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FIFTIETH YEAR

## PUGSLEY SHOULD BE HELD TO ACCOUNT

### Widespread Graft Existed in Case of Government Owned Railway in New Brunswick, Says Report of Royal Commission

### Minister of Public Works Was an ex-Officio Member

### Commission States That Members of Government Were Chief Promoters of the Enterprise—Shortage of Many Thousands

Grave charges, dealing with the alleged misappropriation of public funds to the extent of \$134,000, have been brought against Hon. William Pugsley, Minister of Public Works in the Laurier Government; Lieutenant-Governor Tweedie of New Brunswick, and George McAvity, in the report of a New Brunswick Royal Commission, which has just been published.

The commission was appointed early last spring by the Hazen Government to investigate the affairs of the Central Railway, a line something over fifty miles in length, which has been one of the problems of the New Brunswick Government. While the road was under Government control, Mr. Pugsley was an ex-officio director. One million dollars was expended on the road, and a great part of this money cannot be traced. In fact, many of the officers and directors, when on the witness stand before the commission, referred the commissioners to two officers of the railway who had been dead for some time.

The sensational report of the commission has caused consternation in Ottawa, as well as in New Brunswick. It felt that the reply given out by Mr. Pugsley falls far short of covering the case. It is directly charged by the commission that widespread graft existed in connection with the Central Railway, and that the Minister of Public Works should be held strictly to account.

St. John, N. B., April 12.—Early last spring the Hazen government appointed a commission to investigate the affairs of the Central Railway, a line extending from Norton on the International to Chipman and thence to Minto in the Queens County coal fields, making a total of between fifty and sixty miles. This road had a complicated history involving numerous construction companies, trust companies, option-holders and successive managements.

It changed hands on different occasions, finally becoming the property of the New Brunswick government. During government control, Hon. William Pugsley, as Attorney-General was an ex-officio director and was one of those having a considerable share in the management. The direct control for several years was under George McAvity, who figured in the Mayes dredging affair, and Senator King.

An Inquiry Ordered  
The Hazen government on assuming power decided that the affairs of the

Central were marked by much looseness and ordered an enquiry. At this investigation it developed that almost one million dollars had been expended by the government; that much of this could not be directly verified as vouchers had not always been kept, and that some of those closely connected with the affairs of the road were afflicted with poor memories.

In New Brunswick the report presented by the commission has not been greeted with such seriousness as its wording might demand because there is a feeling that it is a partisan campaign against a defeated government, and against Pugsley and because the famous Mayes affidavit rather exploded whatever sensations were hitherto concealed. Yet it is directly charged that widespread graft had existed and that Pugsley should be strictly held to account for the expenditures not reported.

In the following report Governor Tweedie is the Provincial Secretary and Dr. Pugsley the Attorney-General to whom frequent references are made.

The report consists of eighty pages. The commissioners, after setting out the several questions they were asked to investigate, say in conclusion:



## BRITISH SAILORS LANDED IN PERSIA

### Blue Jackets Put Ashore at Bushire to Protect English Residents at Request of Czar

## TEND TOWARDS ANGLO INTERFERENCE

London, April 12.—The situation in Persia is gradually developing in the direction of an Anglo-Russian intervention.

## BIG LUMBER FIRM FOR HARRISON CITY

### Trethewey Bros. of That Place Buy Abbotsford Lumber Co. at Good Price—Canadian Pacific Lumber Co. Deal Off

Vancouver, B. C., April 11.—The Abbotsford Lumber Company has been sold to Trethewey Bros., of Harrison, for \$375,000. The proposed sale of the Canadian Pacific Lumber Co. of Port Moody, which was under option for several months for half a million, has been declared off.



## VICTORIA SPENT ENJOYABLE DAY

### The Easter Holiday With Beautiful Weather Attracted Thousands to Church and into the Country

## EASTER MILLINERY WEIRDLY WONDERFUL

If the gay and festive rabbit who, according to authentic pictures and illustrations, dances over a nest of eggs of many hues on Easter Sunday (totally disregarding the Alliance and its enactments) needed any extra incentive this season he assuredly found it yesterday in the glorious warm sunshine, the spring air and the immense mantle of early green that nature has thrown over the shoulders of Vancouver Island.

## FELL FROM TRAIN FORTY FEET TO ICE

### James Bailey, a Settler, Springs From Train on Bridge Without Looking and Is Badly Injured

Rainy River, Ont., April 12.—Friday night when a Canadian Northern freight train stopped on Beauvette bridge, Jas. Bailey, a settler from the old country, jumped from his car of effects, thinking to land on terra firma. He went over the edge of the trestle to the ice forty feet below. He had a leg, an arm and several ribs broken, and was taken to a Winnipeg hospital.

## TAXING THE VICTORIA AND THE BIBLE LUXURIES NOW THE LESSON OF AN EMPTY GRAVE REVIEWED

### Senate Committee on Finance at Washington Makes Several Changes in House Tariff Bill

## ROUGH LUMBER IS LOWER THAN IN DINGLEY

### Hard Woods Go on Free List Along With Many Other Things—Increases Necessary to Preserve Symmetry

Washington, April 12.—The Senate committee on Finance, with all members present, met at 10 o'clock today and Chairman Aldrich presented the bill as amended by the majority of the Committee. Many of the revenue-producing features will be reported subsequently, as they are interested with administrative features of the measure which will be adopted later.

