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THE HOLY SEASON.

A POPULAR PARTY.

MISS CASS PARKE requests the pleasure of Miss Ledyarde Streete's company on Thursday evening, the fourth of February, at half-past eight o'clock.

Invitations like this found their way to 16 west side breakfast tables, and 12 west side girls replied that they accepted, with pleasure, Miss Parke's kind invitation. The four others regretted that they could not, etc. The next evening 12 west side girls looked deep into the melting eyes of their steady company and asked:

"R you going to Cassie Paske's party on Thursday night?" And 12 young men looked aghast and replied: "No! Never heard of it. Is Miss Parke going to have a party?"

"She just is," pouted the 12 girls, "and if she hasn't asked you, why I just think it's real mean."

"Well, she hasn't," replied the steady company, "and I don't know a single man who has heard anything of it."

Then they were enveloped in a silence which might have been cut into dress lengths and sold at 17 cents a yard.

Days passed away. The 12 girls were in a flutter of excitement. They couldn't hear of a single man who had been invited. The whole thing was a large corrugated mystery. Several declared that they wouldn't go, but somebody whispered that there was a surprise in it, and then they all changed their minds. The evening arrived at last, and the twelve were bundled into coupes and driven off to the Parke mansion.

When the girls entered the drawing room fourteen strange gentlemen arose to meet them. All were in full dress, but their clothes hung upon them with an unaccustomed air. There was a tightness in the hips and a drawn look across the chests and a bagginess between the shoulders which suggested misfit parlors and the rental syssem.

"My! aren't they guys?" remarked Miss Streete in a whisper to her neighbor; "but haven't they heavenly complexions and mustaches?"

The same thought had struck the entire 12. The transparent pinx and white of those faces would have made a professional beauty envious. Their

teeth were like pearls, their lips like coral, and their eyebrows were delicately arched. All had tiny feet, and all, strange to say, had preposterously hairy faces. There was not a smug mug in the party. No two were alike. All styles were represented, from the Vandyke beard or delicately tip-tilted lip of the present day and the British mutton-chops of the 60's, back to the fierce tufts and mustachios of the first Charles. Such a collection of hirsute adornments had never been seen in Detroit before.

Introductions speedily placed the guests on a friendly footing. The gentlemen were low voiced and a little diffident at first, but that soon wore off, and the girls voted them charming. They were quite up to all the prevailing tricks of etiquette, had plenty to say, paid compliments with Chesterfieldian flirted to perfection. Soft eyes looked love to eyes which spake again, as Byron hath it. Presently a quadrille was indulged in, and the strangers danced it to perfection.

"Who are they?"

"What are they?"

"Where do they come from?" asked the 12 west side girls, and echo answered, "Who, what, where?"

At last the fiddles struck up that charming waltz, "Maggie Murphy's Home." They had just reached the notes corresponding with the words: "There's an organ in the parlor," when the first couple essayed to begin, but instead of gliding smoothly away they only succeeded in bumping into each other, breast to breast, like a couple of yawl boats in a chopped sea. Six other couples tried, but the result was the same. They couldn't progress an inch. A series of collisions between partners was the result.

"Why," suddenly screamed a bright little blonde to her moustached partner, "what are you doing? You're dancing lady."

"So are you!" shrieked all the other girls to their partners.

"Oh, dear me, so I am!" exclaimed the young men in curiously helpless voices. "So I am, what a gummy!"

"Gummy!" Did any man ever use the word 'gummy?' A light broke into the little blonde's brain. She seized her partner by the mustache. It came off.

Then all the girls broke into shrieks

of laughter. The murder was out at last. There was not a man in the house. The entire 26 guests were of the female persuasion. The dance went on. It was a glorious success. Didn't the "men" flirt? Weren't waists squeezed and ruby lips pressed in the dark corners? Weren't words of burning love poured into willing ears? Weren't all kinds of things said and done which would have made a real man gasp for breath, and didn't it all seem deliciously real? The mustache tickled in a manner which was simply paradisaical. When midnight came, the girls parted with regret. It was the wildest, most glorious dissipation they had ever experienced.

Mustache parties are practically unknown in Detroit, but they are bound to become popular. If the girls can't borrow their brothers' clothes they may wear shirt waists and any kind of dark trousers, or even skirts.—Detroit Free Press.

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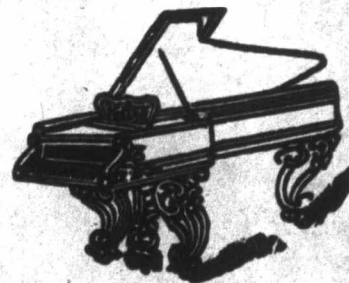
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TALES OF THE TOWN.



