

The Colonist.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1895. THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS OLD.

On the morning of the 11th December, 1858, THE COLONIST first saw the light. The sheet was scarcely two hands-breadth in width and being printed on dingy colored paper and having a smudgy face its appearance was scarcely inspiring.

The time was ripe for just the kind of writing that the Colonist supplied—pungent, incisive and bitterly personal. The form of government was unpopular.

Thirty-seven years are to humanity more than a generation; and few of those who took part in the editing and printing, or of those who read the first number of THE COLONIST are alive to-day.

The ups and downs of Colonial life are many and varied. THE COLONIST has experienced them in every phase and form during its long life.

We know of no more forceful lesson than that conveyed by the pages of a journal printed nearly forty years ago. The advertising columns show that there has been an entire change in the personnel of the business community.

Where Bastion street enters Government street, and where Fort street meets Wharf street stood bastions in which guns were mounted, and the space between was enclosed by palisades twelve feet high.

For several years the streets were quagmires. In the winter months a vehicle could not be drawn through them because of the mud, and it was not until 1863, when Mr. Harris and five Councilmen were elected, that any improvement was noticeable.

Within the covers of the files of the Colonist will be found the history of British Columbia for the past thirty-seven years. We do not think we can be accused of egotism when we say that with the growth of the Province THE COLONIST has kept step; that as the resources of the country were developed and trade and commerce expanded

we have endeavored by a liberal expenditure to utilize the best available facilities for laying before our readers a newspaper of which no provincialist need be ashamed. THE COLONIST has not been the medium through which scandals have reached the public eye; sensationalism has been avoided, and we have abundant reasons for knowing that our efforts to produce a clean periodical—one that no father or husband need hesitate to admit to his family circle—are appreciated.

WHOSE COURSE IS CROOKED?

The organ of the Opposition, which by the way is not exactly in tune on the Manitoba school question, is virtuously indignant at the way in which supporters of the Government expressed themselves on that question in Antigonish.

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Have the Leader of the Opposition and his imitators been frank and candid on this school question? They have not. It is impossible for anyone even to this day to say where they stand.

PROPERLY SHELVED.

The City Council did the right thing when they shelved the petition of a number of citizens to make the office of Chief of the Fire Department elective. Such a proposal is not only foolish, but mischievous.

be done, and he should be sure of his position as long as he does his work faithfully and well.

It is quite possible that in the effective performance of his duty Chief Deasy has made some enemies, and that these enemies are determined to do him all the harm they can, not because they believe him unfit to perform the duties of his office, but because they dislike him and owe him a grudge.

THE "GLOBE'S" GRAND FLOP.

"Free Trade" has been for some time inscribed on the banner of the Canadian Liberals. Free trade as it is in England has been with more than the usual flourishes declared by Mr. Laurier to be his "ideal."

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The reason for his coolness is not far to seek. When Mr. Laurier became a convert to free trade he either forgot or did not know that there are a great many zealous Protectionists in the ranks of the Grit party.

It may be possible to quote declarations in prose and verse in favor of absolute free trade; but, so far as the next Parliament is concerned, absolute free trade is out of the question.

The Toronto Globe finds itself under the necessity of admitting what the Conservatives have been insisting on ever since Mr. Laurier and the leading Liberal organ began to advocate a policy of free trade for Canada.

important. The unfortunate Grits are once more without a policy. What will they take up next?

A SENSITIVE SENATOR.

Senator Morgan is exceedingly angry because Lord Salisbury and Sir Julian Pauncefote have criticized his public utterances adversely. It is hard to realize that an American public man should be so thin-skinned and so silly.

It is possible to infer from Senator Morgan's recent comment on the British "Globe's" despatches that he regards the Canadian claims for seizures in Behring Sea as barred by the decision of the Paris Tribunal.

Senator Morgan complains that Sir Julian Pauncefote has criticised his speeches in the Senate on this matter. The Senator is entitled to immunity from criticism on what he says in public debate? May we not criticise him in the press? And if we may, why may not an Ambassador, writing to the Foreign Minister in London, say what he thinks? May not our Ambassador in London impart to Mr. Olney his views of Lord Salisbury's speeches in the House of Lords? What should we say if Lord Salisbury tried to stop him or called him arrogant? No doubt by this time Senator Morgan has reflected and wishes he had not complained.

THE WALLER CASE.

If the British had treated an American citizen as the French Government has treated a United States ex-consul, every newspaper in the States, from Maine to Texas, would contain the fiercest denunciations of England's Government and England's policy.

There are good grounds for concluding that Waller was not treated fairly by the French; that his becoming a large land holder in the country, and not plotting against the French, was his real offence. The United States Government, as was its duty, inquired into the trial of Waller and into the constitution of the court that condemned him.

of the world under such suspicious circumstances, and if explanations and papers were purposely kept back? Certainly not. The howlers would long ago have been howling loud enough to be heard from one end of the earth to the other.

RATHER COOL.

The Times, naturally enough, considers Colonel Prior "too sensitive" because he promptly nails the lies that are circulated to injure him personally and politically.