In the main, the rates in the Tariff Bill as reported from the Senate Committee are lower than those in the bill as it passed the House, the actual number of reductions being about three times the number of increases. Such increases as have been made have been largely rendered necessary to preserve the symmetry of the schedule. A considerable number of articles in common use have been taken from the dutiable list of the House Bill and restored to the free list.

In schedule A (the chemical schedule) the principal changes are in the nature of reductions below the House Bill. One important change is in putting distilled and expressed oils upon the free list.

In schedule B (earths and earthenware) the rates remain largely the same. In the House Bill, by a change in the phraseology from existing law, two colors are raised from 35 to 60 per cent. The Committee has reduced them to the rates of existing law.

Lumber Reduced  
Schedule D (wood and manufactures of wood). The senate has returned cocoa to the free list, believing that an article of such general consumption as a beverage and in all forms of chocolate should no more be made dutiable than tea or coffee. The committee felt that if it was necessary to increase revenue it could be done better on luxuries than on everyday necessities of life, and have pursued this policy in the construction of the bill.

No Change in Fish  
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## IMPORTANT EVIDENCE IN KINRADE CASE

Hamilton, Ont., April 12.—The promise is made that the next session of the Kinrade inquest which opens April 22 will develop sensational evidence that may help the police to clear up some of the mystery.

It is said that the Attorney-General's department has had men at work in several parts of the United States gathering up evidence, and that they have secured some that will prove important.

### Rev. T. E. Holling, in Course of Fine Easter Sermon Yesterday Criticized Tendency in City to Disregard Sabbath

## THE LESSON OF AN EMPTY GRAVE REVIEWED

### Pastor of Metropolitan Methodist Church Thinks That West Could Learn Some Lessons From Other Parts

There is no province in Canada that so openly disregards the Lord's Day as does British Columbia was the assertion made by the Rev. T. E. Holling, B.A., pastor of Metropolitan Methodist Church, in the course of a strong sermon in support of the Resurrection theory yesterday morning.

Mr. Holling imposed a severe criticism on the people, Victoria particularly, condemning this city as one of the chief transgressors in the matter. "The subject of the discourse was: 'Lessons from an empty grave,' and the text: 'Come, see the place where the Lord lay.'—Matt. 28:4.

## GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF TERMINAL ELEVATORS

### Delegation Representing the Three Prairie Provinces Will Visit Ottawa Next Week to Interview Government

Winnipeg, Man., April 12.—Next week, a delegation from the inter-provincial council of Grain Growers' Association of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan will visit Ottawa to wait on Sir Richard Cartwright and urge government control of terminal elevators.

## A CARGO OF HORSES FOR VICTORIA

### Jebson Liner Ella Being Chartered to Carry About 300 Racers From San Pedro on May 15 for Summer Meet

The steamer Ella, which left Victoria for Panama and Mexican ports, has been chartered on her upward voyage to call at San Pedro and load a cargo of race horses intended for the summer meeting in Victoria. Negotiations were made with Jebson and Ostrander by Robt. F. Leighton, of Los Angeles, for the charter of the Ella, which is to call at San Pedro on May 15 and load a cargo of race horses, probably about 300 in all being shipped.

## MOUNT ETNA IS AGAIN IN ERUPTION

Naples, April 17.—Mount Etna is in eruption. A great cloud of smoke is pouring out of the crater and ashes are falling thick on the surrounding country. Considerable apprehension is felt and the progress of the eruption is being watched with anxiety.





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QUESTIONABLE POLICY

It seems to be understood that the right of the B. C. Electric Railway Company to haul freight through the city streets is to be the subject of appeal. We suppose it may be conceded that the duty of the legal advisers of the Aldermanic Board obliges them to present to that body such views of the legal rights of the city and of persons or corporations holding concessions from the city as they in their judgment think proper; but it does not follow that the Aldermanic Board is bound always to act upon that advice. Perhaps the latter statement may be misunderstood. An Alderman once remarked to the Colonist that the City Council was bound to do a certain thing because the City Barrister said it was legal. This incident illustrates our point, which is only very rudimentary. It is that the legal officers of the city are the proper advisers of the Aldermanic Board as to matters of law, but are in respect to matters of policy in no way different from any of the citizens. Indeed, with all due respect to the legal profession, there is perhaps no one less fitted to be an adviser on questions of policy than the man who is consulted on questions of law. His training predisposes him to insist upon the strictly technical interpretation of all questions. Take that involved in the transportation of freight over the rails of the Tramway company. For several years efforts have been made by the Board of Trade to secure such a service in connection with the railway companies. It would be a great advantage to many people; it would be a disadvantage to nobody. Surely the fact that the tramcar company may not have the strict legal right to haul freight over its lines ought not to deprive the business community of the advantage of such transportation. We admit at once that it was the duty of the city's legal advisers to inform the Board of Aldermen that could exist in their minds as to the legal rights of the company; we may even admit that, if the city's legal advisers believe the decision of Mr. Justice Martin, which was contrary to their opinion, can be successfully appealed, it was their duty to say so. But what we do not admit is that the Aldermen are bound to throw obstacles in the way of transportation within the city, simply because certain legal gentlemen think there is a fighting chance to win out in a lawsuit.

A gentleman said to the Colonist yesterday: "What's the use of your writing up the development of Victoria and vicinity? The first man that tries to do anything will be stopped by an injunction." We do not know that things are quite as bad as this remark would indicate; but it does seem an unfortunate thing that, at the very time that we are all desirous of having local transportation facilities extended, obstacles should be thrown in the way. It is not as if the Tramway company were seeking to deprive anyone else of a privilege. If that company cannot haul freight through the streets on rails no other company can, and in that case freight cannot be transported through the city on rails. But if some other company could, what difference would it make? Of course if we are bound to stop the transportation of freight through the streets by modern methods, that is another matter. In that case it will be necessary to build up a business section somewhere outside of the city limits. The Board of Aldermen cannot wholly stop the growth of the city, but they can drive business into the suburbs and thus depreciate the value of inside property.