TWO ancient and honorable institutions are falling into absolute disrepute in fashionable circles, or at least into innocuous desuetude. They are the honeymoon and the wedding ring. At least two-thirds of the fashionable young matrons have ceased wearing that outward and visible sign of matrimony. At a dinner where there were twelve married women the other night, but two wore wedding rings—one a lady who has been married twenty years, and the other the bride of a week. It was seeing the latter that caused me to mourn the decadence of the honeymoon. Twenty, even ten years ago, nay, even five, what would one have thought of the bride and grooms who were not only willing, but anxious, to hobnob with their fellows within a week after the bridal! Now the young people who set out with the intention of spending their whole lives together find a fortnight's solitude a *deux* absolutely unbearable.

I often wonder what people would do if they didn't have the weather as a topic of conversation on the street, in the theatre, and, in fact, no matter where they may meet, not even excepting funerals.

You come down town in the morning, and the first friend you meet greets you with, "Howd' do! Nice morning, ain't it?" And you, anxious to let him know that your opinions agree, reply: "Yes, indeed, it is beautiful!"

A little further on another acquaintance bears down on you, and says:

"Mornin'. Pretty cold, isn't it?" He asks it as if his happiness depended on your answer, and you look serious and say:

"Yes, 'tis cold—colder than yesterday, I think."

The next one you meet remarks briskly:

"Howdy, old man? Pretty spring-like this morning, ain't it?" and you

throw out your chest and snuff the air and say in similar tone: "Yes, 'tis like spring; the air seems really balmy." And all the time you know you are lying. And so it goes on all day, not only between you and your friends, but between all the other people in the city and their friends. Just notice it some time, and you will see how absurd it sounds and how limited and curt our greetings and salutations would be if we didn't have the weather to supply us with friendly remarks.

On a certain hill in the city of Victoria stands a church in which hundreds of respectable citizens congregate each and every Sunday to worship their Creator and He who died on Calvary that we might be saved from perdition. The congregation of this church evidence by their attendance at divine worship that they are pure and desirous of advancing the great cause of public morality. The neighborhood in which this church is situated has hitherto been highly respectable, and, excepting in a few instances, may be considered respectable at the present time. To make a long story short, several creatures, whose existence depends entirely upon repeated breaches of the laws of morality, have taken up their residence in this neigh-

borhood, and it is rumored that others are about to follow. I do not propose to lecture upon the "social evil" question; I leave that to our spiritual advisers; all I desire is to draw the attention of the authorities to the great evil which may result if the matter is not attended to immediately.

When George Berry, the new manager of the Imperial Theatre, was a much younger man than he is now, he studied and practised law in Colorado. Such remarkable headway did George make when he was a student that his friends banked a great deal on what he would accomplish as soon as he had secured admission to the bar. At last the young student received the permission of the law association to practice, and a few days subsequently he was sent for from a neighboring county to defend a man in whose possession was found a brass watch that belonged to a neighbor—an occurrence, by the way, very common in Colorado. George's appearance in court was the signal for repeated outbursts of applause, and the way he badgered witnesses was a caution. The judge and jury swooned at his eloquence, in fact one authority says that at certain stages of his address to the jury they all went to sleep. George's modesty forbids him telling

how the case resulted; but it is on record in the law reports of Colorado that so successful a defence did he set up for his client that the latter—instead of receiving the penalty of the law for stealing (two years)—was sentenced to death. George then turned his attention to theatrical matters.



PERE GRINATOR.

TOPICS TALKED OF.

SOMEONE has been good enough to remark that men are flagrantly apt to err in their notions of good and evil, virtue and vice. At least I think someone at some time made such a statement, and I wish it understood that I do not claim the originality of idea even if I do concur in the principal. It strikes me that this choice piece of philosophy is peculiarly fitted to the Barnard-Kellie incident over which there was such talk a week or so ago. Mr. Barnard who represents the constituency of Cariboo in the Dominion House of Commons had some dispute with Mr. Kellie the representative of West Kootenay in the Provincial Legislature. The compliments exchanged were jug handled. In other words Kellie kept his temper; Barnard didn't. Kellie soothed his wounded feeling by bringing the matter to the attention of Mr. Speaker and this being done, Barnard apologized. To Mr. Kellie? No, to that august body known as the Legislature Assembly of British Columbia, whose dignity was so ruthlessly trampled upon. That is the case stated in as few words as possible. Unpleasant as is the recollection of this most unfortunate affair, I cannot refrain from briefly commenting on it. As a sincere friend of Mr. Barnard, I regretted the mistake he had made, but I must say that having been so indiscreet as to commit the breach of decorum, he was peculiarly happy in his method of recovering himself. Yet notwithstanding this fact, the stigma remains and will I am afraid cling to him for a long time. As a stern matter

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of fact he, Mr. Frank Barnard, M. P., for Cariboo as aforesaid, is the only one who is injured by the fracas. And now I come back to where I started and again repeat "Men are flagrantly apt to err in their notions of good or evil, virtue or vice." There are those who condemn in most pointed language, Mr. Barnard, others say Mr. Kellie was to blame, and still more say that both were at fault. Is it not unfair, yes even grossly unjust for us weak mortals to sit in judgment on the follies and weaknesses exhibited? "Good and evil, virtue and vice," how are we to judge?