Our contemporary well knows that there are many persons in the community who know very little indeed about Col. Prior, and it also knows that there are small-minded, ill-conditioned politicians in the district who industriously spread any evil report about him or any other political opponent with the hope of discrediting him and making him unpopular in the community.

THE CITY MARKETS.

There is a strong probability that householders will pay less for Christmas eggs than ever before. If the weather continues mild merchants believe eggs will drop to 35 cents or even less.

Table listing market prices for various goods like Flour, Wheat, Oats, etc.

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THE WOLF DANCE.

Last Saturday the Ojib Indians finished up the great wolf dance that for five days had been in progress at the village of Numukamis on the Alberni canal.

was seized upon by the "wolves" and a disgusting scene ensued. The so-called wolves actually worried the wretched animal to death, tearing him to pieces with their teeth, and one man ripped out the entrails proceeded to devour them while his companions feasted on the parts of the carcass.

The "wolves" were then brought into the village and the medicine man proceeded to doctor them, it being supposed to take two days to drive the wolf nature out.

WARDNER'S NEW ENTERPRISE.

James F. Wardner, the widely-known Western miner, has among his purchases a gold property at Kennedy, Nev., that has attracted attention for some time.

NORTH ONTARIO CAMPAIGN.

BEAVERTON, Dec. 10.—(Special)—The campaign in North Ontario is becoming very lively. Meetings were held last night here and at Sunderland, Bracebridge and Scott.

Damp Days advertisement with a graphic of a cloud.

PYNY-PECTORAL advertisement for a lung remedy.

S. A. STODDART, WATCHES advertisement.

Advertisement for a watchmaker listing various watch models and prices.

GREEN-WORLOCK ESTATE.

Creditors Have a Protracted Meeting Discussing How to Deal With the Real Estate.

Trustees Given Authority to Lease the Bank Premises and Redeem the Mortgage.

There was a prolonged meeting of the creditors of the Green-Worlock bank yesterday in the board of trade rooms.

An effort was made to exclude the press on the ground that matters were coming up which, while proper for the creditors to know, should not be made public.

Hon. Herbert Beaven made a statement on behalf of the trustees of the estate. The object for which the creditors had been called together was, he said, to consider what should be done with the city real estate in the hands of the trustees.

The session lasted from 11 in the morning until 4 in the afternoon, luncheon being served at the noon adjournment by the ladies of the neighborhood, and during all the day not a voice was heard save in favor of the creamery.

Mr. Edward Johns presided at the morning meeting, for delegates only, while Mr. Stephens acted as secretary. In the afternoon the general public were made welcome and Mr. J. C. Chandler explained that all that was required, so well had the business of the morning been done, was to proceed with the formation of an association, a draft constitution and prospectus for which he proceeded to read.

On her arrival from Tacoma yesterday morning, Mrs. Robertson was met by Mrs. G. E. Moss and Mrs. Charles Bush, a delegation from the temple. She was at once escorted to the Dominion hotel, where breakfast was served, and afterwards the delegates drove with her through the city, pointing out the various places of special interest.

In the afternoon the institution of the temple was proceeded with, and officers elected and installed as follows: excellent chiefstain, Mrs. George E. Moss; most excellent senior, Mrs. Charles Bush; most excellent junior, Miss L. Hall; manager of temple, Mrs. W. Wallace; M. of R. and S., Mrs. J. W. Walker; mistress of finance, Miss S. Townsend; protector of temple, Miss E. Kirkwood; guard of outer temple, Miss D. Couves; past chief of temple, Mrs. L. Arnold; wand bearers, Mrs. A. Jackson and Mrs. C. Hunter.

Mr. E. M. Johnson did not believe in holding on to the property; he favored realizing on the estate as soon as possible, and moved a resolution to the effect that the trustees be authorized to offer the property at public auction after

ANTIPODEAN ADVICES.

Solomon Islanders Arrested and Taken to Fiji to Be Tried for Murder.

Having 'No Character to Lose,' a Liliuani in a Libel Suit shoots Himself.

(By Steamship Miowera.)

H. M. S. Ringdove having left the Solomon Islands for Fiji with a number of natives on board charged with murder, advices have been received from Captain Bremer of the cruiser that the Ringdove arrived at Suva on the 20th October with two natives on board, charged with the murder of Captain C. S. Atkinson, and one native charged with taking the life of a native woman.

According to four native witnesses who have been taken to Fiji, the motive for taking Captain Atkinson's life was revenge, he having struck one of his native crew the night preceding the murder. The two natives taken by the Ringdove deny that they were the assassins of the deceased captain, and affirm that the two men who committed the deed swam ashore from the ship which was the murder took place, and that one of the perpetrators of the crime was killed by the head-hunters and cannibals of Guadalcanar, the other escaping to the bush.

The native charged with the murder of a woman, a lad of 18, migrated with his father and mother to Gela, where he states his parents were killed by the tribe to which his alleged victim belonged, and that under such circumstances he would be justified according to the established amenities of Gela warfare.

A circular was issued to the ministers and congregations of the Presbyterian, Wesleyan Methodist, the Minor Methodist, Congregational and Baptist churches of Victoria, setting forth that in view of the severe drought with which a large portion of the colony is threatened, and the widespread distress which must follow, they were earnestly invited to observe Sunday, the 17th November, as a day of humble and united prayer to God for the manifestation of His mercy in the gift of rain.