NAVAL DEFENCE

Some time ago the Standard of Empire offered a prize of \$400 for the best essay upon the question "Should Canada Have a Navy of Her Own?" The prize was awarded last week. The position taken by the writer of the successful contribution is that Canada should have her own navy, acting in cooperation with the British navy, special stress being laid upon the claim that each overseas dominion should maintain its own force and deal with its own naval problems as they exist or may arise. The successful competitor does not think we should be content with a naval establishment, that would be a mere toy, but on the other hand we should not think of providing a fleet of Dreadnoughts. A naval volunteer force and a naval college are proposed, and the subsidizing of merchant ships capable of being utilized in war is favored. The comment of the Standard of Empire is that the essay is "remarkable and suggests both the philosophic temperament and the style of Captain Mahan," and it adds that "the essay should prove of great service to the Canadian and British authorities in effecting the proposals unanimously approved by the Dominion Parliament on Monday last."

The author of this notable production is Mrs. W. Hens Olyphant of Toronto. The second best essay was by Mr. G. Frederick Hamilton, of Ottawa. It is a very remarkable thing that a lady should carry off the honors in that competition. It will be not-

ed that her work is commended for its philosophic style. The occasion is emphatically a practical one, involving not only what ought to be done today, but the determination of a policy for the future.

At the time of the debate in the House of Commons The Colonist expressed the opinion that the tone of it and the resolutions adopted were the result of an understanding between the Ministry and the Conservative leaders based upon communications with the British government. So far as we have observed the only other paper which took that view was the Montreal Witness, and the tone of subsequent discussion in our Eastern exchanges, both Liberal and Conservative, give weight to the suggestion. Shortly after the alarmist speech of Sir Edward Grey the Toronto Globe published an editorial, which compared with the usual references of that paper to Imperial subjects, was almost hysterical. None of the Conservative papers approached the Globe in the vehemence of its demand for immediate action. Since the vote of the House of Commons, the Globe in common with almost all our Eastern contemporaries, irrespective of politics, has taken the position, substantially, that Canada should not act with precipitation, but should await the result of a conference between representatives of the Canadian Ministry and the Lords of the Admiralty. This remarkable change, taken in connection with the moderate tone of the Eastern Conservative press, seems to make it certain that the Canadian and British governments are acting in full sympathy and that there is no disposition on the part either of the Conservative or Liberal leaders to force the situation in any way. The subject is one that must be approached calmly. There is absolutely no doubt whatever as to the attitude of the Canadian people. They are ready to do their full duty. They only need to be told by those best qualified to judge in what direction that duty lies.

TRANSMUTATION

Sir William Ramsay, one of the greatest chemists of the day, thinks that in one of his experiments a small amount of copper was transmuted into lithium, which is an element of the same class as sodium, potassium, magnesium and the like. He is not absolutely sure about it, but he has eliminated all chances of error sufficiently to be able to say that he believes a change has taken place. This from a scientist of repute is calculated to attract attention and it has done so very widely. The theory that metals can be transmuted is as old as history, and as every one knows the great search of the alchemists was for the process that would change base metals into gold. The value of the discovery, if it could be made, would not be obvious, for if gold could be made by a chemical process from copper or iron, it would cease to have any special value. Whether the art of transmutation was ever possessed by the ancients is a matter concerning which there is a degree of doubt equivalent almost to a negation of the possibility. During the reign of the early Roman emperors numerous works bearing the names of ancient philosophers appeared and in them directions for transmutation were given. In most cases the alleged authorship was spurious, and the edict of Diocletian, which commanded their destruction, was probably not due to any fear that gold would become too common to be of value if the directions for its manufacture given in the books ever became public property, but only because he wished to put an end to the absurd experimentation which was rife at that time. Of course, if Sir William Ramsay is right in his experiments as to the result of his experiments, it is possible that in olden times the Egyptians understood transmutation, and if it was ever known we may feel confident that it will be rediscovered. At the same time it would be exceedingly premature to get in any panic over the prospective diminution of the purchasing power of a \$20 gold piece.

VICTORIA.

The mineral resources of any imperfectly prospected area are of necessity problematical, and the business suburbs of Victoria have only been very scantily prospected. Some things are known. Gold has been taken in commercial quantities from Leech river and has been found in gravels elsewhere in the region lying along the shore of the Strait of Juan de Fuca. Whether the auriferous gravels are sufficiently extensive or sufficiently rich to warrant any great expectations for future development remains to be proved. As a source of general prosperity hydraulicking for gold is not very important, the amount of labor