What is frequently designated good nature in men, is nothing more or less than a specious weakness for admiration and applause which compels an acquiescence in what is manifestly wrong but undoubtedly popular. And yet some men are honest enough to stand or fall by their principles, be these principles popular or unpopular. The particular instance I have in mind now is the stand taken by certain people on the Chinese Exclusion question. It is popular to say "down with the Mongolians" and to cry with the mob "away with the yellow-skinned, almond-eyed sons of the moon," but it is also convenient to hire a Coolie to do your laundry work or to saw the pile of wood you bought with a portion of last week's salary. Let some one charge you with being a hypocrite, and there is immediately an excuse forthcoming. You are good natured when you join the rabble, and demand that the Mongolian shall be hustled from off this part of the earth at least, but in the washing or the wood sawing case you are true to a principle, the which is that it is legal and legitimate to hire the cheapest labor possible. About this exclusion business as about a good many other things, there is a good deal of rubbish talked. You can take this as a rule to which there are few exceptions that the loudest-mouthed anti-Chinese agitator is one of the first men to refuse to pay a white man two dollars for work he can get a Mongolian to do equally as well for one dollar.

Quebec is a long way off, and we don't take very much stock in the Frenchmen's political squabbles. Yet I honestly confess a feeling of satisfaction, in which nearly every Victorian

joined, when the news came over the wires, "Mercier is routed." I could quote a hundred homely old sayings that would just fit the case. A few will suffice. First and foremost the Divine command, "Thou shalt not steal," and another Biblical saying, "The way of the transgressor is hard." Furthermore, "Honesty is the best policy," and "Every dog has his day," for, as Bill Nye says, in the language of the late lamented Shakespeare, "The mills of the gods grind slowly, but they get there just the same." All of which is worth bearing in mind.

I see that the Provincial Legislature is going to consider a bill introduced by Hon. Mr. Turner to establish a Provincial Board of Horticulture. This is a step in the right direction. In no other province in Canada do the lovers of the most beautiful of nature's varied gifts have such opportunities of reveling in their glory as in British Columbia. Sometimes I think we don't value the privilege half enough. Life, God knows, is cheerless enough to many of us, and for no other reason than that we neglect to profit by the mercies and blessings of a loving Providence. If only because of their fragrance and beauty and refining influence, insensible as we may be to these virtues, we should, one and all, in this land of promise, make a right start in this direction of horticulture. Victoria especially is in this direction so far advanced that no other city in Canada can compare with her. But this is not enough, and as the formation of a Board of Horticulture would doubtless tend to a more devoted pursuit of the art, I hope the bill now before the House will carry.

DOCTOR BEAST.

John McCallum, Merchant Tailor, 42 Broad street, received his stock of spring and summer suitings last week.

Chas. G. Craig, the actor, is a native of Cobourg, Ont. He acquired his love for the stage when connected with an amateur dramatic company in that city.

It is a remarkable coincidence that Annie Inman, Belle Inman and Baby Inman, all made their debut in the same piece. This piece was Rip Van Winkle, and the two former appeared with Jefferson, while the latter came out under the supervision of another actor in the same play.

Mr. Berry has engaged H. W. Kierski as new property man at the Imperial. Mr. Kierski is well up in his business.

J. J. Cross has resumed his position as leader of the Imperial Theatre orchestra. Patrons of that house can now be assured of good music.

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BRITAIN'S POSITION IN EGYPT.

THE reign of the late Khedive of Egypt was of short duration, yet it was pregnant with events of the greatest importance to Britain, and indirectly to European Continental powers. It seems but yesterday that the Dual Control of the Land of the Pharaohs by France and Britain was entered upon—the days of the *courbash* and the *corvee*, of financial muddle, of the rebellion led by Arabi Pasha, of the "military operations" at Alexandria

controlled, and published periodically. The administration has been thoroughly purified and reformed; superfluous officials have been dismissed, or forced to retire; pensions have been restricted; and foreigners have been made to contribute to the taxation. The powers of the *Mudirs* have been curtailed, the use of the *courbash* has been prohibited, and all arbitrary exaction of taxation has been stopped. Moreover, the oppression and illegality of the previous tribunals have been ended, and new courts have been established,

would describe Death Insurance. The lady readers of the HOME JOURNAL will no doubt be glad to be enlightened on a subject of such vital import. Many ladies will turn away impatiently, with the remark that they do not want anything to do with a scheme which presupposes the death of husband, father or brother before any benefit can be derived. Well, there are two kinds of Insurance, my sisters, and if you will read our inquiry, you will be ready to follow our pen, for it is Life Insurance and not Death