RIGHT REV. Bishop Croft officiated yesterday at the nuptial ceremony of James Harrison. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: James Dempster, T. G. Seardi, M. Porter, J. Rowland, John Christian and F. G. Brockland.

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A SPLENDID CARGO.

The Miowera Filled to the Hatches With the Golden Fleece From Australia.

A Quick Trip Completed Yesterday—Wages Going Up—Sealing Shares Sold.

The Royal Mail Steamship Miowera, Captain Stott, has had a month's holiday since she left here in September last—in consequence of the Warrimoo having been repaired in time to take the October trip—and as a result of the overhauling of machinery and cleaning of hull the good ship has arrived here a day ahead of time, berthing at the outer wharf at 2:30 yesterday morning, and surprising all concerned, for she had not been reported from the signal stations in the Straits. The Miowera left Sydney, now in the enjoyment of midsummer, on the 18th of November, and with glorious weather Suva was made on the 24th ultimo and Honolulu on the 2nd of December.

The Full court yesterday heard argument in Manson v. Howison. This is an appeal from Mr. Justice McCreight, trial judge. The plaintiff had sued the defendant for rescission of an agreement to purchase land, and for the return of the deposit, though without the return of the deposit, the defendant counter-claimed for specific performance of the agreement. Mr. Justice McCreight held that the plaintiff was entitled to rescind the agreement, but did not order the return of the deposit, bringing another suit thereto. The defendant's counter-claim was dismissed. From this judgment the defendant appealed.

ALEXANDER FENCE and Mrs. Joseph Cosky, who now calls herself Mrs. Fence, arrived in Victoria on Sunday with the intention of becoming permanent residents. They are from St. Paul, Minn., and have recently received considerable notoriety by reason of their abrupt departure from St. Paul on Thanksgiving day.

THE FLAGSHIP INSTEAD. No definite action has been taken by the Seamen's Union of New South Wales in regard to a general increase of seamen's wages. The scores made this year on the subject is said to be contemplated. There have been many increases on individual ships, however, the sailors on the Canadian-Australian line benefiting to the extent of £1 a month. Shipping in New South Wales is said to be exceptionally active.

THE AUSTRALIAN SERVICE. Mail advices by the Miowera received yesterday indicate that the public men of the enterprising colony of New Zealand have not cooled in their desire for direct steamship connection with Canada, and that the postponement of the arrangement whereby Mr. Hindard's time was to receive a handsome bonus is but a temporary one, due to complications arising from the manner in which the proposition was brought forward.

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On Saturday next the Navy Rugby team will meet Victoria at the Caledonia park, and as owing to the probable departure of H.M.S. Royal Arthur for England early in January this may be the last time that these two famous teams will meet on the football field, the match is exciting great interest. In the league series Vancouver has a slight advantage over Victoria, but if the Navy defeat the Terminal City men next week, and they are a close contest, of so doing, Victoria will have a long lead. By the outcome of next Saturday's match a very accurate forecast of the result of the Navy-Vancouver match can be made, as it is little to choose and a close contest between the Navy and Victoria means that the former will have a good chance against their Mainland opponents.

THE FLAGSHIP'S FAREWELL.

For the second time this season the great sail loft at the Esquimalt naval yard was last evening the scene of merry-making.

The decorations of ball, supper and reception rooms were in keeping with the importance of the event and with the acknowledged artistic taste of the naval men. In fact their efforts were never more successful in this respect. The arrangement of the various rooms was on the same general plan as for the Admiral's ball of a few weeks ago; the sitting out-rooms—cosy little nooks and corners, all bright with many colored lights and fragrant with the breath of flowers—were, however, more numerous than ever, and the supper room was "a veritable dream of loveliness."

Holly was very appropriately used here in profusion—for Christmas is now close at hand—with all the treasures of the hothouse and conservatory, and electric fountains, forming the centrepieces of each of the three long tables, gave the necessary crowning effect. The pretty idea of lighting the tables from underneath was again carried out, and with admirable results. The supper was in charge of Mr. Brown, the flag-ship steward, assisted by Mr. Fox, Admiral's steward, and the catering as well as the service was unexceptionable. Here is the menu:

Clear Soup. Prawn Salad. Truffled Turkey. Game Pie. York Ham. Fillets of Pigeon in Aspic. Capon. Pressed Tongues. Corned Beef. Salad.

NOBODY'S AS YET. A district order now on the notice board in the drill hall settles the fate of the prize offered by Lieut.-Col. Peters, D.A.G., in August last, when he wrote: "I will give a prize of \$20 to the company making the highest score" in the class firing of the B.C.B.G.A. (1895), "provided not less than fifty men per company take part, and that the five companies compete."