employed in it not being very great. If the known gravels prove rich they will be a factor in the progress of the district, but only in a subordinate way. The existence of auriferous gravel is generally looked upon as prima facie evidence of the existence of auriferous lodes not very far away, and we know as a matter of fact that there is free-milling gold quartz on China Creek, which lies between Cowichan Lake and Alberni Canal. But so little is certain about the mineralization of the rocks, which extend across the Island from Saanich Arm south of the above named lake to Barkley Sound, that nothing can be predicted upon the probable existence there of metalliferous deposits. There are known to be several promising deposits of excellent copper ore, some of them far from Victoria, but in no case has development proceeded far enough to warrant any conclusion being drawn respecting them. When we come to iron we are on different ground. There are very extensive deposits of high grade magnetic iron within the area now under consideration. Those best known are at Port Renfrew near the Strait and at Sarita on Barkley Sound. A very large tonnage of ore is necessary before the establishment of iron smelting plants can be entertained. For years doubt was expressed as to the sufficiency of the deposits now being considered, but our understanding of the matter is that all doubt has been removed, and that ample ore exists. The fact that the ore is all magnetic has also been looked upon as an obstacle to its utilization, but it is far from being so. Mr. Linderman, who was sent out by the Dominion Department of Mines to examine the iron ore of the Island, informed the Colonist that there were no serious difficulties in the way of handling these ores profitably, as they are now handled in Norway. The adoption of electrical smelting is of great interest in this connection. Electrical furnaces have been established in Norway for commercial purposes after a long series of experiments, and if they prove the success commercially that they did experimentally, we may look with confidence to the early utilization of the iron ore referred to. The question of power necessarily arises in this connection. Water power is, of course, the cheapest, providing the interest on the cost of installation is not too great. Our information is that the Nitinat can be utilized for the development of a vast power, and if this is the case, the Sarita and Port Renfrew ores could be concentrated at a common point and an extensive plant could be established.

Of the coal deposits within the business suburbs of Victoria nothing is known with certainty except that coal exists in apparently good quality. It is found on the Saanich Peninsula and also to the west of Victoria. Prospecting has not sufficiently advanced to warrant the expression of any opinion as to the probable value of the deposits. Of limestone there is an abundance, and as is well known it is suitable not only for the manufacture of ordinary lime, but also for Portland cement. Of brick clay there are excellent deposits.

Speaking generally of the mineral wealth of Victoria's business suburbs, we cannot go any further than to say that the indications are favorable as regards copper and to a less degree as to gold, but in regard to iron, its value must be taken as demonstrated. We do not look for any rapid progress in a mining way in this region, although experience has demonstrated that the unexpected has a fashion of happening in this particular industry. We assign it for the present a subordinate place among the factors upon which the growth and prosperity of the city and its vicinity depend, with the reservation that it may be necessary at any time to recast this view. At present it is not, except in regard to iron, an available factor in the development of the district. From the information at present at our command it would not be wise to include gold, silver, copper or coal among the elements of prosperity with the business suburbs upon which the people of Victoria can reckon with confidence.

In addition to the iron ores mentioned, there are deposits at other points along the West Coast, notably at Saanich, Cowichan Lake and Nootka Sound. All these ores can be conveniently assembled at a common point within the business suburbs of Victoria, although to do so to the best advantage a railway from this city to Barkley Sound is needed so as to facilitate the movement of the ore from the Renfrew District. The West Coast ores can be loaded upon cars at the mines, and be transported either on barges or self-propelling ferries to the common point. In view of the extent and character of these deposits we see no reason why the people of Victoria may not look forward with confidence to the building up of a great iron and steel industry, not in the city or very close to it, but at some point between here and Barkley Sound. Herein we have a potential element of prosperity of very great importance, and it enables us to say that, in addition to what Victoria's business suburbs have to offer in the way of the products of the forest and the field, they also have available products of the mines of such a character and in such quantity that they ought to afford a stimulus to our efforts at local development.

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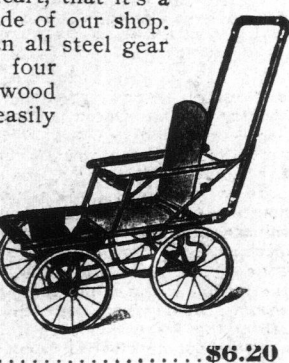
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TEUTOBORG

The plans of Augustus, an enemies within the Roman extension of his sway over this purpose two expeditions commanded by Tiberius, who the imperial office, directed who lived in what is now another led by Varus, which is now Western Germany, was successful. It is of the mention will be made here.

Dion Cassius, who writes that the Romans held certain connectedly, but as they were here and there, and at these diars made winter quarters, barbarians soon adopted the gather in the winter months with them; yet their own ingrained habits, the influence were not wholly forgotten, of the people who were the race, as well as of the modern Germans were descended from the banks of the Rhine, was unquestioned, and stationed in Gaul were within which is in central Germany, man leaders were actively Hermann, known by the name Arminius. He was born in entered the service of Rome, fus in his successful expedition. Well versed in the arts of of the Latin tongue, and a dress, he found little difficulty to undertake his march across in order that he might extend enough to reach the region of established the Roman dominion remained in company with it appears to have been on to friendship, which after event on his part the better to enable plot for the liberation of the Roman commander had been from his base of operations to stifle, some of the German Central Prussia took up arms intention to drive the Roman This was done with a great of hence, the intention being tier into the interior. The Varus hurried on, and so peaceful intentions of the people carrying the wives, children and an enormous necessitated the making of a character than would have soldiers, and Cassius, when they attacked them, were trees, and road and bridge things of the sort they had to worse, heavy rains and high wind through the forests were in and in some places became the blow fell. The German against Varus, and having sticking fast in the path, if Roman.

The account given by Dion the Teutoborg Forest shows absolutely at the mercy of suffered, he says, without the German soldiers, familiar with with baggage, fell upon with troops, accustomed to fight in clear spaces. The slaughter ordered the destruction of the forest, but this only ing crowded together so the with advantage. On the th furious rain and a violent wind could neither advance nor storm. Falling trees killed in soaked through their leather vetted the strings of their absolutely helpless. The Ger like wasps, the numbers be while those of the Romans Varus and his principal officer for a deed of dreadful necessity Dion Cassius adds: "When one defending himself any long was sufficient for it; all in casting away their arms, su kill them; for on one could wished. So now every man safely slain, and the victor tured had not the barbarian dering the spoil; whereby t escape.