NIAGARA CANYON (B. C. SCENERY).

and of the battle of Tel-el-Kebir. Then a little later, when the temporary occupation by British soldiers was about to terminate, came the Soudanese catastrophe, the destruction of the Egyptian Army, and the slaughtering of thousands of men under the late General Hicks. This, happily, was the end of reverses, and during the intervening years it has been one long effort on the part of Britain to stem the advancing tide of Mohammedan fanaticism, and to confine it to its true desert home. Since 1886, the history of Egypt has been without any great or stirring incident, but under the British protectorate (France having mysteriously withdrawn from the Dual Control, a proceeding that has never been satisfactorily explained) the Land of the Pyramids has progressed and prospered in a remarkable degree, until now the finances of the country are quite solvent, the accounts are centralized, properly con-

while every security is taken against arbitrary arrest and delay of justice. The prisons have been thoroughly reformed; discipline and order have been introduced into the police by British officers, and public order is everywhere efficiently maintained. The slave trade has entirely ceased. The irrigation and sanitation departments have been thoroughly reorganized, and much valuable land has been reclaimed. These are a few of the reforms witnessed during the British protectorate.

WHAT IS LIFE INSURANCE?

MOST people who read this heading think they know all about it, and if you listen for a moment, you will soon be satisfied that "most people" do not know very much about it. In fact, ninety per cent. of those who attempted to answer the question

Insurance we shall describe.

As the greater includes the lesser, Life Insurance includes Death Insurance, and is made up of three great factors, viz: interest, deaths and expenses. The uninitiated will think deaths should come first, but I have placed them correctly. Interest is the most important factor and the power of interest, and compound interest is the great factor in the problem of Life Insurance. Therefore, Life Insurance requires a sum to be set aside and invested each year at interest so as to provide during a given period for those who will surely die, and after paying all expense, still leave a sufficient sum to satisfy the claims of the living. This latter is called the Reserve.

We all understand what an Endowment Policy means, well, that is Life Insurance because it not only provides for payment in case of death, but also provides for pay-

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Some policies provide that those living at age 85 shall receive their money, and nearly all insurance companies will give Endowments maturing in 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 years from date of commencement, but the period generally selected is 20 years. Now out of 1,000 men commencing at ages 25 to 30, there will, in 20 years be over 800 alive, so that any plan which provides only death insurance would, at the end of twenty years, have done nothing for the 800. Remember the fact already stated that the Reserve must provide for these 800. Thus you see the reserve becomes at the end of the period selected the Endowment. All Life Policies have a reserve, and, therefore, all are or can be Endowments at the end of any selected period.

The largest and most enterprising companies long since discovered that the terms Life and Endowment are synonymous, and many both large and small have fallen into line and made their life insurance contracts read so as to make them endowments at the end of a period selected by the applicant. Death Insurance, pure and simple, certainly does good, but only for the minority, while Life Insurance provides for all.

At 40 years of age the deaths per thousand, in the succeeding 20 years, will only be 259, so that at 60 years of age 1,000 will have provided for the wives and children of 259 who will have died out at 60 years of age. There are still 741 homes that require provision for the living, and if these 741 have spent their energies in providing home and sustenance for their own and contributed the greater portion that goes to widows and orphans of the 259 who have gone to the "Better Land," and during all these 20 years have done nothing for the future of themselves and families when old age is creeping on, they have done only a part of their duty and left undone a very important duty they owed to themselves as well as to those dependent on them. It is well said that God helps those who help themselves, and by inference—will not stretch out any special help to those who have had faith without works.

Life Insurance then solves the problem of living, while protecting the families of those who do not

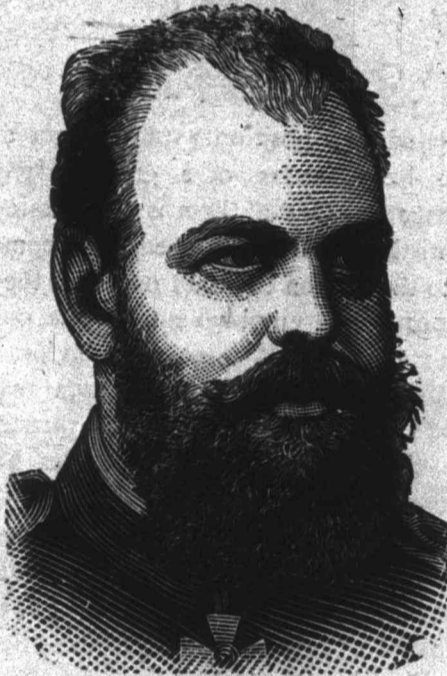
live out the natural period of man's years. Are not the wives and mothers interested in Life Insurance?

F. M.

DEAD HEROES.



CZAR OF RUSSIA.