A TREATY OF PEACE. Fifty cents to Seattle or two bits to Port Townsend are still the rates announced by the morning steamer Rosalie, continues to command a fair share of patronage at \$1 and 50 cents. Those who have waited and watched for a further cut by either steamer and have noted with pain a surprise that it cometh not, are likely to continue waiting, for on the one hand the Rosalie people express themselves as satisfied to end the slashing of rates at the present point, and on the other the Selmoh's managers do not seem disposed to accommodate the Christmas holiday makers with the nickel-in-the-slot arrangement. Though no move in the rate war has been definitely announced as yet, the calm that has settled over the opposing factions is said to have a cause, and the waterfront fraternity were given a quiet tip yesterday that a treaty of peace had been concluded. By this report speaks truly, the Rosalie emerges from the fight victorious, and the Selmoh retreats not from the contest alone, but from the route.

Just when she will make her exit is not determined, but it will probably be before Christmas time. The Kingstons will continue to afford her efficient afternoon service, and the Rosalie will once again enjoy a monopoly of whatever profits are to be found in the morning business.

WORTH A GUINEA A BOX. A box of BEECHAM'S PILLS is worth a Guinea a box. Beecham's Pills are sold by all druggists and chemists. Each box contains 26 pills. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by all druggists and chemists.

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ALEXANDER STURT, a Chicagoan, who when last heard from by his daughter living in that city, was in Seattle on his way to Victoria or Vancouver, is being anxiously inquired after by her. He is an elderly man, tall and red haired, and when heard from last was accompanied by his son. A letter from Charles Burchell, of Chicago, to Mr. H. F. W. Behnen asks the latter to endeavor to find him.

MISS Grace Tozier, daughter of Capt. Tozier of the United States revenue steamer Grant, was united in marriage to Dr. William G. Simpson, surgeon of a delegation from the temple. The wedding was held at the Dominion hotel, Tuesday last, and was witnessed by a large gathering of friends at St. Paul's church, Port Townsend. The wedding is spoken of as the social event of the season on Puget Sound, where, as in Victoria, both Dr. Simpson and his bride are deservedly popular.

A SUBSCRIPTION amounting to upwards of \$200 was taken up at Ashcroft last week to send John Stanley, an unfortunate resident of the charitable interior town, to the Jubilee hospital here. Last year while working with a threshing machine, Stanley received severe injuries to one of his knees. He had been partially blinded in one eye, and while working on the road struck a rock with a pick, shivering from the rock a splinter of stone which struck him fairly in the other eye, entirely blinding it. Thus, the two disabilities combined entirely disabled him.

OFFICER Robert H. Walker and Mr. Tom Dougherty were attracted to the waterfront late last night by shouts for assistance, the exact location of the applicant for aid being at first very difficult to ascertain. In reply to the officer's "Where are you, man?" there finally came a voice from below: "I'm hanging to a pile here, and if you don't come soon I'll be gone, for I can't hold on much longer." Lantern and ropes were quickly procured from the electric light station and William Rountree was eventually rescued from a cold and very dangerous position. He had come into town for the first time since he was unintentionally the cause of his friend Williams' death, and had walked off Porter's wharf in the darkness. His dog, a fine Irish setter, first brought help to the scene, and did all in his power to aid his master. Rountree was carried

BRAND MILK.

DR INFANTS.

ECUADOR.

Accounts are re- by the clerics all by rebels have been across the border in four parties declared. Fourteen were arrested. Among military officers who head court martial hours of trial. A regiment of the garrison was called to a great number of the present week. Over 200 were forced to number are increasing. The rebels claim sufficient strength to town, where they partisans ready to

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The Council of the B. C. Pharmaceutical Association will meet in Nanaimo on Friday.

BRENSEN TEMPLE, the first organization of Rathbone Sisters in Victoria, starts out with a very favorable outlook.

A QUIET marriage ceremony at the residence of Rev. Lesley Clay, B.A., last evening made George Chadwick and Harriet Bird man and wife.

IN VIEW of the judgment recently given by Mr. Justice Gresson, declaring that stipendiary magistrates have no jurisdiction to sit under the Small Debts Act.

ACCORDING to a dispatch from Cincinnati the Empress of China, sailing for the Orient on Monday last, had one "shady" passenger in the person of Z. T. Lewis.

THE BARKENTINE C. C. FUNK, than which few vessels are better known in these waters, arrived in San Francisco on Sunday last from Port Blake with a crew of 180 men.

Shipping Master Captain H. G. Lewis has been kept very busy of late signing crews for the 1896 sealing.

There is a strong probability that some of the schooners will be ready to sail this week.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has posted notices at the various ports of call touched at by their steamers.

The steamship Walla Walla left San Francisco for this port yesterday having on board the following passengers for this city: J. J. Dewalt, R. H. Miller, A. B. Townsend, D. Beeman and wife, N. P. Kaunstrup, Peppi Herneheim, Flora Gilles, Baron and Baroness Kettler, Robert Berge, J. M. Gibson, R. Carter and wife, Capt. Haddock and wife, W. C. Pierce, G. L. Brown.

The British ship Nineveh, 72 days out from Sydney, N.S.W., and the Chilean ship Hindostan, 67 days out from Iquique, passed up to Vancouver yesterday in ballast, both under charter to load lumber cargoes.

South American Rheumatic Cure Gives Relief as Soon as the First Dose is Taken, and Cures Chronic Cases of Rheumatism and Neuralgia in from One to Three Days—What a Grateful Citizen of St. Lambert, Que., Has to Say.

