

guest in a country house has a good part of the day to dispose of as he or she may fancy; and, as a result, a pleasant, home-like feeling much to be desired pervades the atmosphere of the house. Neither host or hostess appears to be laboring to provide perpetual entertainment for their guests, and the latter have plenty of time to write their letters, read their books and enjoy other like peaceful amusements. In a town house a masculine visitor receives a night-key as a pleasant intimation that he is to come and go as he pleases.

The small attendance at the Market Hall concert given by the "C" Battery and Royal Arthur bands, last Saturday evening, was commented upon by many. The Battery band has always been popular in Victoria, and the slimness of the audience is therefore attributed to the unpopularity of the Royal Arthur band. It is believed that the refusal of the admiral to permit his band to play at the picnic held on the Canadian national holiday in aid of the funds of the B. C. Benevolent Society, has had much to do with this. Even so, it is scarcely right that the men composing the band of the Royal Arthur should suffer for the actions of their superior officers. Heretofore the navy bands have been popular at this port, and it is really too bad that the one belonging to the Royal Arthur should be made an exception to the general rule.

Many men are valuable, but no man is indispensable. The truth of this proposition was forced upon me the other day by a commercial traveller, who related the following incident: "I've quite conquered the idea that my services are indispensable to my firm. The notion took complete possession of me once, years ago, but the experience resulting from it cured me forever. I had a good trade and, like many other young salesmen, fancied that I owned

the house, and made demands that were altogether unreasonable. Not being granted, I threatened to leave the house and go to some other firm, and to my surprise, was told to go. Smiling in derision at my principal's shortsightedness and confident that the old concern would fail very quickly without my service, I went out. And then I began to experience other surprises. I applied for a good position in vain. They were all filled. The old house did not recall me, and seemed to run right along as usual. I was put to sore straits, but found a cheap situation at last with a retail firm, and was glad to get it. Time passed. Instead of going to the wall the old house appeared to be doing better than ever. It didn't break worth a cent. One day the principal met me on the street and asked me how I was prospering. I told him frankly and acknowledged my fault. He took me back, and I've been with that house ever since. It was a needed lesson and will last for a life time."

Parson Gorman, the distinguished looking gentleman who opens the *Colonist* Chapel every evening with prayer, a few months ago became very disgusted at the bad odor into which the cloth had sunk through the conduct of one Parson Reams, and he therefore shook the dust of Victoria from his feet and departed for Australia. But "the parson" discovered that human nature is about the same in the Antipodes as on this continent, and he has returned to Victoria, where he will set type at the rate provided by the Typographical Union, and resume the pastorate of the *Colonist*. Parson Gorman tells wonderful stories of things he saw in Australia, many of which coming from anyone else would be open to doubt. For instance he says that there are 5,000,000 people out of work in New South Wales. From other sources I learn that the population of that country falls considerably short of that number, but I accept

the Rt. Rev. Parson Gorman's word as fact. He would not be the first gentleman of the cloth to drop into the very common error of exaggeration.

A gentleman, who is evidently disposed to mourn for the days that are gone, sends me the following:

Oh, the old school exhibitions! will they ever come again,
With the good, old-fashioned speaking
from the girls and boys so plain?
Will we ever hear old "Iser," with its
rapid roll and sweep,
And "Pilot, 'tis a fearful night; there's
danger on the deep."

Sweet Mary doesn't raise her lambs like
Mary did of old;
Their fleece is not "as white as snow,"
they're wandering from the fold.
The boy upon "the burning deck" is not
one-half as fine—
He was not "born at Bingen—at Bingen
on the Rhine!"

The girls don't speak in calico, the boys in
cotton jeans;
They've changed the old-time dress 'long
with the old-time scenes;
They smile and speak in ancient Greek in
broadcloth and in lace,
and you can't half see the speaker for the
collar 'round his face!

Oh, the old exhibitions! they are gone for
evermore!
The old school house is deserted, and the
grass has choked the door;
And the wind sweeps 'round the gables
with a low and mournful whine
For the old boys "born at Bingen—at
Bingen on the Rhine!"