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A BILL reducing the duty on barley from 30 cents to 10 cents per bushel has been introduced at Washington by Congressman Fitch, who represents the brewing interests of New York city. This is a tribute to the merits of Canadian barley, with which the New York breweries find they cannot dispense.

THE Dominion revenue for February was \$23,500,000, and the expenditure \$20,668,000. The debt was reduced during the month by \$900,000. In this connection, it is worthy of note that the exports of Canada in 1891 amounted to \$42 per head of the population, compared with \$26 per head in the United States.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

It was the intention of the publishers of this journal to furnish their readers with many illustrations of local interest every week; but experience proves the utter futility of carrying out that idea. Our relations with the firms which have hitherto furnished us with these illustrations have not been of a satisfactory character; for instance, if a photograph of a steamship was sent as a copy from which an illustration was to be made, the chances were that it would return to us in the shape of a threshing-mill; Christmas illustrations ordered early in December were received in the latter part of January. The labels on the cuts have been misleading, as will be seen on page 7, this week where Von Moltke and the Czar of Russia have been labelled "The Czar of Russia and Emprior William III." As a result of all this the idea of illustrations in THE HOME JOURNAL will be abandoned, until they can be secured in Victoria, which it might be remarked will be in a few months. We will therefore be compelled to reduce THE HOME JOURNAL to eight pages next week, and set it in smaller type, thus giving more reading matter than heretofore. Other departments will be added in the course of a week or so, such as sporting events, etc. And we hope, the paper will continue to receive the same encouragement that it has in the past.

THE PUBLISHERS.

RANDOM REFLECTIONS.

BEFORE me as I write is a sample of the Sunday school publication that is once a week put into the hands of boys and girls of from seven to fifteen years of age, in every community, on this American continent, with the intention on the part of the good people who distribute them of enlight-

ening the rising generation, imbuing it with a proper conception of its duties and responsibilities, and contributing to the mental equipment best adapted to preserve an unsullied character amid the temptations and difficulties incident to life. But the best of intentions may—and often do—lead to the commission of the worst errors. And nothing is, I firmly believe, more widely productive of harm than the maudlin sentimentality instilled into the minds of youth by ignorant, simpering writers, through the medium of nice stories with a moral in Sunday school periodicals.

The story in question opens with a conversation between two boys of about thirteen years of age, who have both



applied for a position as messenger at the headquarters of a great railway company. One of them is a professing Christian. Both of them have come into the city on the road on which they expect to get employment. The one who is yet in his sins came in on a half-fare ticket, although he is a year and a half over age, and saved a quarter by the transaction. He invites his more scrupulous companion to go with him to a restaurant and enjoy something good to eat which the money will purchase. The saint refuses. "I have promised," says he, "henceforth to live for Christ. Would I be honoring Him should I engage in what I am convinced is wrong? His command is, 'Follow Me.'" "And you think you would have a long time to wait before you could follow him into a place to partake of food procured with other men's money? Very well! You go your way and I will go mine, and see which of us which get rich the sooner. Some folks strain at gnats and swallow camels," rejoined the sinner. Here the president of the railway company, in the person of an elderly gentleman, who has been listening to the conversation, appears on the scene, and thus

admonishes the erring youth: "You have strangled yourself on gnats at the very outset, young man. I am superintendent of this road, and came down here for the purpose of engaging a new messenger boy. . . . You applied for the place; after what has passed you will not expect me to employ you. I shall offer the position to this other lad. . . . A boy who faithfully tries to walk in the footsteps of Jesus will never go very far astray."

The story does not say whether the messenger boy grew up to be a railroad president, who was always on the lookout for a chance to reward boys for uprightness and Christian sincerity. That feature is reserved to adorn another tale of the same description. A number of brakemen on an imaginary railway running from H. to L. never missed a chance to steal chickens shipped on that line. One of their fellow-workmen, though not a Christian, had a praying wife, and in some way a dim consciousness that stealing chickens was scarcely to be reckoned among the Christian virtues. Owing to this influence he refuses to appropriate any fowl. The theft is discovered. An investigation is held by the general manager. The guilty ones are promptly fired, and our hero being the only innocent one in the lot, tells his experience, and is at once placed in an official position. The general manager, as he makes the appointment, with tears in his eyes thanks God that the hero of the tale has been sustained by divine power in the hour of his temptation.

Men who have grown grey in the service of railway companies without ever meeting with any of these tearful, prayerful managers, or for that matter anyone else who ever did, are in no danger of being deceived by this kind of twaddle. Nor are men in any capacity who have come to years of discretion and sense, for the simple reason that boys of thirteen or fourteen years who express such admirable sentiments, or display the shrewdness of mature years, in such choice or pointed terms, are about as scarce as God-fearing railway magnates. But not so with children. At the time of life when the mind is most susceptible to impression and before the judgment is sufficiently matured to guard it from imposition,

children easily imbibe from such a source rosy-hued conceptions which in their after experiences lead to bitter disappointment. They go out into the world under the impression that correct conduct, uprightness of character, and Christian sincerity, even in very ordinary things, is sure to meet with appreciation and reward, while in real life they find that doing right and resisting and denouncing wrong more surely brings disadvantage and repression at the hands of influence and power.