For many months I have suffered the most excruciating pain from rheumatism and had despaired of getting permanent relief. In fact, I had given up all hope when I was brought to my notice. I procured a bottle of the remedy and to my surprise received great benefit from the first few doses.

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SHIPS AND SHIPPING.

Purser McDonald's Message From the Disabled "Strathnevis"—The "Funk's" Close Call.

Regulations for the Shipment of Matches—The "Quadra" to Dock To-Day.

A Press telegram from San Francisco announces that the marine insurance men there are still offering 60 per cent on the disabled Strathnevis.

The companion liner Tacoma which sailed on Sunday took with her sufficient extra stores of provisions to provide for the Strathnevis passengers in the event of her running across the disabled steamship.

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TRUSTEE AND TEACHER.

The School Board Decline to Pass a Censure in the "Make it Hot" Case.

Pupil Teachers' Examination Results—Truant Officer Chosen—About His Duties.

Chairman Hayward presided over a full meeting of the school board last evening.

A letter from the Nanaimo board promised consideration of the amendments to the school act suggested by the Victoria trustees.

Miss F. G. Walker wrote resigning her position on the staff of the North Ward school, and asking favorable consideration of her sister's application for the position. Resignation accepted with regret.

A. D. McNeill, principal of the North Ward school, complained that during the Thanksgiving holidays the school was fumigated the school without warning and destroyed a number of plants, the property of the teachers.

Invitations to attend the closing exercises of the schools were presented and accepted. The principal of the Spring Ridge school, who had written on the subject, will be directed to close the school on Thursday.

Misses Creech, Blacker, Lee, Grant and Colquhoun applied for engagements as pupil teachers, and Misses Harrap, Blackwell and Harris for positions on the teaching staff. Tabled.

A report from the gymnastic and drill instructor, Mr. St. Clair, was read; this warmly praising the school boys and protesting against the "systematic snubbing" of them and treating their boyish pranks as crimes.

The reports for November showed 1,994 pupils actually in attendance, an average of 41.54 per teacher; this being a slight decrease from last month, because, it was mentioned, of the temporary absence about scarlet fever.

The principals of the graded schools, having acted as a board of examiners of the pupil teachers, on the 2nd and 3rd inst., reported these marks awarded as the result of the four lessons taught before them:

Table with columns: Names, Reading, Arithmetic, Geography, Language, Total Percentage. Lists names like Miss E.G. Nisbet, Mr. D.S. Tait, Miss E.M. Dalby, Miss E.M. Arthur, and their respective scores.

Report received, and certified to be issued accordingly. Mr. Netherby being present, at the request of the chairman, explained the principle upon which the examination had been conducted.

EXPLANATIONS from principals as to failure to answer the circular letter about the attendance of teachers on children's day at the exhibition, were read. At Mr. Marchant's request the instructions to the teachers on this point were read, together with the explanation of Mrs. Taylor, who had not attended, and who wrote because, she said, she had heard that Mr. Marchant threatened to "make it hot" for her.

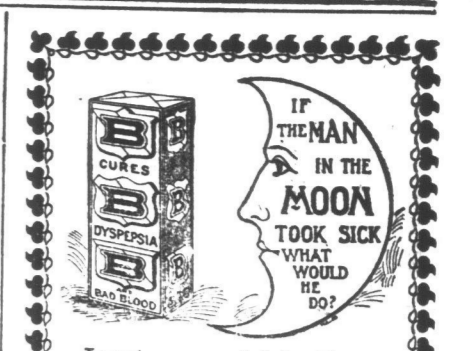
Mr. Marchant felt grieved and surprised at the infringement upon the dignity of the board implied in the presentation of this letter, and disclaimed any hostile intention, particularly as he did not intend to be a candidate for the office of trustee. He could not see how Mrs. Taylor could possibly have failed to understand the letter of instructions which required her attendance; and protested against the "gossip" concerning him which she had retailed to the board, also stating that though he had written Mrs. Taylor three letters on the subject she has failed to give him her authority for the statement concerning him. He moved a resolution declaring her explanation to be very unsatisfactory, and that she desired in future from writing such gossip to the board, under pain of its severe displeasure.

Mr. Saunders asked Mr. Marchant to state whether he did or did not threaten to "make it hot" for Mrs. Taylor. Mr. Marchant replied that he had no recollection whatever of having said so, and in fact could not have, as while he sometimes uses the expression "make it warm" he never makes use of the word "hot."

Mr. Marchant continued that he asked the question because Mrs. Taylor says she can prove that the expression was really used by Mr. Marchant, who, he thought, had brought her letter upon himself, and therefore has no just complaint to make. He moved that the letters be received and placed on file. Motion agreed to.

Mr. Marchant again moved his motion of censure which had not before been seconded. He thought the board would be utterly wanting in dignity to pass the matter by. He thought no school board with any idea of its own importance would tolerate such a thing. The board might as well put its orders in the fire. He would say a good deal more if desired, and even bring evidence which would compel the board to dismiss Mrs. Taylor.