After this terrific defeat their German fortifica The horrors of the retreat we may form some idea of tioned that one force, seeki German bodies by a night because the women and ch swept loudly on account of fierce rains. Cressy, writing minus, says: "Never was a never was the liberation of a instantaneous and complete, the Roman garrisons were c weeks after Varus had falli freed from the foot of an says: "Then Augustus, when of Varus, rent his garment, tion for the troops he had respecting the Germans and son of Italy was looked a "there remained no Roman y that were worth speaking of chosen by lot to serve in the tated were put to death. S on condition that they would fearful portents on earth an mits of the Alps are said to be of the biased up from them. Rome was shattered by li glowed as if on fire. Many statue of victory on the Ger statio facing Germany, turne are the stories told by the E who said also that for mo dreadful fate of the Roman Augustus would spring to his his apartments, beat his he cry: "Varus, give me back! The battle of the Teutobor point in the history of mank less to speculate upon what If Varus, from the West, had conquests with those of The it seems certain that in such of Rome would have long be



WAR HORSE PROBLEM IS SERIOUS IN ENGLAND

Falling Off in Breeding and Increase of Motor Traction Give War Office Reduced Number of Horses

London, April 10.—A very serious problem is arising in the army with regard to the supply of horses for war. The falling off in breeding and the increase of motor traction have affected the military service, but this disadvantage has been identified by the war office...

ANDREW CARNEGIE'S REMARKABLE EXPORTS GIVING AWAY MORE OF CONDENSED MILK

Philanthropist Hands Large Sum for Root Peace Fund to Hamilton College, New York State

Utica, N.Y., April 10.—President A. W. Striker, of Hamilton College, announced yesterday that Andrew Carnegie had just notified the college...

Washington, D.C., April 10.—During the past 10 years the United States exported \$16,000,000 worth of condensed milk according to reports made by customs officers to the bureau of statistics.

Standard Oil Still Exploded. Port Richmond, Cal., April 10.—One of the stills of the refining plant of the Standard Oil Company here exploded yesterday causing a fire that destroyed part of the works.

Quebec Councillor Dead. Quebec, April 10.—Hon. Francois Cossette, M. L. C., for the division of Rougemont, died yesterday at the Hotel Dieu hospital.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS DEAD MAN'S IDENTITY

Roomed on Burdette Avenue But Hid Identity From His Landlord

With the knowledge of the place of residence of the man whose dead body was found yesterday morning on the beach near the Clover Point rifle range and a detailed account of his life for the past two weeks...

YOUNG MEN WILL HELP RAISE MONEY

Y.M.C.A. Campaign For Building Fund Promises Well—Temporary Headquarters

To take up the question of perfecting organization for the campaign to raise \$100,000 for the Y. M. C. A. new building a meeting of young men will take place tonight at the association rooms.

Advertisement for Daintiest of Lingerie Waists and Summer Dress Fabrics by Henry Young & Co. Includes illustrations of women in various styles of clothing.

FROM KITCHEN MAID TO PRIMA DONNA

Mme. Olive Fremstad, Now a Starred - Renowned Singer, Started Her Career as a Domestic in America

Worcester, Mass., April 10.—From kitchen maid to operatic star—this remarkable achievement of Mme. Olive Fremstad is the subject of a new book...

Zam-Buk Cured Her Baby

Mothers will find the following statement of more than passing interest, showing, as it does, how Zam-Buk cures the skin-diseases of children...

Who shall fall under these various heads is defined by the bylaw. The head of a department shall mean every member of the civic service...

TO FIX STATUS OF EMPLOYEES

New Measure to be Brought in at Next Council Meeting by Ald. Bishop to be Called "Civil Service Bylaw 1909"

An adequate classification of the city's employees will be attempted by a bylaw to be introduced by Ald. Bishop at the next council meeting.

A BIRTHDAY MESSAGE FROM GENERAL BOOTH

Toronto, April 10.—General William Booth sends the following message on the anniversary of his eightieth birthday.

After spending eighty years in this world with almost countless opportunities for observing the purposes for which men generally live...

NEW YORK HONORS DEAD DETECTIVE

Flags Half-Masted as Ship Brings Home Remains of Man Murdered in Sicily—Fund for Widow

New York, April 10.—Flags flying at half-mast above the city hall and the police headquarters in Mulberry street yesterday marked the arrival...

SETTLER'S DEATH WAS CAUSED BY FOUL PLAY

Morris Had Considerable Money in His Possession—Chemical Analysis of Stomach Has Been Ordered

Milestone, Sask., April 10.—Foul play is believed to have caused the death of Chas. J. Morris, who was found burned to death on Monday.

HAD NARROW ESCAPE IN FIERCE FIRE ON SHIP

Large Number of Chinese and Japanese Narrowly Escaped Being Burned on Ship Tacoma

San Francisco, April 10.—A fierce fire raged for some time today on the ship Tacoma, of the Alaska Packers' Association fleet...

QUICKSILVER FIND

Prospectors in Vicinity of Prince Albert Said to Have Discovered Rich Ledge

Prince Albert, Sask., April 10.—Hannell's outfit, prospecting on the Saskatchewan opposite Lost River, made a remarkable find of quicksilver...