Here is a crumb of comfort for those whose wardrobe is limited to a few becoming gowns only. A nice young bachelor confided the following comments to his neighbor at dinner the other evening: "I do like a woman who sticks to one or two becoming dresses. She and her dress then become identified with each other, and one gets a distinct idea of a girl in one's mind. But if she is one day in blue and another in yellow and the next in red, the individuality of the wearer is quite subservient to that of the gown, and it is just like looking at so many fashion plates or a kaleidoscope."

A physician who is a specialist in nervous diseases says that women should sleep at least nine

hours at night and one in the day time. A woman will plead that she hasn't time to lie down for a few minutes in the daytime; and she will infringe upon the hours of night, which should be given to sound, healthy, needed sleep, in order to finish some piece of work which could as well be completed on the morrow. She will rush and hurry all day long, and then, when the household is hushed in slumber at night she will sit up to read the daily paper, thinking she will not have to pay for the time she is stealing from the health-giving sleep that comes before midnight.

Exquisite penmanship is an accomplishment of which only a few can boast, for the reason that many teachers competent in other branches of study seem to lack the quality of writing legibly. It is now conceded that teaching penmanship should be left to experts, and there are numerous reasons why it should be so. Some time ago Mr. E. J. O'Sullivan, C. E., who has four times running been awarded the first prize in penmanship against competitors from all parts of Canada, opened a Business College in this city, and among other things he guaranteed to transform the chirography of the most ordinary penman into first-class writing in a short space of time. That he has succeeded in his promise evidence is found from many sources. Among other pupils of Mr. O'Sullivan was Mr. James R. Denneny, salesman in the establishment of Messrs. Gilmore & McCandless, the well-known Johnson street clothing men. Mr. Denneny, in a comparatively short period, became wonderfully proficient in the use of the pen, and the other evening was awarded the prize—a valuable gold-headed ebony walking stick, presented by Mr. O'Sullivan for superior penmanship. The judges were Messrs. Hon. Theodore Davis, Wm. Templeman, Rev. Father Nicolai, W. H. Ellis, Chas. Hayward and Robert Cassidy. Many of the specimens presented

by the competitors were models of art, but the judges had no hesitation in awarding the prize to Mr. Denneny, whose writing approached the nearest to perfection, judged from the standard of delicacy, clearness and finish of the gracefully formed letters. As a result, he is now receiving the congratulations of his friends.

The *Colonist* appears to be afflicted with hydrocephalous—by the way, what does all this solicitude mean? Is it prompted by a desire to see certain individuals rewarded for their enterprise, reimbursed money which at present yields about two per cent per annum, or does the dear people, from whom that paper makes its living, need better water? If they need better water, is the source which the *Colonist* points out the only available one, and is it expedient for any body of people to fly to that which is first presented and lies nearest to hand?

Briefly, the position, to my mind, is almost this: The Water Works Co. have a magnificent property, a grand supply of an article for which they have no market, because this city, on account of protective enactments, prohibits the entry of a competitor with itself; hence the magnificent property and grand supply stand to the company as virtue to an individual—it is its own reward, and they have had their labor for their pains. Let the people consider the relative position of the two institutions—the city and the company—and reflect well before giving up the only thing they possess which at present yields a revenue. If the writer's interpretation is correct, it is better for us to bear the ills we have than fly to others that we know not of.

What is the company's offer? Simply this: We will allow you to expend \$200,000 in the laying down of pipes through which the water which we possess may be brought to the outer limits of your

city; on its arrival there, we will pass it through a meter, and you can have 1,750,000 gallons daily for 6c per 1,000 gallons. In the absence of a better, that is a good proposition, for by it the people are offered a better article than they have at present for the *same price* that the poorer article costs, *apparently*. I have italicised "apparently" for there is more to be said about the *cost* of the article. Now, why is it only *apparently* so? Because the city already has \$554,000 invested in water works plant, which, together with the \$200,000 additional which must be invested, makes her outlay in round figures three-quarters of a million dollars, for which she has to provide interest, beside paying the 6c per 1,000 gallons. Let us see what this all yields per annum.