Few minds are strong enough to cling to truth and repudiate the errors instilled into the mind with it. It is human and natural that, having discovered falsity in any teaching, we throw it all overboard. We fling away the gold with the dross, and in this way that which was intended to build up character too often only undermines it. It is the part of true wisdom to illustrate truth with truth, to teach truth only in accordance with knowledge and facts. The doings of righteousness are their own sufficient reward. To do justly, to follow conviction, with the sole object of obtaining preferment or wealth, is to barter the precious for the perishing. Let us learn our boys not only that it is worth while to do right, but that doing right is worth suffering for.

CRESSET.

Society

[THE HOME JOURNAL would be pleased to receive the dates of parties and the names of persons attending social gatherings. To insure publication, this information would have to reach this office not later than Thursday noon.]

THE Young People's Association of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church intend holding their last social for the season in the lecture hall of the church next Tuesday evening. The committee have taken great pains to make it as attractive as possible. One of the features of the evening will be the Orphanage (Instrumental) Quintette Club, under the able leadership of Mr. Frank A. Bennet. It has also been decided to have an art gallery, and a fine collection has been promised.

Some of the works are of local interest, such as "Caught in a gale off Race Rocks," by W. Allan, "The Empress of India under full steam," "Scene on the Fraser," the well-known allegorical picture "Departed Spirits," by Count K——, has also been kindly lent for the occasion.

Mr. Rod Begg has gone to Portland on a business trip.

A large number of invitations have been issued for the closing reception of the Iolantha dancing club, which will be held in Harmony Hall on Tuesday, 22nd inst. The committee of management hope to make it the climax of a successful season.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Munro will leave about the end of April for Halifax, N. S., Mr. Munro's old home, he having accepted a business engagement there.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brodrick, of Menzies street, James Bay, entertained a number of friends, Tuesday evening, 8th inst. Among the guests were noticed Geo. R. and Mrs. Jackson, Mr. and Miss Chapman, Misses Annie Carnichael, McDonald, Maud Pittock, Luta Jamieson, Powell, Messrs. T. R. Cairns, W. G. Simpson, Jack White, Gordon McConnan and Herbert Carnichael.

Mr. E. G. Anderson left by the Walla Walla to-day on an extended trip through California.

A pleasant informal evening was given by Mr. and Mrs. Fuller to a number of friends, at their residence, Oak Bay, on Thursday evening.

Gonzales, the residence of J. D. Pemberton, Esq., was the scene of a brilliant gathering last Tuesday afternoon. There were quite 200 persons present at the afternoon reception given by Mrs. Pemberton, which was a very select affair. The costumes worn by some of the ladies present were art studies.

The Ball Family Jubilee Singers gave a couple of very entertaining and successful concerts this week, and well sustained their high reputation. Their concerts are highly spoken of by all who have had the privilege of hearing them.

The circumstances under which the Ball Family made their first public appearance will bear repeating, for it is novel indeed. At the Grimsby camp meeting some years ago the family were singing a number of favorite melodies one evening in their cottage. The music being sweet and harmonious, attracted a considerable crowd around the house, who had gathered unknown at the time to the singers. The surprise of Mr. Ball can well be imagined when informed next morning that he and his family were announced to take part in the public proceedings that day. Such was the debut of the Ball Family Jubilee Singers.

At a special meeting of the Victoria Athletic Club last Thursday evening, March 25th was decided upon as the date for the annual tournament, ball and supper.

A special Lenten service for the children was held in St. Barnabas' Church on Thursday afternoon.

Rev. W. D. Barber gave a social to the members of the Guild last Thursday evening, at The Knoll, Craigflower road. The evening was made pleasant with music furnished by the members of the Guild.

The members of Fernwood Lodge, C.O.O.F., M.U., last evening gave a social, followed by a dance, in their hall, Spring Ridge. The Bantley family furnished the dance music.