OBJECTORS BURNED DOWN CLUB HOUSE

Olympia Athletic Club's Quarters Destroyed by Incendiary Fire

Philadelphia, Pa., April 10.—The building of the Olympia Athletic Club at Essington, Pa., near here, in which fifteen-round prize fights were given...

Shot in Mistake for Burglar

San Francisco, April 10.—Mistaken for a burglar while at work in his office early today, Albert Svenson, manager of the Swedish-American Mercantile Company...

No Suspension of Mining

Philadelphia, April 10.—The union mine workers say that as far as they are concerned there will be no suspension of mining. President Lewis issued a statement this afternoon giving the mine workers' side of the controversy.

A Fine Red Seal Disc Record

Schubert's Serenade Sung by Evan Williams

PAWNEE EXPLOSION KILLS SIX

Faterson, N.J., April 9.—Six are reported to have been killed in an explosion in the Wayne powder plant at Wayne today.

ROOSEVELT AT PORT SAID

Port Said, April 9.—The Admiral with Theodore Roosevelt and the members of his party on board here at 6.30 o'clock this

SEVEN YEARS AN INVA

Then She Took "Fruit-a-tives" Is Now Well. Arnprior, Ont., Nov. 27. I was an invalid for seven years from fearful Womb Troubles, falling womb, with constant back and front of my body down my legs.



A few months ago, I was p to try "Fruit-a-tives." I took boxes, and from the outset treatment was better. The condition was cured, and the d lessened. I took for the pain a bottle for \$2.50, tried one recommended in the "Fruit-a-tives" book, but I feel that it was "Fruit-a-tives" alone that cured me.

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Highest prices paid for all Alaskan furs. Write for list containing much information raw fur shippers.

LIQUOR LICENSE ACT

Notice is hereby given the days after date I intend to the Superintendent of Provincial Affairs to sell intoxicants on the premises to be known as Parson's Bridge Hotel, situated on the corner of the intersection of the Victoria and Esquimalt roads, Esquimalt, B.C.

POWDER EXPLOSION KILLS SIX

Fine Building Demolished by sion in Wayne Powder Works

FLETCHER BROS.

Victor Headquarters



# PRINCIPALLY ABOUT EVENING DRESSES AND CORSETS

See Our Big Showing of Corsets, Also Window Display, Government Street Windows



## STYLISH WOMEN WEAR Royal Worcester Corsets

At the price there are none better—few so good. They are the product of nearly fifty years of applied genius in the art of corset-making.

Unending study of the ever-changing modes enable their designers to produce all the up-to-the-minute style effects.

## THIS STYLISH MODEL

is for the slender figure. It has medium high bust, long flat front, and medium hip and back. Made from white batiste.



## The "D.S." Corset

These corsets are special lines. They are made expressly for us by the D. & A. Corset company. We have models to suit all figures and the most attractive feature of all is the price, every quality is priced much below what you usually are asked to pay for qualities as good.

"D.S." CORSETS, three models at . . . . . \$1.00

"D.S." CORSETS, five models at . . . . . \$1.50

"D.S." CORSETS, four models at . . . . . \$2.00

The advent of the Directoire and Empire Gowns has called for special styles in corsets. These styles, on account of the extremely long lines, test the ingenuity and experience of the corset-makers to the utmost. To design and make these styles so that they will mould the figure to the proper lines, and yet stand the strain and the wear, has thoroughly tested the skill of the makers, and they have succeeded in producing corsets that are correct in shape, light in weight, comfortable to wear and durable. Next to correct style is to have them properly fitted. We have an expert fitter to see that every corset is properly fitted before it leaves the department.

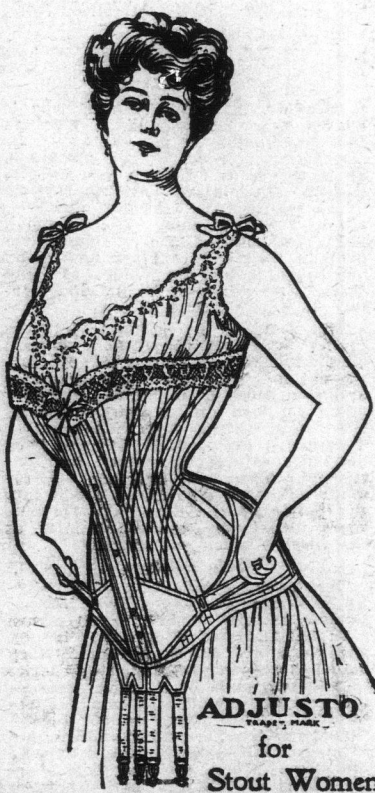
## Royal Worcester Adjusto Corsets for Stout Women

As the Adjusto bands are tightened, the prominent abdomen disappears and superfluous flesh of hips and lower back is restrained and moulded into graceful lines.

The Adjusto supports and firmly holds the bust and snugly fits the upper back, preventing unsightly bulging of flesh.

The Adjusto permanently retains its original shape, because it is correctly designed, made from durable materials and reinforced with superior quality stays.

The Adjusto is the only corset on the market that can be adjusted after once on the figure.