Interest.....	\$33,750
Maintenance and Salaries.....	16,471
Cost of water at 6c.....	38,325
Total.....	\$88,546
From which deduct our profit as shareholders in the new Co'y.....	21,662
Leaves our cost....	\$66,884

But our entire receipts last year were only \$54,840, or a clean loss by the new way of \$2,044 per year. Can we afford to throw away that which yields a revenue and take up that which will incur a liability? Now, let us see how the boot fits the other leg. The water company, by their statements, show that they have expended about \$200,000, from which they derive a revenue of \$5,000, or a return of 2½ per cent. for their investment, but, immediately upon the coalition, their revenue becomes \$21,000, or 10 per cent. upon their investment. I have but one question to ask. What will any business man give to another who will guarantee to increase his profits five fold? Will he offer to sell, or will he give half his property gratuitously?

PERE GRINATOR.

The part Nat Goodwin is to play in "In Missouri" is that of the sheriff of Pike county, a type Playwright Thomas claims to have studied.

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SOUNDS AND ECHOES.

THE new comet is now visible near the Great Dipper, and thereby hangs two tails.

THE village of Luckey has had a \$100,000 fire. As Shakespeare remarked one day: "What's in a name?"

A PHILADELPHIA girl broke off her engagement because the young man refused to shave off his moustache. In Victoria, the dear girls usually do not set their faces against things so strongly as that.

THE success of the World's Fair is now assured. Citizen George Francis Train arrived in Chicago during the week, bringing with him his peculiar psychic force, which he will at once bring favorably to bear against the adverse circumstances that have been retarding success. There can be but one result.

AN ~~exchange~~ exchange tells the following good story which tends to show that our parents in their day and generation were just as foolish as the average run of young people: "A ~~young~~ girl recently found a lot of love letters written by her father to her mother many years before they were married. The daughter read them to her mother, pretending they were of recent date, and substituting her own name for that of her mother's and the name of a young man very well known to both for her father's. Her mother was very much disgusted, and has forbidden her daughter to go with a young man who will write such nonsense and sickening stuff." P.S.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Mr. W. A. Black, secretary of the Ogilvie Milling Co., Winnipeg, was in the city during the week.

Mrs. R. H. Lee, of Kamloops, accompanied by her daughter, is visiting her mother Mrs. Tite, 141 Pandora Avenue.

Mrs. C. Cochrane, of Kingston, Ont., arrived from the east Friday evening on a few months visit to her son, John Cochrane, 23 Rithet street.

Miss Dickinson, of New Westminster, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. G. E. Parkes, of Humboldt street, left for her home Thursday evening.

Mr. Victor Mitchell, who went east a

short time ago, is expected home about the end of the month. It is said that he will be accompanied by his bride, a young lady of London, Ont.

Mrs. James Dunsmuir, gave an enjoyable children's party, Tuesday afternoon, at her residence "Burleith," near the Gorge. The party concluded with a dance in the evening.

Mr. John Mahrer, of Nanaimo, and Miss Louise Philo, daughter of Rabbi Philo, were united in marriage last Sunday evening, at the residence of the bride's father, 85 Herald street.

DON'T MISS THEM.

Places of interest for strangers to see during their visit in Victoria:—

- The suspect station, Ross Bay.
- James Bay flats, while the tide is out.
- The Albert Head smallpox hospital.
- Government street hack stand.
- Sim Kee's opium joint, Cormorant street.
- Dominion Government Indian Reservation.
- Johnson street Boulevard.
- The Canada Western Hotel.
- The Chinese lottery.
- The nuisance ground.
- Phillip Chalk's residence on the flats.
- The Aldermanic mound builders.
- Fortifications at Esquimalt.
- The schooner J. R. McDonald, James Bay.
- The congregation worshipping at St. Andrew's.
- Mount Tolmie toboggan slide.
- The Chinese meat market.

USEFUL INFORMATION.

Directions for making bread with Ogilvie's flour.—To one quart of milk or water add two-thirds of a teacupful of yeast or one cake of compressed yeast, add flour to the thickness of batter, and let it rise over night; then add flour enough to knead softly twenty minutes, as it requires more kneading than softer ground flour or flour made from winter wheat. Let it rise in the pan, then make into small loaves, and let it rise again. Bake in a moderate oven.