Mr. Glover said he had at first felt very keenly about this matter, but it is now nearly three months since it occurred, and it has so cooled off as to be down below zero, and almost out



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HUBBARD-TOWNSEND-On the 4th inst., at Christ Church Cathedral, by the Rev. Canon Bealands, Pastor of Christ Church, Thos. C. Hubbard of Great Yarmouth, England, and Harriet E. Townsend, daughter of the late Alfred Albert Townsend of Victoria, B.C.

SMITH-ROTT-On the 11th December, by Rev. J. F. Betts, Thomas Cox Smith, to Annie Rowe both of this city.

THE CANTATA "ESTHER." Last night the choir of Calvary Baptist church, assisted by the best talent in the city, presented the cantata "Esther," by Mr. G. F. Watson, conductor of the church, acting as conductor and Mr. A. L. Curtis as organist.

LANDSBERG'S CREDITORS. Yesterday a writ was issued by Mr. A. L. Belyea acting for plaintiffs in Gault Bros. & Co. on behalf of themselves and all other creditors of Frederick Landsberg against Frederick Landsberg, Emma Landsberg (his wife) and Joseph Marymont.

PHYSICIANS OF CORNWALL, ONT., RECOMMEND DR. AGNEW'S CURE FOR THE HEART. Mr. Geo. Crites, a Government Official, Used the Remedy and is Cured.

ONE HONEST MAN. DEAR EDITOR:—Please inform your readers that if written to confidentially I will mail in a sealed letter, particulars of a genuine, honest home cure by which I was permanently restored to health and vigor, after years of suffering from nervous debility. I was robbed and swindled by the quacks until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but thank heaven, I am now well, vigorous and strong, and wish to make this certain means of cure known to all sufferers. I have nothing to sell, and want no money, but being a firm believer in the universal brotherhood of man, I am desirous of helping the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness. Perfect secrecy assured. Address with stamp:—Mr. Edward Lambert, P.O. Box 55, Jarvis, Ont.

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 10.—Edward King of New York, acting for the reorganization committee, to-day bid in the entire system of the Achison, Topeka & Santa Fe R.R., which was sold here at public auction. Sixty millions of dollars was the price paid.

NONE BETTER KNOWN. There is no better known traveler in the Province than Mr. G. Fred Anderson, the popular representative of Messrs. T. S. Simms & Co., St. John, N.B. Speaking of Norway he said: "I have never used it, but the best cough cure I have ever used and I prefer it to any other. I have given it to friends of mine and it cures every time. It would be a difficult matter now to induce me to use another."

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MONTREAL CENTRE.

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Mr. McShane has forced himself upon the party in that contest, and though they know that he is not fit to represent them or any other community in parliament, the Liberals have, somewhat unwillingly, it must in justice be said, accepted him because they hope that he may be able to carry the seat against an ordinary candidate.

Sir William Hingston, however, is not an ordinary candidate by any means. He is a successful professional man of high standing, who has had a good deal of business experience besides, in which he has proved worthy of confidence, when, for instance, in a financial crisis a run on the City and District Savings Bank was checked owing in part to his announcement in public that the bank doors would be kept open until all who desired had drawn out their money.

It is not likely that the opposition of the Witness will do "The People's Jimmy" much harm in Montreal Centre. He is just the man to make capital out of that opposition in every polling division in the district in which the Witness is unpopular, and that, we think, is pretty nearly every one of them.

CIVIL RULERS.

It is beginning to be seen in Canada and the United States that municipal affairs are not by any means "small potatoes." Men of standing and ability are becoming awake to the fact that a very great deal depends upon the way in which the affairs of cities are managed; that those affairs are well worthy the careful and serious attention of the best men and the ablest administrators in the country.

A movement of a similar kind has been quietly going on in England. The people are being impressed with the necessity of

good local government, and men of high standing and tried ability are occupying positions in county councils, in city corporations, and even in the humble parish councils. The Earl of Derby, who, as Lord Stanley, occupied the position of Governor-General of Canada, is now Mayor of Liverpool. The Duke of Norfolk, Postmaster-General in the Salisbury Government, is Mayor of Sheffield. Lord Zetland, who was Viceroy of Ireland, has been named to take the position of Mayor of Richmond.

When eminent men who have been considered fit to occupy seats in the British Cabinet, and who have administered—and successfully administered—the affairs of Great Britain's most important dependencies, consider that they are well and worthily occupied in presiding over the councils of cities, men of less ability and of less exalted station should not consider it unworthy of them to take an active part in administering the affairs of the city in which they live, and in the good government of which the comfort and, to a great extent, the welfare of themselves, their families and their fellow-citizens depends.

The importance of the intelligent and efficient regulation of local affairs was insisted upon by no less a personage than the Lord Chief Justice, at the reception of the Lord Mayor of London. His Lordship said:

In these days, probably beyond all others, the importance of local government is recognized as it has never been recognized before. It would be, indeed, a sad sign of decadence in public spirit if the foremost men in the community were not ready to come forward and take upon themselves the cares and burdens of municipal office. It is, in my opinion, a healthy sign, in these days, that men of high title and distinguished rank who might live their lives in ease—men, for example, like the Marquis of Ripon and the Duke of Devonshire, and many others that can be mentioned—should come forward and recognize the importance of municipal government by displaying their readiness to take a share of the burdens.

