are glad to hear it, friend Donald, and may every success be yours.

The bazaar which has been held in Webster's stone building closed last Thursday evening. The entire affair was a complete success, and the ladies, who so kindly lent their aid to make it what it was, deserve much credit.

If Jerutha Ann Popper, who is about to change her name, wishes an order she sent to a business house Friday afternoon to be filled, she will please send her name and address, and the order will be filled and sent C. O. D.

The steamer *Adelaide*, arrived from Yale this evening, at about 7:15.

Jokes are like eggs: They can never be too fresh.

## HUMOROUS.

### Having a Clear Understanding.

"Now," said the bridegroom to the bride when they returned from the honeymoon trip; "let us have a clear understanding before we settle down to married life; are you to be president or vice president of this concern?"

"I want to be neither president nor vice-president," she answered. "I will be content with a subordinate position."

"What is that?"  
"Cont're'ler of the currency."—*Boston Courier.*

### Marked Down.

In Chicago I but my shirts from Hoopinkoff, on Clark street.

"Mr. Hopinkoff, I understand you claim that in your mammoth establishment it is unnecessary to keep a detective as shop-lifters avoid your store."

"Dot vas so."  
"How do you manage it?"  
"You vas a reborter, ain't it?"  
"You vont give it away?"  
"Certainly not!"  
"Well, I dells you. I used to have goots stolen mit dose counters off, but I stobbs dot already."

"Well?"  
"I youst marks dose genuwine imberted goots vat I sells so low down for gash dot it vood not pay dose thieves to take dem away for nodings."

### A Sacrilegious Beast.

Mrs. Kilcrair Pidgeon, of Austin, is very conscientious in the discharge of her religious duties. Yesterday at breakfast, Mr. Pidgeon, who was reading the morning paper, remarked:—

"That was a horrible affair in Paris. Day before yesterday a lion tamer was eaten up by the lions."

"W-h-a-t?" exclaimed Mrs. Pidgeon, in Lent?"

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# TELEGRAPHIC.

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MRS. GRANT.

THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN!

*Wide-spread Excitement!*

An Attempt to Injure Prince Rudolph

By Telegraph to The Mosquito.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—M. Peralta, Costa Rica minister, to-day received the following cablegram from the president of Salvador: Santa Anna, April 9.—We confirm the complete victory at Chalchepa, and the death of president Barrios, and his son Don Venancio. Signed, ZALD. VAR.

NEW YORK, April 9.—This correspondence has past through: "Aux les Bains, April 8.—To Mrs. Grant, New York; The Queen, who feels deeply for you in your anxieties, commands me to enquire after Gen. Grant. Signed, Dowager Marchioness of Ely." The following reply was sent: "New York, April 9.—The Marchioness of Ely, Aux les Bains; Mrs. Grant thanks the Queen for her sympathy and directs me to say that Gen. Grant is no better. Signed, Col. Grant." Queen's message was received last night, and the reply was sent to day.

TORONTO, April 9.—The news of the battle between the Russians and the Afghans has created great excitement here, and the newspapers bulletin boards are surrounded by groups of people. Old soldiers are preparing for active service in accordance with a notice posted up last week at the pension office.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—The war news from Europe created a sharp panic in the prices this morning.

BRUSSELS, April 9.—Great excitement has been caused in this city this morning by the report that an attempt had been made to assassinate Prince Rudolph, crown Prince of Austria. The report arose from an incident which occurred to the Prince on one of the public streets. He and the Count and Countess of Flanders, were on their way in the royal carriage to the cathedral to attend Te Deum celebrated there to-day in commemoration of the 55th anniversary of the birthday of King Leopold, when a man who was in a state of great excitement when he saw the carriage approaching, rushed wildly at it and with his naked fist smashed in the windows. The incident produced much excitement on the streets and at the cathedral whither the story of it soon fled much exaggerated. The man who attacked the carriage was not known to any one. He was unarmed and is believed by the police to be a lunatic. He is in jail awaiting examination.

LONDON, April 9.—The government believes that Gen. Sir Peter Lumsden, British Afghan boundary Commissioner, is at present at Herat, which he will fortify and hold if necessary against the Russians. Ordinary defenses of Herat are reported to be in good condition. It is stated that the promised orders to have the Russian advance stopped, which M. Degiers, Russian foreign minister, gave assurance that

he would send, were so managed that they did not reach the head quarters of Gen. Kowaroff, Russian commander at the front, until after his attack upon the Afghans.

## CHAFF.

The hand of fortune—Four aces.  
Jokes are like eggs: They can never be too fresh.

When is a doctor like a carpenter?  
When he hits an ail on the head.

Ex-position is a good name for a rink—especially for beginners.

General Sherman is sixty-five:  
Who says kissing is not healthy?

Editors do not always have a good income simply because they can make their ink hum.

Iceland is a Niceland as well; the men are obliged by custom to kiss every woman they meet.

Even the redoubtable Rossa had to succumb to a woman's pop. And this isn't leap year either.

A capital crime—Well kissing is as good as any of them, if we admit that kissing is a crime.

When a man wears an air of resignation, he may be suspected of being a bank officer about to visit Canada.

Mark Twain is said to have come of a long-lived race. Many of his jokes show their paternity and have a family characteristic.

"Write something on Lent," said the managing editor. And the editor sat down and wrote: Umbrella.

One of our plumbers says he can see no fun in all these jokes about plumbers' bills. Neither can his costumers see any fun in the bills, either.

## Unadulterated Gall.

One cannot help admiring impudence sometimes, simply on account of its independence, ingenuity and audacity, even though the natural inclination is to kick the offender. The gall, so to speak, of the recent action of the German authorities is a case in point. It rises to the sublime, and is enough to make even Americans fumed for their superabundance of cheek, to stare in jealous wonder.

Germany has been unloading her paupers and criminals upon our shores for a long time, and this country has borne the infliction and given them a chance to live and prosper; but recently there has been a steerage rate war among the continental steamship lines running from New York, which has presented an opportunity "to a large number of indigent persons," to quote the circular of the Hamburg-American Packet Company, "to return to Europe, who, upon their arrival on the other side, having no means of support or funds to reach their destination, have fallen a burden upon the community of the ports." In consequence thereof the German authorities have made arrangements to prevent the paupers landing, and to compel the steamship companies to take them back to New York.

To put it briefly, Germany's paupers are permitted to come over here and when they try to return home the German authorities will not allow them to land. For bold-faced effrontery this certainly beats the record.—Texas Siftings.

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