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HINTS ABOUT DRESS SILKS.

Primrose striped with pale green is a favorite in the latest gauzes.

A real Paris novelty is the new silk woven in puffed stripes alternating with flat stripes.

A new heavy silk fabric for walking gowns, in plain and glaze, is known as the "England."

Among the more recently introduced novelties is a variety of honeycomb and basket weaves.

Black satins are seeded with tiny silk spots, and black silk, striped with fine lines of pale blue, attracts attention.

A changeable satin may be combined with mervilleux, in shaded effect, figured with tiny stars in gold applique satin.

Satin finished peau de soie, in two changeable colors, as green and old rose, mauve and Nile, etc., is very effective in combination.

Extra widths in silk goods will be called for to make the new bell skirt. Felix is having special fabrics manufactured for this purpose, and the extra widths will certainly be called for.

Silks in changeable ombre or other fancy effects are striped with heavy lines of satin or crossed in quadrille effects, while glaze, changeable satins show a stripe of white brocade and all-over figures of a color.

The corduroy silks, in various oriental striped effects, and in rich and striking combinations of contrasting colors, are among the real novelties in the dress goods department. Green, gold and roses are favorite colors.

Black satin duchesse and bengaline are looked upon as standard. A charming "harlequin" bengaline shows old rose, ecru, blue, green, yellow and tan in alternate cords; then one of rosewood brown, and then comes a repetition of "harlequin" stripes.

A heavy, glossy satin, figured with little set figures in plain silk which appear to be sunk in the satin surface and display three or four colors on a black or dark marine ground, has been named "Vitreux." It is especially effective when used in combination with black satin.

Some magnificent brocades show a shot or changeable ground, having lace effects in a spray, serpentine stripe, set or wavy design, taken from a bit of old lace, while figured empire brocades usually show flowers, leaves and stems scattered sparingly over rich satin grounds.

THE WIFE IN BUSINESS.

Although the bachelor merchant, perhaps, has an advantage in respect of his cheaper living expenses, yet the prospects of success of the married dealer should, on the average, be more promising, other things being equal, on account of the assistance which the wife can render her husband at critical periods, when accurate judgment is needed to steer a right course, and when two heads should be better than one, says the *Merchants' Review*.

A man's wife often knows better than

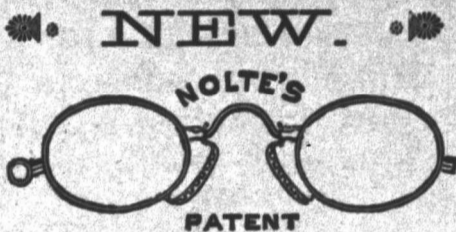
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he does about a great many things, and while he need not lower himself in her estimation by admitting her mental superiority, it is sometimes well for him to silently recognize her superior intelligence and profit by it. If he is a wise man, he will not be too ready to come into accord with the opinions of his wife, but will effect a great deal of wisdom of his own, even though he knows he has none. It never increases a wife's respect for her husband to know that he is her inferior in anything, and it certainly does not increase her respect or her affection to have him intimate by word or look that she does not know anything at all. The judgment of the average woman regarding the disbursement of money is often better than that of the average man, particularly when it comes to spending money for domestic purposes. It takes a shrewd tradesman to get over the average sensible woman, while the tradesman finds it easy to work off stale goods on the average man; and the most conceited man might as well acknowledge frankly that his wife can attend to most of the affairs of her own household better than he can attend to them for her. Women very often have the most acute perception regarding business affairs. If men would only "talk business" with their wives, instead of taking it for granted that women "don't understand anything about business," there would probably be fewer failures. Many a successful business man owes his success to the keenness of judgment of a partner whose name does not appear in the firm or over the shop window, and who is not supposed to have any connection with the business, and that partner is his wife, in whom he is wise enough to confide.

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STORIES OF BANKING.