If the best men in this and other Canadian cities would take an active part in the management of their affairs, which they could do without any very great loss of time and no loss whatever of social standing, the people would not have to complain of the bungling way in which the business of the city is done, and the loss, the inconveniences and the discomfort which they are in consequence compelled to suffer.

A BONANZA.

The famous Blythe case has been settled at last. Thomas Blythe died testate in 1883, leaving an estate which is now valued at \$5,000,000. A great many persons claimed to be Blythe's heirs, among others Florence Blythe, his natural daughter. It seems that Blythe, who was known in England by the name of Williams, acknowledged the child Florence to be his. The question was whether the acknowledgment was genuine and whether it was sufficient, as under the laws of California, to legitimize her.

After a very long trial the case was decided in favor of the child. The litigation did not end with the first decision. There were appeals without number. The case has been before the courts since 1889. The first trial lasted nine months. Two hundred and eight witnesses were examined and one hundred and thirty-nine depositions were read.

The case, as may be well imagined, was a bonanza for the lawyers. W. H. H. Hart managed the case for the claimant, Florence Blythe, and he secured distinguished counsel promising to pay them very large amounts. It was established that Samuel J. Tilden's denunciation of contingent fees as disreputable does not apply to California. Hart, it is said, gets \$225,000; Garber, Bishop, Bolt, McAlister and Bergen \$416,000 each, and W. W. Foote and Kowalski \$100,000. This gives the lawyers \$3,130,000. We are very far from vouching for the correctness of these figures. We take them from a San Francisco daily.

A CORRECT ESTIMATE.

Mr. Laurier's political career and this is the estimate he then formed of the character and capacity of the man who is to-day his leader:

Mr. Laurier has commenced his electoral tour. He will probably have an opponent and will probably say all the untruthful things that he considers useful in his own defence. Mr. Laurier is a man not wanting in polish. He is without large ideas. The fact is that he has not yet pronounced a single discourse of a nature to manifest in him a man of serious worth. His polished manners, his extensiveness, a certain dexterity in concealing his principles—not far removed from hypocrisy—have won for him his popularity in the country.

Nearly all women have good hair, though many are gray, and few are bald. Hall's Hair Restorer restores the natural color, and thickens the growth of the hair.

BRITAIN AND VENEZUELA.

The Question Arouses Interest and Excitement at Washington—Salisbury's Note.

Great Britain Demands Sixty Thousand Dollars Indemnity—To Defend Venezuelan Territory.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—As the President is absent on a hunting trip, there is no probability that the reply of Lord Salisbury to Secretary Olney's note regarding the Venezuelan boundary dispute, which in congress is so deeply interested, will be sent to the house this week. The absence of the President on a duck hunting excursion just at this juncture excites no little comment among both friends and opponents of the administration, both of whom agree that the President could hardly have chosen a more inopportune time for leaving Washington than on the eve of what promises to be a serious crisis in diplomatic affairs.

The Venezuelan question divides with the committee on appointments the interest in the house today. A lively talk was created by a statement of Mr. Livingston, Georgia, who thought congress should not be kept waiting until President Cleveland returns to be informed of the contents of Lord Salisbury's reply, and that he would introduce a resolution for the Secretary of State to discontinue all sorts of complications for Great Britain on account of his appearance with the staff of General Valdez, the Spanish commander. In an interview Lady Chamberlain said her son was taking an active part in the campaign, but that he was merely in Cuba on leave of absence. Continuing, Lady Chamberlain said that the lieutenant-governor of the British West Indies, an officer in the rifle corps of the British army, was present at the battle of L'Alamo. In the province of Puerto Principe, she is creating much interest among his friends here, and the newspapers are predicting all sorts of complications for Great Britain on account of his appearance with the staff of General Valdez, the Spanish commander.

Should this government refuse to be drawn into the meshes of this net, it will not reply with further arguments, but regard the British pretensions as an act of aggression on the part of the United States. She has repeatedly refused to defend her rights. Having definitely ascertained Venezuela's unwillingness to submit to British pretensions, the President undoubtedly will refer the whole matter to congress at an early date for such action as that body may see fit to take.

The boundary controversy with Great Britain has, it is reported, aroused an extraordinary pitch of enthusiasm and patriotic fervor in Venezuela. At Puerto Cabello a public meeting was held at which subscriptions were opened for the purpose of purchasing a torpedo boat for the defence of the harbor. At the city of Bolivia another subscription is being raised by the Central Bank from citizens of all parties. The public to contribute started some weeks ago at Caracas, the capital of Venezuela, a convention will be held, probably this month, to consider the question of defence. In a big street parade, which will be a feature of the meeting, each state delegation will carry the coat of arms of state, and at the head of the parade the coat of arms of Venezuela will be borne.

The moment started by the central society for the defence of Venezuelan territory has apparently secured official approval, as the members of President Crespo's cabinet and governors of the several states of Venezuela have given it full endorsement. The minister of the interior, one of President Crespo's cabinet, has written a letter congratulating the promoters of the movement on their patriotism, adding that there should be calmness and wisdom in any steps taken.