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| Fruits, assorted table, 3-lb. tins..... | 40 |
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| pie, gallon..... | 75 |
| in Brandy..... | 1 50 |
| crystalized..... | 25 to 75 |
| Gelatine, Nelson's..... | 25 |
| Hams..... | 20 |
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| Honey, gallon..... | 1 75 |
| 1 lbs, comb, in jars..... | 1 00 |
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| Jams, assorted C & B..... | 3 for 1 00 |
| Knife Polish..... | 25 |
| Lard, pure, 10 lbs..... | 1 75 |
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| Lentils..... | 16 |
| Lemons, Sicily..... | 50 |
| California..... | 35 |
| Lobster, Clover Leaf..... | 35 |
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| case..... | 3 50 |
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| pt bottle..... | 50 |
| ½ pt bottle..... | 25 |
| Oysters, fresh, tin..... | 75 |
| Blue Point, 2-lb. tins..... | 35 |
| 1-lb. tins..... | 25 |
| Onions..... | 4 |
| Pate de foie gras..... | 1 25 to 1 75 |
| Peel, mixed..... | 40 |
| Pearline..... | 25 |
| Pepper, ground..... | 50 |
| whole..... | 35 |
| Pickles, C & B, qt..... | 65 |
| pt..... | 35 |
| Potatoes..... | 1 25 |
| Prunes..... | 12½ |
| Plum, pudding..... | 75 |
| Raisins, Dehesa..... | 50 |
| layers..... | 25 |
| Valencias off stalk..... | 12½ |
| layers..... | 16 |
| Sultanas..... | 20 |
| Rice, Japan..... | 8 |
| Sandwich Island..... | 10 |
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"Yes, I can"

"Prove it, then."

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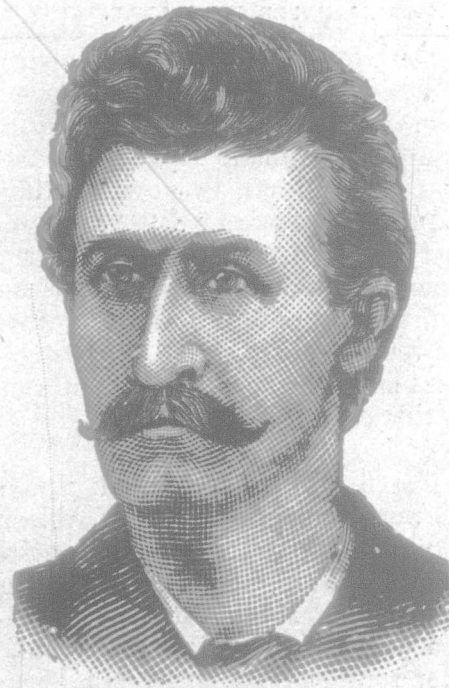
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ANARCHIST SPIES,
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THERE seems to be some prospect that theatrical matters have been extricated from their hitherto chaotic state, and that things will run somewhat smoother in the future. Mr. George Berry has assumed the management of the Company at the Imperial and Mr. Mallandaine will look after the business of the house. Mr. Berry has been identified with theatrical



MANAGER GEO. BERRY.

matters for years, and in company with Mr. Mallandaine, there seems to be no reason why the Imperial should not be made a paying house. Miss Belle Inman is now leading, and already has added to the popularity of the Company. Mr. Berry promises that the house will be run in first-class order, and altogether the recent changes give encouragement as to the future of the drama in this city.

The first play produced under the new management was Kathleen Mavourneen, and during the entire run of three nights the house was well filled. Miss Inman as Kathleen was the recipient of round after round of applause. Mr. Berry was a very acceptable Terence, and Mr. Summerfield made a very good

priest. Mr. Morton was at home in the character of Bernard Kavanagh, and it is not often that a better Cockney character is seen than that



BELLE INMAN, LEADING LADY AT THE IMPERIAL THEATRE.

given by Mr. Bronson. Billy Bennett has a good Irish dialect, equal to any in the Company, and it is plainly evident that he would make a great success in characters of that description. Kittie Berry and Annie Inman were both well up in their parts, as was also Mr. Lloyd.

The Golden Giant, at the Imperial for the last three nights of the week, has been a drawing card. Mr. Craig, was ably supported by Miss Inman, Mr. Berry and the rest of the Imperial Company. The play will receive its last production to-night.

Maude Granger drew big houses at the Victoria for the three nights beginning Wednesday. The Creole, or L'Article 47, was the attraction the opening night, with Miss Granger as Cora. In this play Miss Granger has ample scope to display her ability, and she was wonderfully realistic in the emotional parts. Her portrayal of the insane woman was indeed a great piece of acting. The second night Inherited was the bill. In this play Miss Granger is at her best. In the scene where she escapes from the asylum, and returns to find that her husband has secured a divorce,

she is beautifully pathetic, and secure the pity of her audience. Camille, on Friday night, was a great production of Dumas' creation of a fallen woman. Every climax scene received an encore. The Company supporting Miss Granger is an excellent one, and with the exception of Capt. Swift, is the best Company that has appeared here this season.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers will be at the Victoria on the 14th. This Company of singers are recommended by both press and public every where.

Arthur Forrest has gone to San Francisco, and after playing a brief engagement there he will proceed to New York.

They say that ex-Manager Rice has, indeed, met with hard LINES.

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Miss Ray Lewis, will appear as Violet, in Our Boys, to be produced at the Imperial next week. Miss Lewis is well known in this city and is considered a first-class sou-brette.

Chas. G. Graig will leave Sunday for Portland to join Cordray's Stock Company.