## Other Necessities to Be Found in the Corset Dept.

WOMEN'S BRASSIERES, from 75c to . . . . . \$1.25

WOMEN'S BUST FORMS, from 25c to . . . . . 85c

WOMEN'S SANITARY BELTS, from 25c to . . . . . 50c

WOMEN'S SANITARY TOWELS, from 50c to . . . . . \$1.50

WOMEN'S SANITARY TOWELS, each . . . . . 20c

BLOUSE DISTENDERS, \$1.00 and . . . . . \$1.50

WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S SHOULDER BRACES . . . . . 50c

WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S WAISTS, 25c to . . . . . \$1.50

SCOTT PADS, each 50c and . . . . . 65c

CLASP PROTECTORS, each 20c

CORSET LACE, three yards, five yards and seven yards long at 5c, 10c and . . . . . 15c

WOMEN'S MATERNITY WAISTS, nice lines at \$1.50 and . . . . . \$2.25

## The D. & A. Corsets

These are the best Corsets made in Canada, and we have them in all styles to fit every figure, priced from \$1.00 to \$5.00. This style as illustrated, sells at . . . \$2.25

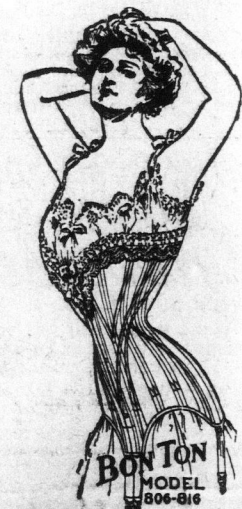


## Ideal for Summer Wear Bon Ton Batiste Corsets

Their inimitable style and grace, which have invariably marked them as perfect in design, material and finish, are notably expressed in the superb new models.

Bon Ton Batiste Corsets are made of fine, soft, pliable Batiste fabrics—very appropriate for wear with the daintiest of warm weather garments—and are unquestionably superior because they are light, cool, serviceable, comfortable and will not rust. The distinctive features of the new Bon Ton models are the long, flat front and hips, long, shapely back, and varying heights of bust, suited to every type of figure.

These Corsets are boned throughout with the best quality Eagle bone. Prices from \$5.00 to . . . . . \$8.00



## Special Items of Whitewear

NIGHTDRESS, slipover style, made of fine, soft cambric, low neck, finished with Swiss embroidered yoke, edged with filet lace, with ribbon inserted. Price . . . . . \$1.15

NIGHTDRESSES, slipovers, made of long cloth, square neck with yoke of filet insertion, neck and sleeves edged with filet lace with ribbon inserted. Price . . . . . \$1.25

NIGHTDRESSES, made of long cloth, square neck, with yoke of tucks and insertion, neck, front and sleeves trimmed with embroidery . . . . . \$1.50

UNDERSKIRTS, made of fine cambric, with 14 inch muslin flounce, with row of heavy torchon insertion, three inches wide, and edged with four inch torchon lace . . . . . \$1.75

UNDERSKIRTS, made of cambric, with 15 inch flounce of muslin, has rows of fine tucks and two rows of heavy insertion, edged with Swiss embroidery. Price . . . . . \$1.25

UNDERSKIRTS, made of fine cambric, with 13 inch flounce of muslin, with fine tucks, edged with seven inch embroidery . . . . . \$2.00

CORSET COVERS, made of fine cambric, has yoke of Swiss allover edged with filet insertion, trimmed with torchon lace with silk ribbon insertion . . . . . 75c

CORSET COVERS, made of fine muslin, fine tucks and four rows of embroidery down front, trimmed with filet lace inserted with silk ribbon . . . . . \$1.00

## Footwear for Women Moderately Priced

WOMEN'S BOOTS—The Piccadilly. Smart, dressy, patent colt, Blucher cut boot, medium weight, "Queen Quality" . . . . . \$4.00

WOMEN'S OXFORDS—The Piccadilly. An A1 quality patent colt, Blucher Oxford, Goodyear welt soles, Queen Quality . . . . . \$4.00

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If you live out of the city, we would like to serve you by mail. Thousands of satisfied patrons can testify to the thoroughness of the service we give in this department. A large trained staff, under expert supervision, give the orders the most careful attention, and every order is filled promptly. We issue a large Catalogue containing much valuable information, that we would be pleased to send to you on request. We solicit a trial of this department.

Dainty Lunches and Afternoon Tea at Our Tea Rooms

# Gowns for Afternoon and Evening Wear



The social whirl now resumes its sway, after the interruption of the Lenten season. If you contemplate getting any new afternoon or evening gowns, we have a magnificent assortment, and whether you want any or not, we would like very much to show you what we have. You are under no obligation to buy.

WOMEN'S PONGEE PRINCESS GOWNS, with yoke and collar of plain net trimmed with narrow gold braid, finished at waist with tucked belt and wide girde. Skirt with side panel and button trimming. Price . . . . . \$25.00

WOMEN'S TWO-PIECE DRESS, made of very fine spotted net, in white and ecru, suitable for evening or afternoon wear. Blouse, with yoke and collar of fancy insertion, with a finish of narrow lace, full length sleeve. Skirt made with rows of insertion and tucks, lined throughout with silk. Price \$22.50



WOMEN'S PRINCESS GOWN, made of fancy net, in ecru and white. Yoke and sleeve tucked and each tuck finished with lace. Skirt made with clusters of tucks and lined throughout with silk. Price . . . . . \$25.00

WOMEN'S HANDSOME EVENING GOWN, in pale pink net, Princess style, low neck and very short sleeve. V effect of shirred chiffon back and front. Girde of satin with silk braid trimmings. Skirt with train, bottom of skirt, sleeve and over shoulder to waist very elaborately trimmed with sequin net in fancy scroll. Entire gown silk lined. Price is . . . . . \$100.00

WOMEN'S PALE GREEN EVENING GOWN, Princess style, made of satin. Girde of wide gold braid with long ends, low neck and short puff sleeve, pointed effect to girde, back and front of shirred white net with gold braid trimmings. Skirt with train and tucked at hips. Bodice silk lined. Price . . . . . \$50.00