The President of the State of Carabobo, J. E. Mora, writes from Valencia as follows: "There is sincerest approval of the patriotic motives of this movement. As Governor of this State I will be honored to receive a delegation and afford every legal aid in the realization of the noble ideas incorporated in its programme." The President of the State of Bolivia, Manuel Gonzales Gil, writes from Cochabamba: "It is with special satisfaction that the inauguration of this patriotic movement is noted. The President felicitates those whose inspired this movement of showing the interest of our people for the republic of Venezuela."

The Secretary of State for the State of Falcon, Manuel Garcia, writes from Caracas as follows: "I take satisfaction in giving assurances of approval of the laudable and patriotic aims of this movement." The President of Maracaibo, Jesus Murz Tebar, writes: "As head of the executive of this State, I deeply appreciate the patriotic purposes of this organization, which cannot fail to excite general approval of the laudable end it has in view."

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HALIFAX, Dec. 9.—Joseph A. Chisholm, the defeated Conservative candidate in the Antigonish by-election, has again been nominated for that constituency.

CABLE NEWS.

Chamberlain's Star in the Ascendant—Marks of Royal Favor—Excitement in Dublin.

Lord Randolph Churchill's Son as a Spectator of Military Operations in Cuba

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The great addition to his political power which the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, has attained, is bordering his zenith considerably. Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain are now visiting some of the exclusive homes in England, and the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire are to visit them at Highbury. The frequent visits which Mr. Chamberlain has recently made to Windsor are exciting the politicians. Two visits to the Queen in a week are conferred, as a rule, only upon a premier. One newspaper explains this mark of favor as due to Mr. Chamberlain's having control of all the terms of the Ashantee expedition, and it is also said that it was he who made it possible for Prince Henry to take part in the expedition. The news that Lieut. Winston L. Churchill, an officer in the rifle corps of the British army, was present at the battle of L'Alamo. In the province of Puerto Principe, she is creating much interest among his friends here, and the newspapers are predicting all sorts of complications for Great Britain on account of his appearance with the staff of General Valdez, the Spanish commander.

London, Dec. 9.—In spite of the smallness of the detachments supplied to the Ashantee expedition, the fact that there is such a mixture of the forces, and that they are commanded by officers whom they have not seen, much less served under. It is admitted that there is not a single battalion in England really fit for this service, and therefore the Second battalion of the Yorkshire regiment, now on its way home from Aden, is to be transferred to Cape Coast Castle for Ashantee, in spite of the fact that they have been away from England for about fifteen years. The whole

order marked the passing of the first day's polling at Dublin for the election of a successor to Rt. Hon. David R. Patrick, Conservative, as member for Dublin university, who has been elevated to the peerage. William E. H. Lecky, Liberal Unionist, the distinguished historian, was the nominee of the professors, and consequently he was universally opposed by the undergraduates who assembled in crowds at the entrance to the polls and assailed every voter suspected of favoring Mr. Lecky. They also barred the college doors and caused scenes of riotousness. The police quailed the disturbances.

Cunt von Eulenberg, a favorite of the Emperor William of Germany, has arrived at Windsor castle from Berlin in order to express the Emperor's sympathy at the death of General Sir Henry Ponsonby, G. C. B., for many years private secretary of Queen Victoria and keeper of the privy purse, and present Emperor's private secretary, who arranged His Majesty's visit at the time of the marriage of Princess Maude of Wales to Prince Charles of Denmark. The King and Queen of Italy are also expected to be present on the occasion. Some time in January the Prince of Wales will go to the Riviera, and his yacht, the Britannia, is now being prepared for winter sailing in the Mediterranean.

Rt. Hon. Mr. Gladstone has definitely settled upon Biarritz as the place where he will spend a portion of his winter holidays. He will start shortly after Christmas, which will be usual for him at Hawarden. The first fancy dress ball of the present season was given in Covent Garden last Wednesday evening, and came as a relief to the jaded young men about town. A few years ago at one of these balls Mrs. Langtry and party, in one of the upper boxes, created the greatest excitement. An old quiet-looking man was seen to be sitting in the midst of her gay party. From time to time the old gentleman was subjected to all sorts of practical jokes, which he was thrown in his face, and finally, amid cries of horror from the people below, he was thrown, after an apparent struggle with one of the men, to the floor, where he public meeting was held at which subscriptions were opened for the purpose of purchasing a torpedo boat for the defence of the harbor. At the city of Bolivia another subscription is being raised by the Central Bank from citizens of all parties. The public to contribute started some weeks ago at Caracas, the capital of Venezuela, a convention will be held, probably this month, to consider the question of defence. In a big street parade, which will be a feature of the meeting, each state delegation will carry the coat of arms of state, and at the head of the parade the coat of arms of Venezuela will be borne.

The way in which many London waitresses are compelled to work was shown by a suit which a girl 18 years of age brought against the proprietors of a "coffee tavern." She was discharged, it appears, for coming down from her room at 5 o'clock in the morning instead of 4:30. The girls never retired until 1 a.m. For these twenty

MONTEREAL MATTERS.

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