Lyman J. Gage, president of the First National Bank of Chicago, tells the following interesting tales:—

"I recently heard," said Mr. Gage, "of a banker in Wisconsin, a man of iron firmness, who, hearing of bank troubles in many local cities, determined that he would not lend a dollar, but would collect every claim due him. He enjoyed the entire confidence of the community, being a man of undoubted responsibility. Soon after the banker had determined upon this policy, a man of substance applied to him for a loan of \$100. The banker refused roughly, on the ground that he could not spare the money. The would-be borrower, from whose mind the illusion had not yet been dissipated that a bank was a fountain from which wealth flowed, was shocked and pained. He went out among other members of the community expressing his grief that his banker was in such a distressed situation. Certain depositors put their own construction upon the meaning of all this. Within a week the banker himself was an humble borrower in Chicago, having paid in hard cash 25 per cent., of his liabilities to the community which had lost faith in him."

Mr. Gage then told a story of another kind in pleasant contrast. "After the panic of 1873," he said, "I visited a not distant town of moderate size, and the most important merchant of the place gave me this: "For a week or ten days during the panic, business here came to a standstill. We did absolutely nothing. One day we received a \$100 bill by express from a distant town, with directions to credit it upon the open account of the sender. We looked at the \$100 bill with interest and curiosity. After conferring together we concluded to send it to Mr. A., to whom we owed a small amount, knowing that he was in need. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon a wagon-maker in the village came into our office with a broad smile on his face, and said: "I am glad to pay you \$100 on account. It is the first money I have seen in a good while." We took the money and discovered it to be the same note we had received by express in the morning. We asked him where he got it, expecting he would reply that he received it from Mr. A., to whom we paid it. He told us he had received it from Mr. B. We then followed the history of the note back and found that it had liquidated six other debts of \$100 each during the day, and in the afternoon it had come back to us liquidating another debt of \$100. We still had the note for fresh operations the next day."

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MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

The Victoria will remain dark next week.

Miss Margaret Marshall leaves for the east to-day.

Henry Irving will pass through Victoria next week.

Digby Bell, the well known operatic comedian, will head a large company the coming season.

Rose Coghlan has a new husband. He is John T. Sullivan, her talented and versatile leading man.

Joe Grismer and Phoebe Davis, the celebrated Western stars, open at an early date at the Madison Square Theatre, New York, in a grand production of "The New South."

The famous Lottie Collins will star America the coming season surrounded by the brightest stars of the English vaudeville stage. Ralph Perry, the famous shadow-graphist, has been engaged.

John Kernell, the Irish comedian, is said to receive the largest salary with the "Hustler" that any Irish fun maker ever drew. Two hundred and fifty gold iron dollars is said to be his weekly stipend.

Among the pieces Felix Morris will have in his repertoire next season is that exceedingly clever character sketch, "Kerry," adapted from the French by Mr. Boucicault, who used to play the title role with remarkable success.

A female minstrel company invaded Fargo, Dak., recently, and of course had a full house. Among the original jokes was one of the "practical" sort, in consequence of which a good many who occupied front seats, and some who didn't are reported all broken up. One of the beauties connected with the show was sent around to the entrance door in street costume where she demanded admittance. The door-keeper stopped her, whereat she screamed, "Let me in! My husband's in there and I'm going to take him out!" Instantly several hundred men—some bald and some not—began trying to get under the seats, while one made a dash out of the window and escaped in the darkness.

Harry—What is that on the table, mamma?

Mother—That is a typewriter, dear.

Harry—Where does the champagne go in it?

Mother—Why, what are you thinking of, Harry? No one puts champagne in it.

Harry—Yes, they do. Papa does. I heard him tell Mr. Smith the other night that it costs him \$10 to fill his typewriter with champagne. So now!

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Remember this: They that will not be counselled cannot be helped.

Measure not men by Sundays, without regarding what they do all the week after.

It makes a great difference in the force of a sentence whether a man be behind it or no.

A worker who fails to keep his appointments makes untold trouble for his associates.

Conceit is to nature what paint is to beauty, it is not only needless, but impairs what it would improve.

There lies no nobility, no dignity in evil retort of any kind; evil is evil when returned as much as when given.

The best equipment for well-doing is in the experience gained from having done well before. The reward of one duty is the power to fulfil another.

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