WOMEN'S HANDSOME PRINCESS GOWN, made of extra good quality of satin, in the new shade of green. Yoke and collar of tucked net with a finish of wide gold embroidery. Full length shirred sleeve. Skirt made with side panel and button trimming. Price \$45.00

WOMEN'S EVENING GOWN, in pale blue satin, Princess style. Low neck, full length sleeve of shirred chiffon, with satin trimming. Pleated girde with long ends reaching to bottom of skirt. Body of gown from girde to neck of embroidered net, with satin folds over shoulders. Price . . . . . \$50.00

WOMEN'S ELABORATE EVENING COSTUME, made of very fine quality black silk chiffon, Princess style, with high girde, low neck and short sleeve. V effect back and front of black sequin, with very rich Carrickmacross lace over shoulder to girde. Skirt with train finished with four large tucks and wide lace to match bodice. Entire gown silk lined. Price . . . . . \$85.00

## Seasonable Underwear for Men

NEW SPRING AND SUMMER UNDERWEAR—Special quality men's Balbriggan, strong, 2-thread, natural shade, and also with a pale blue stripe. Per garment . . . . . 50c

MEN'S MEDIUM WEIGHT ELASTIC RIBBED BALBRIGGAN SHIRTS AND DRAWERS—Natural shade, special quality. Per garment . . . . . 50c

MEN'S FINE LISLE ELASTIC RIBBED SHIRTS AND DRAWERS—Shades, blue and white. Special, per garment . . . . . \$1.00

MEN'S FINEST QUALITY MERCERISED LISLE THREAD, ELASTIC KNIT COMBINATION SUITS—Pink, blue and white shades. Per suit . . . . . \$3.75

MEDIUM WEIGHT UNDERWEAR—Natural shade Merino shirts and drawers, men's sizes. Just suitable for this season of the year. Special, per garment . . . . . 50c

MEN'S UNDERWEAR—Special knit, elastic ribbed, natural wool shirts and drawers, middle weight, for spring, all sizes for men. Per garment . . . . . \$1.25

## Children's Washing Dresses

GIRLS' DRESSES, made sailor style of checked gingham, white ground with light blue, dark blue and black checks. Square sailor collars and fronts trimmed with white. Sizes 4, 6 and 8 years. Price . . . . . \$2.25

GIRLS' DRESSES, made of fine zephyr, in self colors, sky, blue and pink. The waists are box-pleated with pointed yoke of Swiss insertion, three-quarter sleeves, with wristband of insertion, nice full pleated skirt, finished with deep hem. Sizes 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 years. \$2.75

## Now Comes House Cleaning

After Easter comes house-cleaning. This seems to be the time selected to put the house in order. We would like to do your carpet cleaning not only as a matter of business, but because we know that our Vacuum Cleaner will satisfy and please you. It is the only system that does the cleaning thoroughly without removing the carpets and upsetting the house. It costs no more than other systems and does far better work without any inconvenience to your home. We would be glad to estimate on any work you have to do.

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## SULTAN WOULD CAUSE OF REVOLT

There is Good Reason to believe That the Sultan self Organized the Mutiny Against Government

## YILDIZ KIOSK IN TOUCH WITH MILITARY

Abdul Hamid Caused the imprisonment of a Man Spoke Against the Loss of Revolutionary Movement

Berlin, April 15.—The Lokal Anzeiger today publishes a Constantinian despatch in which the correspondent says there is good reason to believe that the Sultan himself organized the military mutiny.

There are many methods of communication between Yildiz Kiosk and the mutineers. Mahmud Muskhamedov, who was yesterday full powers were conferred upon him to make short work of the mutineers. This statement was communicated to the Sultan who caused Mahmud to be imprisoned.

Getting Back to Normal Constantinople, April 15.—The Turkish capital is again assuming its normal aspect and there is a little outward evidence of the ferment that has marked the past two days. The new ministry promptly removed Yavuz Pasha, the Commandership of the First Corps and given this post to Pasha. Nazim Pasha was minister for a brief period prior to the Kaimil cabinet and the tents among the troops have been appointed to the post.

In the army, Ismael Kemal is new president of the Chamber of Deputies and provincial order. Liberal union was received by the Sultan in audience today. His speech in the course of the conversation emphasized that the welfare of the country made necessary a strict observance of the principles of the constitution in conformity with the Shera Law.

Comparatively Peaceful Constantinople, April 15.—A stirring evening yesterday, an early part of yesterday in the capital, the successful formation of a new cabinet and the issuance of imperial proclamation ordaining the preservation of the constitution and the bringing about a comparatively peaceful situation here last night.

The members of the new cabinet which Tewfik Pasha, as the minister, have been installed in office. The formation of the cabinet though it is not composed of (Continued on Page Two)

## CANADA HOLD THE WINNING HAND

London Wheat Man Says Fully Now in Canada Cover Half Grain Deficit Have Great Effect

London, April 15.—An ex-member of Market Lane discussed wheat shortage in an article in the Morning Post. He says Canada 4,000,000 quarters of old wheat if put into Market Lane would half the deficit. Canada holds position, and any movement makes would have an important on the operations which the ruling may be contemplating.

## LADY CARLING DIED IN LONDON, ONT.

London, Ont., April 15.—Lady Carling, wife of Sir John Carling, died here suddenly this morning of heart failure. She had been well for some time. It is thought that the excitement her granddaughter's wedding yesterday was too much for her. She was 60 years old.