L. L. Shaape, well known to the profession the world over, was manager of McVicher's when Miss Belle Inman first studied for the theatrical profession.

The ever popular Patti Rosa will be at the Victoria on the 22nd.

At the Imperial for the first three nights will be produced the great English comedy, Our Boys. The scenic effects will be suitable for the piece, and Manager Berry promises a good performance. For the last three nights the Lancashire Lass will hold the boards.

Kathleen Mavourneen will be given at the Imperial at a matinee on St. Patrick's Day. Irishmen will no doubt appreciate the compliment paid them by Mr. Berry and turn out in large numbers to witness the production of the beautiful Irish drama,

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PARLIAMENTARY UNION.

THE time of the last meeting of the Mock Parliament was taken up with Mr. Sinclair's resolution:

Whereas there is now a large proportion of the Chinese race resident in British Columbia and a continual stream annually coming into the said Province to the detriment and exclusion of white labor and supplanting the rights, privileges and profits of the best class of our colonial citizens,

Therefore be it resolved that on and after the first day of January 1893 a per capita poll tax of \$40 on each and every Chinese person arriving and coming as immigrants into the said Province of British Columbia shall pay into the revenue of the said province the sum of \$250 or otherwise not be allowed to land in any port or place in the said province.

Mr. Sinclair opposed the importation of Chinese into British Columbia, and contended that the subjects of far Cathay, China, entered into direct competition with our own white laborers. Mr. Sinclair spoke eloquently on the injury which the Celestials might inflict on a young country like Canada.

Mr. Dutton, who seconded the resolution, emphasized the remarks of Mr. Sinclair.

Mr. Holton did not believe that the Chinese interfered at all with the white laborer, inasmuch as they did work which no self-respecting white man would perform.

The report of the Committee on Procedure was adopted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Monday, March 14, 1892.

Adjourned debate on Mr. Sinclair's Chinese Restriction Resolution.

Mr. Vidler, member for Spring Ridge, to ask the Prime Minister the following question:

Whether His Excellency, the Governor General of Canada, still holds a place in his own Govern-

ment as Minister of Railways and Canals or any other portfolio.

Mr. Vidler, member for Spring Ridge, to ask the Minister of Lands and Works, the following question:

Whether a Crown Grant has been made of the Ridge which gives its name to my constituency. If so, to whom? But, if not, whether in order to stop the shameless vandalism which by felling trees and letting out of open grounds would sweep away one of the City land marks of Victoria, British Columbia, he would advise the Crown to make the Ridge or the parcel of it that is left, common land for ever.

H. E. A. COURTNEY,
Clerk.

"I wish you to witness," sobbed the horse-thief, under the limb, "that I die with resignation." "You hear what he says, boys," replied the leader of the vigilantes; "all in favor of accepting his resignation, will please signify the same by pulling on the rope."

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The new morning paper sapiently observes that the question for us is "how to draw into the pockets of all classes of British Columbians the largest possible share of the surplus cash of the wandering gunner and fisher." In order to accomplish this object, it takes up the parable of Mr. Commissioner Wilmot, "himself a keen angler," who "pressed a witness from the Skeena as to the likeness of the spring salmon to the salmon of the Restigouche (E. Canada), and having satisfied himself that there was no natural difference between the two fish, the chairman asked whether any one had ever made any serious attempt to catch the spring salmon of the Skeena with a fly. The answer was in the negative." Our contemporary continues: "Commenting on this, Mr. Wilmot said, 'I ask these questions because I am aware that fishing (fly fishing), on the Restigouche is let for an annual rental of

\$10,000, \$20,000 or \$30,000, and I cannot help considering that if your salmon should be found to take a fly, you would have no difficulty in letting your rivers at similarly high rentals. It is not so very many years ago that the Restigouche was first known as a fly fishing river.'"

Were this idea of the "keen" Mr. Wilmot carried out, say, for instance, on the Skeena, where would be the important salmon industry upon that river; how much, we ask, of the surplus cash of the wandering gunner and fisher would find its way into the pockets of all classes of British Columbians, particularly of those canners and their employees, together with the merchants of Victoria who are so largely interested in this industry? In England, Scotland and elsewhere at the east, the national policy is to reclaim and to turn to industrial advantage the wastes "over which the game have been accustomed to roam, and at the same time to shorten the scope of those obnoxious game laws which would be the almost inevitable attendants of carrying out the views of keen sportsmen and "keen anglers" of the Wilmot class. By his attempt to shape the course of the inquiry into this particular way, it is manifest that Mr. Wilmot has no idea of the magnitude and importance of the salmon trade of this province. When its day is over, then will be Mr. Wilmot's opportunity to inaugurate the policy of preserving what is yet left for anglers who are as keen as he is and are anxious to become the embodiments of Dr. Johnson's caustic description of what a fisherman really is. It will be remembered that he spoke of something with a hook and bait at one end and a fool at the other.

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